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# Preface

Dear Reader,

Welcome to this book on sustainable software architecture. In the following chapters I invite you to explore the inner life of software systems with me and admire the beauty and cruelty that can be found within.

In recent years, I have been fortunate enough to be allowed to look deeply into many software systems. In doing so, I have pondered and discussed with many architects, debating which structures are more sustainable than others and why. In this book you will find many recommendations on all aspects of developing sustainable systems. There are also real-world case studies, screenshots of real systems to help my observations come to life, and a little theory too, to help you quickly grasp the principles involved and retain what you learn.

I would be delighted if you could give me feedback on my experiences. Perhaps you have seen similar things, or perhaps you have a completely different view of software architecture. I hope you will find the following pages interesting, informative, discussion-worthy, and perhaps even amusing.

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