



Dr. David E. PROBERT (Executive Director, VAZA International)

Dr. David Probert is the Founder and Executive Director of VAZA International which is focused upon projects, consultancy and workshops primarily in the fields of Cybersecurity, eGovernment and Real-Time Networking Solutions. He has worked on Security Projects for several International Agencies including the ITU, USAID and the European Union in countries such as Georgia, Armenia & Jamaica.

Prior to the establishment of VAZA, Dr. Probert was the Chief Technology Officer for a Major UK Security plc which delivered customized networked security solutions for governments, and across sectors such as transportation, healthcare & education.

From 2000 to 2003, Dr. Probert worked as Vice-President for Madge Networks where he was responsible for the development of Secure Wireless Networking Products, using advanced authentication techniques.

From 1987 to 1999, he worked for the Digital Equipment Corporation where he held several senior positions including European Director for Value Added Networks & European Director for the Internet Business Group. This included European responsibility for Cybersecurity Solutions, and he pioneered a workshop training format called the "Internet Clinic" which was taken to more than 30 countries during 1996 to 1999. During this time he represented Digital on the European Board for TERENA (Trans-European Research and Academic Networks Association), and headed up several international projects including the KolaNet Project for Nuclear & Environmental Security in the Russian Arctic Kola Peninsula. He was also, from 1995 to 1997, Project Director for the Multi-Media & eCommerce Website for the World's 1st Supersonic Car – ThrustSSC

From 1978 to 1987, Dr. Probert worked for British Telecom where he developed & pioneered dynamic computer-based telecommunications planning models. He subsequently worked on strategic planning projects during the government privatization of British Telecom, & was Director, New Generation Systems. Projects included the \$50M EIGER Project which he established and jointly managed from 1985 to 1987, and which led to the integration of computers with PABXs (Computer Integrated Telephony) for Call Centres.

During his time with BT he was also a member of the UK Government Committee on Artificial Intelligence

In 1976, he was awarded a PhD in the Mathematics of Self-Organising Systems from Cambridge University, UK & he undertook research and lectured in the Cambridge University Department of Management Studies from 1976 to 1978. He gained a BSc with 1st Class Honours in Mathematics from Bristol University in 1973.

He is a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society, and a Member of the IEEE, and his full professional biography is also included in the Marquis' Who's Who in the World from 2007 to 2011 Editions.

Dr. Probert is married and had four children. He has interests in music, adventure travel & antique books.

He speaks English, with working knowledge of French, German and Russia.