Summer Internship at Agência Abreu

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(Activity report)

Abstract—This report will present and describe all the activities developed during the internship at Agência Abreu, for the discipline of Portefólio Pessoal A lectioned at Instituto Superior Técnico – Taguspark.

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1 Introduction

On the summer holidays of 2013 I completed an internship at Agência Abreu. From day 1 of August till the first week of September, day 6.

This was my 2nd summer internship, the 1st one was on the year before from the 22nd of July till the 31st of August on the same company.

I decided to participate in this internship to improve my knowledge and especially gain some working experience in a real company with moderate dimensions. It was a good way to tens my capacities and techniques that I learned at Instituto Superior Técnico.

Both internships were remunerated.

2 CONTEXTUALIZE, THE BEGINNING

When the summer holidays of 2012 started I decided to candidate myself to an internship to gain experience and add some extra curricular value to my curriculum vitae.

I searched for a company that had a good IT (IT!) department. As I was searching on-line, I found an opening at Agência de viagens Abreu (IT! department) ant I took it. After completing

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the regular procedure: sending personal data and my Curriculum Vitae, they called me for a interview.

I liked the company and the internship, on my first time(summer 2012), that I decided to repeat the internship on the next year(summer 2013).

3 Introduction to the internship

After the internship request was accepted I was contacted by e-mail to go to an interview at their "2nd head office" at Carnaxide, Linda-a-Velha, one week before the internship begun.

During the interview with the Human Resources I got to know that I would be integrating the "Assistência Informatica" department. I met my supervisor, signed the internship protocol that featured the entering/exiting times, total working hours per week, the internship salary and the duration. At the end of the interview I was offered a tour of the company, that way I saw all of their departments, rooms ant my work place.

4 THE INTERNSHIP

The department where I spent most of my time was divided in 3 sub-departments: "Fields", "Assistência", "Systems", plus there was the supervisor that assisted, controlled and coordinated the whole department. My supervisors had to manage, from this department, all the

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departments, stores, head offices, warehouses computer devices and equipment so that no other company member is left without work to do because a computer "issue". In other words, he managed all of the IT! related devices in the companies internal network.

4.1 Fields

I started my internship by integrating the field were I did more "field work" that is: fixing individual computers, verifying cables from back-end servers and switches, visiting stores all over the country to repair, substitute and configure computers and printers and installing (remotely) applications for specific departments that had 100 or more company workers.

First I started by observing and learning the working methodology and rules. For that my supervisor decided to join me to one of the team members. So I followed him on every activity that was assigned. At the end of each assignment we had to register in the ticket system the procedures that we took. Assignments:

- Check why one of the workers telephone was not working and solve it. We started to check if the cable correctly connected to the plug, then we check if the cable was not damaged, for that we needed a special device were we connected one end of the Ethernet cable to a signal emitter and the other end to a receiver, verifying that signal was transported without any kind of interference or deterioration. After that we went to the back-end switches that connect the whole departments network devices (computers and phones) to a router. We verified that the Ethernet cable corresponding to the phone was connected to a port pre configured for computer use. After connecting the cable to the correct port we rechecked with the user to see if everything was working. When we finished we detailed the taken procedures and registered them in the ticket system.
- Prepare laptops for new or promoted company workers. The company ordered brand new laptops for formating, configuring and installing the applications that

the company and the new user required to fulfill all of his job needs. As an example: a computer for an accountant needed an application for accounting called **SITOC!** but a computer for an Human Resources did not need it but, it required a special application to connect to all of the companies user databases.

As we had a delivery time we needed to prepare and schedule our day to day work so that we delivered the laptops configured and fully functional on time.

4.2 Assistance

Here I spent 2 days just observing what the team members did, learning to correctly use all of the tools as well as the tickets triage and all the general rules. After the learning process was completed my supervisor added me to the call center, I had to attend the calls from the customers and help them with their problem.

I tried my best to correspond to all of the calls but, on certain moments of the day there were times that we had the triple of calls that we could handle and, with pressure there were some accidents happening. My supervisor seeing that I was not comfortable under that position he suggested that I aided my college at triaging the tickets.

On the triage we had to schedule the tickets for the other department members: anything related to networking goes to the supervisor and the systems sub-department, cables, phones and computers goes to fields and everything that needed real-time assistance, that is needed to contact the client, was scheduled for the Assistance team members.

Some times when the company received external application updates that could not deployed through the group polices, we had to install remotely on the clients computers. We called each client, ask them to politely step away from their computer (for 5 to 10 minutes) so that we could update the application. Sometimes we had to update the application for whole departments of 100-150 people.

