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Mr Ratzenhofer, born in Vienna, Austria, in 1956, started after his graduation from the technical university in Vienna as R&D engineer with an internationally well known and global electricity meter manufacturer. After gaining experience in different fields of the related business (R&D, International marketing and sales, project management for the development of a global industrial meter) he decided to change his profession.

He founded together with GÖRLITZ AG from Germany the Austrian affiliate of GÖRLITZ: GÖRLITZ Austria GmbH. Since 2001 he is the CEO of Görlitz Austria. In this position he is in charge of the sales and marketing activities and the coordination of all Görlitz activities in east and south east Europe. His major field of activities is the planning and implementation of complete projects in the field of energy data collection for grid operators, distribution utilities, but also industrial customers and railway operators, based on the challenges which are provided by the deregulation of the energy market, for all of these groups.