

Lian van der Vyver

Technology Executive | VP Engineering | Product & Cloud Leadership

South African technology executive with 12+ years of international experience leading software engineering, product development, and agile delivery teams across Africa, Asia, and the Indian Ocean region.

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EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Currently Vice President of Engineering at EFT Corporation, leading 50+ engineers, QA specialists, Scrum Masters, and functional leads across multiple product lines. Strong track record building remote engineering culture, implementing SDLC discipline, improving release quality, and aligning engineering delivery with commercial outcomes. Open to remote, hybrid, and executive technology roles as VP of Engineering, Head of Engineering, or Fractional CTO.

CORE STRENGTHS

Engineering Leadership	Remote Team Management (50+)	Agile / Scrum / Kanban
SDLC & CI/CD Pipelines	React Native & JavaScript	Mobile App Architecture
Node.js & Backend APIs	AWS & Cloud Architecture	MongoDB & MySQL
Fintech & Payments	Product Strategy	Delivery Governance

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Vice President of Engineering | EFT Corporation (UAE - Nomad) | Nov 2021 - Present

- Lead a multidisciplinary team of 50+ engineers, QA specialists, Scrum Masters, and functional leads across multiple product lines.
- Designed and rolled out end-to-end SDLC practices, agile ceremonies, Jira workflows, automated CI/CD pipelines, QA gates, and release processes.
- Reduced production incidents to below one bug per project release through stricter QA gates, regression suites, and post-release reviews.
- Aligned estimates with actual delivery time, tracked effort versus quotes, and improved accountability for predictable, profitable delivery.
- Defined productivity, quality, and team happiness metrics to continuously improve delivery performance.

Head of IT and Operations | AO Group (Mauritius) | Mar 2021 - Oct 2021

- Led software development and project management teams of around 20 people across developers, project managers, and QA.
- Implemented structured development processes covering requirements, planning, code review, QA, and release management.
- Developed and executed a strategic technology vision aligned with business goals and digital roadmap.

Team Leader | Laxton (China) | Jun 2019 - Feb 2021

- Managed 16 software engineers and a Scrum Master delivering Chameleon Software product work and client projects.
- Led R&D; on biometric software for devices from proof-of-concept through production-ready solutions.
- Set KPIs, delivery expectations, and coaching practices to support predictable output and engineer growth.

Senior Full Stack Developer | Mastercard (South Africa) | Jul 2016 - Jun 2019

- Designed and delivered end-to-end software applications and system integrations.
- Managed medium-sized initiatives independently or by supervising small technical teams.

EARLIER EXPERIENCE

Entelect | Software Developer | Apr 2015 - Jun 2016 - Built internal systems and mobile applications.
Sybrin | Software Developer | Jan 2013 - Mar 2015 - Banking systems and web services.

PERSONAL PROJECTS & VENTURES

LianVyver.tech (2026 - Present)

Personal technology brand and executive portfolio showcasing AI, fintech, engineering leadership, mobile architecture, and delivery systems for modern digital companies.

- AI Strategy
- Engineering Leadership
- Cloud Architecture
- Digital Transformation

MyCent.co.za

Progressive web app that allows South African merchants to register, onboard, and get paid through a streamlined digital payment experience.

- PWA
- Merchant Payments
- South Africa
- Fintech

Lanami (2026 - Present)

Breakout-trading indicator and Expert Advisor for MT5 focused on Gold, Silver, and Bitcoin, with risk management, signal delivery, and automation.

- MT5
- Expert Advisor
- Indicator
- Trading Automation

EDUCATION

B.Computer Science (Honours) | University of Pretoria | 2012

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Achievements: BC Bursary of Merit (2010 - 2013); won the programming competition twice (2011 - 2012).