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**Objective**

I'm passionate about cloud technology and an advocate of DevOps culture. I enjoy working with technically astute colleagues to add measurable business value and constantly improve the way we do things. I enjoy sharing my experience and expertise with others promoting learning and growth in an inclusive way. I've a desire for accountability & have the temperament & skills to thrive under pressure at a senior technical & senior management level.

**Experience: DevOps & DBA Manager, Comparethemarket.com June 2015 - Present**

* Leading the DevOps & DBA teams as part of the Cloud & Infrastructure pillar of comparethemarket.com I've developed high performing, valued teams of engineers accelerating the successful adoption of DevOps culture & practices to achieve the technical & business objectives that contribute to CTMs overall success.
* I’ve driven the strategic design, security and governance of CTM’s cloud infrastructure leveraging my broad knowledge of cloud platform, traditional infrastructure design & development technologies to ensure observability, security, good practice & operational excellence that scales and is built into everything we do.
* Ensuring CTM’s cloud platform (PaaS) ambitions are realised by embracing CAMS, and other proven DevOps practices that lead to a high degree of cross team collaboration, knowledge sharing, automation and self-service that continually adds measurable business value.
* An advocate of Agile & Lean practices I look for continual improvement by simplifying, automating and reusing useful tools or practices that allow development teams to 'self-service' changes without significant wait times or approvals from outside the team, reducing errors and accelerating delivery of features into production.
* Easily switching between relevant technologies and talking with confidence to all levels of business, evangelising about cloud technology demonstrating the culture of DevOps and the advantages of automation, micro-services, containerisation, and being technically autonomous.

**Skills:**

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| Leadership & developing teams | DevOps evangelist |
| Strategic thinking | Kubernetes |
| CI/CD (GoCD, Jenkins, GitOps) | Terraform & Cloud Formation |
| Cloud platform services (AWS & GCP) | Chef & Ansible |
| Excellent communicator | Networking |

**BGL Group Ltd**

**Network Technical Lead | Mar 2012 – May 2015**

•Leading the BGL Network team & supporting 5000+ users over 6 UK, 2 European and 1 South African sites.

•Secured £1.5m worth of funding and transformed the infrastructure from a mixture of legacy non-performant networking technologies to a high throughput Cisco Nexus core with Cisco catalyst edge.

•Deployed Cisco wireless across all UK & European sites increasing the flexibility and mobility of BGLs employees.

•Secured £1m worth of funding to ensure BGL WAN infrastructure was extended using O2’s Gateway managed WAN service consolidating MPLS, SIP and Internet connectivity.

**BGL Group Ltd**

**Senior Network Analyst | Aug 2007 – Mar 2012**

•Principle technical engineer designing the networking & IPT infrastructure for 2 UK contact centres enabling BGL to expand its UK business. I was also the principle technical engineer in the establishment of BGLs sites in Paris and Haarlem(Netherlands) this helped BGL to expand it price comparison business in Europe.

**Ikano Bank UK**

**Network Lead | Feb 2004 – Aug 2007**

•Gained Ikano UK’s Visa Accreditation for its white label store card business using S1’s Postilion EFT transaction processing software solution and Thales HSM KMIP enabling them to significantly increase revenue generating opportunities.

•Consolidated Ikano’s legacy networking infrastructure into a Cisco core & edge & integrating IPT speeding up their call centre operations.

**Transaction Network Service Australia**

**Senior Network Engineer | Mar 2000 – May 2003**

•Was bought in from TNS UK to build the TNS transactional EPoS network, working with prestigious banking partners Amex, Commonwealth Bank, ANZ and WestPac. The first transaction was processed 1 month after I began the project, 6 weeks ahead of schedule securing essential revenue for the Australian division of this global company.