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| Profile Summary With years of experience as a programmer, I focus on improving software and guiding global IT teams. As a bridge builder, I aim to transform businesses through effective IT solutions and collaboration. Languages Dutch (C2 level) English (C1 level) German (B1 level) Personal Interests Home Automation Raspberry pi / Linux / Docker Python development  Open-source contributions Renewable energy & Sustainability Personal Activities Hiking Indoor Rowing Energy Coach Volunteer Contact   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | +31628135526 | |  | theo@vandersluijs.nl | |  | linkedin.com/in/tvandersluijs | |  | github.com/tvdsluijs | |  | https://theovandersluijs.eu | | |  | | --- | | TvdS  Theo van der Sluijs  Product Manager / Owner | Agile Coach | Python Developer | Sustainability Advisor 🌱  Paul Krügerstraat 20 4443 AK Nisse, Zeeland / NL  t: +31628135526 | m: theo@vandersluijs.nl | w: https://theovandersluijs.eu Profile With years of experience as a programmer, I have come to know the digital world from the inside out. As a Product Owner / Product & Team Manager, my focus is on improving software and guiding IT teams around the world, with a special emphasis on India. It is fascinating how technology allows us to bridge distances and embrace cultural differences while working together on innovative solutions.  This journey has also led me to another passion: sustainability in IT and beyond. One notable project is my Energy Prices platform, where I have utilized Digital Ocean servers running Debian, along with several Docker containers hosting Linux-based operating systems and Python environments. This API-based system provides daily gas and hourly power prices to over 15,000 users. I have handled all the setup, configuration, and troubleshooting myself to ensure these systems deliver optimal performance and reliability. I firmly believe that we can leverage our technical expertise not only to develop more efficient software and hardware but also to guide companies towards a greener future. This is where one of my passions lies: merging technology and environmental initiatives to make a positive impact.  Through my experiences, I have learned that success is not only measured in lines of code or project deadlines but also in the positive changes we bring about. From optimizing business and team processes to reducing a company’s ecological footprint, it is a challenging but immensely rewarding balance.  At heart, I am a bridge builder – between teams and clients, with occasional steps towards a more sustainable future. Together, we can harness the power of IT to transform not only our businesses but also our world. | |

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