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Freelance Platform Engineer

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Profile

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

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

Experience

Freelance Platform Engineer MrContainer (Own Business)	Sep 2024 – Present Almere
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- Started own freelance business building cloud-native platforms on AWS, Kubernetes and OpenShift

Platform Engineer Royal Schiphol Group (via MrContainer)	Jul 2025 – Present Amsterdam
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- Part of the container platform team, driving lifecycle management and platform elevation
- Migrating OpenShift to a newer version across on-premise and Azure environments
- Helped onboard new teams onto the platform
- Technologies: OpenShift, ArgoCD, Terraform, Azure DevOps, Prometheus, Grafana

Lead Platform Engineer NXLog (via MrContainer)	Oct 2024 – Jun 2025 Remote
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- 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 Nordcloud, an IBM Company	Oct 2023 – Sep 2024 Amsterdam
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- 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

Senior Cloud Architect
Nordcloud, an IBM Company

Aug 2018 – Oct 2023
Amsterdam

- 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

Platform Engineer
the LEGO Group (via Nordcloud)

Nov 2021 – Sep 2023
Remote

- 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

AWS Cloud Engineer
SKF Group (via Nordcloud)

Feb 2021 – Oct 2021
Remote

- Developed serverless platform on AWS for ball bearing calculations using Lambda, API Gateway and DynamoDB

Cloud Architect
Finnair (via Nordcloud)

Oct 2020 – Jan 2021
Remote

- Delivered Well-Architected Review for Finnair
- Re-architected and migrated key workloads from on-premise to AWS using CDK and CloudFormation

AWS Cloud Engineer
Bizzdesign (via Nordcloud)

Sep 2019 – Feb 2021
Remote

- Architected multi-tenant Kubernetes platform on EKS; containerized core platform components
- Technologies: AWS CDK, EKS, ArgoCD, CloudFront, Route53, Prometheus, Grafana, Loki

GCP Cloud Engineer
IJsvoegel Retail (via Nordcloud)

Oct 2018 – Dec 2019
Remote

- Containerized Magento e-commerce platform on GKE
- Delivered technical training and workshops

DevOps Engineer / Full Stack Developer
Simacan B.V.

Jun 2014 – Jul 2018
Amersfoort

- 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

Software Developer
CRESPO software & tools

2012 – 2014

- 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.