

Network Associates



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Professional Biography



Mara Garofalo established her own consultancy, M.L.G. Associates, in Brussels in early 2006. She now specializes in executive coaching, management training and leadership development, and has clients based throughout Europe. Mara is of Italian origin, was raised in Argentina and has lived in France, Egypt, Peru, and has been living in Belgium for the last 15 years. She works in Italian, Spanish, French and English, and her diverse background and work experience provides her with great insight into cross-cultural understanding and communication.

Mara has been working as an executive coach and facilitator for several years. As an Associate with the Center for Creative Leadership (CCL – Brussels), she serves as one of the key coaches in their Spanish team interpreting psychometric instruments and providing feedback coaching. She has been working as an independent contractor with CCL since 1998, and has been assigned by them to work with clients in Mexico, the United States and throughout Europe. In association with Berkley Associates sprl, she currently conducts programs in project and financial management.

Mara has been an Independent Consultant and Project Officer Comenius with 'Socrates, Leonardo and Youth Technical Assistance Office', Secretary General for the 'Association for Teacher Education in Europe', and Coordinator of the Masters program in Educational Research for Vrije Universiteit Brussel. Her professional experience comprises understanding of academic, non-profit and results driven organizations. She has a strong belief that self-awareness and developing self-confidence are crucial in leadership development and enfold this philosophy into her activities. Additionally, Mara is a specialist in project management and works with clients to assist them in solving their challenges in both managerial and technical arenas.

Mara holds a Licence in Psychologie and Specialisation in Social Psychology from Universite Paris V and a Masters Degree in Educational Research from Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium) and a further degree in Educational Research. She is certified in several psychometric and individual assessment instruments including Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, FIRO-B, CPI, Skillscope, Matrix 360, Conflict Dynamics Profile and Benchmarks.