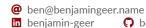
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EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Developer

Data and Service Center for the Humanities (DaSCH), University of Basel

- February 2014 ongoing
- Basel, Switzerland
- Lead developer of Knora (https://www.knora.org/), Switzerland's flagship system for editing, storing, searching, and reusing humanities research data. Design and implementation from scratch in Scala.

Post-doctoral Research Fellow

Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore

August 2012 - July 2013

Singapore

Visiting Assistant Professor and Associate Director Middle East Studies Center, American University in Cairo

August 2011 - June 2012

Cairo, Egypt

Software Architect

Misys International Banking Systems (now Finastra)

August 2000 - May 2005

London, UK

 Led a team of 6 to write Meridian (now Fusion Total Messaging), a Java middleware program used by banks worldwide to connect back-office applications with the SWIFT payments network.

Software Developer

Think New Ideas

1998 - 1999

New York, USA

• Developed a Java-based content management system, including the FreeMarker template engine (https://freemarker.apache.org).

LANGUAGES

Fluent: English French Arabic
Intermediate: German Italian

EDUCATION

PhD in Middle East Studies SOAS, University of London

September 2008 - January 2012

M.A. in Middle East Studies SOAS, University of London

September 2007 – September 2008

B.A. in Arabic

Université de Provence. Aix-Marseille I

September 2005 - September 2006

M.A. in French University of Florida (USA)

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B.A. in Liberal Arts Hampshire College (USA)

September 1986 - January 1991

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

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