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WORK EXPERIENCE

09/2023 – Current
Berlin, Germany

Software Developer, *GotPhoto.com* | *fotograf.de* 

- **Redesigned and rebuilt a new shop from scratch** using Symfony, implementing a **RESTful API** architecture, which significantly improved the performance, scalability, and maintainability
- Improved the legacy shop's **package customization flow**, optimizing usability and logic, contributing to higher conversion rates
- **Extracted components** from the monolith into external services, improving maintainability and drastically reducing deployment time

Technologies: PHP, Symfony, TypeScript, Jira, MySQL, Docker, GitLab

09/2021 – 05/2023
Berlin, Germany

Software developer, *Realtainment GmbH* 

- Refactored the **PHP monolith into a modular architecture** using Hexagonal Architecture, improving maintainability, scalability, and design
- Contributed to the design and implementation of key features such as Group Events, Bestsellers, and other core modules
- Promoted best practices by organizing **internal tech talks and coding katas**, fostering clean code and **TDD** culture

Technologies: PHP, Symfony, Pimcore, Jira, MySQL, Docker, GitLab

08/2020 – 09/2021
Berlin, Germany

Software developer, *Kollex GmbH* 

- **Read and write CSV** files to an AWS S3 bucket, enabling efficient data exchange and integration with external systems
- Contributed to the development of multiple features and improvements

Technologies: PHP, Symfony, RabbitMQ, Jira, MySQL, Docker, Github

05/2019 – 08/2020
Madrid, Spain

Software developer, *Selectra* 

- Actively contributed to multiple ongoing projects, focusing on bug fixing, feature development, and improving existing functionality
- Took initiative in organizing **internal tech talks and coding katas**

Technologies: PHP, Laravel, Redis, MySQL, Docker, Git, Trello, Basecamp

10/2018 – 05/2019
Madrid, Spain

Software developer, *Smile And Learn* 

- Developed features to **export and import CSV files**, enabling smooth data interchange between the application and external systems
- Implemented **automated PDF generation** with dynamic content

Technologies: PHP, Laravel, VueJS, MySQL, Jira, BitBucket

03/2018 – 05/2018
Krakow, Poland

Android Developer (intern), *RAD4M*

- Designed and developed an Android application from scratch, with persistent storage (**SharedPreferences**) and third-party APIs such as **Google Maps**

Technologies: Android, Kotlin, MySQL, Git

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2016 – 2017
Cartagena, Spain

Higher Technician in Web Applications Development, CIFF Carlos III

2014 – 2016
Caravaca, Spain

**Higher Technician in Multi-platform Applications Development,
IES Ginés Pérez Chirinos**

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Spanish - Native
- English - C1 (Advanced)
- German - A2 (Basic)

PROJECTS

Phel Lang IntelliJ Plugin

A plugin written in Kotlin for the JetBrains IDE family

Added syntax highlighting, code navigation, editing support, and more for Phel files; published in the JetBrains Marketplace.

Phel Lang

A functional programming language (Lisp dialect) that compiles to PHP

Contributed bug fixes, automated tests, and design improvements; implemented the project's search engine and refined the webpage.

Gacela Project

An application that helps you to split your application into different modules

Co-designed and developed a PHP modular framework, implementing the dependency resolver, code generator, and event manager system.

CONFERENCES

International PHP Conference (2025)

- **Speaker, Berlin** - Solving a Testing & Refactoring Kata: Live Coding in Pair/Mob Programming
- **Workshop Leader, Munich** - Hands-On Refactoring Workshop: Modernizing Legacy PHP with Pair Programming
- **Speaker, Munich** - From Mess to Maintainable: Real-World PHP Refactoring Techniques