



*Erick Stephens*  
*Chief Technology Officer*  
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As **Chief Technology Officer**, Erick Stephens, supports policy decision and delivers technology relevance and scalable solutions into public sector markets in Asia:

- Leads gov'ts to the digital transformation journey.
- Aligns IT value propositions to public policies such as: healthcare, education, environment, tourism and local social and economic development.
- Promotes a digital agenda on top policy areas such as innovation, security and privacy, technology neutrality, accessibility and interoperability.

Erick is an active member in:

- Asian Industry Council of the **Open Government Partnership** (<http://www.opengovpartnership.org/>) coordinated by the National Information Society Agency of Korea, Center for International Private Enterprise and Microsoft.
- **World Quality Council for Local Governments**, which promotes and facilitates good practices in management systems of government activities worldwide.
- Member of the **IT Standards Committee**, IMDA Singapore, working groups include: IoT Reference Architecture for Smart Nation, IoT Network and Sensor, IoT Security, Server Virtualization Security.

Erick has over **25 years of IT experience**, both in private & public sector:

- **Industry Leader:** Before joining APAC, Erick was a relevant actor in the Mexican ICT industry:
  - o a) President of South-Center Region at the ICT National Chamber CANIETI -2011-2013, representing 15 states and more than 50% of the industry in Mexico;
  - o b) President of Navega Protegido (<http://www.navegaprotegido.org.mx/>) -2007 – 2013, non-profit internet safety program which promotes an internet safety culture among families (parents, students), businesses (internet banking and e-commerce) and protects data privacy and information.
  - o c) ISO-18091 worldwide counselor for local governments, 2009 – up to date.
- **IT Executive:**
  - o a) National Technology Officer for Microsoft Mexico, 2007 - 2012
  - o b) GTE CyberTrust - Latin American Business Developing Manager, Boston, MA 1999 – 2000.
  - o c) Counselor and international speaker -Grupo NEXOS, 2005 - 2006.
- **Entrepreneur:**
  - o a) won the Science & Technology Innovation Award with Adavox: building a digital affordable hearing aid, 2006.
  - o b) won the President's National Technology Award with SeguriData: crypto ISV, 2005. One of the first Mexican ISVs to open offices in Silicon Valley.
  - o c) Senior Consultant for the Latin American region from 1996 to 1998, supported Global Corporations such as Compaq, Marathon, Quarterdeck, Seachange Technologies, among others.
  - o d) Co-founder and VP Sales & Marketing at Grupo INTEGRA; 1991 – 1996. IT system integrator leader in education, security and knowledge management.
- **Public sector:**
  - o a) Government of Mexico, Advisor (both Federal & State) in public policies and technology (security, e-Government & Techno-preneurs)
  - o b) Co-owner of the e-citizen framework, "Public Services for Citizens": published in several journals in Mexico and Latin America.
  - o c) Co-owner of the digital agenda for the State of Zacatecas, Mexico (2007)

He holds an engineer degree in **Computer Science** and **MBA** both from ITAM University. Post-graduate courses in **e-Government** (UN-ITESM) and **Public Policies** (CIDE, INSEAD, London Business School).

Erick enjoys teaching, which he has done part time for the last 20 years: IT, Innovation, Policy and Security. Received the award "ITAM Professional Merit Award" of in 2007 <http://www.itam.mx/en/acerca/carrera/carrera.php> and the recognition, from [Asia One](#), as one of "Asia's Greatest CTO 2015-16".

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