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Summary

- Azure, ASP.NET and Universal Windows Development Expert
- Completed multiple projects involving Universal Windows Applications, Azure Platform Services and ASP.NET backend
- Broad knowledge and experience across architecture and development
- More than 15 years in IT industry, last 8 in Microsoft
- CEE Technical Evangelist of the year (FY 2012)
- CEE award for extra mile and collaboration with other teams for ePoliceman, Podravka and Windows Phone campaign
- Technical session on ASP.NET Core in front of 800 developers in person and more than 1000 online right before Satya Nadella Keynote in Poland
- Internet of things and web hobbyist
- Frequent speaker at developer conferences and local user group meetings

Career Profile

I'm highly motivated and result driven IT professional with experience in consulting, presenting and working with Microsoft Technologies for last decade in large-scale deployment of software systems and solutions.

I have more than 10 years of experience in the IT industry with the last eight in Technical Evangelist role. My focus was on presenting technologies, implementing and developing proof of concept solutions using Azure, ASP.NET and Universal Windows Platform. In recent years, focus has shifted to Azure workloads and IoT scenarios.

With my colleague, I prepared 3h video training course on Azure Hybrid Cloud Websites, which was published on Microsoft Azure Academy. I setup the scenarios based on my field knowledge and common questions from the community.

I created ePoliceman solution for Ministry of Interior to prove the usage of Modern User Interface for their police officers. Solution has multiple integrations with internal LOB systems. I gained information about the users and work closely with developers on Lotus Notes and Java.

I drove the project from start to finish at one of the biggest food producers in the Adriatic region – Podravka. We created a project for ordering food from the different hotels in the region from Podravka. With the project management and additional initiatives we managed to reduce their cost and become trusted advisors.

Prior to Microsoft I worked as a web developer in Microsoft partner firm where I gained a wide variety of experience developing and working on finance applications and ERP systems.

I'm regular speaker at local and regional conferences (MSNetwork, MS Sinergija, NTK, SharePoint Conference, WinDays, IoT Conference ...).

I had the opportunity to speak at international event in Poland right before Satya Nadella keynote. The event was streamed and [recording is available on Channel9](#).

Qualities	Abilities
Self-initiative	Strategic planning & execution
Hard-working	Team work
Trustworthy	Problem solver
Creative	Thinker »out-of-the-box«
Passionate	Negotiator and competitor

Professional Qualifications

- Wharthon Talking to C-Suites
- Microsoft® Certified Solution Developer: Azure Solutions Architect (MCSD)
- Microsoft® Certified Professional (MCPS)
- MS: Developing Microsoft® Azure Solutions
- MS: Architecting Microsoft® Azure Solutions
- MS: Implementing Microsoft® Azure Infrastructure Solutions
- Microsoft® Certified Technology Specialist: Web Framework (MCTS)

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Major Project History

ePoliceman

My role was to prepare solution architecture, design functional specification and implement integration with the internal systems. Deliverable is still in use in production as part of testing their internal scenarios. Whole solution contained backend, integrating with their LOB system, web front end to show logs and other information, Web API to connect to local and international services from Interpol and Windows Universal Windows Client for processing all the information from Policeman to shorten the time and increase productivity. Usage scenarios: more than 200 in the beginning, planned to be used in the whole Police (more than 6000 users). One of the key projects for signing Enterprise Agreement.

Podravka eFoodSolution

I was the technical resource, which proposed the architecture and the execution of the technical solution from start to finish. I defined architecture, identified weak points and organize a plan to deliver the project. With the help from the team and from additional trainings, Podravka's team organization, DevOps integration in the existing system, improving internal communication between IT Pros and developers using latest tools, project life time management, integrating Machine Learning experts with external partner, this project was a great example of cross collaboration with different segments inside and outside Microsoft across Adriatic region. Usage: in the beginning 3 companies, expected to have more than 20 hotels covered. Signed EA and increased Azure consumption.

Speaking engagement right before Satya Nadella keynote

I had the honor to speak in front of 800 developers in person and more than 1000 online about Microsoft ASP.NET Core in Poland. This session was right before keynote of Satya Nadella. I was chosen as proven speaker at internal webinars about different technologies. At the event, I presented with local MVP. We used a different way to interact with audience and developers. Feedback was very positive. After the session, we were invited to speak at local meetups and community events.

