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Summary

Experienced DevOps/SRE and Linux Specialist with over 20 years in IT. Expertise in cloud automation, containerization, and monitoring solutions. Strong background in infrastructure deployment, technical support, and automation of internal systems. Proficient in a wide range of technologies, including Docker, Terraform, Prometheus, Ansible, and more. Passionate about continuous improvement and problem-solving in complex systems.

Technologies

Programming Languages: Python, LaTeX, Bash, PowerShell, SQL, Lua, Go

Automation: Ansible, Gitlab CI/CD, Packer, Terraform, Hugo, Prometheus, Logstash, Kibana, Grafana, Zabbix

Languages: English B1-B2, Russian - Native

Experience

Founder, DevOps Engineer, Stepan Illichevskii PR Beograd – Beograd, Serbia

Dec 2024 – present

- Infrastructure automation using Ansible, CI/CD and cloud-init
- Kubernetes-based systems and core infrastructure services
- Monitoring and alerting with Prometheus, Alertmanager, and Grafana
- Centralized logging with Loki and OpenTelemetry (OTLP)
- Monitoring and operation of FFmpeg, Flussonic, and Wowza Engine
- Incident response and root cause analysis for production systems
- Automated inventory management with NetBox and SNMP
- GitOps-style management of monitoring and infrastructure configuration

SRE Engineer, LTD "Nebius" (ex Yandex) – Beograd, Serbia

Apr 2023 – Nov 2024

- Supported and maintained Infrastructure as Code (IaC) for a Kubernetes-based platform using CI/CD (ArgoCD and ArgoWF).
- Developed a tool for the observability team using Python and Prometheus, resulting in a 60% reduction in the time to deploy new alerts into production.
- Created a pipeline for testing Prometheus alerts in TeamCity using Python, thereby reducing the load on on-call SRE teams.
- Automated the preparation of configuration for deployment testing environments, reducing setup time from several weeks to just a few days by automatically generating configurations with Ansible.
- Implemented SAML authorization for ArgoCD with Active Directory (AD), enabling better tracking of changes made to the product.
- Implemented notifications to Slack from ArgoCD via webhooks, improving the response quality to alert events.

Presale Engineer, Product Consultant, LTD "New Cloud Technologies" – Moscow, Russia

Jan 2019 – Apr 2023

- Conducted pre-sales demos that resulted in 10+ new contracts.
- Created 90 parameterized, repeatable test environments with Ansible and Packer, increased the speed and quality of deals.
- Achieved 70% success rate in closing deals through quality product demos, as well as documenting and communicating critical customer needs as requirements, which contributed to increasing the profitability of the product
- Created an alert system for internal test beds with Zabbix, as a result, there were early detection of errors and their elimination
- Developed a portal for partners using Python, Flask, as a result, automated processes in working with partners and reduced the time for processing requests.

Technical Support Specialist, Second Line, LLC "Trading company \"Megapolis\""

Moscow, Russia

• Maintained data centers, including the full lifecycle of SAP ecosystem servers.

• Designed a Zabbix-based monitoring system for data centers and automated print center monitoring.

• Managed Microsoft AD domains and performed OS installations (Windows Server 2003/2008/2012 and Linux).

• Provided end-user support and maintained detailed technical documentation.

Oct 2012 – Jan 2019

Education

MS

Moscow Pedagogical State University, Sociology

Sept 2002 – May 2008

MS

Russian All-State Social University, Computer Science

Sept 2022 – 2024

Certificates

AWS Knowledge: Cloud Essentials (2025) – by Amazon Web Services Training and Certification

Multicloud Network Associate (2025) – by Aviatrix

Well-Architected Proficient (2025) – by Amazon Web Services Training and Certification

LFD259: Kubernetes for Developers (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS158: Introduction to Kubernetes (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS207: Linux System Administration Essentials (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS162: Introduction to DevOps and Site Reliability Engineering (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS151: Introduction to Cloud Infrastructure Technologies (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS157: Introduction to Serverless on Kubernetes (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFEL1009: Getting Started with OpenTofu (2025) – by The Linux Foundation

LFS256: DevOps and Workflow Management with Argo (2025) – by The Linux Foundation