

## ANDREAS BITZI



### **Founder & Managing Partner, Quality Partners**

Quality Partners is a consulting company supporting foreign businesses on their way to and within Russia, in legal, tax, finance, accounting, HR, recruiting, localisation and business strategy via offices in St. Petersburg and Moscow. The clients come from all over Europe and the Americas, with a strong focus on German speaking countries.

### **Chairman of the Northwestern Regional Committee, Association of European Business in Russia**

The Association of European Businesses in Russia (AEB) is the most important representative of interest of foreign businesses in Russia. The association collects and lobbies positions and interests of the members, organises exchange of information, education and networking.

Partnership agreement signed with the Governor of Leningradskaia Oblast at SPIEF 2017, participation in regular events with the investment committee of the Leningrad Region, events of Pskov region, Novgorod Region, different events in Moscow.

### **Member of the Rotary Club St. Petersburg International**

Rotary is an international charity organisation. The Rotary Club St. Petersburg international focuses on charity for children. The club has realised many projects, such as large international support with unique equipment for the Pushkin Foundation, for Nochlezhka, orphanages, etc.

### **Lecturer at the Graduate School of Management (GSOM)**

International Business and Macroeconomics (Swiss Franc / Swiss economy), exams commission participation, curriculum board for the bachelor programme.

Member of the **German-Russian Chamber of Commerce, GIM Unimpresa (Italy), Automobile Cluster Northwest Russia, Deutsch-Russisches Forum (Germany).**

**Former positions:**

- **Director / Partner Schneider Group office St. Petersburg, 2008 - 2017**  
Schneider Group is a large consulting company supporting foreign investors in Russia, the CIS and Poland.  
Built up an office from 15 to 45 employees
- **Business Unit Finance Manager, Hewlett-Packard Switzerland, 2007 - 2008**  
Revenue responsibility for three business units of HP. Hewlett-Packard is a leading international IT company.
- **Finance Director / Financial Controller, Swiss Krono Group in Ukraine & Russia, 2004 - 2007**  
First financial controller, then SAP implementation manager and finally financial director at three plants of Swiss Krono Group, an international leader in the production of particle boards, OSB boards and laminate flooring.

**Seminars** held in finance & accounting, business set-up in Russia, macroeconomics of Russia, legal subjects, tax issues, HR issues, localisation of manufacturing in Russia.