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Thomas's academic background is in Electrical Engineering (communications) and Computer Science. From 1986 he worked for six years in software engineering in the SCADA (control system) industry, in an environment based on IEEE standards, strict software configuration management, and disciplined project management. He has worked for British Telecom, Bell Northern Research, AMP Australia and Westpac.

He was chief technical advisor for the [Good European Health Record](#)³ project in 1994, and consultant in various financial enterprises in Australia. In 1997, he led the successful development of an investment management system for one of Australia's leading investment houses.

Since 1998, he has worked on EHR architectures and archetypes, and participated in international standards work (OMG HDTF, HL7, CEN TC/251). He is one of the founders of the *openEHR* Foundation, and designed the archetype formalism (ADL) and object model (AOM), now a CEN standard and soon an ISO standard. He has published a number of papers in health informatics (see publications pages on this site) and [community informatics](#)⁴. He has also presented widely on EHRs, e-Health and archetypes.

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