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Summary

- Excellent communicator and researcher
- More than fifteen years of journalism writing, editing, commissioning and managing editorial projects
- More than ten years supporting, participating in and managing developer communities
- More than ten years in the telecoms field with strong experience in mobile telephony

Professional experience

Press

Freelancer, London, UK

'Exposing MI5 blackmail' published by the Campaign Against Criminalising Communities. October 2009

'Secret evidence undermines right to fair trial' published by the Coalition Against Secret Evidence. June 2009

'Stop and search under the Terrorism Act' published in Red Pepper. June 2009

'The mobile phone as self-inflicted surveillance' published in The Register. April 2009

'Three months on, you still can't get off the DNA database' published in The Register. March 2009

'Stop'n'search gets touchy-feely' published in The Register. January 2009

'Don't delay: Delete your DNA today' published in The Register. December 2008

'The DNA database and you' published in The Register. November 2008

'How to delete your DNA profile' published in The Register. January 2008

'Fighting torture with copyright' published in The Register. March 2007

'Suspicious behaviour on the tube' published on the front page of *The Guardian*. September 2005

'Why is a different operating system needed' published in CutterIT Journal. June 2000

(Adapted and republished in the Institution of Engineering and Technology's Computing & Control Engineering magazine. December 2003

Republished as a chapter of How Smartphones Work. March 2006.)

EXE Magazine, London, UK

Editor of EXE Magazine and EXE OnLine (Centaur), the UK-based software developers' magazine and website. Started as Features Editor, promoted to Editor in October 1995. Responsibilities included managing team of five, full editorial and production responsibilities, sourcing and managing industry contributors, ensuring EXE is at the forefront of the software industry. June 1994 - December 1999

Freelancer, London, UK

Freelance contributor to a number of newspapers and magazines. British publications: The Guardian, The Daily Telegraph, PC Direct, What Personal Computer. French publications: 01 Informatique, Le Journal du Téléphone. European publications: Byte European Reseller, Eurotrade. July 1993 - June 1994

PC Expert, Paris, France

Senior Editor, PC Expert (Ziff-Davis). Responsible for surveys on new technologies, operating systems and telecommunications. Special features included communications transfer protocols, PCMCIA technology, networked fax and processor technology. December 1991 - January 1993

Freelancer, Paris, France

Freelance contributor to PC-News, Info-PC and Décision Micro. Work included Comdex news writing and review of development tools. August 1989 - November 1991

Regular freelance contributor to Soft & Micro. Work included feature articles, software and hardware tests and exhibition coverage. November 1987 - July 1989

Freelance contributions to Génie Logiciel, Que Choisir, Goupil Revue and Microtel-Infos. 1982 - 1986

Technology outreach & developer community building

UIQ Technology, London, UK

Editor - Developer Program, Developer Community team. Managed the UIQ developer portal. Primary visible interface of UIQ Technology on the developer portal. Forums contributor and moderator. Managed the commissioning budget. Developed and implemented editorial projects, and defined portal improvements.

Managed the participation of UIQ Technology to the *UIQ 3: The Complete Guide* book project and launched a wiki site to provide an online version. Published the booklets '*Essential UIQ 3 - Getting started*' and '*Building Blocks - Preview to UIQ 3: The Complete Guide*'. Wrote news stories on the UIQ developer portal and for partners' newsletters.

Led discussion sessions on mobile user interfaces and user experience at the Mobile Jam Session during the Mobile World Congress 2008 and at *Over the Air* 2008. Represented UIQ Technology at events such as the Symbian Smartphone Show, the Mobile World Congress and Motorola MOTODEV Summits. May 2006 - July 2008

Symbian Software, London, UK

Developer Evangelism Manager, Developer Community team. Created a developer strategy. Edited the monthly Symbian Community Newsletter and commissioned articles for the Symbian Developer Network. Managed the relationships with two partners and independent community sites. Created and launched the Symbian OS Team, an initiative to recognise individuals sharing their deep understanding and knowledge of Symbian OS development with the developer community. Co-chaired the Security Alert team - part of Symbian's Computer Security Incident Response Team. February 2004 - April 2006

Technology Outreach, Developer Partnerships team. Open sourced Symbian's OPL interpreted language. Supported the port of Simkin, a high-level lightweight embeddable scripting language, to Symbian OS. Edited the monthly Symbian Community Newsletter. Commissioned articles for the Symbian Developer Network. Organised more than twenty-two internal seminars. December 2002 to March 2006.

