# **Christophe ZARETTI**

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Dynamic leader with 20+ years of experience in operations management, business development, and R&D management. Proven track record of driving growth, operational efficiency, and innovation in international industrial and high-tech environments.

#### PROFESSIONNAL EXPERIENCE

## CLA-VAL Europe, Lausanne (VD), CH

Product manufacturer of electromechanical products for the water distribution infrastructure

#### **Deputy Managing Director (Since 2018)**

General Vice Director: assist in operation's management CHF 50 million revenue, 25% operating profit, 90+ employees Key achievements:

- Strategic initiative leading to 15% YoY growth and margin improvement
- Operational efficiency: 15% cost reduction, 50% quality improvement
- Supply chain: Setup of a new manufacturing line

#### **Technical Director (Since Nov. 2014)**

Head of the R&D, Sales Support, Marketing, and IT departments: 20+ FTE

- Division P&L responsibility
- Innovation: definition and deployment of a strategic initiative leading a revenue growth of 5%
- Setup and development of the R&D department
- People management
- Transatlantic coordinator (cross-site and cross-functional)

**Keysight Technologies (ex Agilent)**, Plan-Les-Ouates (GE), CH Product manufacturer of high-tech electronic products for the test and measurement industry

#### **Product Marketing & Business Development (2008-2014)**

- Business Development: USD 8 million revenue
- Product Marketing: product definition and market launch

### R&D Engineer – Analog Electronics (2005-2008)

- *Development*: Design of analog electronic circuits (high frequency, high-definition signal acquisition)
- Project Management: Project planning tracking and reporting

#### **Business Angel**

Business Angels Switzerland (since 2023)

#### **Service Club**

Member of the Rotary Club Lausanne-Ouest (since 2023)

#### **Values**

Flexibility
Autonomy
Respect & Trust
Accountability
Hard Work

#### **Talents**

Empowering Leader Vision Committed Excellent Communicator Analytical & Strategic

#### Languages

French Main language English Fluent

Spanish Fluent

**German** Conversational **Italian** Understanding

### **STUDIES**

## **Executive MBA in Corporate Finance and Management**

University of Lausanne – HEC (2022)

## **CAS Finance & Accounting**

University of Lausanne – HEC (2018)

## **OWP – Orchestrating Winning Performance**

IMD Lausanne (2016)

## **Master Electrical and Electronics Engineering,**

Swiss Institute of Technology Lausanne – EPFL (2005)

1-year at ETHZ in Zurich (2003)

### **FUN FACTS**

Origins from Spain (Barcelona) and Italy (Bergamo), but born and raised in Switzerland

Martial Arts instructor (Jeet Kune Do, Kali, and Silat)

Former wine grape home-producer

Cigar amateur

Proud "father" of a 50 kg female dog (Italian Mastiff / Cane Corso)