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EXPERIENCE

COALESCE (FOR REPLY, TIL) | CLOUD DATA & AI ARCHITECT Jun 2022 - Present | Milan, Italy

- Acted as Solution Architect and technical lead for cross-functional data teams (4–8 members), ensuring 100% on-time delivery using Agile and Scrum methodologies.
- Architected scalable, cloud-based analytics platforms integrating BigQuery, Dataflow, dbt, and Looker, resulting in a 70% reduction in GCP costs (saving €500K+/year) and improving data quality.
- Designed and presented AI/ML-driven dashboards and data products demonstrating business value, directly supporting customer adoption and change-management initiatives.
- Partnered with senior stakeholders to develop a Unified Customer View (~8M customers) and dashboarding experiences, fostering data-driven decision-making and business intelligence.
- Established GDPR-compliant Data Governance framework, integrating Data Catalog and dbt for automated Data Quality checks, improving accuracy, consistency, and timeliness KQIs by ~30%.

ZENKIS (SHOES MANUFACTURING) | OPERATIONS MANAGER Jan 2020 - May 2022 | Kyiv, Ukraine

- Ran end-to-end operations (Sales, HR, Marketing, Production, Procurement, R&D) of a 50+ employee shoes manufacturer.
- Executed a full turnaround strategy: from €10K/month losses to profitability within 12 months through Lean Manufacturing, waste reduction, and process optimization.

DATA REPLY | Senior Big Data Architect Jan 2017 - Dec 2019 | Bologna, Italy

- Secured and developed a new retail client, generating over €1M/year, demonstrating strong technical sales and business development capabilities.
- Led two 10-member teams (Data Viz and Data Eng) to implement data ingestion, processing and storage within Cloudera Hadoop
- Prepared and presented compelling solutions and KPI dashboards (Tableau) to C-levels, acting as a technical converter and unifying siloed departments for streamlined decisions.

ICONSULTING | Business Intelligence Consultant Oct 2015 - Dec 2016 | Casalecchio di Reno (BO), Italy

- Implemented Big Data Analytics and a proactive alerting system in a Tier-1 telco environment, leveraging Tableau and web technologies, as part of a high-impact Master's thesis.
- Enhanced and maintained a Location Intelligence framework using MongoDB, Angular, Leaflet, Kafka, and Node.

MULTIPLE COMPANIES I SWE & IT OPERATIONS ROLES Oct 2009 - Sep 2015 | Bologna & Ferrara, Italy

Held full-time and part-time roles during studies, including: Java Developer, System Administrator, Web Developer, and E-commerce Specialist.

SITECH SRL (FOR NTT DATA) | .NET DEVELOPER Sep 2008 - Sep 2009 | Bologna, Italy

Hired by my former CS teacher to join his company after having exposed a breach in my school's IT system that drew national media attention.*

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA

MASTER'S DEGREE IN COMPUTER Engineering Jan 2014 - Jun 2016 | Bologna, IT Graduated with honors - GPA: 4.0 / 4.0 **Academic Course Tutor**

UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN COMPUTER Engineering

Oct 2009 - Jun 2013 | Bologna, IT

ITIS BELLUZZI (BOLOGNA)

INFORMATICS INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER Sep 2003 - Jun 2008 | Bologna, IT Top-ranked student awarded internship at the Province of Bologna (local govt office)

SKILLS

DATA & AI STACK

dbt • BigQuery • Palantir • Snowflake Azure Data Factory • Databricks • Purview Airflow • Spark • Dataflow • Kafka • HBase Cloudera Hive/Impala • Oracle DWH • SSIS

BI & ANALYTICS

Tableau • Power BI • Looker • OBIEE

DEVOPS

Git • Jenkins • Terraform • Docker

LANGUAGES

Italian (Native) • English (C1, IELTS 2018 expired; Fluent) • Russian (Limited)

ACTIVE CERTIFICATIONS

GOOGLE CLOUD

Machine Learning Engineer (PMLE) Cloud DevOps Engineer (PCDOE) Cloud Network Engineer (PCNE) Cloud Database Engineer (PCDE)

TABLEAU

Tableau Desktop Specialist (TDS-C01)

6SIGMASTUDY

Six Sigma Yellow Belt (SSYB)

AWARDS

H-ACK TRAVEL 1st PLACE

Apr 2014 @ H-FARM | Roncade (TV), IT Won 1st place at the Lastminute.com (formerly Bravofly)-sponsored hackathon by designing and pitching PLAY-n-PLANe, an innovative app for group travel planning.

*Available to provide more details on request.