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Klaus Pannenbäcker is currently a teacher, coach and certification assessor of project management for the 4-Level-Certification System of IPMA in Germany, Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Poland, Hungary, Egypt, Russia, Ukrainian, India, Iceland, Portugal and South Africa. He is a member of an international network for R&D of new technologies in manufactories and of process development in public operations. Klaus Pannenbäcker is one of the best known figures in the world of professional project management and a leading figure in the German project management community.

Former president and current member of the “Advisory Board” of the German Project Management Association (GPM - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Projektmanagement), Klaus previously served as vice president, president and Chair of the International Project Management Association (IPMA) and remains active in the IPMA network of researchers and assessors. He remains a Project Management AWARD Assessor for GPM, First Assessor of GPM / PM-ZERT and First Foreign Assessor for IPMA in 12 countries. 2010-13 he started as Partner in Romania an EU financed Project to implement PM in middle sized Companies. Since 2010 he is member of the IPMA Research SIG “Development PM Competences”.

Besides Knowledge and Experience, personal Attitude and Aptitude should be certified too. Klaus began his 52-year career at Siemens AG (1959-1969), where he developed and implemented cost calculations for site assembled construction of industrial plants; During 1969-1981, he developed codes, standards and a project management office for Kraftwerkunion AG, a Daughter Company of Siemens AG.

From 1981 until retiring in 2001, Klaus was owner and managing director at GABO Anlagentechnik und Prozessmanagement GmbH, where he managed the development and implementation of GABO software „Re-Documentation“ used to update technical documentation (as built) for all faculties and for synchronic labeling of mechanical systems, electrical equipment and I&C installations in power plants in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Iceland and South Africa. Gabo also developed and implemented project management via Project Management Office (PMO) in companies of plant engineering and operations plant operation, especially of power plants. He has also served as Associate Professor at universities of applied science of project management in Riedlingen, Ulm, and Hannover.

A 1959 Engineering Graduate of the University of Applied Science in Dortmund, Klaus achieved extensive technical and management training over the course of his career and became an expert and leader in the project management field based on experience, training and involvement in GPM and IPMA. Klaus lives in Erlangen near Nuremberg, in Southern Germany.