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Profile

A highly innovative and effective IT Professional with proven results throughout his career in the private and public sector. Experienced and successful in technology and people management, developed over a career in sales, IT projects and service delivery, on an international stage. A highly articulate, confident and persuasive leader, capable of building exceptionally performing teams. A problem solver with high personal integrity, who turns ideas into practice.

Areas of Expertise

IT and data centre economics, solution design and IT architecture, social networking technology, Team building and leadership. Experience in the successful development /deployment of commercial real-time information systems. Good French spoken.

Achievements

- consistently advanced rapidly through a series of increasingly responsible positions throughout career.
- part of Sun's Cloud Computing evangelism team
- represent Sun on NESSI, the EU's technology platform on R&D in software and services
- recognised expert in Web 2.0 technologies, use case contributor to Sun's Sunspace (internal Facebook) development team , contributor to the Venus, Snipsnap and Roller open source projects
- inventor and author of Sun's Data Centre Economics consulting methodology,
- a consistent record of innovation and success as a fee earning Consultant to Sun's portfolio of blue chip customers, specialising in UNIX, Linux and RDBMS technologies
- British Computer Society Infrastructure Developer of the Year judge, 2003-2005
- co-author: Sun Blueprint "Migrating to the Solaris OS"
- a series of UK firsts for Sun Professional services including the first UNIX high availability cluster, the first Sun Cluster Oracle ERP implementation & the worlds first Oracle Parallel Server implementation,
- previously appointed to the Board of Directors of Pet Plan Management, the innovative pet insurance company
- built the infrastructure to support one of the London insurance market's first electronic trading systems

Education and Professional Development

Computer Industry Positions, Sun Representative NESSI Steering Committee 2007-2008, BCS Infrastructure Developer of the Year judge 2003 – 05, various Sybase & Oracle user group committee positions

Membership of Professional Bodies, British Computer Society, FBCS CITP, Institute of Management, MCIM

Qualifications, TOGAF Practitioner, PRINCE II and NCC Systems Analysis qualified

Henley Management College 1994, Civil Service College, Sunningdale 1986

Exeter University 1974 – 1977 , BA in Social Studies , Single Honours in Economics
Certificate of Competence in FORTRAN

St Nicholas Grammar School, Hillingdon, 1966 – 1974, 3 'A' Levels, 9 'O' Levels

Professional Experience

Sun Microsystems, Europe

2007 – Present Chief Technologist

- Advise and direct sales and systems engineering management on technical and leadership subject matter, for global sales and services in Europe, with a \$4¾bn target and over 1700 technical and engineering staff. Became a European expert in Cloud Computing and the future internet, knowledge management and post relational database/new age storage solutions.

Sun Microsystems, UK

1997 - 2007 Principal Engineer

- Worked as Solution Design Consultant to design and propose workable and cost-effective solutions, based on customer requirements. Delivered a number of innovative projects for Sun & its customers, including high-availability, ERP and insurance applications platforms. Developed and delivered Sun's Data Centre Economics suite which was aimed at saving customer operational cost. Worked as architectural consultant with specific customers.

Credit Suisse Global Treasury

1995 – 1997 Chief Database Administrator

- Responsible for all trading system databases including foreign exchange (Sybase) and money markets (Oracle) also developed operational procedures for all systems.

Steel, Burrill Jones/Hillier Page Ltd UK (Lloyd's of London broker)

March 1995 – September 1995 Project Manager/Business Unit Manager

- Managed the programme to install Steel, Burrill Jones 'London Market' technology solution. This was an electronic trading system for the Lloyd's of London market,

Pet Plan Group Ltd

1991 – 1995 IT Director, previously Information Systems Manager

- A leading edge company that encouraged innovative thinking and growth in its employees. Joined as Information Systems Manager, and appointed to the board in 1995 as Technical Director. Responsible for the insurance business software portfolio, IT platform and departmental leadership.

Pyramid Technology Ltd

1989 – 1991 Database Consultant

- Undertook personal performance work, including competitive performance demonstrations utilising Pyramid's UNIX computer systems and RDBMS technology. The organisational structure was very flat and involved consistent communication with senior staff from Pyramid's blue chip customer base.

Janeen Services Ltd (Lloyd's of London underwriting agency)

1987 – 1989 Senior Systems Designer and Head of IT Management Services.

- Senior Designer of the Claims subsystem of this early 4GL/RDBMS London Market Underwriting System.

Department of Employment

1981 – 1987 Programmer, Senior Programmer, Database Administrator, Project Analyst

- Worked on numerous projects, developing technical skills in project management, program and systems design and programming.