

## Karin Hollerbach, PhD

is the CEO of Taku Group ([www.takugroup.com](http://www.takugroup.com)), where she leads a team of senior consultants, executive coaches, and subject matter experts. She has been working in science and technology-related fields for over 20 years.



Karin holds two Bachelor of Science degrees (Molecular Biology and Electrical Engineering / Computer Science) from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a Masters of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley, and a PhD in Biomedical Engineering awarded jointly by the University of California, Berkeley and the University of California, San Francisco. She is a graduate of the FWE NextGEN CEO program and of the Global Bio-Executive Program at the Haas School of Business, as well as an active alumna of Leadership America, and a Founding Member of the Association of Women in Water, Energy, and Environment.

Karin currently serves on the boards of MIT's largest and most active alumni organization, and of three privately held companies. Previously she served for 5 years as Trustee of a major metropolitan city hospital. Karin has lived in Europe and North America, speaks multiple languages and assists her clients in multi-cultural settings.

Prior to founding Taku Group, Karin was an independent consultant, working with industry, government, and not-for-profit organizations, and a scientist/engineer. In her career of over 20 years, she has had extensive experience in strategic and operational business planning and implementation, analysis, transition management, and general management.

Karin regularly serves in both hands-on executive and consultative roles with clients. As a result, Karin is uniquely qualified to bring real-world operational experience to her consulting engagements.

Karin has served as CEO, President, Executive Vice President, VP of Technology, VP of Products, and in other management roles. She has served on multiple non-profit and for-profit boards of directors. She has helped found companies; has worked with Fortune 500 companies as well as emerging businesses in the US, Europe, Asia, and Australia; and has worked with federal and state governments in support of local technology-based industry sectors.

In serving her clients, Karin has assisted organizations in developing expansion strategies into new markets, domestically and globally, and designed and implemented successful strategic partnerships. She has advised clients on mergers with other organizations, and on the resulting change management implementation. In addition, she has helped clients reorganize failing organizations.

***Karin Hollerbach is now appointed as life science and biotech advisor in the EU-funded bioXclusters programme and will be travelling to Munich, Lyon, Torino and Barcelona in April 2013, to support and advise European SMEs in the life science / biotech / healthcare field regarding their activities in the USA.***



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