

RAFAEL SELLÉS VIZCAÍNO

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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ABOUT ME

Senior software engineer with 18+ years building scalable backend systems at startups and tech companies. Passionate about solving business problems through reliable, maintainable code. Track record of leading migrations, API design, and infrastructure improvements that drive revenue and reduce costs.

EXPERIENCE

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

CABIFY - GO | RUBY | DOCKER | KUBERNETES | AWS

Making mobility safer and easier for millions of users in Latin America and Europe.

Led the social authentication rollout for the Rider app, integrating Apple/Google/Facebook logins, reducing SMS costs and improving onboarding. Built identity verification and anomaly detection systems, ensuring safe rides for millions of users across Latin America and Europe. Supported PSD2 regulatory migration, improving fraud detection and payment success rates while meeting compliance requirements.

SENIOR BACKEND DEVELOPER

EVENTBRITE - PHP | PYTHON

Rebuilt legacy B2B ticketing system for enterprise customers

Joined the Supercreators team to rebuild B2B ticketing tools that were slowing enterprise customers. Migrated the critical service responsible for 40% of fee income to a modern architecture, reducing technical debt and enabling faster releases. Updated self-service tools for conference organizers and festival producers, improving UX and creating new revenue opportunities.

SENIOR BACKEND DEVELOPER

SPOTAHOME - PHP | DOCKER

Scaled a mid-term rental platform by automating property management and expanding distribution.

On the Integrations Team, built custom connectors to third-party platforms, enabling landlords to manage listings across multiple channels from a single dashboard. Designed a public API to enable partnerships and large-scale distribution without team overhead. Improved real-time occupancy sync to address outdated property data, significantly increasing conversion rates and reducing customer friction.

SENIOR PHP DEVELOPER

PINGVALUE - PHP | NODE.JS | DOCKER

Technical foundation for a fast-growing startup (20+ developers).

Led the migration from Google App Engine to Kubernetes, eliminating vendor lock-in, reducing costs, and improving developer onboarding. Promoted RESTful API design, test-driven development, and continuous integration, enabling a team of over 20 developers to deliver reliable releases across web, iOS, and Android.

SENIOR WEB DEVELOPER

EMBARCADERO - PHP | .NET | DOCKER

Developer experience and community platform for Delphi/C++ ecosystem.

Developed features improving documentation discoverability and resource accessibility for thousands of developers globally. Integrated developer community platform with main ecosystem via database migration and REST APIs, boosting community engagement and providing valuable feedback to the product team.

WEB DEVELOPER

PROYECTO8 - PHP | .NET | MICROSOFT SERVER

24/7 SMS marketing platform serving TV networks and brands across Spain.

Managed integrations with multiple SMS providers for real-time engagement campaigns, including live voting and quiz competitions. Built message queueing and routing services handling millions of messages at scale with high availability. Optimized provider selection logic by price and performance, improving cost efficiency while creating marketing tools that integrated SMS, email, and mobile apps for data-driven client campaigns.

WEB DEVELOPER

ADORAMEDIA - PHP | HTML | CSS | JAVASCRIPT

Worked on corporate websites and digital marketing campaigns for SMBs, always focused on making technology accessible to non-technical clients. Mentored new team members on company processes and best practices, building communication skills needed for future leadership.

WEB DEVELOPER

NITSNETS - PHP | HTML | CSS | JAVASCRIPT

Contributed to internal projects and client solutions while completing my degree, gaining hands-on experience in real-world software development, stakeholder management, and debugging production issues. Mentored other students during internships, helping them transition from academic projects to professional work.

SKILLS

Go, Git, Docker, Kubernetes, PHP, Ruby, node.js, Elixir, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, MySQL

EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering
University of Alicante, SPAIN, 2007 - 2003

Remotely for Madrid, Spain
2020 - Present

Remotely for Madrid, Spain
2020 - 2020

Remotely for Madrid, Spain
2019 - 2020

Remotely for Genk, Belgium
2016 - 2019

Remotely for San Francisco, United States
2013-2016

Alicante offices, Spain
2008-2013

Alicante offices, Spain
2007-2008

Alicante offices, Spain
2006-2007