

ALEX ● KASKASOLI

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README

I'm open to Security Engineer opportunities.

I'm currently leading the DevOps & Security teams at TrueLayer. In this role I've shepherded our transition to a multi-account AWS architecture with infrastructure-as-code and infrastructure CI/CD, evangelized GitOps practices across the engineering pool, set up the monitoring stack and hardened the company's overall security posture.

In my previous role at MWR InfoSecurity, I conducted security assessments against a range of technologies. I was initially part of the Operational Technology team which focused on industrial control system security and later moved to offensive attack simulations with a focus on the new and emerging tech at the time. It's in that latter role that I became fond of DevOps and cloud infrastructure.

During downtime I enjoy traveling and reading extensively: history, hard SciFi and, increasingly, sober books about tech best practices.

BLOG

My blog <https://alex.kaskaso.li/> contains some personal work including a critical vulnerability in Kubernetes' Minikube, some thoughts on CI/CD security that were mentioned on Google's k8s podcast, a framework for conducting DNS rebinding attacks as well as an interesting attack on AWS cloud environments using headless browsers (nominated for PortSwigger's "best web hacks of 2018").

SKILLS

Cloud Worked with AWS and Azure . Migrated an organization to multi-account AWS architecture with no interruption of service.	Coding Affinity with Python . A couple of personal projects in Node.js . Dabbled around C and Assembly when working on basic memory corruption vulnerabilities.	Threat Modeling Designing and reviewing architecture documents, identifying security gaps during the early stages of projects.
Kubernetes In love with Kubernetes , worked extensively with it for the last year. Spends evenings watching Kubecon talks.	DevOps Automating infrastructure and operations with Terraform and Ansible . Terraform continuous deployment with Atlantis .	Security Assessments Years of experience security testing a wide range of application stacks and infrastructure.

EXPERIENCE

TrueLayer

Head of DevOps and Security at TrueLayer, working closely with engineering teams and upper management to scale infrastructure, enhance DevOps practices, mitigate security risks and meet regulatory compliance regulations.

2019 - 2020

London, UK

MWR InfoSecurity

Security Consultant at MWR InfoSecurity, working on infrastructure, application and simulated attacks. Provided security reviews and recommendations for clients in the finance industry.

2015 - 2019

London, UK

CERTIFICATES

OSCP, OSCE, CRT, CCT

EDUCATION

BSc Ethical Hacking and Countermeasures

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