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My career started in the UK, where I worked in IT Operations and Data Centre management for Fortune 100 companies. On moving to Australia, I joined Hewlett Packard and continued to provide consulting services in IT Best Practice and Data Centre automation. I have held a variety of country, regional and global roles during my 14 years at Hewlett Packard, including business management, marketing and strategy; and now have my own consulting company, where I am the Managing Director. I have a passion for IT Management and Governance as well as Strategy and Business Change. I have always believed in 'Doing things right whilst doing the right thing'.

I became an Assessor with the BCS because I believe we need a greater level of professionalism in our industry. IT has such a critical role to play in most organisations, yet it is still very hit and miss as to the quality of services people provide. This is also why I am such a strong supporter of the SFIA framework and value certifications and standards.

Being an assessor helps me give back to the industry that has served me so well. An unexpected benefit is the knowledge and wisdom I have gained by interviewing applicants for both the CITP and Fellowship grades. Whilst I hope the candidates grow as part of the process, we also learn from the process too.

The BCS team make our jobs as assessor as easy as possible. They provide support and understanding as well as humour and professionalism. They never forget we are volunteers and we all have day jobs; and I never feel I am taken for granted or not appreciated for what I do. It does not matter that I am the other side of the world, I feel part of a valued team, a team I would recommend others to join.



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