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I currently work in a commercial engineering environment as a Key Account Manager for ETAS (a Robert Bosch company). My position is a technical, customer facing role where I am responsible for the sales and business development of tools and services, for the design, testing and validation of embedded control systems. I am mainly operating in the UK Automotive Powertrain research and development sector.

I started my career in the retail motor industry before moving into an R&D environment, working as a technician supporting development of fuel and lubrication products for the automotive industry. I then moved into a commercial role, in technical sales - automotive R&D, working in the test and instrumentation business. This evolved further into Business Development and Account Management positions.

The most interesting projects I have been involved in are those that involve High Performance Engineering companies, particularly Formula One. I have been involved in delivering numerous test environments into this market over the years, yet each one is a new challenge, and every one is different.

I first became registered with the Engineering Council as an Engineering Technician in 1990; as my career developed and I gained the appropriate qualifications and experience, I progressed to Incorporated Engineer status. I am currently studying for my Masters degree in Research.

Outside work, I sit on the Automobile Division Board at the IMechE, and I am Chairman of my local Automobile Division Centre. I am a published author in various areas of Automotive Technology.

Being professionally registered with the Engineering Council provides independent evidence that I am academically and vocationally qualified and competent as an engineer. It also demonstrates to my employer, clients and peers that I am committed to the profession of engineering.

My advice to anyone working in, or planning to enter into engineering, is to work towards and gain registration with the Engineering Council; the significance of registration, as a way of identifying competent persons, is becoming more prominent and it is the differentiator that identifies true professionals.

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