

## **Matthias Jöde**



Matthias Jöde completed his training as a hearing acoustician after finishing studies at the University of Applied Science in Lüneburg. After further training he was employed as an acoustician and also has six years' experience as a Senior Sales Manager at an advertising and communication agency in Hamburg. As of April 2015, Mr. Jöde has been representing the wireless solutions of Roger and Comfort Audio as the Regional Sales Manager for Phonak, a division of Sonova GmbH, in Northern Germany. In addition to acousticians, Mr. Jöde also consults clinics, special learning schools, regular (inclusion) schools and CI centers. Further networking partners include offices and special services for integration.

### **Hearing at work – technology for barrier free listening**

Working adults with modern hearing aids often refer to lower speech understanding in complex listening situations. In a working environment, barrier free listening is the key to full participation and performance in meetings or in telephone conferences. As many working places have become "open plan offices" hearing is even more difficult due to higher background noise. Examples of overcoming the obstacles of distance/background noise will be shown through the latest wireless technologies. Furthermore, connection options to several audio sources (phones, internet, VoIP...) will be presented, relevant institutions which support full access to speech will be displayed and experiences shared.