Manager, Marketing Strategy department. Worked closely with partners and account managers to define, communicate and validate joint messages, and develop co-marketing plans. Broad remit to drive brand recognition and corporate messages to key audiences included writing and placing articles, and production of key corporate brochures. Contributed to the Developer Network newsletter. May 2002 - November 2002

Technology Editor, Media Group. Defined key audience messages and processes for engagement. Created content. Developed relationships and commissioned content across a broad number of departments in the company. Participated in the redesign of the symbian.com website. Created a scheme for Symbian's engineers to develop open source applications to be published on Symbian's website. Line management responsibility included handling a redundancy. May 2001 - April 2002

Technical Communications department. Co-created and implemented a media plan. Created an editorial process. Wrote and commissioned several technology white papers and articles. Wrote '*Why is a different operating system needed*'. January 2000 - April 2001

Software development

P.N.B., Paris, France

Software engineer at modem manufacturer P.N.B. Developed a DOS fax software in C and assembler. Project leader of a contract with France Telecom (project Service d'Acces Micro). June 1990 - December 1991

Microformatic, Paris, France and Moodus, Connecticut, USA

Research and Development engineer at Microformatic, a software house specialising in communications software on OS/2. Spent two months at US subsidiary (Moodus, Connecticut) in charge of the adaptation of the product to the American market. Promoted to Project leader. August 1989 - March 1990

Euratec, Paris, France

Technical Director at Euratec, a software house specialised in Ada. Participated in a mission to Iceland looking at transferring the development operation to Paris. Negotiated with manufacturers (DEC, Data General, Bull, Atari and Apple) and prepared a videotext information service. September 1986 - February 1987

Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI), Paris, France

University projects: development of a task manager and memory manager in C on Bull Mini 6, of a compiler (a subset of Algol for a virtual machine target) in Pascal on Multics, of an emulation of a subset of MC68000 instructions in 8086 assembler, and of a Lisp interpreter in Pascal on Multics. 1986 - 1987

Téléinformatique, Paris, France

Developed a terminal emulator resident in a PAD X.25, in 6809 assembler, for the Crédit Agricole bank. April 1985

Caisses Centrales de Mutualité Sociale Agricole, Paris, France

Software development, in Basic, for insurance company Caisses Centrales de Mutualité Sociale Agricole (CCMSA). August 1984 - March 1985

Teaching

IBM, Paris, France

Lecturer in telecommunications (OS/2 Communication Manager). August 1989 - March 1990

Institut de Gestion Sociale (IGS), Paris, France

Examiner for the computer exam. September 1985

Université Panthéon-Sorbonne (Paris 1), Paris, France

Lecturer in computer science to second-year graduate students in DEUG AES. 1984 - 1986

City of Paris (InterClub 17), Paris, France

Computer instructor. October 1984 - May 1985

Education

CCJO.RenéCassin, London, UK

International human rights law training day. 2009

City University, London, UK

Human rights law (Continuing Education course). 2007

Symbian, London, UK

Symbian OS Essentials, Symbian OS Internals, Symbian OS Application UI, Symbian OS Platform Security Workshop. 2000-2005

Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI), Paris, France

Preparation for thesis in languages, algorithmic and programming; majors: object-oriented programming and Lisp dialects semantic. 1988

MSc in computer science; majors: operating systems, telecommunications and software engineering. 1987

BSc in computer science. 1986

Diploma in general sciences and structure of matter. 1985

Computer Camps International; Banner Lodge, Connecticut, U.S.A.

Certificate. August 1982

Ecole Alsacienne, Paris, France

Baccalaureate specialised in mathematics. 1982

Associations

Member of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM). 1987 - 2009

Participated in the creation of Mobile Monday London. 2005

Co-founder and co-sysop of the OS/2 MANiA association. 1990 - 1992

Member of the Association Francaise pour la Cybernétique Economique et Technique (AFCET). 1987 - 1989

Active participation at local, regional and national level in the Microtel and Adémir associations. 1980 - 1987



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