



# FROM HERO TO ZERO

MAKE ACTION SCRIPTS THAT CAN BE DEBUGGED  
LOCALLY AND EXECUTE GLOBALLY



# AGENDA

- About me
- The Shift to GitHub Actions Only
- Live 10-Minute Demo - From Zero to Hero
- Q&A / Additional Demos
- Introducing Koksmat
- Wrap-Up & Final Q&A



# MY STORY

- My story
  - Niels Gregers Johansen, born 1963, married with 2 sons
  - Started in IT with Microsoft DOS 1.11, began exploring Kubernetes in late 2022
- Professional Background
  - Working at Nets since 2009, part of Nexi Group with headquarters in Milano and 10,000 employees
  - Global Admin on Microsoft 365 platform with 17,000 users since 2011
- Community Building Efforts
  - Created jumpto365.com and the Periodic Table of Microsoft 365 together with MS MVP Matt Wade
  - Co-owning a YouTube channel with 28K subscribers
- Personal Challenges
  - Diagnosed with autism and ADHD in 2023, along with my sons





# FEWER TOOLS

- What if we embraced fewer tools?
- Focus on making one tool really work for us
- Benefit for generative AI by dropping drag and drop interfaces in favor of code only





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# MAINTENANCE & ONBOARDING CHALLENGES

- Managing Multiple Tools
  - Slows down new team members
  - Increases maintenance overheads





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# DEMO

[https://github.com/new?template\\_name=template-scriptrepo&template\\_owner=nexi-intra&owner=nexi-intra](https://github.com/new?template_name=template-scriptrepo&template_owner=nexi-intra&owner=nexi-intra)





# Q&A / ADDITIONAL DEMOS

## Deploying

Deploying manifest to K8

- Setting up and configuring Kubernetes

## Calling

Calling PostGres

- Connecting to PostGres database

## Managing

Managing Microsoft 365 services

- Handling Exchange services
- Administering SharePoint services



# KOKSMAT

- Koksmat Concept
  - Brief elevator pitch: Is there something missing? Would we need for a GitHub Operator to react to change conditions
  - Highlight Koksmat as experimental, requiring community feedback and contributors
- Call to Action
  - Invite participants to join GitHub repo or Slack channel
  - Looking for testers, idea contributors, and co-developers







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- Embrace simplicity
  - One tool (GitHub Actions) can handle CI/CD if approached thoughtfully
- Use local debugging
  - Reduces friction and time to fix
- Koksmat project
  - Side-project that could grow with community input



# FINAL Q&A

- Encourage Audience Participation
  - Share challenges in simplifying their stacks
  - Discuss experiences in stack simplification
- Offer Follow-Up Options
  - Ways to keep in touch
  - Follow up online

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