



**Moizuddin Mohammed,**  
**M.Sc. in Information Technology and**  
**Automation Systems**

**Moizuddin - A Multinational Team Player**

His English is perfect and although his schoolmates as a rule went to England or the United States for College, Moiz very early decided to go to Central Europe and not the US for his university education. "It was an important decision and I never doubted it: the German culture and the language were crucial points for me to finally choose Esslingen University of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule für Technik Esslingen) in Baden-Württemberg. From here you can reach France and Scandinavia, Italy or Spain in just a twinkling of an eye."

Concerning the academic merits of Esslingen University of Applied Sciences he says: "I truly believe that we get a broader, wider knowledge here than in the States, where everything is specialized very early. Additionally we acquire soft skills like presentation techniques, communication, negotiation skills which we all need for our professional life. "Europe, especially Germany provides professionals with the ability to learn new languages. With the ongoing globalization, it is imperative to know more than a couple of international languages in today's business world."

Moizuddin Mohammed was born in Libya, raised in Saudi Arabia, he graduated in India and received his Masters in Esslingen. Today, five years later, he successfully leads an international team of 17 in one of the top Business and Technology Consulting firms in the world. He currently works for a client in Bonn. He runs a project for to redefine business intelligence processes. The project is hailed as a strategic win for the client and for his company, the implementation on the platform is considered as pioneering work.

The 28 year-old is a busy man. He uses his cell phone for conferences and interviews given on his way to a business appointment on a late Friday afternoon. He is friendly to the taxi driver and friendly to the interviewer, he is attentive and concentrated although he is obviously doing three things at the same time. One of his personal strengths: "I'm a conscientious team player and try to be a leader with foresight", he says. "Going into business made sense for me, not for the money in the first place, but for having the opportunity to negotiate and to communicate. It is a strong point for me to convince somebody and to face challenges. The professional field of IT/Consulting is not the most important thing in my life. I could do any kind of business". That is why Mr. Mohammed not only works for one of the top Consulting firms in the world but also runs a business of his own – in India – in a totally different field– Real Estate.

"I studied *Information Technology and Automation Systems* in Esslingen, Baden-Württemberg, not because I was a computer freak. I wanted to achieve negotiation skills and management knowledge. To have these issues in the curriculum is a huge advantage compared to other universities I know."

Moizuddin's favourite place to spend his rare leisure time during his master studies was near the railway station in Esslingen: "The international students met in a Café where we could sit outside. Later we moved to the cinema right across the street and then to a three-story-disco. I remember that we felt safe and accepted. By the way: the Swabians are the most friendly Germans I have met so far, and I travel a lot. The Swabian kitchen also attracted me much, a big advantage compared to Bavaria or other German regions."

As a final comment Moizuddin Mohammed quotes Dean Dr. Kienzle from Esslingen, whom he highly esteems: "In Germany we solve any problem – but often too late. We sometimes have the best solutions – for yesterday's problems. What we need is a whole bunch of innovative and courageous scientists and managers." Mohammed took him literally, stayed in Germany and started a career which Esslingen University of Applied Sciences today is proud of. A good example but more than that: A cordial invitation to gifted young people from all over the world ....

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