

Gilles Wendling – The Small Story

Gilles Wendling grew up in France, in a small alpine village, in a family of 8. He graduated from highschool in Annecy (Bac.C) at 17 and then spent a year in Toledo, Ohio (St. Francis, senior year). After graduating from Grenoble University (Civil engineering and geotechnical engineering - summer training periods in Sweden and Indonesia), he went to Ecole Polytechnique, Montréal, Canada, to complete a Master in Science.

He then worked on large projects (Great Man Made River Project, Libya) and completed a water supply and demand assessment in Mauritania. His interest in groundwater supply motivated him to better understand the operation of water wells. He satisfied his curiosity by completing a Ph.D. in hydrogeology and by working as a consultant in hydrogeology ever since.

