

# Lionel Merz

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## EDUCATION

### Technical University of Munich (TUM)

B.Sc. in Management & Technology, English degree program

- Business Administration, specializing in Computer Science ("TUM-BWL")
- Final thesis topic: GDPR's Role in Regulating Large Language Models (Grade: 1.0)

Munich, Germany

10/2020 – 09/2025

### Aarhus University

Exchange Semester – 7<sup>th</sup> semester

- Fall semester at Campus Herning: Department of Business Development and Technology
- Courses in International Business, Project Management and Team Leadership, and Web Development

Herning, Denmark

08/2023 – 01/2024

### School of Engineering, Technical University of Munich

Oriental Semester in STEM ("studium MINT")

Munich, Germany

04/2020 – 09/2020

### Feodor-Lynen-Gymnasium Planegg

Higher Education Entrance Certificate ("Abitur")

Planegg, Germany

09/2011 – 06/2019

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Porsche Consulting GmbH

Student Project with TUM

Munich, Germany

09/2022 – 12/2022

- Full-time work in automotive consulting, team work as part of a study project at TUM (Chair of Corporate Management) with German and European scope
- Development of a practical concept for reverse (closed-loop) logistics operations in the automotive industry
- Presentation of researched potential, independently prepared regulation and impact of reverse logistics as a sellable product to clients

### KPMG AG

Intern in Auditing & Attestation Department

Munich, Germany

03/2022 – 06/2022

- Reviewing financial statements before their publication and auditing firm activities
- Received offer to join the KPMGnext programme for remarkable internship performance

### PDFlib GmbH

Working Student

Munich, Germany

08/2021 – 10/2021 and 03/2021 – 04/2021

- Technical and Marketing Assistant responsible for (Google) ads and analytics, monitoring sales impact
- Bilingual content management of company website (TYPO3, English/German), including independent preparation and release of new pages and content, and translation of technical documents

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

### Technical University of Munich

Buddy for freshmen at TUM School of Management

Munich, Germany

09/2022 – 03/2023

Helping freshmen by being the main contact person in their first year of studies

### CDTM Impact Innovation Labs

Workshop participant

Munich, Germany

03/2024

- 2-week in-person workshop led by senior CDTM members
- Practiced startup pitching and basics in product design/market development in small teams

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/SKILLS

**Languages:** German (native), English (fluent, certified for CEFR level C2), Spanish (basic)

**Skills:** MS Office knowledge including Excel (TUM basic certificate)

**Programming:** Basic experience in Python, R, JavaScript/Node.js, Java, PHP/HTML/CSS; TUM courses such as *Intro to Operating Systems* (C language basics)

**IT knowledge:** Proficiency in accompanying software (Bash/Zsh, CLI Linux), collaborative tools like Git and GitHub; Familiar with and used to best practices like writing clear documentation, commit messages etc.

**Reading now:** The Startup CTO's Handbook (Zach Goldberg),  
How to Avoid a Climate Disaster (Bill Gates)