

MAX POWIS

DATA EXPERT

(42 YEARS OLD)

DATA IS GOLD BUT OFTEN LOOKS AWFUL. I AM PASSIONATE ABOUT USING TECHNOLOGY TO MAKING IT ACCESSIBLE AND BEAUTIFULLY SHAPED TO MAXIMIZE BUSINESS EFFICIENCY.

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SUMMARY

I am passionate about data and technology. My deepest satisfaction lies in delivering highly efficient and modular solutions relying on strong data models for reuse across various data disciplines.

Throughout my career, I have endorsed various positions involving data governance, data architecture, data modeling (data vaulting, dimensional modeling, unified star schemas, ...), data integration, system integration, reference data management and business analytics (reporting & dashboarding).

Interests: [data-modeling](#) [data-architecture](#) [data-integration](#) [data-warehouse-automation](#)

COMPANIES I HAVE WORKED FOR

JAN 2019 → *Present*
(6 years, 1 month)

Freelance Data Expert at maxPowX, Brussels, BE

Consultant in data architecture, data modeling, data governance, data integration, system integration, reference data and business analytics.

OCT 2012 → JAN 2019
(6 years, 3 months)

Data Vault & BI Expert at dFakto, Brussels, BE

Having deep interest in data modeling and data management, I have been devoted to smoothening business processes and providing governance bodies with reliable information through advanced data integration techniques.

Drove the organization towards more agile delivery through methodology mashups fit for consulting firms.

NOV 2006 → SEP 2012
(5 years, 10 months)

EAI Engineer at Accenture Technology Solutions, Brussels, BE

Integrated enterprise applications (EAI) for major companies active in the telecommunication and banking industries.

Extensive experience with offshore application delivery centers in Bratislava and Bangalore.

Took part in the application design, implementation, test and delivery management of the Java technology based products.

BENCHES I HAVE SCRATCHED

SEP 2005 → JUN 2006
(9 months)

Post-bachelor E-Design at HoGent¹, Aalst, BE

Coursework included Multimedia Authoring, e-Business, Web design & dev, CMS and more. Also a great opportunity to get comfortable at speaking Dutch.

SEP 2002 → JUN 2005
(2 years, 9 months)

Bachelor of Computer Science option Management at IESN², Namur, BE

Coursework included UML, Java, C, C++, C#, Cobol, Assembler, data modeling, project management and much more.

¹Hogeschool Gent department Bedrijfskunde

²Haute école d'Enseignement Supérieur de Namur

MISSIONS I HAVE CARRIED OUT

SEP 2024 → *Present*
(5 months)

Data Mesh Expert at BioTech Company, Ghent, BE

Data Product Governance Alation Azure Snowflake

Established key governance structures to support a data-product-driven strategy, ensuring effective oversight and alignment with business objectives.
Designed the data governance strategy and execution plan for the implementation and scaling of a federated data catalog, enabling a structured and efficient approach to data management.

MAR 2024 → *Present*
(11 months)

Data Governance Expert at Beverage Corporation, Salzburg, AT

Data Governance Platform Azure Purview Python SAP BW Snowflake PowerBI

Defined the data governance roadmap and led implementation efforts, assessing Purview's gaps and driving ambition setting.

FEB 2023 → JUL 2024
(1 year, 5 months)

Data Expert at SaaS Company, Flemish region, BE

Data Platform Architecture Snowflake dbt cloud Fivetran Terraform Cloud GitHub Azure Keyvault PowerBI

Defined the vision, architecture and lead the implementation of the modern data platform, operating model and data product frameworks with their principles, guidelines and standards.
Defined the enterprise concept map and domain models to guide the logical design and implementation of the metrics in PowerBI dashboards following established principles.
Aligned with business experts to find consensus on a corporate-wide definition of key business metrics.

MAY 2022 → DEC 2022
(7 months)

Data Governance Lead Architect at Portuguese Telco, Lisbon, PT

Data Mesh Collibra Google BigQuery Google Cloud Engine Google Dataplex DQ Terraform Flowable

Architected the 9 core Data Governance capabilities and functions supporting the Data Mesh strategy of the organization
Played the Data Governance product owner role, defining and orchestrating the product backlog for implementation across delivery sprints
Technical lead with hands-on terraform scripts and Collibra workflow implementations

APR 2022 → NOV 2022
(7 months)

Data Governance Expert at German Telco, Düsseldorf, DE

Data Governance Architecture Collibra AB Initio MHub Google Cloud Platform

Define the architectural vision for a transition towards a Hybrid Data Governance Platform (involving multiple data governance technology components)
Plan the journey towards introducing Collibra DIP as a new component of the Hybrid Data Governance Platform
Build the concept map within the Data Governance teams to be used as a reference for all Data Governance capability implementations

JAN 2019 → FEB 2022
(3 years, 1 month)

Data Governance Manager at Belgian Telco, Brussels, BE

Collibra REST API Swagger SOAP UI

Responsible to define the Data Model governance capability functions and implementation guidelines towards a new, better way of working.
Drove the glossary capability implementation for the BI Community from design to delivery, including awareness and training sessions for 130+ people.
Delivered a real-time Business Capability Service integration of the glossary within a BI DataSet Development Framework to support business term-driven documentation of data assets at design time.

