## **LEO VAN DER AALST**



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**COUNTRY**Netherlands

Cycling, Running, Zwifting, Watching Movies

**HOBBY** 



#### **MOTIVATION**

I personally find it very pleasant if I have a problem that someone really helps me. That is also why I think we should really help customers and colleagues. Preferably without too much theory/frameworks, but directly to the point. Especially by 'hands-on' specialists helping customers using innovative solutions and the removal of impediments to ultimately realize maintainable and valuable software, which is delivered timely and with the desired quality. After all, it is the people who make the difference, not the frameworks.

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I am an enthusiastic and experienced speaker, trainer and author. I spoke at dozens of conferences, delivered more than 1.500 trainings and workshops to more than 12.000 students and wrote numerous articles and seven books.

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In my long career in IT, I have fulfilled almost all roles. From programmer to COO and CTO. My experience covers a wide range of digital technology expertise: from embedded software, cyber security, deep learning, simulation, and cloud to big data, IoT, AI, mobile apps, analytics, testing, DevOps and blockchain technologies.

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And thanks to my many years of experience, I was able to advise the senior management of more than 90 organizations, which gives me an excellent insight into what is going on in the various organizations. As a change manager I guided more than 350 teams in the Netherlands and abroad in the transition to working Agile and DevOps.

## LEO VAN DER AALST



#### **EDUCATION**

1987 - 1994 Information Technology - Cap Gemini Academy

1982 - 1983 Chemical Technology - University of Amsterdam

1981 - 1982 Physical Organic Chemistry - University of Utrecht

1977 - 1981 Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology - University of Utrecht



#### **EMPLOYERS**

Period	Organization	Function
12-2023 to present	Sherpaan (123inkt)	Managing Director
1-2022 to 11-2023	TenderTeam	Manager Operations (COO)
2-2021 to 12-2021	Improve Quality Services	Research & Development Manager
2-2020 to 1-2021	DevOn	Chief Technology Officer (CTO)
1-1999 to 1-2020	Sogeti	Solution & Innovation Manager
1-1994 to 12-1998	Eurocard/Mastercard (Interpay)	QA & Test Department Manager
10-1987 to 12-1993	Cap Gemini	Program Manager



#### **SKILLS**

## Languages

English, Dutch, German

#### Other

Author, Speaker, Innovator, Coach, Trainer, Business Developer, Associate Professor (Dutch: Lector)

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

ABN AMRO, Achmea, Aegon, AEVO, AgNL, Airbus, Alliander, Amercentrale, ANWB, AP Pension (DK), APG, Arcadis, ASR, Avans Hogeschool, BAM, Belastingdienst (BAC), Betabit, CAK, Canon, Cap Gemini, CBS, CIP, Cordares, DAF, Delta Lloyd, Deutsche Post (DE), Deutsche Postbank (DE), Dong (DK), Dresdner (DE), European Central Bank (DE), Eneco, Equans, Ericsson, EXIN, Fontys Hogeschool, Fortis, Frieslandbank, Gemeente Den Haag, Glencore, GMB, Haagse Hogeschool, Hanzehogeschool, Hogeschool Rotterdam, Hogeschool van Amsterdam, HSBC Trinkaus und Burkhardt (DE), HVC, Ikea (SE), Incassade, ING Bank, Inholland hogeschool, Interpay, I-SEC, ISTQB (DE), Kasbank, Koninklijke Bibliotheek, KLM, Koelnische Rueckversicherungsgesellschaft (DE), Koninklijke Marine, KPN, Logica, Logius, Maersk (DK), Majorel, Ministerie van Defensie, Ministerie van Onderwijs en Wetenschappen, Ministerie van VROM, NGI, Nixdorf, Norfolkline, NS, OCE, Ocean Offshore, Ohpen, Pegamento, PGGM, Philips, PostNL, ProRail, Rabobank, Reaal, RDW, SIGiST Israël, SNSReaal, Sogeti, SPIE, Stater, Superp, Supply Value, SVB, Tennet, Tetrapak (SE), UBS (LU), Universiteit Maastricht, UWV, Van Gansewinkel, Vivat, Vodafone, Ziggo, Zwitserleven

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### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Period Function

12-2023 to present Managing Director

#### Organization

Sherpaan

- As Managing Director of Sherpaan., I'm responsible for developing and executing a vision on growing the organization. And because Sherpaan is a young ambitious, but small organization, I support ICT, operations, sales, recruitment and marketing in achieving this goal.

