

THE FACE OF DIGITAL LEADERSHIP



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Why did you want to join TM Forum's board?

TM Forum is one of the key forums enabling digital transformation in our industry; I joined to ensure that Oracle can contribute to driving this industry-wide transformation for our global customers.

How does your vision for digital leadership align with TM Forum?

TM Forum and Oracle share the objective of seeing our industry transform, grow and thrive in this age of digital transformation. We can do this through defining an ecosystem of stakeholders who adopt common APIs and other standards to enable service agility and flexibility, driving profitability and outstanding customer experience in member organizations. Read more about my 'Top-Five Requirements for a Successful Digital Transformation' [here](#).

What do you want TM Forum to achieve in the next 2 years?

I would like to see TM Forum continue to drive a collaborative environment to achieve full digital transformation for service providers.

Describe your typical day.

I start my day bright and early with a workout. My global responsibilities take me to the ends of the earth, splitting my time between customer and partner interactions, internal operations and time with my team, and other external meetings. I place a high priority on family life which rounds out my day.

Where were you educated?

I attended the US Naval Academy (BS, Engineering) and the US Naval Postgraduate School (MS, Information Technology) while serving 10 years as an officer in the US Marine Corps. That experience shaped me for my career in IT/Communications.

What do you consider your biggest professional achievement?

Throughout my career – from my days at Dynamicsoft to Tekelec to Oracle – my biggest professional achievements have been around championing our customers and helping them to make milestone technology transitions.

What big idea are you working on now?

My team and I are working to apply Oracle's massive investment in cloud-native technologies to the 5G core so that our customers can enjoy the flexibility and economies of web-scale in the next network transformation.

What's the low and high points in your career?

The incredibly talented and passionate teams I have had the privilege of leading through the peaks and valleys of this industry have brought great joy and high points too numerous to mention. At the same time, each of those technology transitions have also come with risk and unfortunately sleepless nights.

Which worthy cause do you support?

Bringing clean water and healthcare to the people of Africa.

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