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Top Skills

Google Cloud Platform (GCP)

Cloud Architecture

Cloud Automation

Languages

Bulgarian (Native or Bilingual)

English (Native or Bilingual)

German (Elementary)

Certifications

Cisco Certified Network Professional Routing and Switching (CCNP-RS)

AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Professional (SAP-C02)

AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate (SAA-C03)

Google Cloud Platform - Associate Cloud Engineer

Cisco Certified Network Associate Routing and Switching (CCNA)

Alexander Yakimov

Senior DevOps Architect

Bulgaria

Summary

I am a developer specializing in Cloud Architecture and Software Engineering, with a strong background in networking and cybersecurity. My career in this field spans over five years, beginning at the Bulgarian branch of the French company Technofy. Below are key highlights of my expertise - though this list is by no means exhaustive.

- Proficiency in networking, cybersecurity, and cloud infrastructure engineering (AWS, Azure, GCP).
- Literacy in Artificial Intelligence (Data Science, Machine Learning / Deep Learning) and Agentic AI engineering.
- AWS Solution Architect - Professional (SAP-C02)
- Google Cloud Platform - Associate Cloud Engineer (GCP - ACE)
- Microsoft Certified: Azure Fundamentals (AZ-900)
- Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP).
- Palo Alto Certified Network Security Administrator (PCNSA).
- Knowledge and working experience in GitOps / DevOps. CI/CD tools (Git, Jenkins, GitLab, TeamCity etc.), Containers & Container Orchestration (Docker, CloudFoundry, Kubernetes), and SecOps (SonarQube, Mend, Fortify, CheckMarx, etc.) tooling.
- Experienced in virtualization technologies (VMware vSphere/ vCenter, Hyper-V, KVM, etc.), Infra-as-Code, Network, and Cloud Automation (Terraform, Ansible, CloudFormation, etc.)
- With a deep understanding of Cisco's networking architecture and solutions.
- Working experience with Cisco Adaptive Security Appliances / FirePOWER and Palo Alto NGFW firewalls. Skills and Know-How in Checkpoint Next-Generation Firewall Systems.
- Hands-on experience in Security Administration (On-Prem / Cloud-based Identity Access Management).
- Linux Administration, BASH, and Python scripting/programming savvy.

Experience

SAP

Senior DevOps Architect

December 2024 - Present (1 year)

Sofia City, Bulgaria

Accenture

Senior DevOps Engineer

May 2021 - September 2024 (3 years 5 months)

Sofia City, Bulgaria

During my tenure at Accenture, I served as a Site Reliability Engineer on a strategic SAP software development partnership, contributing to the delivery of the Sustainable Materials – Responsible Design and Production SaaS offering.

- Main responsibilities:

Deployment and management of cloud infrastructure through cross-technology administration (OS, databases, virtual networks), execution of scripting, and automation. Cloud security administration, Site Reliability Engineering (SRE), and monitoring on SAP – BTP. Configuration and debugging of CI/CD software development pipelines. Pipeline integration with various QA and SecOps code-checking tools.

- Technology stack:

SAP Business Technology Platform, SAP HANA Cloud database, Cloud Foundry, JavaScript (FE), Node.js / Java (BE), Jenkins automation, GitHub, Azure DevOps / Pipelines, SecOps (SonarQube, Mend, Fortify, CheckMarx), Dynatrace - Application Performance Monitoring, ELK (ElasticSearch, Logstash, Kibana)

Subsequently, I transitioned to a position as a DevOps Engineer, contributing to an online banking application development project for Commerzbank in Germany.

Technofy

DevSecOps Engineer

October 2020 - April 2021 (7 months)

Sofia City, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

I collaborated with the networking and cloud engineering teams of Airbus Aerospace (France) in the implementation of their Microsoft Azure Hybrid Cloud infrastructure through Technofy's DevOps-as-a-Service outsourcing model. I supported the successful project completion and its transition into production, prepared detailed hybrid network design documentation, verified the solution's implementation, and provided a comprehensive technical description of the deployment model and toolset utilized.

Crypto.com / Foris Europe Ltd.
Network Security Administrator
November 2019 - October 2020 (1 year)
Sofia City, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

- Network and security systems monitoring and management (Palo Alto NGFW, Cisco Routing & Switching)
- Vulnerability assessment (Nessus).
- Endpoint Security & Threat Intelligence (CrowdStrike)
- Patch management. (Manage Engine)
- Security software installation.
- Identity Access Management (VMware Workspace ONE, Okta)
- Staff onboarding / off-boarding (Google Workspace, Azure Active Directory, etc.)
- General system administration.

Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Software Deployment Manager
September 2019 - October 2019 (2 months)
Sofia, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

- Conduct scheduled tasks for clients, including the deployment, upgrade, migration, and capacity optimization of Hyper-Converged Infrastructure (HCI) solutions.
- Collaborate with clients and partners to resolve issues related to deployments and upgrades in areas such as VMware vSphere, Microsoft Hyper-V, Networking, Server/Storage, or Linux.

- Address inquiries regarding service, products, technical aspects, and customer relations for topics like planning, deployment, upgrades, features, specifications, and fixes for both current and discontinued HCI-related products, parts, and options.
- Act as a Support Subject Matter Expert (SME) for HCI deployment and upgrade processes.
- Support Technical Support Engineers (TSE) in resolving issues with deployment, upgrades, and other critical problems, according to the schedule.
- Mobilize team members for assistance as needed to meet the Service Level Agreements (SLA) demands of internal or external businesses and end-users

Concentrix Limited Company

Customer Success Engineer

January 2019 - August 2019 (8 months)

Sofia, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

As a Customer Success Engineer, I was employed and outsourced by ServiceSource Int. (currently known as Concentrix) to Cisco Systems, Inc.

I was dealing with customers and partners interested in the enterprise routing and switching hardware portfolio of Cisco and their Digital Network Architecture solutions (SD-WAN, SD-Access, Prime Infrastructure, Identity Service Engine, WiFi 6, etc.).

IBM

Senior Network Support Engineer - Tier 3

July 2016 - January 2019 (2 years 7 months)

Sofia, Bulgaria

Worked for Cisco Systems, Inc. as a Customer Support Engineer - Security Firewall, at the Technical Assistance Center based in Sofia, Bulgaria through the outsourcing services of IBM. Provided support and technical assistance for Cisco's Next-Gen Firewall and IPS systems.

60K Ltd. / British Sky Broadcasting UK

7 years 11 months

Senior Specialist Technical Process Auditing

March 2014 - June 2016 (2 years 4 months)

Sofia, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

Escalation management and technical process auditing. Decision-making on high-priority trouble reports requiring a field engineer visit. Fault diagnostics, assessment, and reporting. Remote guidance and assistance of the field engineers assigned on the existing trouble reports.

Senior Specialist Technical Support
August 2008 - March 2014 (5 years 8 months)
Sofia, Bulgaria

- Main responsibilities:

Tier 3 network monitoring, testing, and diagnostics of a large enterprise network. Configuration and maintenance of ADSL2+ access layer networking equipment, such as Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexers. Servicing corporate clients, including resellers and wholesalers.

Education

New Bulgarian University
Bachelor of Engineering - BE, Telecommunications Systems
Engineering · (2016 - 2020)

Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski
Philosophy · (2005 - 2008)