

Gerhard Kürner

Biography in three lengths

Author and independent researcher behind Work After AI · Founder and CEO of 506.ai

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Short biography [about 55 words](#)

Gerhard Kürner is the author and independent researcher behind Work After AI, the annual report and ongoing analysis of how artificial intelligence actually changes work, organisations and enterprise software. His research is source-based and measured every year against his own verifiable forecasts. He is Founder and CEO of 506.ai and Co-Founder of Choose European.

Conference biography [about 75 words](#)

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Long biography [about 280 words](#)

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Owners and boards of established companies seek his assessment when they want to know what AI actually changes in their organisation. Executive teams bring him in when a diagnosis has to become an actual rebuild. He gives keynotes and publishes.

His perspective was shaped not at a desk but through three decades of operational responsibility. In the 1990s he delivered pioneering digital projects, including one of Austria's first streaming services. During 14 years at voestalpine, first in IT and later as head of Global

Corporate Communication, he accompanied the group's growth from 3.6 to more than 12 billion euros in revenue. Since 2015 he has founded several companies in AI, digital communication and data-driven marketing, and in 2020 he founded 506.ai.

As Founder and CEO of 506.ai he builds what he writes about: AI systems in daily use at European companies and public institutions. As Co-Founder of Choose European he advances European digital sovereignty. He presents his thesis on the end of enterprise software as we know it as a keynote speaker at executive conferences in Germany and Austria.

Outside of work, Gerhard Kürner is a father of three sons and competes in hard enduro races, one of the most technically demanding disciplines in motorsport.

Short forms and spelling

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Work After AI	The annual report and the ongoing analyses are published on workafterai.org , the analyses without a fixed schedule.