

# Curriculum Vitae - Jaroslav Bláha

## Experience

- 12/2017 – ongoing *CEO & Co-Founder of CellmatIQ GmbH, Hamburg, Germany.* Building a healthcare B2B startup for the automated analysis of complex medical images by artificial intelligence. > [www.cellmatiq.com](http://www.cellmatiq.com)
- 12/2017 - ongoing *CTO of MetaView Group GmbH, Zürich, Switzerland.* Responsible for development and IT operation of a personal, location-aware safety app for travelers (B2B2C). > [www.torcch.com](http://www.torcch.com)
- 05/2016 – 11/2017 *Global CIO/CTO of Solera Holdings Inc., Dallas/TX, USA.* With ~\$1,5b revenue, Solera is the global market leader in SaaS<sup>1</sup> products and services for insurers, the automotive industry, and their end-customers.
- Responsible for IT services across the entire enterprise with 60+ operating companies in 80 countries; reliably executing ~230 million annual transactions for ~180.000 B2B customers.
- Achieved post-merger integration of the group's IT assets into one global IT organization with ca. 300 staff and \$100M+ budget. Led the transformation to cloud-based and software-defined infrastructures, agile software production, and harmonized customer-facing (internal & external) services.
- 07/2015 – 01/2017 *CTO R3PI of Solera Holdings Inc., Dallas/TX, USA.* Responsible for innovation, technology, and engineering of an internal start-up (R3PI) for the enterprise-wide, mobile, and cognitive automotive products utilizing technologies like big data, connected car, artificial intelligence, IoT, ...
- Managed the architecture, design, agile engineering processes, and IT operations of a team of ca. 90 experts in Dallas (Ideation), London (Production), Zürich (Commercialization), Madrid (Big Data), and The Hague (Security).
- Collaborated with business development and marketing units, as well as key customers on CEO/CIO-level, to identify and realize disruptive opportunities.
- 04/2015 – 06/2015 *CIO & acting Member of the Board of the Swissgrid AG, Laufenburg, Switzerland,* the Swiss national electricity grid operator. Led a team of 150 persons with an annual operational budget of 50 MCHF and a project budget of 60 MCHF.
- Responsible for managing IT operations with extreme availability demands for transmission-critical systems. Special focus on cyber defense of the national critical infrastructure with more than a million monthly probes.
- 01/2013 – 02/2015 *Lecturer “Management of Major IT Projects”, Hamburg University of Applied Sciences*
- 05/2006 – ongoing *Managing Director & Owner of Xenadi GmbH, Hamburg, Germany.* Responsible for consulting and program management for large-scale IT and transformation initiatives of global enterprises. Providing interim and crisis management for corporate IT and governance staff functions. Conducting project maturity and compliance audits with associated management coaching.
- Biggest program was the overall responsibility for the successful development and global implementation (IT and business transformation) of transport management and corporate master data management systems for Deutsche Bahn Schenker with

a team of ~400 permanent staff from 35 nationalities, collaborating across 26 locations in Europe/US/Asia with a total budget of ca. 170m€. This system carries ca. 18% of the global DB group turnover.

- 07/2002 – 04/2006 *Managing Partner & Chief Technology Officer* of the consulting company *COS-Systems GmbH, Düsseldorf, Germany*. Responsible for project and technology management of multi-national, large-scale IT and defense projects.  
*Chief System Design* for the *Thales / Raytheon Systems* joint venture (*Paris, France & Los Angeles, USA*) for the NATO ACCS project.
- 09/1997 – 07/2002 *Software Project Manager & Chief Architect* at *NATO (NACMA), Brussels, Belgium*. Managed the acquisition of the NATO Air Command and Control System, a \$1.2b+ IT program.  
Responsible for bid evaluation, contract negotiation, and system and software engineering for an international consortium with more than 200 contractors, 300 engineers, operating in seven US and European locations.
- 07/1995 - 08/1997 *Senior Software Engineer* at *NATO Programming Center, Glons, Belgium*. Responsible for development and deployment of a mission-critical and safety-related air traffic management system in multiple European countries.
- 06/1991 - 06/1995 *Project Officer* at *NATO HQ, Brunssum, The Netherlands*. Responsible for management of IT and communications projects for trans-national interoperability.  
*Lecturer* at the *Academy for Military Technology and Administration, Mannheim, Germany*.
- 01/1988 - 06/1991 *Chief Instructor* at *Airforce Technical Academy, Augsburg, Germany*. Responsible for design and conduct of IT courses for the Ministry of Defense procurement departments.
- 07/1983 – 06/1995 *Officer* of the *German Airforce*

## **Qualifications**

- Degrees                    1995: *Master of Computer Science in Economics* at *University, Hagen, Germany*  
                                  [*Diplom Wirtschaftsinformatiker (Univ.)*, Fernuniversität Hagen]  
                                  1987: *Master of Computer Science* at *Armed Forces University, Munich, Germany*  
                                  [*Diplom Informatiker (Univ.)*, Universität der Bundeswehr München]
- Languages                German (fluent), English (fluent), Dutch (good), Czech (good), French (basic)
- Certifications            ISACA Certified COBIT Practitioner  
                                  EFQM Assessor  
                                  Certified SCRUM Master  
                                  Certified PRINCE2 Practitioner

## **Personal Data**

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