



Arnaud Chevallier

IMD professor and author of ‘Strategic Thinking in Complex Problem Solving’

Arnaud Chevallier is Professor of Strategy at IMD. Arnaud’s research, teaching, and consulting on strategic thinking bridges disciplines to provide concrete tools to improve critical thinking and corporate problem solving.

Arnaud's biography

Arnaud Chevallier’s background

Arnaud’s work prepares executives for the strategic challenges all corporations face in today’s dynamic global marketplace by helping them make better decisions in volatile and uncertain conditions.

Arnaud provides actionable tools to improve all aspects of the problem-solving process, including:

- structuring problem framing (problem finding)
- leveraging analogical thinking to crack unfamiliar challenges
- de-biasing decision making
- using logic to improve creative thinking
- making decisions under uncertainty

Arnaud’s book, *Strategic Thinking in Complex Problem Solving*, integrates advances from people- and data-centric approaches to strategic analysis when addressing business challenges to provide accessible and applicable tools for addressing complex situations.

Arnaud has consulted with multiple organizations across industries, including Facebook, SAP, and Yazaki Corporation. Prior to his work at IMD, Arnaud served as the associate vice provost for academic affairs at Rice University in Houston, Texas, USA, from 2011 to 2018 and as the graduate dean of the University of Monterrey, in Mexico, from 2003 to 2010. Before joining academia, Arnaud worked in Accenture’s [strategy](#) and business architecture division, out of Houston and London.

Across his career to date, Arnaud has worked in Mexico, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Switzerland. He was born in Switzerland and raised in France. He holds a B.S. and M.E. in mechanical engineering from the Université de Versailles and a M.S. and a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from Rice University.

