BIO of Rogier Wolfert

Prof.dr.ir. A.R.M. (Rogier) Wolfert has been appointed professor of engineering asset management in the faculty of Civil Engineering and Geosciences at Delft University of Technology since 2013. Here he has lectured within several MSc curricula and was an advisor of several PhD and MSc students. He has worked with R\&D groups at various universities and research institutes for the past 30 years, both nationally and internationally. He gained R\&D experience both at the level of fundamental engineering design and at the level of applied engineering asset management. He is the author of several papers published in scientific journals and/or presented at international conferences. He has acquired both governmental funds (EU and Dutch NWO/TTW) and industrial research funds, and managed the associated projects.

Rogier has built a proven track-record of operating different management roles both within infrastructure service provider (T-Mobile) and within engineering projects & services contractors (Boskalis, VolkerWessels, TBI, Huawei) organizations. Currently, he is a director within Boskalis Offshore Energy, responsible both for independent quality assurance and risk management at board of management level. Over the last 20 years, he was involved in design, build, finance, maintenance and operations of different types of inland and offshore infrastructures (e.g., high-, water- and railway, offshore energy and communication networks). He contributed to planning, development and control of leading-edge projects & service contracts, all of which have had a substantial impact on Dutch society. He held both technical, commercial, operational, financial and quality assurance & risk management positions. He worked for several special purpose companies with industrial and financial investor shareholders both in the start-up and the operations phase. He has extensive experience in managing multidisciplinary and international teams with professionals from different cultural backgrounds. He is used to work in different roles and at different levels within the organization varying from project-, line-management and staff/advisory roles. He has authored several industrial reports.

As a person, Rogier is focused, goal-oriented, fast in grasping the big picture, and able to quickly put his finger on the key problems. As a problem solver, he is effective in implementing solutions to get results. As a systems integration thinker, he is very much able to connect different domains and parties while retaining their strong individual values. As an open design systems engineer, he is able to find the golden mean and is prepared to follow creative, non-conformist, and/or non-conventional paths for seemingly insoluble problems. He is in his element in dynamic and complex systems environments where new solutions must be found. He is convinced that everyone has a designer inside themselves, and his purpose is to foster Odesys & ODL to awaken them. Last but not least, Rogier considers both the outer mechanistic-matter observation and the inner spiritual-mind experience as companions on his journey into the emerging future.

Rogier holds both doctor (Dr.) and master (Ir.) degrees from Delft University of Technology. He is 53 years old, married, and has four children.