MAR 2018 → JAN 2019
(11 months)

Data Vault Architect at Aerospace Manufacturing C°, Brussels, BE

Data Vault Star Schema SQL Server (SQL Server) Master Data Services Docker Datavault Builder QlikSense PowerShell SAP HighSEA

Designed, engineered and delivered a full automated agile data management platform in 4 months. The platform included:

- connectors to 3 source systems + the master data repository
- data integration and historization across 80+ business concepts of the data vault
- a unified star schema for information delivery
- master data management integrated with Excel for business power-users
- responsive dashboards with enhanced drill-down capabilities

The Solution served 3 use cases such as on-time delivery, supply chain issue tracking and task pointing performance.

NOV 2014 → MAR 2018
(3 years, 4 months)

Data Vault Architect at Insurance C°, Brussels, BE

Data Vault Star Schema SQL Server Qlik View SSIS C#.NET SQL Agent

Designed, engineered and delivered a data vault and various role-based dashboards serving the needs of 120+ IT project management stakeholders. Stakeholder roles included program managers, project managers, resource management, financial controllers, and more.

JUL 2013 → AUG 2013
(1 month)

Solution Architect & Engineer at Non-profit Organisation, Brussels, BE

MS Access Qlik View Business Objects VBScript

Pragmatic solution for accounting quality controls and budgeting dashboards. Blended in-house tools and smart methods.

OCT 2012 → JUL 2013
(8 months)

Data Vault Architect at International Bank, Brussels, BE

SQL Server SSIS T-SQL Business Objects VBA C# VBScript Control-M

My first encounters with data vaulting. Fully automated and integrated in the enterprise application and security architecture

JUN 2011 → SEP 2012
(1 year, 3 months)

EAI – Senior Application Designer at International Bank, Brussels, BE

IBM WMB IBM MQ IBM WAS Oracle DB Oracle PL/SQL Java Hibernate Spring Maven

Introduced and implemented best practices in application delivery management. Designed interface agreements, functional and technical documents for application components in scope of the delivery. Developed stand-alone java components and supported development of WMB and WAS GUI components.

MAR 2011 → JUN 2011
(3 months)

ESB Performance Team at Bank, Calgary, CA

webMethods Integration Server wM Developer wM Insight Java JMS IBM DB2 IBM AIX HA Clusters F5 CA Wily IntroScope

Audited and diagnosed the performance of the ESB layer interfacing the SAP systems. Fixed issues at cluster, OS, JVM, application, framework and component levels and pointed out abnormal response times regarding exposed SAP services.

NOV 2010 → MAR 2011
(3 months)

EAI – Technical Architect at Global Telco, Strasbourg, FR

webMethods Developer SOA/P BPM/N 8550 PKI VBA

Provided counsel in the fields of infrastructure, application frameworks and platform migrations.

NOV 2006 → OCT 2010
(3 years, 11 months)

EAI – Application Designer at Global Telco, Brussels, BE

webMethods Integration Server, Developer, Modeler & Broker SOA/P BPM/N Unix Oracle DB Oracle PL/SQL BEA WebLogic Java STRUTS

Participated in several release cycles including release management, functional/technical design, test condition and test script creation, implementation, assembly/integration tests, acceptance testing support and move to production. Supported the offshore development team during build phase.

DATA & TECHNOLOGY PROFICIENCY

PRODUCT MANAGEMENT:	Scrum – Kanban – Jira – Confluence
DATA MODELING:	Conceptual – ER/3NF – Data Vault – Dimensional (☆ & ✱) – Canonical
DATA CATALOG:	Collibra – Purview – Alation
RDBMS:	Snowflake – SQL Server – Oracle – MariaDB/MySQL – PostgreSQL
DOCUMENTS:	JSON – JSONSchema – YAML – XML – XSD – CSV – DTD – HTML
DWH AUTOMATION:	Data Vault Builder, WhereScape RED
ETL:	SSIS – Talend
DATA VISUALIZATION:	QlikSense – QlikView – Business Objects
API:	REST – RAML – Swagger – Postman – SOAP – SoapUI – WSDL
IDE:	Visual Studio – VS Code – Eclipse
VERSION CONTROL:	Git – GitHub – GitLab
O/S / VIRTUALIZATION:	Windows – Linux – vSphere – Docker – Terraform
SCRIPTING:	Bash – PowerShell – VBScript
PROGRAMMING:	Python – C# – Java – LaTeX
CI/CD:	Github releases, packages, environments & actions

LANGUAGES

FRENCH	ENGLISH	DUTCH
Native	Superior	Intermediate

SPECIALIZATIONS

COURSES: Collibra Expert I – Online (Credential ID CELIC-20190131-1072)
Certified Data Vault 2 Practitioner (CDVP2) – Dan Lindstedt ([certificate](#))
Business Information using RED on SQL Server – WhereScape