

Dr. Michael Grosch

SENIOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT

TVET systems | Skills development | Digital education | Education reform

Independent senior expert based in Thailand and working internationally



25+

years of experience

PhD

Education, magna cum laude

ASEAN

long-standing regional focus

Global

cross-regional assignments

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Dr. Michael Grosch is a senior international education consultant with more than 25 years of experience in international education cooperation, TVET systems development, skills development, digital learning and institutional capacity development. He combines system-level analysis with practical implementation and has served as Head of Mission, Team Leader, Senior Advisor, Lead Expert, evaluator and trainer.

CORE EXPERTISE

- TVET policy, systems reform and institutional development
- Competency-based curricula, standards and qualification frameworks
- Teacher and trainer education, work-based learning and industry linkage
- Digital education, ICT strategy and technology-enhanced learning
- Programme design, appraisal, monitoring, evaluation and applied research
- Educational data analytics and responsible AI-supported workflows

REGIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

- Sustained professional engagement in Thailand, Lao PDR, Myanmar and ASEAN-wide programmes
- Additional assignments across South Asia, Africa and Europe
- Experience with ministries, universities, TVET institutions and development partners
- Working languages: German and English; strong professional proficiency in Thai

SELECTED CLIENTS AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS

GIZ | UNESCO IITE | Nuffic | LuxDev | DAAD

SELECTED RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

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| 2026-27 | Nuffic - Senior Expert
EU-ASEAN SCOPE-HE: design of a modular Labour Market Insight training curriculum, regional capacity-building workshops and an open-access toolkit for higher education, TVET and government stakeholders across ASEAN. |
| 2026 | UNESCO IITE - Educational Data Analytics Consultant
Assessment and documentation of open educational datasets for learning analytics in higher education, including data-quality review, analytical synthesis and practical guidance for educators and administrators. |
| 2026 | LuxDev - Senior Expert - Lao PDR
Development of a practical toolkit and capacity-building workshops for revenue-generating activities in integrated and technical vocational education and training institutes. |
| 2025-26 | LuxDev - Technology-Enhanced Teaching and Learning
Situational analysis of digital teaching and learning practices, infrastructure and capacity at central and provincial levels in Lao PDR, followed by an implementation workplan and recommendations. |
| 2024-26 | GIZ - Senior ICT and TVET Evaluator
Strategic guidance, quality assurance and programme development as a regular appraisal mission expert for ICT and TVET under the GIZ appraisal framework contract. |

SELECTED LEADERSHIP AND DELIVERY

- Team Leader for Myanmar's national standard and curriculum for TVET teacher education, including master-trainer development.
- Led curriculum, online training and digital-media production support for 500 TVET teachers in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Designed a pilot and national MOOC rollout reaching up to 2,000 TVET teachers in South Africa.
- Led development of an in-company trainer standard for the Mekong Region, later upscaled to ASEAN.

EDUCATION AND APPOINTMENTS

- Dr. phil. in Education, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, 2011 (magna cum laude).
- M.A. in Education, Philosophy and Musicology, University of Karlsruhe, 2001.
- Honorary Professor, Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg.
- Former advisor to the Thai Senate Committee on Vocational Education.
- Former researcher and lecturer at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology.

WORKING APPROACH

- Evidence-led diagnostics linked to feasible implementation
- Participatory work with ministries, institutions and expert teams
- Responsible use of digital and AI tools while retaining expert judgement

Discuss an assignment or expert role

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