

# René Bitsch

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### Resume

### **Education**

ICF Coach

AP Graduate in HR

DISC & Five-Factor behavioral analysis, IQ-testing

Ms.Sc. Cleantech/Food

### Job titles

Head of HR/HR-Manager Education/Course director

Sr. Learning & Development

specialist

Quality/Environmental Man.

## Language / IT

Danish •••••

English ••••

German •••••
Scandinav. •••••

MS-Office ••••

### **Sparetime**

Scouting - Leadership development

Orienteering Painting

Hiking

## **Family**

Cohabiting with quality coordinator Dorte Ehlers, who has two grown up children. We are blessed with five grandchildren.

Willing to resettle.

#### **Profile**

Core competencies Recruiting, personality profiling, leadership sparring, stake-

holder management, team and organisational development,

coaching, HR-processes.

**Personal drivers** Co-creation, Creativity, Making a difference

Values Transparency, Responsibility, Tenacity

#### What you see is what you get

I believe in co-creation because I see better results and greater commitment to the solutions. I achieve this through thorough stakeholder-analyses.

I have a holistic approach where I focus on all the aspects surrounding a problem. Within recruiting its about not only thinking about the position to fill, but also on the team, where new colleagues have to match.

My personality combines being analytical, and goal oriented with high energy and creativity. My approach is to combine my engineering background with my cultural upbringing in scouting. In this way, sustainable structures are created, accepted.

I am the one who can crack the case with knowledge and an analytical approach. I combine practical experience with a theoretical background and then create an easy and understandable approach. Hereby I make sense for people in the organization.

I think strategically but only on behalf of the organization. I seek consensus on our road to the common goals, and I use my personal values as guidelines for how I can achieve the goal.

In me you will find a person with commitment, honesty, and enthusiasm.

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# **Professional experience**

#### **Condensed CV-list**

TCM Group Head of HR Mar. 2021 - Jan. 2024 **EAMV** Education and course director Apr. 2020 - Feb. 2021 Danish Tax authorities Interim developpement consultant Feb. 2020 - Mar. 2020 Mc. Bride & danlind HR-, Quality & Environmental manager, L&D spec. Jan. 1997 - Feb. 2019

HR-manager Mar. 2021 - Jan.2024

TCM

Producer of kitchen, bathroom and wardrobe solutions. Listed on Nasdag.

Reference to CEO. Two employees in reference to me.

Revenue: 157 mill €. Employees: appr. 500

Changing the HR-function from an administrative function into a strategic department.

#### Tasks:

- HR-Business partnering to CEO, VP and management team
- Searching and recruiting of salaried personnel
- **Employer branding**
- Leadership and team development
- Contracts and legal advising
- Restructuring HR-processes
- Managing L&D specialist and HR-coordinator

#### Results:

- Implemented a structured recruiting and onboarding process
- Introducing DISC (Behaviour/Personality testing) as team development tool
- · Building and implementing a recruiting and HR-system
- Re-boosting the company learning academy
- Driving a value-process
- Design of HR-processes

#### Education and course director

Apr. 2020 - Feb. 2021



Business academy with both full- and part time educations

Reference to rector/director. Two employees in reference to me.

Employees: Appr. 70

Restructuring and expanding the part time education business area Left because realized that I wasn't the right person for the academy

#### Tasks:

- People manager for development consultants and key account managers
- · Managing the growth of the part time business area
- Developing of new educations
- Representing the academy in various committees

#### Results:

Restructuring the collaboration between fulltime and part time educations

#### Network manager (Parttime)

Feb. 2020 - Dec. 2021

Private company for HR-professionals Reference to owner of Dansk HR Employees: Approx. 15

#### Tasks:

Facilitating a network for HR-managers

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Public agency under the "Tax-ministry"

Reference to office manager for learning and development

Employees: Appr. 7000

Restructuring the pre- and on-boarding system

#### Tasks:

- Designing a restructured pre- and onboarding system
- Writing a motion to the directors of the tax administration

#### Results:

• In an extreme short period of time, analysing a complex area resulting in a motion for the directors, which later has been passed.

