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PERSONAL PROFILE

Passionate mid level cloud engineer with a strong affinity for AWS, Terraform, CloudFormation, Docker and Python. Used to managing and architecting long term solutions and architectures for the client's infrastructure.

I require VISA Sponsorship for UK opportunities.

KEY COMPETENCIES

AWS Linux / Bash DNS, SSL/TLS

Terraform / CloudFormation Git - Bitbucket / Gitlab / Github AWS SSO / SAML2 / OneLogin

Docker / Kubernetes C/C++ / Python - Data Structures, Agile / Kanban

OP Grafana / Datadog / Cloudwatch

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

AllCloud - ROMANIA, Bucharest

SEP 2022 - Present

DevOps Engineer

- Streamlined clients' infrastructure by designing and implementing automated remediation solutions leveraging a diverse range of AWS services; reduced incident response time by 50% and increased the SLAs by 35%.
- Administered 20+ multi-account AWS environments, reducing operational costs by 15% through effective resource allocation. Enhanced cybersecurity infrastructure that mitigated 40% of system vulnerabilities..
- In addition to technical roles, engaged with 6 clients through 50+ weekly meetings over a year, reviewing and updating the status of 30+ tickets each week. Successfully resolved 80% of client issues and initiated planning for 6 major projects.
- Led 2 major migrations to AWS, involving the transfer of 20+ pipelines for a GO application and 8+ jump-host servers, achieving a 20% reduction in operational costs, completing all migrations 2 weeks ahead of schedule and zero downtime.

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JUL 2020 - SEP 2022

DevOps Engineer

- Oversaw the management of complex cloud-based infrastructure and optimised resources achieving a 15% cost reduction.
- Utilising Terraform and CloudFormation, I successfully deployed and managed scalable, secure, and efficient client infrastructure.
- Collaborated closely with Network and Security teams to handle alerts and bolster our cloud environment's resilience.
- Integrated AWS WorkSpaces with Active Directory and AWS SSO, which significantly simplified user access management and scaled our IT infrastructure.
- Implemented monitoring solutions using Grafana, DataDog and AutoPatcher and reduced downtime by 10%.

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APR 2020 - JUL 2020

Cloud Microservices Intern

- Honed my Linux skills and automated numerous tasks using Ansible, while also deploying infrastructure with Terraform.
- Developed and deployed microservices using Docker and Kubernetes, further optimising our development and operational processes.
- Acquired hands-on experience with AWS services and best practices, laying the foundation for future cloud-based projects.

EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree

Majors: Cybernetics, Computer science and Statistics

Academy of Economic Studies - Bucharest, ROMANIA (2019 - 2023) - 9.5 Grade

Master's Degree - progress

Majors: Computer science

Academy of Economic Studies - Bucharest,

ROMANIA (2023 - 2025)

CERTIFICATIONS

Amazon Web Services

AWS Solutions Architect Associate

AWS SysOps Admin Associate

AWS Developer Associate - progress

AWS Cloud Practitioner

AWS DevOps Professional - progress

Other

CCNA 200-301

IBM Certified Cloud Advocate

PROJECTS

DevOps Solution for Autoscaling - Thesis Project https://solutionforscalability.com

MAY 2023

- Deployment & Configuration: Deployed a 3-tier web application on AWS EC2 using a golden image from AWS Image Builder.
- AMIs: Utilised custom Amazon Machine Images (AMIs) for quick and reliable instance launches.
- Infrastructure as Code: Provisioned the entire infrastructure using Terraform.
- Auto-Scaling & Load Balancing: Implemented auto-scaling and configured an Application Load Balancer for efficient traffic management.
- Web Server: Integrated NGINX for web server capabilities and reverse proxy features.
- Database: Connected the application to AWS DocumentDB for data storage.
- Monitoring: Utilised AWS CloudWatch for real-time monitoring and performance metrics.
- Frontend & Backend: Built the frontend using React.js and the backend using Node.js.

AWS IaC with Terraform AUG 2022

- Remote Backend Configuration: Configured a remote backend on S3 to store Terraform state, enabling server-side encryption for secure collaboration.
- Chicken-Egg Problem: Solved the chicken-egg problem related to initial state storage and configuration.
- EC2 & VPC Setup: Provisioned two EC2 instances in public subnets within a VPC, complete with an internet gateway and route table.
- Security: Configured security groups for controlling inbound and outbound traffic to instances.
- Load Balancing: Set up an Elastic Load Balancer for efficient traffic distribution.
- Auto-Scaling: Paired the Elastic Load Balancer with an Auto Scaling Group for dynamic scaling based on load.