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He has been active in the field of sustainable investments in Brussels, Germany, Switzerland and Paris since 2005. Classically trained as a banker, he is currently applying his expertise in the EU after several years of university lectures and invitations to working groups of the Sustainable Finance Advisory Board of the German Government. His private passion is rowing.

since 2024	<b>F.I.R.S.T. (FNG-Siegel)</b> Managing Director	Paris / Hamburg
2017-2023	<b>QNG (FNG-Label)</b> Managing Director	Paris / Berlin
2015 - 2016	<b>Kloster Ebernach / Private project on family wine estate</b> Voluntary work with disabled people	Mosel (GER)
2013 - 2014	<b>Alternative Bank Schweiz AG</b> Head of Asset Management	Olten (SUI)
2010 – 2012	<b>LGT Capital Management</b> Senior SRI-Product Specialist	Pfäffikon (SUI)
2005 – 2010	<b>Dexia Asset Management (today: Candriam)</b> Co-Head SRI: Senior Fund Manager & Team Leader Lipper Award: Best Fund over five years	Brussels
2004	<b>Sabbatical</b> Support of the parental wine estate	Mosel (GER)
1998 – 2003	<b>HfB-Invest</b> Managing Director	Frankfurt
1998 – 2001	<b>Deutsche Asset Management</b> Portfolio Manager institutional mandates	Frankfurt
2001	<b>Frankfurt School of Finance &amp; Management / HEC</b> Diploma in Business Sciences (Dipl.-Bw.)	Frankfurt / Montréal
2000	<b>Banque Nationale du Canada</b> Economic department (study-work program)	Montréal
1995 – 1997	<b>Deutsche Bank AG / Berufsschule</b> Vocational Training	Trier (GER)
1994	<b>Abitur (baccalaureate)</b>	Mosel (GER)

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**F.I.R.S.T.** is a non-profit organisation with the aim of promoting sustainability in the financial sector. The acronym “F.I.R.S.T.” stands for “Finance, Impact, Research, Sustainability, & Transparency”. Specific objectives are: Promoting the transparency of sustainable investments and investment products, providing information and advice on sustainability in the financial sector, review and assessment of investment and financial products with regard to sustainability criteria, development of standards and labels as well as awarding quality marks and promoting scientific work and projects in the field of sustainable finance.

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