

# **Volumez Team Bios**

# Amir Faintuch, CEO

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Amir Faintuch is the accomplished CEO of Volumez, and brings a wealth of experience from the technology industry. Prior to Volumez, he held senior executive positions at leading technology companies such as GlobalFoundries, Intel, Qualcomm, and Texas Instruments.

At GlobalFoundries, Amir served as Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Computing, Wired Infrastructure, and Storage business, where he was responsible for solidifying the company's leadership position in Silicon Photonics and played a pivotal role in the company's highly successful IPO in October of 2021.

During his tenure at Intel, he served as Senior Vice President and General Manager of Platform Engineering, leading the implementation of a new silicon development model that generated billions of dollars in revenue and improved product performance at scale. Additionally, he served as Senior Vice President and Director of Strategic Transactions for Intel Capital, focusing on emerging technology opportunities. Amir's journey in the industry began at Texas Instruments, where he established the company's technical and market leadership in mobile connectivity technologies.

He holds a BA in economics and business administration from Haifa University in Israel and a dual MBA in high technology management from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and the Recanati Business School at Tel Aviv University.

### Jonathan Amit, Founder and CTO

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Jonathan Amit, known as Yoni, is the Founder and CTO of Volumez and is also a technology innovator, serial entrepreneur, and recognized thought leader in the storage and data management field. With over 500 patents to his name, Yoni brings a remarkable track record of pushing the boundaries of what is possible.

Before co-founding Volumez, Yoni was the Co-Founder and CTO of Storwize, a company specializing in real-time data compression solutions. Under his leadership, Storwize gained prominence and was subsequently acquired by IBM, where Yoni served as a Distinguished Engineer, Master Inventor, and CTO of IBM Systems Israel for nearly a decade. His pioneering work in data storage and compression has earned him numerous industry accolades, including the prestigious IBM Master Inventor Award.

Yoni's passion lies in leveraging technology to solve complex problems and deliver innovative solutions to customers. He looks forward to pushing the boundaries of what Volumez can achieve and continuing to drive business success.

### John Blumenthal, Chief Product and Business Officer

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As the Chief Product and Business Officer at Volumez, John Blumenthal brings a wealth of expertise in storage and cloud infrastructure to the team. With a focus on accelerating cloud infrastructure performance, John plays a pivotal role in driving Volumez's product, customer, and marketing strategies.

John brings extensive industry experience to Volumez, having co-founded CloudPhysics, which was acquired by HPE, and held key positions in managing enterprise storage products at VMWare. His contributions extend to developing and managing storage and infrastructure products and services at Veritas and @Stake, along with advisory and board positions at emerging companies.

With a deep understanding of engineering, product development, management, and operations, John's expertise makes him a valuable asset to Volumez as the company continues to drive innovation and meet the evolving needs of its customers. John holds a BA in History and Mathematics from Columbia University.

#### **Brian Carmody, Field CTO**

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Brian Carmody is the Field CTO at Volumez, bringing over 15 years of experience scaling disruptive technologies into successful businesses.

Before joining Volumez, Brian served as the Chief Technology Officer of Infinidat, a data storage company, where he played a pivotal role in shaping the company's technology vision and strategy. He also held senior roles in product management and solutions engineering in the Systems and Technology Group at IBM. Brian's experience extends to his time at MTV Networks Viacom and Novus Consulting Group, where he held technology executive positions.

Brian studied Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Rochester, further enhancing his expertise in the tech industry. With his extensive experience, Brian is poised to help drive Volumez's technological advancements and business growth.

### **Efri Nattel-Shay, VP of Product Management**

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Efri Nattel-Shay is the Vice President of Product Management at Volumez, boasting over 25 years of experience developing and launching industry-leading enterprise software solutions. With his extensive industry knowledge and educational background, Efri excels in driving the development of cutting-edge enterprise software solutions at Volumez.

Before joining Volumez, Efri held the position of Chief Product Officer in the Data Protection Division at Dell Technologies. His responsibilities at Dell included leading the development of Kubernetes and Cloud Native Data Protection, Business Continuity, and Disaster Recovery solutions. Efri's previous roles also encompassed Product Management leadership at EMC, where he spearheaded the product roadmap and integrations with VMware and EMC's storage platforms.

Efri holds a MS in Computer Science and BS in Mathematics and Computer Science, both from Tel-Aviv University.

## Nir Rigai, VP of Engineering

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Nir Rigai is the VP of Engineering at Volumez and brings over 20 years of experience leading globalized software engineering teams and delivering high-impact solutions to customers. Before Volumez, Nir served as an R&D executive at IBM, where he oversaw software and hardware development for IBM's flash storage portfolio. Nir joined IBM in 2010 through the acquisition of his previous company, Storwize. Before Storwize, he served in various technical leadership roles in the Aerospace and Telecommunications industries.

Nir holds a BA in Business Administration and Management from The Open University of Tel Aviv.

### Carmit Levy, Head of Operations & HR

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Carmit Levy, the Head of Operations and HR at Volumez, brings a wealth of experience to her role. With a strong background in HR and operations, Carmit has played a pivotal role in various organizations before joining Volumez. Previously, Carmit served in HR roles at IBM Israel, where she oversaw employee recruitment, training, and development. She efficiently managed contractors and procurement requirements while also analyzing project budgets. During her 25 year tenure at IBM, Carmit focused on business compliance management, sales operations, process improvement, and process training.

Carmit holds a BA in Business Administration and Management from the University of Derby and has obtained certification in HR operations and automation.