

# Michel Tzsfaldet

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FOUNDER, CEO & CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD · NON-EXECUTIVE & ADVISORY BOARD CANDIDATE ·  
ENTERPRISE IT · DEEP TECH · DEFENSE · AI

## BOARD POSITIONING

A technology chief executive, company founder, and board chairman who builds and governs companies at the frontier of enterprise IT, defense, and AI. Michel Tzsfaldet offers boards an uncommon combination: a commercial operator's record of building and scaling businesses, hands-on corporate-governance experience, and an international network spanning 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.

As Chairman of the Board of Tekle Holographics, Michel built the company's governance from the ground up — establishing its supervisory-board framework, employee-participation (STAK) structure, capitalization table, and shareholder agreements — and has led the business through a complex restructuring. He brings that governance experience together with commercial growth leadership, international market entry, and turnaround judgement.

## 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** — board chairmanship; built 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, and enterprise AI. Based in the Netherlands; available across Europe.

## 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.