

ROBERT VAN EYDEN - CURRICULUM VITAE

Transforming Finance Through Leadership, Innovation & Education

Robert van Eyden is a seasoned financial executive with over 30 years of experience spanning global markets, trading, investment management, and executive leadership. He is recognized for pioneering research in neural networks, delivering award-winning investment performance, and leading strategic transformations at top-tier financial institutions.

Key Roles Held

- Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- Chief Investment Officer (CIO)
- Global Head / Director of Research (Fixed Income, Currency, Commodities, African Equities)
- Associate Professor (Financial- and Investment Management)

Key Career Highlight

- Scope Markets, South Africa - CEO (2024 to Present)
- IG Markets, South Africa - CEO & Key Individual (2022 to 2023)
- FNB Stockbroking and Portfolio Management - CEO, Stockbroker in Control, Committee Chair (2017 to 2022)
- ABSA - Barclays Africa Group - CEO, Stockbroker in Control (2014 to 2017)
- Thebe Stockbroking (TS Securities) - CEO, Chief Investment Officer (2010 to 2013)
- Standard Bank - Global Director of Research: FICC & African Equities (2008 to 2010), Global Head of Research: FICC (2005 to 2008)

Academic Career

University of Pretoria - Associate Professor (1989-1995)

- Lectured in economics, finance, and decision sciences.
- Conducted pioneering research on neural networks in financial forecasting.
- Published extensively and presented globally at academic forums.

Education

Doctor of Commerce (DCom), Financial Management - University of Pretoria, 1994

MCom (Cum Laude), Business Management - University of Pretoria, 1991

BCom Hons, Business Economics - University of Pretoria, 1988

BCom, Business Economics - University of Pretoria, 1987

Professional Qualifications

- Fellow of the Institute of Financial Markets (2025)
- Certified Stockbroker (CSb SA) - 2012

Professional Affiliations

SA Institute of Financial Markets (SAIFM) - Director

SA Institute of Stockbrokers (SAIS) - Former Board Member Institute of Directors Southern Africa (IoDSA) - Member

Awards & Recognition

Intellidex Top CFD Provider (2019), Top Advice Stockbroker (2017)

ETFonly Innovation Award - Moneyweb (2015)

Institutional Investor Emerging Market Credit Research (#2, 2008)

Spire Awards - Best Fixed-Income Research Team (2006-2009)

Publications & Authorship

Books: Badass Trader, The Money Fountain, Investing Happiness

Academic: 15+ peer-reviewed papers on neural networks, forecasting,

AI in finance

Presentations: 20+ national and international finance conferences

Core Competencies

Investment Strategy and Trading Psychology

Strategic Business Transformation

Financial Research and Forecasting

Leadership and Governance

Academic and Professional Thought Leadership