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# Professional Summary

Senior IoT Solution Architect for Industry 4.0 delivering end-to-end IIoT, edge, and IT/OT convergence from presales and solution design through delivery, services & governance, and customer success. I lead technical qualification and bid/tender/RFP responses, craft win-themes and SoWs, and present tailored demos/PoCs to ops leaders and CxOs. I design scalable architectures integrating PLCs/SCADA/MES with analytics platforms, normalising OPC UA/MQTT/Modbus for OEE, predictive maintenance, and quality insights. I establish SLA/OLA and MTTR targets, and ensure reliable handovers with runbooks; post-deployment, I drive adoption via success plans, training, and renewals/expansion to maximise ARR and measurable outcomes.

## Experience

2023-Present Senior Industrial IoT Applications Consultant & Solutions Architect, CAD-IT UK

- Presales & Solution Consulting: Led technical qualification and discovery; authored multiple successful bids/tender and RFP responses; produced SoWs, effort/cost estimates, and ROI models; designed and presented tailored demos/PoCs to operations leadership and CxO stakeholders, driving solution confidence and buy-in.
- Qualification & Discovery: Ran stakeholder workshops to capture requirements, map current-state processes, and prioritise value cases; translated business goals into measurable success criteria and a delivery roadmap.
- O System & Architecture Design: Defined IIoT reference architectures, onboarding playbooks, and ISA-95 data models; established standards for IT/OT connectivity and vendor integration.
- O Data Strategy & Analytics: Designed pipelines to normalise OPC UA/MQTT/Modbus telemetry and integrated historians/time-series data into Siemens Insights Hub, enabling predictive maintenance, OEE, and quality insights.
- Scalability & Performance: Built containerised edge gateways and services (Docker, Node-RED, Python) for real-time, high-performance industrial data acquisition and analytics across hundreds of assets.
- Services & Governance: Defined SLA/OLA metrics (availability, MTTR) for IIoT services; chaired change-advisory review as an SME consultant.
- O Delivery & Change Management: Coordinated production, IT, maintenance, and vendor teams to execute the plan; maintained solution documentation, runbooks, and handover packs; facilitated knowledge transfer, cutover activities, and hypercare; aligned service SLA/OLA expectations with operations.
- O Customer Success & Value Realisation: Built success plans with executives; tracked adoption and value KPIs; ran roadmap review meetings; delivered training and enablement; managed renewals and expansion opportunities to maximise ARR and long-term outcomes.
- O Strategic Partnership & Outcomes: Delivered an IIoT factory solution for a global aerospace manufacturer, enabling secure IT/OT convergence, real-time analytics, and digital transformation in a complex manufacturing environment.

#### 2022–2023 IT Solutions Technical Analyst, Bristol Water

- O Automation & Process Optimisation: Designed and deployed RPA bots to streamline workflows and reduce manual effort across functions.
- O Data-Driven Decision Support: Prototyped Al-enabled tools and IoT monitoring solutions, accelerating operational insights.
- Innovation & Experimentation: Produced proof-of-concepts (PoCs) to validate feasibility and value; documented outcomes and facilitated handovers to business stakeholders.

#### 2018–2021 **Technology Associate**, OneDot Automation

- O Product Development & IP: Invented and prototyped a patented wireless in-wall smart-home controller; delivered privacy-focused automation (Node-RED/Node.js/openHAB).
- Real-time Tracking: Engineered a real-time asset/staff tracking solution, integrating IPS with ESP32 (**Embedded C++**) for reliable location telemetry.
- O Medical Imaging AI: Deployed a cloud U-Net pipeline on Google Cloud Platform for chest X-ray GGO detection; packaged inference for scalable use.

#### 2019–2022 **Lecturer (Part-time)**, University of the West of England

 Teaching & Labs: Taught Computer Vision fundamentals and led hands-on MATLAB labs; created practical exercises that connected theory to real-world problem-solving.

### Education

2021–2023 MPhil. Research in Machine Vision, University of the West of England

Thesis: 3D Printed Object Authentication using Micro and Macro Surface Textures and Geometric Features

2016–2018 MSc. Robotics, University of Bristol

Final Project: Indoor Localisation System using Low Power Bluetooth

2013–2016 **BEng. (Hons) Electronics**, Anglia Ruskin University (Cambridge Campus)

# Career Highlights & Certifications

- Led a smart-factory digital transformation for a FTSE 250, multi-site UK retailer as part of a Continuous Improvement (CI) programme; deployed OEE across multiple lines to drive operational excellence.
- Scaled IIoT to 350+ assets, enabling real-time insights, remote monitoring, and diagnostics, contributing to cost savings of £3M+.
- Delivered IIoT factory deployment for a global aerospace manufacturer, enabling secure IT/OT convergence, advanced analytics, and digital transformation outcomes.
- Delivered end-to-end Siemens Insights Hub deployments (architecture, edge acquisition, analytics, KPI dashboards) across
  diverse manufacturing environments.
- Certified Associate: Siemens Insights Hub Presales, Service, and Customer Success.
- O Patent holder: Wireless in-wall smart-home controller (IoT product design).

## ---- Key Skills

IT/OT Solution Architecture Design reference architectures and roadmaps for plant-to-enterprise integration

(MES, SCADA, PLCs  $\leftrightarrow$  ERP/Cloud) aligned to **ISA-95**.

Smart Manufacturing & CI Define use cases and deliver value realisation for OEE improvement, predictive

maintenance, quality analytics, and energy optimisation.

Operations Integration MES/SCADA/PLC data modelling and interoperability; historian integration;

standards-based connectivity.

Data Strategy, Analytics & Al Apply ML & computer vision for anomaly/predictive quality and edge inference;

enable data-driven decisions at scale.

Stakeholder Leadership & Collaboration Facilitate cross-functional agreement on vision, scope, and priorities; lead work-

shops, manage risks/issues, and unblock delivery via data-driven decisions and

structured **governance**.

Delivery Excellence Drive rollouts through documentation, knowledge transfer, hypercare, and post-

deployment support for long-term stability.

Security & Standards Working knowledge of IEC 62443 and ISO 27001 (risk-aware, security-by-design

principles).

#### Technical Skills

Platforms & Cloud Siemens Insights Hub; Google Cloud (Compute/Storage/AI/ML); Azure IoT (IoT Hub/Edge

exposure/PoCs).

Edge & Integration Edge gateways; Docker; Node-RED; RESTful APIs; webhook integrations; OPC UA

clients/servers; MQTT brokers.

Web & API Lightweight web apps (HTML/JavaScript); back-end services in Node.js/Python; REST/JSON

APIs & SDKs; API tooling with **Curl/Postman**; documentation & test collections.

Identity & Access

JWT-based service auth; role-based access across edge/cloud SSO implementation.

Industrial Connectivity OPC UA, MQTT, Modbus, PROFINET, Ethernet/IP; PLC/DCS interfacing and OT data

acquisition.

Databases & Storage MongoDB; RAG storage solution - vectorDB; time-series/historians; cloud object storage;

embedded DBs (e.g. SQLite).

Programming & ML Python; SQL; Node.js/Node-RED; MATLAB; Embedded C++; TensorFlow, Keras,

PyTorch; pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn.

Computer Vision OpenCV; scikit-image; classical & deep CV pipelines; image pre-/post-processing.

Data Engineering Python ETL; batch/stream processing; schemas & serialisation (JSON, CSV, Parquet); data

validation & QC.

Observability & Dev Practices Git; logging/telemetry; API testing; container build workflows; basic CI pipelines.

Visualisation Custom dashboards - Grafana, PowerBI; KPI & time-series charting; Apache echarts.