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**Discuss**

**Challenges in Management and Academia on the Upper Level**

**with**

**Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Pickel,**

**Deputy Director John Deere European Technology and Innovation Center**

**Date:** Monday, July 16, 2012, 5:15 pm - 7:00 pm

**Venue:** TU Kaiserslautern, Building 36, Room 262 (ISGS Meeting Place)

**Language:** German & English

**Participants:** Postdocs, PhD candidates, research associates & master students

**Target faculties:** Mechanical and Process Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Economics

**Registration:** Register only via e-mail (until July 13) to doktoranden@isgs.uni-kl.de

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**About Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Pickel**

Professor Pickel has been successful in both science and industry. Due to his experiences in management and leadership, he will give useful hints and insight in human and professional tasks on the upper level of an executive.

**His positions in short:**

- Deputy Director John Deere European Technology and Innovation Center
- Manager Tractor Applications at John Deere Mannheim
- Professor for Agric. Engineering, Envir. Technology and Communal Machinery at the University of Halle-Wittenberg
- Dean of the Agricultural Faculty at the Univ. of Halle-Wittenberg

**Fast Facts:**

- 60,000 employees worldwide in 2011
- 26,0 billion $ annual revenue in 2011
- locations in roughly 30 countries