Different roles in danlind (Later McBride)

Jan. 1997 - Feb. 2019

#### Senior Learning and development specialist

Sept. 2018 - Feb. 2019



Private label producer of household detergents. UK based public listed company

Reference to Group Head of Talent Development

Revenue: 750 mill €. Employees: 4200

Actively sought the opportunity to change into a specialist role in L&D Left McBride to take a self-chosen break for reflection on my career

#### Tasks:

- Developing and execution of change management
- Leading transition processes
- Leadership training and development activities.
- Revamping of the McBride Development Program.
- Member of the McBride coaching team

#### Results:

- Change management courses for all danlind employees after the acquisition process
- Managing training program for SAP implementation

HR-manager Oct. 2017 - Aug. 2018



Private label producer of household detergents. UK based public listed company.

Reference to CEO.

Revenue: 67 mill €. Employees: 250

Handling HR and organisational tasks related to the merger of danlind into McBride

#### Tasks:

- Member of the integration team during the acquisition of danlind by McBride
- Organisational re-design
- Implementation of group HR strategies and procedures
- · Managing current and new HR-cycle tasks
- Group KPI reporting
- Dataroom responsible during the acquisition

#### Results:

- Implementing PDR-system (Performance driven appraisal)
- Minimizing number of leavers and costs related to this

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danlınd

Private label producer of household detergents. Family owned Danish company. Reference to CEO. One employee in reference to me.

Revenue: 55 mill €. Employees: 200

Convinced the CEO in the benefit of having an HR-function and succeeded in getting that position

#### Tasks:

- HR-Business partnering to CEO, VP and leaders
- Recruiting of salaried and training team leaders in recruiting blue collared workers
- Leadership and team development
- · Contracts and legal advising
- Developing and executing strategy processes
- Project management of HR and health & safety projects

#### Results:

- Recruiting hit-rate of +95%
- Design of HR-processes
- Introducing DISC (Behaviour testing) as team development
- Redesign of appraisal (MUS) combining it with the business strategy and jobsatisfaction
- Establishing a high performing management team together with the CEO

#### Environmental- and quality manager

Nov. 2006 - Oct. 2010

danlind

Extended my responsibilities to also getting a quality certification for danlind

Reference to CEO

Revenue: 50 mill €. Employees: 200

#### Tasks:

- Establishing and running of a quality management system
- · Customer audits at the Holstebro site

#### Results:

- Certification according to ISO 9001 and BRC
- Achieving approval by several key customers, including Tesco

#### Environmental manager

Jan. 1997 - Oct. 2006

danlind

Chose the job because I could take the company to the next environmental level with an ISO certification and EMAS registration

Reference to CEO

Revenue: 25-30 mill €. Employees: 80-100

#### Tasks:

- Establishing an environmental management system
- Contact to legal authorities
- General environmental conditions
- Procurement of energy
- Responsible for environmental audits and inspections
- Member of the health and safety organisation

#### Results:

- Certification according to ISO 14001 and EMAS registration
- Changing company culture towards more environmental approach
- Designing and introducing workplace evaluations (APV).

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International producer of fish products. Public owned Employees: 4000 total. Approx. 150 in Umanak

#### Tasks:

- Optimisation of the production facilities
- KPI-reporting

#### Results:

- Increasing yields in the production
- Increasing of thawing capacity
- Reducing reporting cycle from 1½ day to 3 hours

#### Environmental and quality consultant

Oct. 1991 - Okt.1994



**DIFTA** 

Self-contained institute transferring basic science to applied technology. Consultancy and project management within clean tech in the fish processing industry.