Period	Function
1-2022 to 11-2023	Manager Operations (COO)
Organization	
TenderTeam B.V.	

As Manager Operations of the scale-up company TenderTeam B.V., I'm responsible for developing and executing a vision on growing the organization. And because TenderTeam is a young ambitious, but small organization, I support sales, recruitment, marketing, consultancy and the academy in achieving this goal.

Period	Function
2-2021 to 12-2021	Research & Development Manager
Organization	
Improve Quality Services	

- As a seasoned R&D manager at Improve Quality Services, I advised senior management on IT, quality and test topics. Often in environments such as DevOps since – I believe – 'built-in-quality' and 'continuous quality' are prerequisites for a transition to an High Performing Organization. And, because of my many years of experience at more than 90 companies, I was able to be their ideal sparring partner.

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Period	Function
2-2020 to 1-2021	Chief Technology Officer (CTO)
Organization	
DevOn	

- As Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of DevOn (about 250 people), I was responsible for developing a vision on quality in enterprise DevOps. And because DevOn as a young ambitious organization has a growth goal, I supported sales, recruitment, marketing, consultancy and the academy in achieving this goal.

Period	Function
1-2016 to 1-2020	DevOps Lead
Organization	
Sogeti	

- As an innovation manager, I regularly joined clients (senior management, C-level) to give workshops and presentations on the latest developments in IT.
- As transition lead, I guided organizations during the transition to working DevOps.
- As an agile coach, I provided training and workshops to more than 350 Agile teams in the Netherlands and abroad.
- As a trainer, I gave at least 1,500 workshops worldwide to more than 12,000 students.
- As a program committee member, I am jointly responsible for the program of the DevOps conferences

Period	Function
8-2013 to 1-2020	Lead Technologist at SogetiLabs
Organization	
Sogeti	

- I was a SogetiLabs fellow. SogetiLabs is a community of over 150 technology leaders from Sogeti worldwide and covers a wide range of digital technology expertise: from embedded software, cyber security, deep learning, simulation, and cloud to business information management, IoT, mobile apps, analytics, testing, and blockchain technologies

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Period	Function
10-2010 to 12-2015	Associate Professor (Dutch: Lector) Software Quality at Fontys University of Applied Sciences
Organization	
Sogeti	

- As (associate professor (Dutch: Lector) Software Quality and Testing at the Fontys University of Applied Sciences, I led and collaborated with students, lecturers from universities of applied sciences and universities, and the business community on giving practical substance to theoretical research, and I supervised three PhDs in their promotion.
- As an external expert, I took part in graduation sessions at various universities op applied sciences.
- As an expert, I gave my opinion in work field advisory committees of various universities of applied sciences.

Period	Function
1-2005 to 12-2015	Agile Transition Manager
Organization	
Sogeti	

- As author, I wrote seven books (e.g. TMAP and Quality for DevOps teams) and articles about software quality and I gave workshops and presentations about all this worldwide.
- As a development lead, I was responsible for the realization of the ISTQB syllabi agile tester and agile technical tester.
- As a consultant, I was a member of the governmental working group "Chain Management".
- As a TestNet workgroup member, I developed and gave a minor "software quality" for universities of applied sciences.
- As an "Expert Champion", I developed exam questions for EXIN.

Period	Function
1-2003 to 12-2004	Solution And Innovation Manager
Organization	
Sogeti	

- As an assessor, I provided advice on IT and test process improvement.
- As a member of an Innovation Board, I gave my input on developments in IT.
- As a consultant, I made annual plans and business cases for outsourcing for various organizations.

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Period	Function
1-2001 to 12-2002	Research And Development Manager
Organization	
Sogeti	
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Period	Function
1-1999 to 12-2000	Business Development Manager
Organization	
Sogeti	
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Period	Function
1-1994 to 12-1998	QA & Test Department Manager
Organization	
Eurocard/Mastercard (Interpay)	
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- As QA & Test department manager, I set up a test center and as I was responsible for the annual plan and training of all employees in the many dozens of projects. This concerned more than one hundred developers and testers, fifteen application managers and more than thirty users. I stimulated the synergy between developers and users to work together, which led to a 90% reduction in production disruptions.

Period	Function
10-1987 to 12-1993	Program Manager
Organization	
Cap Gemini	

- After my studies I learned the IT profession at Cap Gemini. I followed the path from programmer to program manager with all related courses. During this period I formulated

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