Damir Džeko Antić

Information Security Consultant

Damir is an experienced IT professional (15+ years), proven in many technical areas where he held diverse roles and responsibilities.

He excels as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) in any field he is dedicated to, happy to take on Customerfacing engagements, including occasional cross-border travel. Enjoys working in environments where focus on particular project work is a success factor, where his skills are also available to his peer colleagues, where he can offer his experience in form of mentorship and coaching.

Keen at combining both systematic and pragmatic approaches in solving novel challenges, by applying balanced combination of reliable / trusted / proven with latest trends. Has what it takes to architect, build and operate modern day information systems with security in mind.

The most recent role of Senior Technical Consultant at Entrust Datacard for the EMEA region, allowed him to leverage extensive skills and experience in the digital trust domains (PKI, MFA and I&AM), has facilitated further enhancement of non-technical skills (e.g. fluency in communication, presentation) which are a must for explaining complex technologies to unfamiliar audiences, across cultural and language barriers, gaining Customers' recognition as a Trusted Advisor.

Work Experience (10 recent years)

WORK Experience

2020

Senior Systems Integrator at Entrust Datacard, Dubai

- Professional Services on-site project delivery, incl. new deployments, challenging migration/upgrades in critical business environments (e.g. banks and government), working closely with stakeholders to resolve blocker issues, manage expectations, under pressure, progress reporting, coordinating on-site work as lead integrator, troubleshooting
- Assisting with architecting and sizing of Customer Solutions, related to items listed on Statement of Work, providing inputs on technical prerequisites and other success factors, assisting with Projects Workshops, RFC (Request for Changes) documents, producing documentation deliverables incl. solution-specific As-Built documents incl. technical drawings (e.g. HLD), Operational and Maintenance procedure documents
- Deployment of third party "Entrust Ready" products including:
 - Hardware Security Modules (nCipher, Gemalto/SafeNet, Utimaco)
 - PKI Time-Stamp and Online Certificate Status, Document Signing Solutions
 - Smart-card / USB Tokens / Credential Management Systems

2019

Technical Sales Consultant at Entrust Datacard, Dubai

- Analyzing customer's business needs and mapping them to solutions from Company's products and services portfolio
- Responding to RFP/RFI 's, solution architecting for customer projects ranging from traditional X.509 PKI, National ID, Certificate Management, Enterprise and Consumer Authentication, Information Protection and Fraud Detection projects within Europe, Middle East and Africa
- Client communication including presentations, PoC (Proof-of-Concept) deployments, demos, channel partner enablement and other pre-sales engagements

- Mediating between external parties (Customers/Partners) and internal resources (product owners, order fulfilment department) in the context of sales opportunity development cycle
- Extensive travel, in particular Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Egypt, Nigeria, Ghana, South Africa

2015

IT Security Consultant at Recro-Net Middle East, Dubai (now: RNTrust.ae)

 Deployment and support of SafeNet/OpenTrust (now: IDnomic) based PKI solutions in regional banks and airliners (UAE)

2013

Systems Integrator at Siemens Convergence Creators, Zagreb (now: ATOS.net)

- Deployment and support PS in OTT-TV (Over-the-Top TV) ecosystem, deployed in the GCC (KSA)
- Deployment, performance metrics, troubleshooting and support in IMS ecosystem and 3G/LTE core network components (e.g. PCRF subsystem)

2011

Solution Developer at Croatian Health Insurance Fund, Zagreb (web: HZZO.hr/)

- Planning and building small-scale customer-oriented IT solutions (e.g. system for collection of information related to Ethical Advertising in Health Services)

Technical Skills

- Good overall knowledge of IT building blocks and design patterns: networking/web, computing server nodes, desktop/mobile clients, databases, cryptography, virtualization/container technologies
- Cloud computing platforms such as Amazon AWS (EC2, S3, ...) and Microsoft Azure, containers (Docker/OCI and LXC/LXD), container orchestration (Kubernetes)
- Traditional on-premise IT technology, operating systems (Linux and Windows Server), virtualization platforms (VMware, Hyper-V, Qemu/KVM), high-availability/redundancy, storage systems
- ♦ Various hardware security modules (HSM) and Smart Cards, MFA/OTP tokens etc. as physical security elements acting as Digital Trust enablers, within I&AM and e-business landscapes
- Scripting/programming computer languages Python, Perl, PHP, PowerShell, JavaScript, Go Lang.
- Data structures, databases (SQL/noSQL), directories (AD/LDAP), electronic signatures

Professional Courses and certifications

2020	Amazon Web Services (AWS) – Certified Cloud Practitioner (CLF-01)
	nCipher Hardware Security Module course - nShield Certified System Engineer (nCSE)
2019	SANS Information Security awareness and Ethical conduct courses for employees
2017	Entrust Datacard e-Passport deployment and integration course
2015	Entrust Datacard comprehensive courses: MFA (Multi-factor authentication) and SSO
	(Single sign-on), Security Manager PKI (Public Key Infrastructure) comprehensive course
2014	ISO 27001 ISMS: Lead Auditor course and certification
2013	Cryptographic HSM (Hardware Security Modules) training: SafeNet/Gemalto Luna systems
2011	ISACA CISA self-training and certification (held CISA certification, non-practicing)

Formal Education

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Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing, Zagreb University, Croatia

- Master of Electrical Engineering (mag.ing./M.Sc.Eng.) in Computer Science (an academic degree following 9 semester study)