



Christine Maria Wirths

Christine Wirths works for more than 12 years as a cross-cultural consultant, facilitator and trainer. She is the Founder and Managing Director of CultureWaves, a company that provides intercultural training, consulting and coaching for international organisations.

Her major projects involve designing and implementing intercultural training and workshop programmes for international clients. Utilising internal research based on interviews and needs analysis questionnaires with international managers, she develops customised modules for various target groups like project managers and senior management. The modules cover topics like Intercultural Communication, Intercultural Management, Intercultural Project Work, Multicultural Teambuilding, Executive Coaching, Country-specific Programmes as well as Facilitation of Multinational Team Events.

She is a licensed consultant of WorldWork (www.worldwork.biz) and integrates in her coaching and training management and team development tools like "The International Profiler" and "The Trust in Teams Indicator". Christine has been qualified by the 'Beratergruppe Neuwaldegg' in "Change Management". Apart from helping her clients in projects to optimize international collaboration and coping with people of diverse national backgrounds she supports more and more international companies in change processes when they start merging and integrating other corporate cultures.

She has lived and worked in France, the United Kingdom, Belgium and the United States. Christine graduated in International Business and Cultural Studies specializing in the field of Intercultural Management from Passau University in Germany and has studied in France at the Institut International d'Etudes Francaises at the University of Strasbourg. In the United Kingdom she earned the Cambridge Certificate of English Proficiency.

Christine knows about the challenges in cross-cultural cooperation and believes in its benefits. She built up a multicultural team of more than 30 trainers and consultants from various cultural and professional backgrounds. During the last few years she has been involved in consulting and training projects in Egypt, the United States, Finland, France, Italy, the UK, the Netherlands, Austria, Czech Republic, Pakistan and India. In Germany she runs for major clients regularly training programmes for non-German international professionals from all over the world about "Working with Germans" or coming to start "Living and Working in Germany".

Since 1994 she has been an active member of international network association SIETAR (Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research) www.sietar-deutschland.de/ www.sietar-europa.org. the worldwide non-profit organisation of professionals working in the intercultural field. Being on the Board of Directors for six years, she was elected the President of SIETAR Deutschland for three years and just organized the first SIETAR Forum with more than 160 participants on 'Change and Intercultural Management' in international organisations www.sietar-forum.de

Being German Christine also works in French and English.