# VASILEIOS ARETAKIS

IT EXPERT

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Visionary technology expert with focus on driving teams to success. Driving based on the big picture. With multiple years different roles, and clear understanding of Business. Able to apply realistic approaches in any situation.

## </> SKILLS

**PEOPLE MANAGEMENT**

HIRING BEHAVIORAL FEEDBACK COMMUNICATION COACHING DEVELOPING PEOPLE SOFT SKILLS LEADING CHANGE

**TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT**

COACHING MEMBERS OR TEAMS DEVOPS TRANSFORMATION STRATEGY PLANNING DELEGATION COACHING SHORT TERM PLANNING

**CLOUD TECHNOLOGIES**

KUBERNETES AWS OPENSTACK AZURE GCP IAAS

**AUTOMATION**

HELM AWS CDK GITOPS TERRAFORM CROSSPLANE KOPS/EKS/AKS

## ▦ EMPLOYMENT

### *Lead IT Expert*, SAP Signavio

2021-06 — Present

Leading DevOps teams to success. Around cost savings, architecture and cross team coordination

- Mentor, grow and transform teams
- Lead workstreams to success
- Cost reduction, Improvement of Processes and coordination of multiple teams
- Business and Technology as one

### *Operations Lead*, Elsevier

2018-11 — 2021-06

Leading teams of engineers, to deliver important scientific products.

- Work with five Dev squads, support dev teams and lead the way to devOps practices
- Implement new CI/CD and Branching strategy across Development and Operations
- Introduce new technology concepts for infrastructure, migrating products and supporting dev teams
- Feed value back to organization by leading through example and providing new standards.
- Build a team of engineers to support the initiatives
- Strategy to reduce time to production and introduction of Real DevOps.

### *Lead Engineer*, Schuberg Philis

2017-02 — 2018-11

Support Financial institutions, using modern methods on classic software. While keeping short delivery cycles, of a modern setup.

- Lead the changes in the team, and support Human Factor.
- Introduce modern Container platform.
- Automate and build Dual Cloud implementation, involving Private/public clouds.
- Modernizing banking infrastructure.

*Leading DevOps change (Contractor)*, Elsevier B.V.                                    2016-06 — 2017-02

Bring devops to Amsterdam Hub of Elsevier, by delivering fresh technology, in a new product.

*Manager of DevOps*, Quby B.V.                                    2015-04 — 2016-06

Manage a team of professionals. Worked on transforming the team from Classic Ops to DevOps, but also lead the Public Cloud transition.

- Gather a team of engineers (hiring)
- Introduce DevOps ways of working. (Infrastructure as code, automation, no Silos work)
- Coach team of engineers to Agile methodologies.
- Involve Development teams on transformation
- Migrate to cloud/adoption of cloud
- Blameless working.
- IaC and IaaS adoption through coaching of classic ICT engineers.

*Lead/Senior DevOps Engineer*, Marktplaats (eBay Classifieds)                                    2014-05 — 2015-04

*Senior Systems Engineer*, TMG Online Media                                    2013-02 — 2014-05

*Senior Systems Engineer*, BackBase                                    2013-01 — 2011-10

*IT Manager*, ICOP                                    2008-03 — 2011-03

*Senior Systems Engineer*, Coca-Cola Hellenic                                    2007-05 — 2008-03

*Senior System Engineer*, Topos communications S.A.                                    2005-05 — 2007-05

*Senior Systems Administrator*, Exodus S.A.                                    2001-06 — 2005-05

*Systems Administrator*, iPNG Group S.A.                                    1999-06 — 2001-06