

Solar[®] Turbines

A Caterpillar Company

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Bernhard graduated from the Polytechnic University of Bochum in 1989. Shortly after, he began his career in Design Engineering with MAN Turbo. Five years later he joined European Gas Turbines in Germany, initially in Application Engineering, and later transitioned to Sales Manager for the Middle East.

In 1998 Bernhard relocated to Belgium to join Solar Turbines Europe. Until 2004 when he relocated to San Diego, Ca he held various positions with increasing responsibilities including Director of Sales, Application Engineering and Project Management for Europe, Africa and Middle East.

Since his relocation to San Diego Bernhard provided leadership to various strategic business initiatives in the Oil and Gas Organization as well as in Customer Services.

In 2011 Bernhard was promoted to the position of Director Gas Compressor Business including Research and Development, Engineering, Manufacturing and Testing of all Solar Gas Compressors.

Since 2015 Bernhard is in charge of all of Solar Turbines' Gas Turbine Technology and New Product Development including Development Testing