



Christoph Gessner grew up on the island of Föhr and started this career as shipmechanic cadet at Hamburg Südamerikanische Dampfschiffahrtsgesellschaft.

After his studies in nautical and technical sciences in Hamburg he continued in different job positions at sea and shore within the shipping company, as well as for the new-building supervision in South Korea and for four years in Brazil heading the Brazilian shipmanagement department of the subsidiary Aliança Navegação e Logística.

In 2014 he was appointed as Managing Director for Columbus Shipmanagement, the inhouse shipmanagement company of Hamburg Süd. After the takeover of the Hamburg Süd by Maersk Line he changed to Copenhagen as Senior Fleet Group Manager for the out of Denmark managed fleet.

Mr. Claus-Peter Offen, the founder, sole shareholder and CEO of Offen Group, asked him to return to Hamburg, where he started, meanwhile 44-years old, as Managing Director for the CPO Containerschiffreederei and CPO Crewing in December 2018.