

Curriculum Vitae: Marius Bock

Management & Consulting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23 years experience in the ICT field • Thorough understanding of Internet and Open Source technologies. • Wide business experience covering various business industries in South Africa. • I understand Information Technology and how to apply it to today's demanding business environment. • My philosophy is to use technology to enhance business productivity. • Technology should be used to gain competitive edge in business. • My ultimate role is to find out what business need and then find solutions to meet that need.
Project Management Achievements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PM for various development projects at De Beers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Development of a Debtors system from business requirement phase, functional analysis, development, system testing, user testing and ultimately to implementation. ◦ Production Statistical Systems that was developed using Client Server methodologies using Visual Basic on the client side and AS/400 with DB2 on the server side. ◦ Realtime data interface using C++ for the automation of diamond weighing. • PM for the De Beers year 2000 project. • PM for BodyIQ project at Astrolabe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Functional analysis and JAD sessions held with various role-players to define function requirement and specifications. ◦ Overall system architecture from a technical as well as software was designed. ◦ Database schemas was designed and implemented. ◦ Client/Server application was developed in Visual Basic that interfaced with SQL Server and other Visual Basic client over the Internet. • PM for the testing project of the Fundamo backend systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Managed a team of testers in the testing of Fundamo backend financial system developed in Java. ◦ Developed testing frameworks according to UML methodologies. • PM for Virtual News Engine system at Independent Online <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ This project covered the full SDLC life cycle ◦ Resources included were from outside vendors, other independent divisions from across South Africa and in-house developers and designers. ◦ Interfaces were built to legacy systems on UNIX machines using web services. ◦ Application was rolled out in phases covering regions and news paper titles. ◦ Training was provided during the rollout phase. • Formal qualification in Project Management as part of my Honours in Business Administration. • Experience in the use of Microsoft Project as a Project Management tool.
Experienced in Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Management • Departmental Financial Management • Project Management • Change Management • Risk Management • Managing full development project life cycle from Inception to Hand-over • Budget management and negotiation • Cost management • Team management and motivation • Resource and Project Organisation planning • Project administration (from timekeeping through to invoicing)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitation of workshops • Compilation of project documentation e.g. Project Definition Report • Compilation of project schedules • Chairing of Project Working Group Meetings and Steering Committee Meetings • Report back to Management and Board on project progress • Client Relationship Management • Test and Software Quality control.
Summary of Thorough Business Experience	<p>Thorough business knowledge in the following environments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Services • Financial Systems • Mining • Online Media and Printed media • Sports and sports related environments <p>Does have good knowledge of General Business Management.</p>
Summary of Technical Experience	<p>Thorough technical knowledge of the following technologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Source: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Operating Systems: Linux & FreeBSD ◦ RDMS: MySQL & PostGres ◦ Internet: Apache ◦ Development: PHP ◦ Various other products for DNS servers, mail servers etc. • Microsoft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Operating Systems: From DOS through to Windows XP ◦ RDMS: SQL Server ◦ Mail: Exchange Server ◦ Internet: IIS ◦ Microsoft Transaction Server, Microsoft Message Queue ◦ Various desktop like Office, Visio, Project etc ◦ Development: VB, ASP, C++, VBScript including understanding of .NET (Web Services). • IBM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Hardware: AS/400, IBM 9375 ◦ Operating Systems: OS/400, VM ◦ RDMS: DB/400, DB/2 ◦ Development: Cobol, RPG • Architecture and Methodologies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Networking concepts and technologies ◦ Internet technologies like IMAP, POP, SMTP, FTP, HTTP, HTTPS and SSL ◦ SDLC development process ◦ UML – Unified Modelling Language ◦ Testing and the creation of Test plans and Testing scenarios • Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ RDMS: Oracle and to a limited extend Sybase ◦ Development: C++ and C ◦ Various desktop like Adobe Acrobat and other utilities. ◦ Dreamweaver, HTML, Javascript for Internet development ◦ XML, Web Services and other data interchange technologies.

