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### **Biography**

Early 2003, Xavier Fouger created Dassault Systemes' Academy, the corporate organization supporting skills in Product Lifecycle Management and in 3D design by means of global and local education and certification programs. This organization promotes lifelong learning through a fast growing network of 140 partners providing education services and thousands of academic institutions.

Prior to joining Dassault Systemes, he was working for the French embassy in Vienna - Austria to promote scientific and technological co-operations between various Austrian and French education and research institutions.

He started his career at Dassault Systemes in 1990 as Sales Area Manager Germany -then Europe. In a next position as Senior Consultant for Dassault Systemes' Automotive Competency Center, Xavier implemented co-operation models with several car manufacturers and suppliers in Germany, France and Korea. He also led a group of experts in automotive process innovation with a special focus on advanced engineering practices for several global automotive companies.

His recent work focuses on supporting engineering educators to sustain enthusiasm for engineering, to faster align curricula with emerging professional skills requirements, to invent new practices for diversity in learning and to define the new role of global engineers.

He concentrates active participations to a limited number of societies, including the "Association Française pour la Valorisation des Relations Scientifiques et Techniques", the American Society for Engineering Education, the International Federation of Engineering Education Societies and the Cartagena Network of Engineering.

He holds a Master's degree in production engineering from the Ecole Centrale de Lille and provides lectures on Innovation Management in several world class educational institutions.

