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Founder & CEO, Tekle Holographics B.V. (Netherlands)

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CANDIDATE FOR NON-EXECUTIVE BOARD & ADVISORY ROLES · ENTERPRISE IT · DEEP TECH · DEFENSE · AI

BOARD POSITIONING

A technology chief executive and board chairman who builds and governs companies at the frontier of enterprise IT, defense, and AI. Michel Tzsfaldet is founder and CEO of Tekle Holographics B.V. in the Netherlands and Chairman of the Board of its DIFC-incorporated (Dubai) joint venture — a regulated financial-centre chairmanship under DFSA oversight and English-common-law governance. He offers boards an uncommon combination: a commercial operator's record of building and scaling companies, regulated board-level governance experience, and an international network across Europe, the Gulf, the United States, and China.

PROFILE

Over more than 18 years, Michel has built businesses from the ground up. He grew his first company, Tekle, into a €19 million enterprise-IT and data-centre business as a solo operator, becoming the largest Microsoft Surface partner in the Benelux. Earlier, at Globility Connect, he established and led a 45-person export division that came to generate some 60% of company revenue across international markets. As founder and CEO of Tekle Holographics, he has grown a Dutch deep-tech company into a worldwide forerunner in glasses-free holographic visualization for defense, government, and enterprise, and is a named inventor on four patent applications.

His governance experience spans two levels. As Chairman of the Board of Tekle Holographics MENA Holding Ltd — a DIFC (Dubai) joint venture — he chairs a company operating under DFSA financial regulation and an English-common-law framework, meeting the conduct and compliance standards a regulated financial-centre entity demands. As founder of Tekle Holographics B.V., he built the group's governance from the ground up — instituting a supervisory-board (Raad van Commissarissen) framework, an employee-participation (STAK) structure, the capitalization table, and shareholder agreements — and led the business through a complex restructuring.

WHAT I BRING TO A BOARD

- **Industry** — enterprise IT & data-centre technology; deep-tech and optical / holographic display; defense & dual-use.
- **Functional** — commercial growth & international market entry; fundraising, cap-table design & restructuring; applied enterprise AI.
- **Governance** — Chairman of a DIFC-incorporated, DFSA-regulated joint venture; built a supervisory board, STAK and shareholder frameworks from the ground up; steered a restructuring.
- **Leadership** — founder-CEO; scaled and led international, cross-cultural teams; a fluent speaker of four languages.

BOARD & ADVISORY INTERESTS

Open to independent non-executive director and advisory-board roles — particularly with technology, deep-tech, and international-growth companies and scale-ups, and in enterprise IT, defense and dual-use, enterprise AI, and regulated or financial-centre environments. Based in the Netherlands; available across Europe and the Gulf.

RECOGNITION

Featured by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the REAIM 2023 summit on responsible AI in the military domain; presented to H.M. Queen Máxima during a Dutch economic mission to California; quoted by S&P Global and the BBC World Service.

LANGUAGES & CITIZENSHIP

English, Dutch & German (native) · Tigrinya (fluent) · French (basic)

German national — full EU work authorization.