

# Martijn Scholten

Freelance Platform Engineer

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## Profile

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Engineer at heart. Been tinkering with Linux since I was a kid, and never stopped. Today I build platforms that development teams can rely on. Stable, secure, scalable.

Bridging infrastructure and business: translating technical complexity into solutions that actually deliver value. Hands-on with AWS, Kubernetes, OpenShift, Terraform, Python, Golang and Bash. From startup to enterprise, from greenfield to migration. No powerpoints, just working systems.

## Skills

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<b>Container Technologies</b>	Kubernetes, OpenShift (ROSA, ARO & On-prem), EKS, K3s, Docker
<b>Favorite Cloud</b>	AWS
<b>Infrastructure as Code</b>	Terraform, AWS CDK, CloudFormation
<b>CI/CD &amp; GitOps</b>	ArgoCD, GitLab CI, GitHub Actions, Tekton
<b>Programming &amp; Scripting</b>	Python, Golang, Bash
<b>Data &amp; Messaging</b>	PostgreSQL, Kafka, RabbitMQ, Redis

## Experience

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**Freelance Platform Engineer** Sep 2024 – Present  
[MrContainer \(Own Business\)](#) Almere

- Started own freelance business building cloud-native platforms on AWS, Kubernetes and OpenShift

**Platform Engineer** Jul 2025 – Present  
[Royal Schiphol Group \(via MrContainer\)](#) Amsterdam

- Part of the container platform team, driving lifecycle management and platform elevation
- Migrating OpenShift to a newer version across on-premise and Azure environments
- Technologies: OpenShift, ArgoCD, Terraform, Azure DevOps, Prometheus, Grafana

**Lead Platform Engineer** Oct 2024 – Jun 2025  
[NXLog \(via MrContainer\)](#) Remote

- Led team of 4 engineers, driving containerization initiative for scalable deployments on AWS and on-premises (VMware, Hyper-V)
- Built out AWS Landing Zone with AWS Control Tower and developed new SaaS platform on EKS
- Technologies: ArgoCD, Kyverno, Longhorn, GitLab CI, Terraform, K3s, Vault, ClickHouse, Ansible

**Kubernetes Practice Lead** Oct 2023 – Sep 2024  
[Nordcloud, an IBM Company](#) Amsterdam

- Led team of 11 consultants delivering Kubernetes and OpenShift solutions across Europe
- Developed standardized offerings for Red Hat OpenShift, EKS, GKE and AKS, driving containerization adoption
- Directed greenfield and brownfield projects; presales solutioning to delivery management

<b>Senior Cloud Architect</b> <a href="#">Nordcloud, an IBM Company</a>	Aug 2018 – Oct 2023 Amsterdam
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- Senior consultant of the global Kubernetes practice; container platforms and cloud migrations
- Mentored junior consultants and delivered internal training on Kubernetes, AWS and DevOps practices
- Delivered AWS Well-Architected Reviews for Hema, FerroAmp, Finnair, SSH.com
- Delivered 2-week hands-on cloud workshop for TSYS (Cyprus)
- Consulted across finance, retail, manufacturing and technology sectors

<b>Platform Engineer</b> <a href="#">the LEGO Group (via Nordcloud)</a>	Nov 2021 – Sep 2023 Remote
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- Stabilized on-premise Kubernetes (Rancher/RKE); engineered new OpenShift-based container platform
- Established Managed Services team: Postgres, RabbitMQ, Redis-as-a-Service for development teams
- Migrated several workloads from RKE to OpenShift using ArgoCD and Github Actions
- Technologies: OpenShift, Rancher, Prometheus, Grafana, Loki, GoLang, Python, Terraform, Kyverno

<b>AWS Cloud Engineer</b> <a href="#">SKF Group (via Nordcloud)</a>	Feb 2021 – Oct 2021 Remote
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- Developed serverless platform on AWS for ball bearing calculations using Lambda, API Gateway and DynamoDB

<b>Cloud Architect</b> <a href="#">Finnair (via Nordcloud)</a>	Oct 2020 – Jan 2021 Remote
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- Delivered Well-Architected Review for Finnair
- Re-architected and migrated key workloads from on-premise to AWS using CDK and CloudFormation

<b>AWS Cloud Engineer</b> <a href="#">Bizzdesign (via Nordcloud)</a>	Sep 2019 – Feb 2021 Remote
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- Architected multi-tenant Kubernetes platform on EKS; containerized core platform components
- Technologies: AWS CDK, EKS, ArgoCD, CloudFront, Route53, Prometheus, Grafana, Loki

<b>GCP Cloud Engineer</b> <a href="#">IJsvogel Retail (via Nordcloud)</a>	Oct 2018 – Dec 2019 Remote
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- Containerized Magento e-commerce platform on GKE
- Delivered technical training and workshops

<b>DevOps Engineer / Full Stack Developer</b> <a href="#">Simacan B.V.</a>	Jun 2014 – Jul 2018 Amersfoort
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- DevOps (2016-2018): Led DevOps team, 24x7 on-call; migrated Heroku to AWS
- Developer (2014-2016): Built Simacan Control Tower and ANWB Traffic Information platform
- Technologies: AWS, ECS, Docker, Terraform, Kafka, Postgres, Python, Bash

<b>Software Developer</b> <a href="#">CRESPO software &amp; tools</a>	2012 – 2014
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- Developed real estate portal in SharePoint 2010 with C#, ASP.NET and SQL

## Education

**Bachelor's Degree, Computer Science** 2009 – 2013  
[Saxion Hogeschool Enschede](#)

## Certifications

**Active:** AWS Solutions Architect Professional (2024)  
**Previously:** AWS Security Specialty, AWS DevOps Pro, GCP Cloud Architect

## Projects

**Homelab** – Turing Pi cluster running K3s. Self-hosted services, GitOps and automating things that make life easier.