

Background information about the EVAL founder

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When I was born in September 1942, my life began with [British Air Force bombing](#) raids on Hamburg-Harburg. So I was welcomed into this world in bunkers with terror, tears, misery and death. With great luck we survived. My parents' house was hit by a direct bomb and so we lived outdoors for a while.

My life continued with political tensions and dangers in West Berlin, where I studied telecommunications technology and lived and worked in the encircled city for a total of 17 years, thereby getting to know the GDR dictatorship from the inside. So I experienced the dangerous Cold War directly on site.

After studying telecommunications technology in West Berlin, I was [internationally self-employed for most of my professional life](#), particularly active in the field of alternative energy technology with several of my own patents.

In 1979 I went to Iraq as a self-employed project manager and, after a short, successful stint at the University of Mosul/Northern Iraq, I got caught up in the brutal war Iran-Iraq, which I was lucky enough to survive

I had to repeatedly travel to Iraq, but also to other Arab countries, under extremely dangerous conditions. When I saw the burning oil fields during the Second Kuwait War, I decided not to visit the Middle East anymore.

Many periods of life were marked by war, the post-war period, terror and tension. What makes me deeply sad is the gradual return to the Cold War, a hot one is already underway again on the edge of Europe in Ukraine. All sides are rearming again as if there were nothing more important. Climate change and its dramatic consequences are becoming global war problem.

In no way do I want to “patronize” or “instruct” people, but I want to inform them about developments that threaten the environment, society and peace with particularly [evocative short videos](#) and [EVALuations](#). I think with horror of what could happen to the children of this world and how we might stumble into a final war.

As a thank you for being able to survive all the wars in good health and being able to live in the beautiful country of Austria since 1986 after many trips around the world, I would like to try to reduce tensions in society by building the EVAL movement (since 2000), especially through dialogues, discussions, conferences, lectures, factual information and EVALuations.

am deeply convinced that grassroots democratic movements can correct undesirable social developments; together we are strong.

What makes me infinitely happy: turning a crying child's face into a laughing one and turning a desperate mother into a hopeful one. KHH