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Dr. Maier brings over 23 years of R&D and business development experience in various global industry sectors. Joining Schaeffler in 2009, Dr. Maier held several positions, including Head of Industrial Applications Greater China, Head of Innovation Projects Industry 4.0 / Industry 4.0 Services, and Head of R&D Management Automotive & Industrial.

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