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## Top Skills

Telecom & IT Integration

Switching & Routing

Telephony Systems

## Certifications

Open Digital Framework (ODF)
Awareness

Managing Digital Transformation
with Open Digital Framework
Awareness

# Ardo Abel

Innovator
Estonia

## Summary

If You Fail to Plan, You Are Planning to Fail"If you fail to plan, you
are planning to fail." – Winston Churchill

As an Enterprise & Domain Architect with 15+ years of experience,
I transform complexity into clarity. My focus is to connect business
vision with technology execution, ensuring that large-scale IT and
telecom ecosystems are designed for long-term value, scalability,
and security.

Key strengths include:
• Enterprise & Domain Architecture Governance – leading
architecture boards, setting roadmaps, defining standards.
• Telecom & IT Integration – driving digital transformation across
telco production domains, cloud, and hybrid environments.
• Leadership & Mentorship – guiding solution and platform architects,
aligning stakeholders, and enabling cross-functional collaboration.
• Future-Proofing – shaping technology adoption (AI/automation,
cloud-native, security by design, sustainability).

I thrive at the intersection of strategy and execution, where visions
become architectures and architectures become business value.

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## Experience

Telia
3 years 5 months

Enterprise Domain Architect (Production)
April 2024 - Present (1 year 6 months)
Estonia

• Responsible for the entire IT Production Domain lifecycle: services,
platforms, and development.
• Lead and chair the Domain Architecture & Technology Council, ensuring
alignment between business priorities and technical standards.

• Define future budgets, technology adoption, and roadmap planning to support long-term transformation goals.
• Set architectural standards and practices for development teams.
• Provide vision, leadership, and mentoring for solution and platform architects.
• Drive innovation and adoption of new technologies (cloud-native platforms, automation, AI-driven operations).
• Ensure regulatory compliance, risk mitigation, and sustainability in technology choices.

### Chief Architect
June 2023 - Present (2 years 4 months)
Estonia

• Advisor to sales division solution architects, ensuring solutions meet both customer and enterprise architecture standards.
• Acted as "Architecture as a Service" – consulting directly with major enterprise customers on architecture strategies.
• Aligned customer-facing solutions with Telia's enterprise vision, ensuring scalability and long-term value.
• Facilitated workshops with CxO-level stakeholders to shape customer roadmaps.

### Customer Solutions Architect
May 2022 - Present (3 years 5 months)
Tallinn, Harjumaa, Estonia

• Designed and delivered telecom, IT, and cloud solutions for enterprise clients.
• Integrated end-to-end architectures combining infrastructure, platforms, and customer business processes.
• Supported pre-sales with technical strategy, solution design, and cost optimization.

### Health and Welfare Information Systems Centre (Tervise ja Heaolu Infosüsteemide Keskus)
Infrastructure Architect
February 2020 - June 2022 (2 years 5 months)
Tallinn, Harjumaa, Estonia

• Managed the full lifecycle of IT services: design, development, and operations.
• Architected hybrid hosting models (on-prem, private/public cloud).
• Designed and defended technical solutions in public procurements and tenders.

• Consulted stakeholders on IT strategy, service design, and infrastructure modernization.
• Delivered secure, resilient platforms for mission-critical national health systems.

## Information Technology Centre of the Ministry of the Environment
IT Infrastructure Team Lead Architect
2016 - December 2019 (3 years)
Tallinn

• Led the infrastructure architecture team, responsible for enterprise networks, servers, and storage.
• Defined technical standards and coordinated multi-vendor environments.
• Managed major modernization projects: virtualization clusters, secure storage, and enterprise backup.

## Estonian Defence League
Head Administrator / Network Administrator
August 2013 - January 2017 (3 years 6 months)
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• Full responsibility for IT infrastructure: WAN/LAN, VPN, security, virtualization.
• Built and maintained resilient networks supporting national defense operations.

## Nixor EE AS
Computer System Administrator
August 2008 - February 2011 (2 years 7 months)

The Administration of windows servers and Active Directory. The Analyzing computer/server/laptop hardware and the Solving of problems. From Time to time I have to work with Biserba scales and Pico links. Configuring, NAT, VPN, Firewalls, proxy, AD-domeen and many others.

## Elcoteq
Network Administrator
March 2006 - August 2007 (1 year 6 months)
Tallinn

• Managed networks, routers, and wireless systems.
• Delivered network and telephony infrastructure projects.

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## Education

Estonian Entrepreneurship University of Applied Sciences
Bachelor of Applied Science - BASc, Web/Multimedia Management and
Webmaster