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ABOUT

Life-long learner
Site Reliability Engineer
Red Hat Certified Architect
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EDUCATION

BS in Computer Science from The Hague University of Applied Sciences, with a specialization in database technology. Completed 100+ training courses and 50+ IT certifications.

INTERESTS

Family, Travel, Movies, Running, Piano, Web Design, Blogging, Reading, Retro computers, Gaming, Learning new things.

I am an ambitious senior technical specialist/consultant with a focus on Site Reliability Engineering, Platform Engineering, GitOps, DevOps, Containerization, Kubernetes, and Linux. I have broad experience working in challenging, diverse, and technically advanced IT environments.

I am trained on and have worked with: Containerization, Docker, Kubernetes (CKA and CKAD), Google Distributed Cloud (Anthos), GKE, Prometheus, Grafana, Loki, Rancher, Bash/Shell scripting, Ubuntu, Suse, Red Hat (Red Hat Certified Architect level V), Ansible, Jenkins CI/CD, Helm, IntelliJ IDEA, Git, High Availability (Red Hat clusters and PowerHA), AIX (Certified Advanced Technical Expert), virtualization (VMware, Red Hat Virtualization and Proxmox), networking (TCP/IP), Jira, Confluence, Terraform, DNS, MongoDB, MySQL, PostgreSQL, PHP, disaster recovery, ITIL, documentation, automation, leadership, teamwork, communication and project management.

I have worked and lived for 16 years in the USA, and I am now looking for a role in The Netherlands as Site Reliability Engineer.

Lead Site Reliability Engineer - OpenText

I work in the Platform Engineering team, where we deploy and manage Kubernetes clusters on-prem and in GKE using IaC, based on Google Distributed Cloud (Anthos), supporting worldwide customers. We deploy apps using the GitOps methodology and GitLab CI/CD pipelines, as well as Anthos Config Management. We automate deployments as much as possible; we use New Relic monitoring, and we utilize Istio Service Mesh. I automated reporting using the Confluence API.

Site Reliability Engineer - NTT Data

I worked in the Smart Platform team and created Jenkins pipelines that build and test code, generate Docker images, and deploy apps to Kubernetes clusters. I was the first to deploy Netflix Conductor into a Kubernetes I deployed and managed Kubernetes clusters using Rancher and Kubeadm, both on-prem and in Azure. I assisted with the development of AI applications using GPUs based on Python.

Linux & UNIX Systems Integration Consultant - Dell

I moved to Texas, USA with my family. I supported Linux systems for healthcare accounts as the primary subject matter expert. I completed hardware refreshes, standardizations, OS and firmware upgrades, storage migrations, backup improvements, configured high available clusters, and worked on Cerner environments, root cause analysis, and audits. We performed off-site disaster recoveries and security reviews. I architected, planned, and deployed new environments. I have been a team lead, and I received the Dell Champion Award for outstanding achievements.

I worked for Hilton on DNS/bind upgrades, RHEL migrations, and security hardening. I deployed EPIC DR environments for healthcare clients, combined with high-speed/large throughput backups utilizing AIX, IBM Spectrum Protect and PowerHA. I was team lead for the Tenet Linux support team, supporting 750 systems and providing technical leadership for a team of 13 specialists. I was Linux consultant for the data center migration for Detroit Medical Center and Linux senior specialist for Stanford Hospital and Clinics.

Founder & Owner - UNIX Health Check

I developed standards for Red Hat Enterprise Linux and AIX and founded UNIX Health Check. I developed software to scan systems for abnormalities, potential issues, security vulnerabilities, and possible improvements. The software is fully written in Bash and consists of over 2,000 checks. The software is used by many customers worldwide.

Linux & UNIX engineer - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines

I worked in the Linux & UNIX support team of KLM at Schiphol Airport in Amsterdam, where I supported hundreds of systems and managed HP output management system, Tivoli Storage Manager, and IBM WebSphere Application Server. I also was part of the KLM-Air France storage solutions team and worked at Hewlett-Packard in Germany, EMC in Ireland, and Hitachi Data Systems in California.