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<i>Career Path Summary</i>	
<i>03/03 – Present Managing Director/Owner Henriska Technology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owner of own company called Henriska Technology (http://www.henriska.co.za/) • Specializing in Internet and Open Source consulting. • Clients and customers are Small to Medium size enterprises • Member of the Cape chapter of the Internet Society.
<i>01/01 – 02/03 Technical Director – Independent Online</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent Online operated its ICT server infrastructure on Open Source philosophies. The main benefits were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduced Cost of ownership ○ No licence fees ○ Availability of source code so that products can be optimized to suit IOL requirements. ○ Reduced hardware costs due to lower hardware requirements. • Independent News and Media Group IT Steering Committee member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advices Independent News and Media Board and CEO on ICT strategic projects and issues. • Management of Technical division within Independent Online. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Daily operations with and annual budget of about R3 million in operating budget and about R1 million of capital expenditure. ○ 12 Staff members including Project Managers, developers, designers and system administrators. • Departmental Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Operation of South African biggest media web portal. ○ Development of new Internet Related Projects ○ Mail Servers within Independent Online • Technologies Used <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FreeBSD as Operating System ○ MySQL as RDBMS ○ Apache as Internet Hosting Platform ○ PHP as development language ○ Windows based desktop system. • Key Performance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IOL improved from and average media portal to biggest in South Africa with about 15 million page views and 1 million

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	<p>unique users per month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Manage major projects to successful implementation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Re-design of IOL media portal. ▪ Virtual News engine for Individual newspaper sites. ▪ Conversion of Independent News and Media from Internet Solutions as an ISP to UUNET as an ISP. This included the re-negotiation of existing ISP contracts.
03/00-12/00 Fundamo – Subsidiary of Sanlam	<p>Appointed as Independent Consultant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design, develop and implementation of WML server which acted as interface between Fundamo backend functionality and cellphone via the Cellphone networks. Architecture used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Linux as operating system. ○ MySQL as RDMS ○ PHP as development language ○ XML as data transfer language • Release Management and Quality Assurance: Managed the overall testing and release program of the Fundamo systems --- used Rational Rose testing methodologies. This included the QA of the Fundamo web portal as developed by a third party.
11/98-02/00 Systems Consultant – Astrolabe Technology Group	<p>Provided solutions using Database, Internet and e-Commerce technologies using Microsoft technologies to integrate Document Management and Workflow products.</p> <p>Designed, developed and implemented an Intranet for Astrolabe's Cape Town office.</p> <p>Database and Internet development responsibility on the BodyIQ project. BodyIQ is a health monitoring systems from Sport Science Institute that was outsourced to Astrolabe.</p> <p>Products used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS SQL Server • MS Internet Information Server (IIS) • Microsoft Transaction Server (MTS) • Microsoft Message Queue (MSMQ) • Microsoft Exchange • Visual Basic as development tool together with ASP, ASP.NET and Javascript.
01/88 – 10/98 De Beers Namaqualand Mines	<p>Appointed as Support Specialist for all desktop hardware and software.</p> <p>De Beers migrated from IBM 9370 technology to AS/400's. I was appointed to oversee the operation of the AS/400's which included the development of software solutions on the AS/400.</p> <p>Promoted to Development Manager responsible for a team of developers using Cobol, RPG on the AS/400 and Visual Basic on PC.</p> <p>Major projects during my stay at De Beers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Real time diamond weighing systems developed in C++ • Conversion of IBM 9375 to AS/400 • Project Manager for converting from Novell to Windows NT – include moving to Microsoft Exchange for email and SQL Server as a RDMS.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an Intranet using Microsoft Technologies. • Project Manager for Y2K project. <p>Experience during this period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IBM AS/400 • Microsoft BackOffice platform: Windows NT, Exchange, SQL Server, IIS • Project Management • Development Management
03/80-12/87 Old Mutual	<p>Started at Old Mutual Branch office in an administrative function and later transferred to Old Mutual Head office where I started my career in the ICT field.</p> <p>Developed software solutions for Actuarial problems using a language called APL</p> <p>Progressed up to Department Head level in department that provided software solutions for Individual Life products.</p> <p>Experience during this period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IBM Mainframes • Various Microsoft products • Development languages: C, C++ and APL

Education:		
80/86	B.Sc (Information Systems, Computer Science & Operations Research)	University of South Africa.
89/93	Honours in Business Administration	University of Stellenbosch Business School
82	APL Programming	Economic Data Processing (PTY) Ltd.
88/90	VM/SP, SQL/DS Administration	IBM
92/93	Various AS/400 courses	IBM
95	SQL, SQL/Plus and PL/SQL	Oracle
95	Oracle DBA	Oracle
97	MS Exchange Server	Workgroup Institute
98	Learn How to Become a Lateral Thinker	Whitehead Morris Seminars
98	Risk Management in Projects	Risk Management South Africa

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Other Interests:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Playing Golf• Reading<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ mostly non-fictional like Autobiographies○ financial magazines○ sports magazines• Financial Markets<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ stock market investments○ FOREX market investments• Maintain a South African amateur photographic website<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ http://www.safoto.co.za/• Staying abreast of current technology trends<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ subscribing to Internet newsletters○ reading industry magazines and newspapers
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