

Charles R. Botta

Biographical details



Charles R. Botta, born 19 January 1952, is a Swiss entrepreneur with a distinguished career that saw him lead major projects in a large number of countries in Europe, the United States as well as in Africa and South America. A German and French language bilingual, he also speaks English and Italian.

Following an apprenticeship as an architectural draftsman, Charles Robert Botta obtained a diploma at the Institute of Constructional Engineering in Zurich. In 1972 he began his career as foreman at Ed. Züblin & Co. Ltd., a well-established company in Zurich. As department manager for the Swiss construction consortium GESCO, Botta was involved in the building of the motorway between Abidjan, Ivory Coast, and the country's capital Yamoussoukro from 1976 to 1981. Botta also worked as Sales and Marketing Manager at Vandex International Ltd., a firm specialised in construction chemical products in Thun, Switzerland, and was chief executive at both Steidle-Frutiger Ltd., a formwork engineering company, and at Stifag-Bauplanung Ltd.

In 1989 he set up his own company, Botta Management Ltd (today CCB Management Ltd.), specialising in the project management of complex and large-scale construction projects worldwide. The company has earned a reputation for its professionalism and expertise, in particular also in the sports world (cf. Profile of CCB Management Ltd.).

In addition to his professional activities, Botta completed several further education courses in languages and in marketing, the latter at St. Gallen University under the tutelage of Professor Weinhold, as well as in strategic management. He also served in the Swiss Armed Forces up to the rank of an Engineer Corps Colonel being in charge of the Engineer Regiment 1.