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PROFILE

Engineering executive with two decades scaling platform organizations from Series B through public-market readiness. Track record of recruiting principal-level talent across EMEA and North America, shipping mission-critical software for Fortune 100 customers, and shepherding two acquisitions to successful integration. Independent board director focused on technical due diligence and post-Series-C scaling discipline.

EXPERIENCE

Halvard Pay Group

New York · 2023 — Present

Chief Technology Officer

— Lead a 1,400-person engineering and ML organization across 14 product lines; own annual platform budget of $260M.

— Architected the post-IPO migration to a domain-partitioned event mesh, reducing settlement latency by 64%.

Soundmere AB

New York / Stockholm · 2019 — 2023

SVP, Platform Engineering

— Owned the internal developer platform; grew adoption from 380 to 11,000+ services and externalized it as the industry standard.

— Migrated recommendation infrastructure to a unified vector store, cutting cold-start personalization time by 71% across 600M users.

Ledgerline, Inc.

San Francisco · 2015 — 2019

VP Engineering, Payments Infrastructure

— Scaled the international platform team from 22 to 310 engineers across five jurisdictions.

— Delivered SCA / PSD2 compliance ahead of regulatory deadline, retaining an estimated $1.7B in European transaction volume.

Ostrava Data Systems

Palo Alto, CA · 2011 — 2015

Director of Engineering, Data Platform

— Founding member of the data-platform product organization; led the data-integration runtime through its first ten enterprise deployments.

— Launched the federated permissions kernel that became the firm's public-sector compliance blueprint (FedRAMP High, IL5).

Nordtel AB

Stockholm · 2005 — 2011

Principal Engineer, Mobile Core

— Technical lead for the LTE evolved packet core deployed across 40+ tier-one operators globally.

— Authored two foundational patents on signaling-plane resilience cited in current 5G standalone work.

EDUCATION

Fontaine Business School

Fontainebleau · 2017

Advanced Management Programme · M&A strategy concentration

Stockholm Polytechnic Institute

Stockholm · 1999 — 2005

M.Sc. Computer Science · B.Sc. Electrical Engineering

BOARDS & ADVISORY

Vasskraft Energy AB

Independent Director · 2024 — Present

Member, Audit & Technology Committee

Idemark

Board Observer · 2023 — Present

Series D — KYC and identity verification

Larkspur Ventures

Operating Partner (Advisory) · 2022 — Present

Technical due diligence — late-stage portfolio

SPEAKING & PUBLICATIONS

Future of Infrastructure Summit, Zurich — January 2026

Panelist — "Sovereign AI and the Cost of Compute"

The Operating Review — November 2025

Co-author — "Engineering the Post-IPO Operating Model"

PlatformConf New York — June 2025

Track Chair — "Platform Engineering at Hyperscale"