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Director of Engineering

Hands-on software architect with record of leading teams and managing projects to create innovative and high technology products. Co-founder and Chief Officer of ForwardBias, a successful Qt consulting company. Expert in wide variety of technologies including Qt, WebKit, node.js, networking, graphics and embedded programming.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Architect, Intel Inc, USA

Oct 2012 - Present

- Part of XDK architect team that leads over 40 engineers across 5 geographic locations.
- Architect of Intel's Cordova build server based on AWS and node.js.
- Author of Catalyst – a 3D graphics acceleration engine of HTML5 canvas for Android WebView.
- Owner of Android and Mac port of [Crosswalk](#) (a chromium based HTML5 runtime).
- Lead of AppAnalyzer – android app that allows remote debugging and instant preview of cordova apps

Principal Engineer, Nokia Inc, USA

Jan 2012 – Sep 2012

- Technical lead of a team of 8.
- Architect of Qt5's [device support](#) for all devices including Raspberry-pi, beagleboard.
- Developer and maintainer of EGL and LinuxFB QPA backends of Qt5.
- Approver status in the Qt project ([contributions](#) and [reviews](#)).

Co-founder, Chief Officer, ForwardBias Technologies, Bangalore 2011

Nov 2007 – Dec

- Co-founder of company that provides advanced Qt, Qt/Embedded, Qtopia, WebKit consultancy services.
- Very successful company, in top 5 results when [googling](#) for “Qt consulting”. Our customers included Nokia, Hyves, Second Life and Wimba.
- Handled all aspects of company business, project management and customer interaction.
- Created multiple products for sale - SpamBin (a bayesian spam filter for Symbian phones) and CodePotato (a personal code management tool).
- Member of the [WebKit team](#) ([contributions](#))
- Implemented X11/Mac Windowless Plugins and Accelerated Composition of Plugins for Qt/WebKit.
- Co-developed [LLQtWebKit](#) that made it possible for Second Life to render Flash in their 3D viewer on Mac, Windows and Linux.
- Co-developer of [QtMediaHub](#), a XBMC clone using QML
- Developer of Qt4's GDI based paint engine
- Co-author of [Hyves Photo Uploader](#)
- Led development of ODF text support in [Calligra Suite](#)
- Primary developer of the WiFi UI for the [Demy](#)
- Developed [Bedrock](#) – a Qt based library to access git data stores
- My company blog – <http://blog.forwardbias.in/category/girish>, QtWebKit blog - <http://qtwebkit.blogspot.com/search/label/girish>

Senior Software Engineer, Trolltech ASA, Norway

Oct 2005 – Oct 2007

- Release manager for Qt 4.3.x release and some 4.2.x releases.
- Directed a team of 40 engineers to deliver Qt releases on time.
- Architect of [Qt Style Sheets](#).
- Author of Qt's [auto completion framework](#).
- Author of various Qt classes including QMessageBox, QLabel, QSizeGrip, QSystemTrayIcon, QStyledItemDelegate. Was part of the Qt widgets team and was the maintainer of Desktop services, dialogs, item views, widgets.
- Author of the Qt port of MinGW/MSYS.
- Part of the team that added support for Widgets on the canvas. Developer of Qt's next generation layout system (QGraphicsLayout) and provided the base code for the proxy widget (QGraphicsProxyWidget).
- I was instrumental in Qt 4.3 receiving Vista certification, Qt Single Source package, Qt supporting VS Express in its Open source edition.
- My blog - <http://labs.trolltech.com/blogs/author/girish/>

Independent Qt Consultant, Bangalore**Feb 2005 – Sep 2005**

- Developed a SQL QueryBuilder UI that built SQL queries.
- Developed a RFC 2822 compliant Mime parser library.
- Developed a Swf to Exe converter for TenMiles Private Limited.

Developer, Cisco Systems, Bangalore**Jun 2001 – Jan 2005**

- Developed drivers for Cisco's OC3 SONET VPA and maintained SONET APS and Minimum Disruptive Restart code base.
- Architect and lead of the Cisco CallManager automation framework.
- Authored SkinnyScripter, a COM object that can help script VoIP calls.
- Developed Bulk Insertion Tool (BIT), a tool that automates creation of CallManager VoIP database.

PROJECTS

My [website](#) contains a summary of my [Open Source](#) and [Commercial](#) projects.

<http://git.forwardbias.in/> and <http://gitorious.org/~girish> contain the source code of my Open Source projects.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Reviewer of the Styles chapter of the [Qt4 programming book](#)

[Styling Qt widgets using Style Sheets](#), Qt Developer Days 2006, San Jose and Munich

Qt IDE integrations, Qt Developer Days 2006, San Jose

Qt on Windows, Qt Developer Days 2007, San Jose and Munich

[Custom Looks using Qt StyleSheets](#), Qt Quarterly

[Qt Style Sheets](#), Qt Developer Days 2007, San Jose and Munich

[Open Document support in Kword2](#), Akademy 2008

[Bringing C++ to Vista: Leveraging Your C++ Code-Base to create native Windows Vista Applications](#): June 20, 2007

[Styling Qt using StyleSheets](#) (FOSS.IN/2007)

Git Internals (Netherlands, Hyves 2008)

[Qt Internals](#), Qt Developer Wiki

Media Center for MeeGo, MeeGo Conference, San Francisco, 2011

[Qt Quick Best Practices And Design Patterns](#), Qt Developer Days Munich 2011

[Qt Device Support](#), Qt Contributor Summit 2012

Hacking on WebKit, Intel Developer Meeting 2012

EDUCATION

Regional Engineering College, Trichy**1997 – 2001**

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science (First class with distinction)

REFERENCES

Lars Knoll, CTO, Digia

Koen Kam, CTO, Hyves

Matthias Ettrich, KDE Founder