



## PROFILE

Alexander Heichlinger (AT) was a Senior Expert and Manager at the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Barcelona.

He was also the co-founder and currently chair of the European City Economic & Financial Governance Group ([www.cefg.eu](http://www.cefg.eu)) which brings together the CEOs/CFOs of eight major European cities.

He is a member of the Executive Board of the Austrian Business Circle (ABC) in Catalonia and a Founding Member of Future Minds, an informal group of innovative thinkers and doers.

# ALEXANDER HEICHLINGER

## KEY EXPERTISE

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- Local/City Government, Public Sector Innovation and Managerial Capacity Building, Digital Transformation, International Project Management, Barcelona.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Over the past 20+ years, he managed and delivered numerous large-scale assignments –as a consultant, advisor and trainer- for public sector organizations from across Europe (carried out in all EU countries, and Western and Southern Balkans) and beyond (e.g. Turkey, China, Belarus, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Morocco, Dubai, Canada, U.S.A.), as well as for almost all the European institutions (i.e. EC, EP, CoR, JRC) and other international organizations (e.g. UNPSA, UNDP, Metropolis).

From 2008 till 2014, he managed and accelerated the European Public Sector Award (EPSA) scheme, the "Oscar" for European public administrations' innovative achievements. He acted as jury member and assessor of a number of prestigious prizes, e.g. Global Living Labs, Austrian PS Awards, CoE best practice programme.

In 2012, he co-founded and led the 'City excellence network/cloud' with seven medium-sized cities and co-authored the result of this work in a much read publication "In Search of Local Public Management Excellence – Seven Journeys to Success" which developed/designed a "seven step model" leading to public excellence in local governments.

Alexander has published and edited twelve books (e.g. Public Management in the 21st Century – Trends, Ideas and Practices, published by the Oslo University Press) and has written many other papers in his fields of interest and expertise. In 2012, he received the Dubai Public Excellence Award for his merits.

Publications: [Public Management in the Twenty-first Century](#) & [Seven Journeys to Success](#)