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Summary

Entrepeneurial-minded geek with roots in the open source movement. Passionately enabling software-related teams to deliver by measuring outcomes, structuring/fixing processes and facilitating individuals to grow.

At the age of seven (1989) Cies wrote his first lines of code in a LOGO-like language on an MSX (pre-PC). Two years later he attended a conference on an emerging new technology, the Internet, at the Erasmus University from which he would graduate 16 years later with a Business Computer Science degree

After being introduced to the open source movement in 1997, he taught himself a variety of skills including system administration and programming (Bash, Python & Ruby). By 2002 he got his pet project KTurtle —a zero-entry-barrier programming environment— included into KDE's *edu* module, and thereby almost every Linux distribution.

Extensively travelled Europe and Asia after graduating. On return the professional life became a mix of hands-on work on startups and managerial positions; while settling as a husband and father in personal life.

Experience

Port Zero

Senior Software Developer

Berlin, Germany June '1, 2016 – present

Bright

Lead Software Developer

Berlin, Germany July '1, 2015 – June 1, 2016

Freelance Work
Software Development & Consultancy

Berlin, Germany February 2015 – present

HTW INKA (SIGNAL) Research Assistant

Berlin, Germany September '1, 2014 – July 1, 2015

HTW INKA (FKI)
Research Assistant

Berlin, Germany February '1, 2014 – September 1, 2014

Education

HTW Berlin Berlin, Germany

BSc in Applied Computer Science 2012 – 2016Developed multiple multimedia projects. Thesis about zepto-js, the JavaScript version of zepto for frontend and browser work.

Jean-Paul-Gymnasium Hof

Hof, Germany

Abitur (Pre-University Secondary Education) 2003 – 2011Humanist and musical highschool, i.e. education in five foreign languages and at least one instrument (in this case guitar).

Skills

Technical expertise: Leading and recruiting for team(s) of software workers. Big fan of Agile methodologies and continuous delivery and functional programming. Enjoys writing Ruby/Python/Java/Clojure and Haskell. Solid knowledge of web technologies. Able to architect and implement distributed/HA systems. Strong Linux administration skills (e.g. Bash scripting, Apache/NGINX, Postgres/My/NoSQL, ElasticSearch). Well experienced with virtualization/cloud (Docker, VMware, KVM, Xen and EC2) and DevOps (Puppet and Chef). Emacs and VIM user.

Natural languages: German (mother tongue), English (near-native proficiency, certified C1), French (professional proficiency, certified B2), Spanish (professional proficiency, certified B1+), and Japanese (elementary proficiency, certified B1).

Interests

Non-exhaustive and in alphabetical order: art, Buddhism, cryptography, functional programming, Go (board game), history, music (from classical and jazz to Berlin-techno), NLP, open source, permaculture, philosophy, startups, travel, typography (e.g. graphic design, LATEX), UX-design and vegetarian cooking.