Reference to vice-president

Employees: 30

#### Tasks:

- Project management of cleantech project supported by the Danish EPA
- Design of new clean tech solutions
- · Consultancy tasks within cleantech and quality in the fish processing industry

#### Results:

- Reduction of the water consumption for fish processing with 50%
- Reduced wastewater pollution
- Projects delivered on time and within budget

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# **Education**

2018:	ICF-certified coaching education at GROW2®. 8-month period and 125 hours of education.
2009-11	HR-Education (AP-Grad. 2½ years at "Ledelsesakademiet" i Aarhus)
	<ul> <li>Servicing of the line management</li> <li>Strategic HR (Incl. coaching)</li> <li>Strategically competence development</li> <li>Management philosophy (Thesis on teamwork as a management philosophy)</li> <li>Thesis (Leadership development at danlind)</li> </ul>

1986-91: Aalborg University (Ms. Sc.)

Environmental sector / Sector for fish processing technology Thesis ("Clean technology in the herring filleting industry")

# **Courses**

2022:	Employment law and resignations. Focus Advokaterne.
2022:	Masterclass in personality profiling by Jørgen Friis; e-stimate and Anne Vedel PhD., Aarhus University.
2019:	BusinessCare Intensive at Innovation City. Course for board members.
2019:	Agile project management. Lederne
2019:	Graphical facilitation.
2013:	Certified in conducting IQ-test (IST-test from Hogrefe)
	Certified in conducting Big-5 analysis (Fem-faktor test from e-stimate)
2012	Certified in conducting DISC behavioural tests (e-stimate)
2010	Certified in conducting DISC behavioural tests ("Extended DISC" from HR Solutions)
2008	Course (5 days) in "Appreciative inquiry" with focus on the 5D model; Resonans
2006:	Course in "Organisation and management", "Project management", "Conflict handling"; Aalborg University
2001:	Auditor course in OHSAS 18001; Det Norske Veritas
1998:	Environmental auditor course. EARA-approved. Force, DS, DTI
1997:	Health & Safety course for health and safety boards (§9 Training)

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# HR-relevant volunteering

I have been a scout since 1978. Therefore my whole upbringing comes from working in teams and small groups. I have worked with leadership training for both young and adults for 30 years in different roles eg. team member, course leader, chairman of the youth training committee, project leader for restructuring of the adult training program.

The last 10 years I have mainly been working with leadership training of adults, where the focus has been how to connect values and principles of the movement with one's own personal values and how to take these into one's daily work as a leader. All that in relation to national and international principles. During the last 5 years I have implemented action learning in the senior leadership training. There is a mutual inspiration between my professional life and scouting work.

I am an educated trainer on both national and international level and have received the The Danish Scouts association's medal of honor two times.

2023- Board member at FGU-HLSS representing DI (Association of Danish

Industry)

2022- Chairman of the education committee for technical and IT educations at

Dania Erhvervsakademi

2021- Task force member at Code of Care

2004-2009: Chairman of the board at Nordvestjysk BST.

1998-2004: Board member at Nordvestjysk BST - a health and safety consultancy

company.

# References

All references may be contacted by prior arrangement.

Sophie Vandamme CHRO at McBride.

Sophie is now CHRO at Lidl Belgium/Luxemburg. (+32 479 699 944)

Torben Paulin CEO at TCM Group. (2121 0464)

Lis Hammelsvang Supply chain manager at TCM. VP colleague for 3 years (40566422)

Henrik Aagaard VP colleague for 6 years, and my CEO for 13 years.

Henrik is now CEO at BKI Foods (4034 1265)

Torben H. Nielsen Sales manager at danlind. VP colleague for 3½ years.

Torben is now Key account manager at BKI foods A/S (2322 0540)

Alex K. Madsen Group Finance Manager at Lind Holding. VP colleague for 6 years.

Alex is now CFO at ST Skoleinventar. (2033 1762)

Lasse Eberhart Skov Education consultant/key account manager at EAMV with reference to

me. Lasse is now owner of Eber-hart. (6022 0384)

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