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In 2001 Mr Connell completed a B.A. in European Business Studies and Languages (German and French) at the National College of Ireland with First Class Honours. Due to his exceptional academic achievement and outstanding commitment to college life, Karl was presented with the President's Award during his graduation ceremony. Upon completion of his studies – a four-year degree programme, which incorporated an exchange year at the University of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft (FHTW, now FHW)) in Berlin – Karl returned to Berlin where he has since amassed almost a decade of professional experience.

Karl began his career in an administrative capacity for the world's largest auction site before gaining some three and a half years' experience in bi- and trilingual consular roles at two Berlin-based embassies. During his period of employment at the Embassy of Ireland in Berlin, Karl was presented by the Department of Foreign Affairs with an Exceptional Performance Award for an extracurricular project in which he designed, created and undertook the translation of Ireland's first trilingual embassy website. Karl has also successfully carried out a major property project in Berlin, which involved sourcing and applying due diligence in the acquisition of high-value residential and commercial properties for a group of private investors. In each of the roles Karl has held in Berlin, performing translations between German and English has always been an integral part of his day-to-day activities.

In 2008 Karl launched Berlinguist, a high-quality, competitively priced translation and localisation network. Alongside his role as senior translator and editor of technical and legal texts, as initiator and head of this nine man strong team of freelancers, Karl is also responsible for performing all marketing, customer acquisition and project management tasks.