CHRISTIAN TALJARD

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A top performing and internationally accomplished Systems Developer and Administrator with over fifteen years' experience defining, designing and implementing MAXIMO solutions, across a wide range of industries, with a particular focus on upstream oil and gas (ten years). Combines firm grasp of software applications with ability to discern business requirements, enabling successful solutions. A very resourceful and results focused individual, offering strong technical insight and excellent influencing skills forging sustainable relationships. Now seeking admittance to a technology university for an MSc in IT to underpin career progression.

CORE COMPETENCIES

Technical Leadership: An incisive and analytical thinker able to make sense of complex problems and provide effective solutions.

Business Advisory: Objective appraisal of business procedures, drawing on experience from various industries, providing alternative viewpoints to the management team.

Stakeholder Engagement: Engages effectively with stakeholders, across business units with diverse teams, winning trust and gaining 'buy-in' to achieve shared goals.

Professionalism: Highly commended by senior management for all round professionalism, commitment and technical proficiency.

CAREER PROGRESSION & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

November 2011-Present: Application Support Analyst   **SonaHess, Algeria**

- Reports to the IS Manager and works with senior managers to ensure the Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) system supports company procedures and processes. Dealing with the Procurement, Finance, Warehousing and Work Management processes at this oil production company.
- Responsible for administrating, optimizing and customizing the EAM applications, databases and interfaces.

March to October 2011:   Interface Implementation Coordinator   **BP, Azerbaijan**

- Approached by BP to help facilitate the implementation of an interface between MAXIMO and Primavera (Project Planning software) at the company's Azerbaijan facilities. Provided technical oversight and project management.

2006-2011:   Application Support Engineer   **SonaHess, Algeria**

- Appointed Application Support Engineer at SonaHess after providing one year onsite support post upgrade project.
- Responsible for:
  - Implementing bespoke business rules for the EAM system.
  - Customizing and creating new reports, forms and data entry screens.
  - Adapting and audit of interface between EAM and financial system.
  - Database administration and optimization as well as data loading and manipulation.
  - Trouble-shooting and resolving software bugs.
  - Skills transfer to local staff.

2002-2006:   MAXIMO Technical Consultant   **IST Data, South Africa**

- Consultant on several MAXIMO upgrade and implementation projects, clients include:
  - SonaHess (Oil Production) (Algeria)
  - Telecommunication Facilities Management Company (South Africa)
  - Guinness / Diageo Breweries (Kenya)
  - Illovo Sugar (South Africa & Swaziland)
  - Portland Cement (Malawi)
  - Associated Manganese Mines (South Africa)
  - Lafarge Cement (Tanzania)

1998-2002:	**MAXIMO Support Analyst**	**Megkon Systems Technology (MST), South Africa**

- Recruited as Support Analyst on the MAXIMO support desk. MST was bought by IST Data in 2002.

1995 - 1997:	**Office administration**	**Crusade Year and Beyond, South Africa**

- Volunteering as office administrator at this youth development organization provided me an opportunity to develop my people skills and introduced me to IT solutions.

1993 - 1994:	**National Service**	**South African National Defence Force**

- After Basic Training completed a Junior Leaders course and served as a kitchen shift leader in the Officers' Mess.

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY

Enterprise Asset Management Systems (EAM): MAXIMO (versions 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7)

Databases: Extensive experience administrating MS SQL Server databases; also have experience in ORACLE

Structured Query Language (SQL): Proficient in creating and optimising: queries, triggers and procedures

Report Writing Tools: SQR Report Writer; Acute Report Designer; Vision XL for SUN; Crystal Reports, Impromptu Reports

Office Productivity Tools: Microsoft Office

MAXIMO 4x Customisation: Centura Object Nationalizer

MAXIMO 5x Customisation: JavaServer Pages (JSP) Editing

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

2011:   **MAXEVERA Interface Administrator course,** BP, Azerbaijan.
2007:   **Introduction to the Oil & Gas Industry;** MDT, UK.
2006:   **Introduction to Vision Reporting Tool for SUN,** Systems Union, UK.
2006:   **Introduction to SUN financials,** Systems Union, UK.
2005:   **Introduction to MAXISUN Interface Software,** Sapphire Systems, UK.
2000:   **Business Data Communication,** UNISA, South Africa.
1998:   **MAXIMO System Administrator course,** MST, South Africa.

REFERENCES

References are available on request.

PERSONAL INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

- Traveling, exploring foreign locations and meeting interesting people.
- Playing chess and card games with friends.
- Mountain biking, hiking and enjoying the great outdoors.