

Panel 2: Developing Capabilities in Sense-Making

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Adrian Taylor runs 4SING GmbH, a consultancy firm that helps both public and private sector clients to use foresight methods to formulate robust strategy options. As a consultant, he helps clients develop their own in-house foresight to strategy capacities as well as running strategy processes for his clients. He has experience in using a number of methods that leverage Open Source Intelligence, and software tools for supporting (but not in any way replacing) human reasoning to anticipate future changes in the world. In the course of his work, he has had occasion to run projects in 38 countries across the globe, and does so in English, French and German.

Adrian has over two decades of working experience, and has previously been a junior officer in the British Army, a lobbyist on EU matters, a scenario planner in a joint venture with Global Business Network, desk officer for India at the European Commission and a visiting scholar at Georgia Tech, before joining the European School of Governance (eusg) – his last job prior to becoming self-employed. He was also President of the European Open Source Intelligence Forum in parallel to his employment with the eusg.

His education includes a First Class Honours Degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Trinity College, Oxford, and a Licence Spéciale (Masters) in European Studies with “Grande Distinction” from the Université Libre de Bruxelles.

Adrian was born and raised in London, England, and has subsequently spent 26 years living in Gibraltar, Brussels, Atlanta, Zurich, New York, and Munich. He currently resides in Hamburg, with his wife and three children.