

## **Gerald Steiner, PhD, Associate Professor of Systemic and Sustainability Management**

Gerald Steiner is a current Visiting Scholar and former Schumpeter Professor at Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs (WCFIA) in Boston/U.S. He is also Associate Professor of Systemic and Sustainability Management at the Institute of Systems Sciences, Innovation & Sustainability Research (ISIS) at the University of Graz/Austria, and teaches applied innovation processes at the School of Industrial Design in Graz/Austria. Steiner received his Venia Legendi in "Systemic and Sustainability Management" ("Habilitation") in 2009. As a scholar in sustainability management and organizational behavior (incl. entrepreneurship), Steiner's research is guided by a systems science approach and centers around innovation systems and innovation processes with a particular emphasis on knowledge integration/-generation; competence development; collaborative creativity; the role of entrepreneurs in innovation; sustainability implications; citizen-driven innovation; and policies for future development (e.g., EU enlargement and transatlantic relations). Primary projects at the University of Graz relate to organizational and regional innovation systems, whereas at Harvard, he focuses on international affairs and crises-related innovation and collaborative problem solving processes within this context (e.g., food security). His work, which broadly is embedded in socio-economic systems, has received a multitude of national and international recognitions.

He received an MBA and PhD in Business Administration (Organizational and Innovation Management) from the University of Graz, and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, all Austria. His training in Business Administration and Civil Engineering was partly conducted at UC Berkley, UCLA, and the University of Oklahoma at Norman.