This way was also presented internally as a best practice:

<https://dxshareit.azurewebsites.net/#/itemDetails/3799>

Public link:

<https://channel9.msdn.com/Events/Wydarzenia-Microsoft/var-Sovia-new-Tech/NET-Cage-Match-Old-vs-New>

Microsoft Virtual Academy Course: Azure Hybrid Cloud Websites

I prepared scenarios for 3h course on how to leverage Azure Hybrid Scenarios from the developer point of view. I was responsible to prepare technical content, scenarios and the implementation of the course. The hybrid scenarios included real-time problem and provided solution.

Link: <http://www.microsoftvirtualacademy.com/training-courses/00be6752-82a1-4da7-996d-86db4d7f2e3f>

IoT workshop

I created and architecture the workshop from start to finish. Workshop enables developers to build, either frontend solutions with Universal Windows Platform, backend solution with ASP.NET and Azure or leverage existing services and build IoT solutions on Windows or Linux. Presented as a best practice and available on DX ShareIt (<https://dxshareit.azurewebsites.net/#/itemDetails/2083>).

Windows Phone App Deployments

As part as my activities I was organizing and driving the app development momentum for Windows Phone in Slovenia. We didn't have Windows Store available. We managed to get the account and drive students, developers and companies to develop for Windows Phone. The Result was more than 60 apps in a store and increased satisfaction rate. We've got the award from CEE for extra mile and campaign drive.

Professional History

Microsoft – Technical Evangelist (vendor), Microsoft Multi-Country DX, February 2016 to present

Highlights:

- Designed trainings, presentations, workshops, demos.
- Drive “move to cloud” approach.
- Drive Azure and IoT awareness (Azure and IoT workshops).
- Helped customers / partners solving their technical problems with demos and POC.
- Collaborated with other team segments and embracing one Microsoft approach.
- Delivered internal team solutions & technical readiness at Microsoft Slovenija.

Microsoft – Technical Evangelist (vendor), Microsoft Slovenija, August 2012 to February 2016

Highlights:

- Designed trainings, presentation, workshops on various Microsoft Technologies
- Led the subject matter at the faculty on building Microsoft Universal Windows Applications for 4 months
- Co-organized the NT conference (the biggest IT conference in Slovenia) as a technical program owner
- Budgeting and planning for regular activities (events, marketing materials, etc.)
- Drive social media activities (blog, twitter, technology portal)
- Worked with communities and influencers, organized community meetings, supported 3rd party events with organization and short presentations

Microsoft – Developer Evangelist (vendor), Microsoft Slovenija, August 2008 to August 2012

Highlights:

- Delivered trainings and presentations about emerging Microsoft products to customers and partners, focusing mostly on products like Windows Presentation Foundation, ASP.NET, Windows Communication Foundation
- Worked closely with local ISVs, helping them with technical consultancy and demoing Microsoft Technologies
- Owned SloDug community, TechNet events and TechNet Newsletter
- Major ISV: NiceLabel, Trinet, Nil, Cent.si

Microsoft – Microsoft Student Lead, 2006 to 2008

Highlights:

- Delivered trainings and presentations about emerging Microsoft products to students.
- Organized events, prepared technical workshop mainly on ASP.NET.
- Spoke at student events, organized community standups, workshops.
- Answered questions on forum, won the award for most active user on the local Slovenian Developer User Group Forum.
- Gained experience as a speaker.

Adacta – Web Developer (FTE), 2006 to 2007

Highlights:

- Worked as a Web Developer on financial applications for different banks about loans calculations for end customer, built on the Microsoft platform. The functionality of the system enabled customer to get insight into loans and calculation for specific conditions.
- Gained extensive experience in design and working with financial data, processing operations, in-depth understanding of economics and ad hoc query tools.

DataLab – Web Developer (FTE), 2001 to 2005

Highlights:

- Worked as a web developer on helpdesk and support website, built on the Microsoft platform. The functionality of the system enabled companies to design and perform all business processes on the web in association with the ERP systems.
- Was responsible for design and implementation of helpdesk end-to-end solution based on ASP.NET Web Forms and SQL Server 2000.
- Gained extensive experience in design and construction of web architecture and processing systems, in-depth understanding of web development, ORM and query tools.

Languages

- Slovenian, native
- English, fluent
- Croatian, passive
- German, passive
- Serbian, passive

Hobbies

- Functional exercise
- Hiking
- Cooking
- Dynamic Shooting