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.

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**

Freelance Data Expert at maxPowX, Brussels, BE

(6 years, 1 month)

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

Oct 2012 →Jan 2019

Data Vault & BI Expert at dFakto, Brussels, BE

(6 years, 3 months)

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

EAI Engineer at Accenture Technology Solutions, Brussels, BE

(5 years, 10 months) 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

Sep 2024 → Present

Data Mesh Expert at BioTech Company, Ghent, BE

(5 months)

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

Data Governance Expert at Beverage Corporation, Salzburg, AT

(11 months)

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

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

Data Governance Expert at German Telco, Düsseldorf, DE

(7 months)

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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

Data Governance Manager at Belgian Telco, Brussels, BE

(3 years, 1 month)

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

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

(11 months)

Data VaultStar SchemaSQL Server(SQL Server) Master Data ServicesDockerDatavault BuilderQlikSensePowerShellSAP 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

Data Vault Architect at Insurance C°, Brussels, BE

(3 years, 4 months)

 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

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

(1 month) 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

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

(1 year, 3 months) 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

ESB Performance Team at Bank, Calgary, CA

(3 months)

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

EAI - Technical Architect at Global Telco, Strasbourg, FR

(3 months) 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

EAI - Application Designer at Global Telco, Brussels, BE

(3 years, 11 months) 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

Scrum - Kanban - Jira - Confluence PRODUCT MANAGEMENT: Data Modeling: Conceptual – ER/3NF – Data Vault – Dimensional (☆ & **) – Canonical Data Catalog: Collibra – Purview – Alation RDBMS: Snowflake - SQL Server - Oracle - MariaDB/MySQL - PostgreSQL JSON – JSONSchema – YAML – XML – XSD – CSV – DTD – HTML Documents: Data Vault Builder, WhereScape RED DWH AUTOMATION: SSIS - Talend ETL: 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