4.3 Systems

This was the sub-department that I spent most time, and it was were I enjoyed most of the ACTIVITY REPORT 3

work that I did.

My first assignment was to format a small Asus eeePC that worked as a monitor for the call center request. It basically showed the number of on-hold calls that were happening at the moment.

Together with my colleague we had to solve a problem that was: the eeePC would not install windows XP. After some investigation we discovered that we had install Windows XP using the SP2 installation disk because it included the missing SCSI driver that was not available on the original disk.

In networking, we had to modify the MRTG! (MRTG!), in this case Cacti to display the whole companies network. As the company is always expanding we needed to re organize the display layout so that all of the head offices and most of the abroad stores were actively represented on screen.

There was major problem that needed to be solved. The company decided to backup all of it's 1000 members email, so, they installed and deployed SEV! (SEV!) that automatically compressed the old emails found in the Exchange Server (Microsofts mail server application) but, there where some members that did not have that feature enabled or correctly applied. To solve it we went through all of Symantecs documentation to find out that for SEV! to work we need to have windows installer 6.1 but, while checking the problematic cases we noticed that most of the computers still had a previous version of windows installer. We reinstalled the windows installer, reinstalled SEV and checked if it was working correctly.

Due to of support for Windows XP operating system ending by Microsoft, the whole company had to migrate all of their Windows XP machines to Windows 7. Me and my colleagues had to investigate on how we could format and install Windows 7 without the need of inputing any type of configurations ex. Pc-name, domain, username, password, homegroup. We needed to assure that it was a "zero-touch" installation. For this we had to create a xml that filled all of the OOBE (out of box experience) forms, and include it in the image that was available in the image server.

5 CONCLUSION

The developed assignments, as member of the company, were very diverse and gratifying to accomplish.

I had the opportunity to work with great professionals in their field of work, help them, develop skills, participate, do teamwork and in certain way leave my mark at the company for all the quality work made.

This summer internship really changed my perspective on what kind of work is done in an IT department. It helped bridge the gap between the studding and the working.

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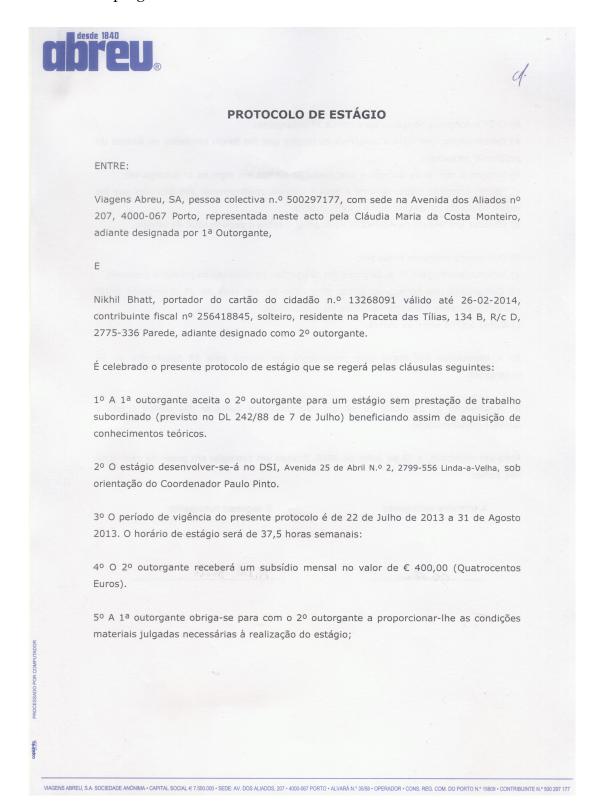
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APPENDIX INTERSHIP AGREEMENT

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- a) Desempenhar com zelo e diligência as tarefas que lhe forem confiadas no âmbito do programa de estágio;
- b) Cumprir o regime de duração e suspensão do estágio em vigor na 1ª outorgante;
- c) Manter completo sigilo, durante e após o estágio, relativamente aos assuntos que lhe sejam confiados ou de que tenha conhecimento.
- d) Efectuar um Seguro de Acidentes Pessoais que cobra o período total de estágio.
- 7º O presente protocolo cessa por:
- a) Incumprimento pelo 2º outorgante das obrigações decorrentes do presente protocolo.
- b) Caducidade nos termos do prazo estipulado ou em caso de 2° outorgante faltar injustificadamente 5 dias consecutivos ou interpolados.
- c) Mútuo acordo entre as partes.
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- 9° A cessação do protocolo de estágio não confere a qualquer das partes direito a qualquer indemnização.

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