



## DR. MICHAEL LEIDNER

Fellow R&D/Product DVL Engineer

Dr. Michael Leidner is a professional with twenty-nine years of experience in manufacturing processes, technical marketing and research and development in the connector industry. Externally known through more than 20 publications at national and international scientific conferences as well as through (invited) presentations and as co-author of technical books.

He has been working for Tyco Electronics (then Siemens EC plant Speyer) since his studies of physics at the TU Kaiserslautern (1990). During this time, he gained experience in the fields of manufacturing engineering, development, production and marketing both in Germany and abroad.

During his current work in the field of advanced engineering, the lecturer has been dealing more and more with the topic of contact physics, which led to his doctorate on the topic: "Kontaktphysikalische Simulation von Schichtsystemen" at the EMK at TU Darmstadt in 2008.

Currently he is working as a Fellow in Terminals and Connectors R&D Automotive at the Speyer site. In addition to the development of new surface and coating systems, the design of contact points for new connector developments is another focus of his work.