

## **András Vágó**

I was born on 30 May 1951 in Budapest.

### Studies:

I was student at the College Faculty of Metallurgy of the Technical University of Heavy Industry in Miskolc where I took my degree in 1972.

In order to fulfil tasks arising at the workplace at a better level I finished the Academy of Foreign Trade of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and I took my degree at the Trade Branch in 1977.

In order to increase the professional level of my work performed in the field of foreign trade I finished the Faculty of Professional Economics of the University of Economics "Károly Marx" in Budapest and took my degree at the Economic Expert Branch of the Faculty of International Economic Relations in 1979.

Knowledge of languages: German, English, Italian, Hungarian

### Professional carrier:

**1972 – 1975** - I worked at the Hungarian Aluminium Industry Trust where, besides technical development work, I got acquainted with the exciting field of corporate marketing. Thanks to this,

**1975 – 1977** - I worked at the Machine Export Company where I dealt with the export of complex equipment and plants. I regarded the task also as a step forward from professional aspect which I undertook in

**1979** at the Chemical Machine and Equipment Export and Import Company "Chemocomplex" where I dealt with the import of complex chemical industry plants.

**1979 – 1985** - I was the Head of the Export and Technology Export Department of the Rubber Industry Company "Taurus".

**1985 - 1989** the processes of the change of the system started in the Hungarian economy policy parallel to which I came out of the economic frames of the State and tried to find a field of operation most exciting for me at private entrepreneur firms of different stratum.

**In 1989** – the time when legal background determining basic conditions of operation for the Hungarian entrepreneurial sphere was established, I founded the Trading and Manufacturing Co. "Multipolaris" which I have been leading since then with success.

My company started with the production of computer equipment on a mass scale and then, through the delivery and installation of digital telephone systems, has come to the

development of system integrator tasks and the implementation of complex nation-wide information systems.

We deal with the planning, development and supply as well as the operation, servicing, maintenance and training of complex IT and communication systems including the integration of special surveillance systems and the production of computer equipment.

In our activity we focus on the development of the production technology of plastic- or paper-based security documents serving personal identification and control. We deal with special emphasis with the processing, in a network system of closed architecture, of different printed and electronic data to be handled during the personalization of documents.

From 1997 onwards more than 130 million security documents, including ID cards and passports, were produced by the help of our systems.

Since 2004 Multicard Ltd., which manufactures a wide variety of plastic cards including bank, club, loyalty, regular traveller, membership, customer, door entry, VIP motorway tool and chip cards, is in the 100% ownership of Multipolaris Co.

In recent years Multipolaris Co. has established wide contacts with governments worldwide and gained unique experiences and references in the field of the development of governmental travel and identity document issuing systems, border control solutions, and the implementation and integration of associated personalization systems.

Our systems are in operation in the affected areas of information technology and the printing industry.

My professional field of interest is in full compliance with my work which covers a wide spectrum of information technology.