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PERSONAL DETAILS

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SUMMARY

My expertise lies in technical communication, and project and program management, with a focus on delivering clear, effective documentation. I'm experienced in community management and open source software development, where I engage and connect both the community and corporate contributors.

Additionally, I'm skilled in technical translation, working within open source translation communities to make software and documentation accessible worldwide.

WORK EXPERIENCE

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| 8/2018–9/2023 | Documentation Program Manager, Red Hat | Brno, Czechia |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reintegrated a writing group for Red Hat Enterprise Virtualization, transforming it into an agile team.• Developed new workflows for the team, mentored team members, including writers and project managers, to help them succeed in the new agile-driven environment.• Responsible for release management, and task planning and tracking.• Integrated various cloud native products into an umbrella Jira-centered project encompassing the broad area of OpenShift developer tools. This included DevOps, monitoring, logging, and cloud IDE Eclipse Che.• <i>Project Management · Program Management · Agile & Waterfall Methodologies · Jira</i> | |
| 3/2015–8/2018 | Senior Technical Writer, Red Hat | Brno, Czechia |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developed content strategy for single-sourcing desktop and OpenStack documentation to be delivered in both community and enterprise products.• Worked on transforming CloudForms content into topic-based documentation using a new docs-as-code toolchain based on AsciiDoc.• <i>Content Strategy · Topic-based Authoring · AsciiDoc · Sphinx</i> | |
| 4/2011–3/2015 | Technical Writer II | Brno, Czechia |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developed content for broad areas of Linux platform and cloud products, including package, identity and access management, and desktop on Red Hat Enterprise Linux.• Acted as a docs lead for the desktop documentation area, establishing single source workflows and engaging the GNOME and Fedora documentation and translation communities.• <i>Linux · DocBook · XML · Technical Writing · Bash · Git · Single Sourcing · Content Management</i> | |

PROJECTS

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| 8/2017–3/2019 | Documentation Project Team Lead, OpenStack |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elected Project Team Lead of the OpenStack Documentation Project by the OpenStack community.• Responsible for documentation release management, community engagement, writers mentorship. Represented the documentation project by running documentation sessions at the OpenStack summits and Project Team Gatherings.• As a writer, maintained Red Hat-specific content provided by the OpenStack Documentation Project.• Collaborated on maintaining and building the OpenStack documentation site.• Co-maintained the RDO project site.• <i>Coaching & Mentoring · Release Management · Community Management · Community Engagement</i> |
| 8/2017–Present | Lead, GNOME Documentation Project |
| 4/2010–Present | Member of the GNOME Translation Project Coordination Team, GNOME |
| 2007–3/2018 | Czech Translation Team Coordinator, GNOME Translation Project |

EDUCATION

2015–2018 **Masaryk University**

Brno, Czechia

- Bachelor of Arts — BA, Information and Library Studies

CERTIFICATES

- Red Hat Certified System Administrator (RHCSA), issued 9/2012

LANGUAGES

- English — full professional proficiency
- Czech — native proficiency