




<Senior PHP Developer/>

Hi, my name is **João Cercal** (BSc in Information Systems). I've been looking for creative, innovative and scalable solutions to enable people to do and experience what they love. On the way, I became a PHP specialist while working with incredible people from different places of the world. A certified Senior Software Engineer who loves what he does since he started his career in 2009. ♥

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Latest Work Experience

(you can check my linkedin profile to see them all)

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<?php // 2022 - Present

echo "Senior Software Engineer at Turbine Kreuzberg";

Making the most of PHP and the Spryker framework/ecosystem to design, develop, and maintain robust e-commerce solutions, ensuring efficient operation of digital platforms;

Optimizing e-commerce performance through meticulous coding skills and a comprehensive understanding of the Spryker framework, which directly leads to enhanced user experiences, faster page load times, and increased conversion rates for our clients;

Collaboratively solving complex challenges within our agile development environment, actively collaborating with cross-functional teams to tackle intricate challenges, utilizing problem-solving skills and technical expertise to create innovative solutions that drive the success of our large-scale e-commerce projects.

<?php // 2020 - 2022

echo "Senior Software Engineer at Spectrm";

Making a significant impact on the market by helping top-tier companies engage consumers effectively through innovative chatbots on major messaging platforms. This resulted in substantial sales growth and strengthened brand loyalty;

By designing, developing, and launching scalable solutions to tackle intricate business challenges, with a lasting focus on scalability, I significantly improved operational efficiency, expanded the company's market presence, and ensured long-term adaptability, driving the business to new heights;

Led backend chapter meetings, mentored junior developers, and played a crucial role in defining migration strategies for essential platform changes;

Introduced architectural decision records (ADRs), conducted post-mortems, and facilitated lightning talks to promote a culture of continuous improvement within the engineering team.

`<?php // 2018 - 2020`

`echo "Senior PHP Developer at GetYourGuide";`

Impacting and changing the way how millions of travelers connect to the places they visit, using weekends, building relationships, visiting relatives, and discovering the world;

Aligning the product with technical decisions while having the customer at first, but also considering data over guessing have guided me to influence in a killer feature to contact us through WhatsApp in which our travelers can get support from their smartphones. It increased the second customer purchase metric considerably and helped us to retain customers;

Doing interviews, providing long detailed feedback right after it to the talents while suggesting improvements to the overall process to hire the best people as a consequence developing a really good product;

Test-driven oriented, impacting the way that engineers see unit test bringing then, the quality of the product to the next level.

`<?php // 2017 - 2018`

`echo "Senior PHP Developer at FlixBus";`

Changing the life of approximately one billion of people commuting, using weekends, building relationships, visiting relatives, and discovering the world;

We improved the response time for retrieving a cart in almost 70% by extracting the code from the legacy system into a new microservices-oriented architecture;

Volunteered to be a facilitator in agile ceremonies such as retrospectives and sprint reviews;

Responsible for making technical decisions from a technical perspective within our team.