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Dr. Dipl.-Ing. Oliver Grün, born in 1969, is founder, sole shareholder and director of GRÜN Software AG, as well as president and chairman of the German Association of Medium-Sized IT-Companies (BITMi). Moreover, Grün is vice president of the Pan European ICT & eBusiness Network for SMEs (PIN-SME) and since 2013 member of the Advisory Council for IT of the Federal Ministry of Economy, which gives advice on issues concerning the digital economy.

Grün first graduated in 2001 as graduate engineer, followed by a doctorate in the sector of business informatics, in 2005. He founded his software company in 1989, which now employs about 100 employees in six different locations and diverse companies. Grün now lives in Belgium and next to his family, his greatest passion applies for sailing.

## **Curriculum Vitae**

Born in 1969 in Mülheim an der Ruhr. High School in 1988 at the Municipal School Broich, Mülheim an der Ruhr.

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| 1990-2001    | Studies, RWTH University , Aachen; Focus: civil engineering, structural engineering, diploma examination 2001 title Diplom-Ingenieur   |
| 1993-2000    | Founder and CEO of GRÜN Software GmbH, Aachen  |
| 1995         | Winner of the European Software Marketing Award, Hannover  |
| 2004-2007    | Founder and director of the private company GRÜN Business Services Slovakia, Bratislava  |
| 2004-2005    | Doctorate, Comenius University , Bratislava, majoring in business computer science, dissertation topic: Knowledge-based model for software implementation; Supervisor Assoc. Prof. Michal Gregus, PhD., Doctoral exam 2005, title: Doctor of Philosophy in Economics   |
| 2005         | Winner of the IT Innovation Award, Hannover; Category Knowledge Management for knowledge-based model for software implementation   |
| 2008-2013    | Second Doctorate, Comenius University, Bratislava; majoring in Economic computer science, dissertation topic: Requirements Management & knowledge-based model for software implementation; Supervisor Assoc. Prof. Michal Gregus, PhD; PhD exam 2013, title: Doctor of Philosophy in Economics with permission for lectureship |
| 2000-present | Founder, sole shareholder and Chairman / CEO of GRÜN Software AG , Aachen  |
| 2007 Today   | Co-managing director of giftgrün GmbH , advertising agency, Aachen   |

- 2009 Today Co-founder and board member of gut.org AG , Berlin, operator of the donation platform betterplace.org
- 2014 Today Co-managing director of spendino GmbH , software company, Berlin
- 2010 Today President and CEO of the Federal Association of IT-Mittelstand eV (BITMi), Aachen / Berlin
- 2013 Today Vice President PIN-SME , European Association of IT-Mittelstand, Brussels

Resident in Belgium at Aachen. Married and father of three children.

### **Other mandates**

- 2005-2010 Member of the Examination Board of the Chamber of Commerce Aachen to IT professionals training, Aachen
- 2008 Today Jury member of the IT Innovation Award from Initiative Mittelstand
- 2011 Today Member of the Supervisory Board of SOPTIM AG , software company, Aachen / Essen
- 2011 Today Reviewer for the competition Usability in the SME sector under the Initiative Mittelstand Digital , Federal Ministry of Economics, Berlin
- 2012 Today Full member of the Working Group 1 to the IT Summit , Federal Ministry of Economics, Berlin
- 2013 Today Member of the Advisory Board for education and training of the Society for computer science (GI), Bonn
- 2013 Today Member of the IT Advisory Council of the Federal Ministry of Economy "Young Digital Economy" , Berlin
- 2014 Today Member of the Federal Economic Senate of the German Association for Small and Medium-sized Businesses, Berlin
- 2014 Juror "Digital heads of Germany "of GI on the initiative of the Federal Ministry of Education, Berlin
- 2014 Today Member of the CDU commission "Work of the Future - Future of Work" , CDU Germany, Berlin, as a party independent expert
- 2014 Today Member of DIN, NIA working committee "Competencies in the ICT industry", DIN German Institute for Standardization e. V., Berlin