

Annitta Engel – Director of D.B.G.E Limited

Following a degree in Food Science from University of Leeds & spell at ESB university in Porto, Portugal, Annitta went on to become a graduate food technologist at Marks & Spencer plc.

Annitta's first role in the industry was as a food technologist within the meat industry, progressing to ready meals & then fish. Annitta has spent time working within the produce sector both in the UK & overseas assisting with the design & build of factories in Spain, South Africa as well as the UK.

Annitta then became a member of the management team in Marks & Spencer responsible for the categories of Bakery, Confectionery & Savouries. Alongside this she was responsible for the recruitment & development of the large technical team. Annitta is a member of the Institute of Food Science & Technology & gained accreditation from the IFST for the Marks and Spencer development programme for their technologists. She has also worked with the IFST to increase the knowledge of the food industry amongst the younger generations & thus recruiting more into the food industry. This had been a successful initiative with more students taking up food related university places in the past 5 years.

Annitta has been a director of D.B.G.E Ltd since 2012. The business provides technical, quality, training & product development services to the food industry, aiding businesses to grow through strategic development, technical improvements & well trained staff.

Annitta is one representative of the food industry on the University Of Leeds School Of Food Science Board, acting as a sounding board for ideas & to aid the development of courses and students in the field of food science & technology.