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Personal Profile

10 years experience working in IT Infrastructure space as hands on engineer and architect. Highly organised individual with experience in leadership and communication skills. Confident in working with CxO level stakeholders.

Certifications

* AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate 2019
* **VCP** - VMware Certified Professional on vSphere 6 – Well versed in vSphere 6.5 and 6.7
* **VCP** - VMware Certified Professional on Network Virtualisation (NSX) 6.2
* **VCP** - VMware Certified Professional on vSAN 2019
* **CCNA** – Switching and Routing (expired)
* **VCE Vblock** – Converged Infrastructure Deployment
* **Prince2 Foundation** - Training in progress
* **MCTS** - Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist in Active Directory

Employment History

Sept 2016 – Present **Cloud Platform Technical Lead UKCloud / Skyscape (Contract)**

*Public sector cloud hosting*

I acted as a subject matter expert (SME) for Converged and Hyper-converged solutions. This involves design decisions, maintenance and upgrades. Technical platform lead for over 20 NSX deployments, vCenters and vCloud Director instances with over 1000 ESXi hypervisors across multiple.

In addition to the operational duties, I engaged in customer projects which required high level design (HLD) and creating statement of works (SoW). I also led a team of 9 and organise team’s backlog using JIRA/Agile sprints.

July 2015 – Sept 2016 **Solutions Architect EMEA DELLEMC formerly VCE**

Vendor - Professional Services

VCE was founded by VMware, Cisco and EMC. I was part of EMEA Converged Platform Architect team working with FTSE100 customers to implement VCE datacenter solutions. Vblock consist of Cisco Nexus networking, Cisco UCS Blades, VMware and EMC2 storage. I also took part in planning RCM upgrades, technical pre-sales and solution proposals.

March 2012 – June 2015 **Solution Architect UK2.net part of The Hut Group**

*Managed Services Provider*

I was responsible for the design and architecture of complex projects following pre-sales meeting with customers. Typical projects were designing Private, Public, Hybrid and Disaster Recovery solutions across different locations. I worked closely with sales team to prepare responses to RFP/RFI queries as well as putting together bill of materials and statement of works.

In this role, I acted as the technical lead for providing support to over 1000 public cloud VMs, 1500 dedicated servers and shared hosting customers. I was the final point of escalation (4th line) for any technical issues in both Windows and Linux platforms.

In addition to my architect capacity, I had 14 direct reports in my team ranging from NOC to 3rd line engineers.

Oct 2010 – April 2012 **Senior Support Engineer & Web Developer Qual Ltd (Qual.co.uk)**

*IT Reseller*

As this was a twofold role I had the following responsibilities and systems to manage.

* Pre-Sales on hardware
* 2nd/3rd line support
* Management of virtualised VMware platforms
* Website development using CMS software

Education and Qualifications

2006-2009 **Brunel University** – Uxbridge

**Internet Engineering**

Main Modules undertaken**:** Internet Technologies, Website Design, Programming and Software Design, Internet Services and Security, Computer Networks & Multimedia Data Delivery, Computer Services and Security, Web Applications and Services and Computer Systems Design.

2003-2005 **Crawley College, West Sussex**

**BTEC National Diploma in Computing**

I have completed my diploma with a **Distinction** **Plus** grade, which is equivalent to 3 A’s in A-Level

2001-2003 **Hazelwick School, Crawley**

I have **8 GCSE’s** including Maths, English, Information Systems and Science.

Skillset Summary

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| Project management | Microsoft Project, Atlassian Jira and Confluence, Powerpoint |
| Hypervisors | VMware ESXi 4.1 – ESXi 6.7  Microsoft Hyper-V 2008 R2 & 2012 R2 with SCVMM |
| VMware technologies | vCenter, vCloud Director, NSX formerly vCNS, Usage Meter,  vSAN, vRealize Operations and vRealize Operations Manager. |
| Storage | VNX 5300 to 5800, vSAN, EMC VxFlex/ScaleIO, EMC Isilon,  HP P2000, HP MSA, Nexenta, OpenFiler, NetApp,  Fujistu Eternus and FreeNAS. iSCSI & Fibre Channel MDS Switches |
| Networking | Cisco ACI, Cisco Nexus, Cisco catalyst switches, Nexus 1000v |
| Firewall & Security | Cisco PIX, Cisco ASA, PfSense,  Fortinet, IPtables, CSF, Windows Firewall |
| Web Servers | Apache, IIS, Ngnix, Lightspeed |
| Database | MySQL (Replication and Optimisation)  Microsoft SQL (Mirroring & Cluster) |
| Operating Systems | Windows Server 2003 to 2016  Linux: CentOS / Redhat, Debian / Ubuntu |
| Backup & Replication | Zerto, Veeam, R1soft, Rsync/Lsync, Microsoft DPM, Tape backup |
| Load Balancer | Loadbalancer.org R16 HA, HAProxy with Pound, PfSense,  CloudFlare, Foundry ServerIron XL |
| Monitoring Solutions | Zabbix, Nagios, Server Density, ScienceLogic, Solarwinds , Opsview |
| Mail Systems | Microsoft Exchange 2007 & 2010, Postfix, Exim |
| Hosting Control Panels | cPanel/WHM, Parallels Plesk, Webmin, Directmin |
| Other technologies | Active Directory 2003 / 2008 / 2012  Razor, Puppet, Powershell |

Skills

* Confident in dealing with customers and a good listener.
* Organisational Skills including coordinating projects and documentation.
* Team player and keen to lead

Interests and Activities

* If the weather is good I would get together and play football with my friends.
* I enjoy going out and socialising with my family or friends.
* Working out in the gym, listening to music, watching movies, trying out new restaurants and Travelling.
* Like to stay up to date on technologies and run a few blog sites offering tutorials.

Reference

 Professional, Academic, and Personal references are available upon request.