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Research, communication and outreach are the common threads in my career:

- More than fifteen years of journalism writing, editing, commissioning and managing editorial projects
- More than ten years building, supporting, participating in and managing developer communities
- More than five years campaigning for human rights and the rule of law
- More than ten years in the telecoms field with strong experience in mobile telephony

Journalism

Freelancer, London, UK (2000 to Present)

'A potted history of sections 43 and 44' published by Black Mental Health (August 2010).

'Halting section 44 stop and search powers' published by Black Mental Health (July 2010).

'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).

Editor, EXE Magazine, Centaur, London, UK (June 1994 to December 1999)

Started as features editor of the monthly software developers' EXE Magazine, promoted to editor in October 1995. Responsibilities included managing a team of five, full editorial and production responsibilities for the magazine and its website, and sourcing and managing industry contributors.

Freelancer, London, UK (July 1993 to June 1994)

Contributed to 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.

Senior Editor, PC Expert, Ziff-Davis, Paris, France (December 1991 to January 1993)

Responsible for the section on new technologies, operating systems and telecommunications.

Freelancer, Paris, France (1982 to 1991)

Wrote news and articles for PC-News, Info-PC and Décision Micro (1989 to 1991), Soft & Micro (1987 to 1989), and Génie Logiciel, Que Choisir, Goupil Revue and Microtel-Infos (1982 to 1986).

Technology

Technical Analyst / Researcher, Inpro, London, UK (October 2010 to Present)

Technical and commercial research.

Editor – Developer Program, UIQ Technology, London, UK (May 2006 to July 2008)

Managed the developer community portal and forums, the commissioning budget, and editorial projects at mobile phone user interface software company UIQ Technology. Wrote news stories for the developer portal

and partners' newsletters. Led discussion sessions on mobile user interfaces and user experience at the Mobile Jam Session, Mobile World Congress and at Over the Air. Represented UIQ Technology at the Symbian Smartphone Show, the Mobile World Congress, Motorola MotoDev Summits and other events.

Technology Outreach, Symbian Software, London, UK (January 2000 to April 2006)

Started as technology editor at mobile phone operating system company Symbian Software. Created a media plan and an editorial process. Commissioned technology white papers and articles. Contributed content including the widely published '*Why is a different operating system needed*'. Created a scheme for Symbian's engineers to publish open source applications. Participated in the redesign of the corporate website.

In May 2002, became marketing strategy manager. Produced brochures and wrote articles to promote corporate messages and drive brand recognition. Defined, communicated and validated joint messages and co-marketing plans with partners. Contributed to the developer community newsletter.

In November 2002, took the role of developer outreach manager. Created a developer strategy. Edited the monthly developer community newsletter and commissioned articles for the developer website. Managed the relationships with independent community websites and two partners. Created and launched an initiative to recognise individuals sharing their deep understanding and knowledge of Symbian OS development with the developer community. Open sourced Symbian's OPL interpreted language and supported the port of the Simkin scripting language to Symbian OS. Co-chaired the Security Alert team, part of Symbian's Computer Security Incident Response Team. Organised more than twenty-two internal seminars.

Civil society

Member of Advisory Board, *NO2ID* (April 2012 to Present).

Member of Advisory Board, *Privacy International* (October 2011 to Present).

Independent Custody Visitor (August 2010 to Present).

Friend of the *Coalition Against Secret Evidence*, *Genewatch*, *NO2ID*, *Privacy International*, *Stewardship*, the *Campaign Against Criminalising Communities*, the '*I'm a Photographer, Not a Terrorist!*' campaign (2005 to Present).

Keynote speaker at the public debate '*Surveillance, Politics and Civil Society*', UK (2010); speaker at a workshop on *Fighting the law and winning for the ten years of Indymedia*, UK (2010); guest speaker at a public meeting of the *Pan African Society Community Forum* on civil liberties, UK (2009).

Television interviews: *Sky News Sunrise*, UK (2009); *Mega TV The Files*, Greece (2007); *BBC One, Politics Show*, UK (2006); *Sky News Today*, UK (2005). Radio interviews: *Dissident Island Radio*, UK (2010); *Radio Adelaide, Breakfast with Peter Godfrey*, Australia (2005); *ABC Radio National, Late Night Live*, Australia (2005); *BBC Radio Four, Broadcasting House*, UK (2005); *BBC Radio Five Live, The Way Forward*, UK (2005); *RampART Radio, Indymedia*, UK (2005). Print interviews: *Cageprisoners*, UK (2011); *Colors Magazine, 'Cease-Fear'*, Italy (2009); *I fought the law, 'Britain's Ten Worst Laws'* chapter, Bantam Press, UK (2007); *The Dallas Morning News*, USA (2005).

Member of a stop and search monitoring group (2010 to 2011).

Legal observer (2010).

Founding member of the *Open Rights Group* (2005 to 2006).

Member of *Liberty* (2005 to 2011) and *Amnesty International* (2006 to 2010).

Associate member of the *Free Software Foundation* (2003 to Present).

Participated in the creation of *Mobile Monday London* (2005).

Member of the *Association for Computing Machinery* (1987 to 2009) and the *Association Francaise pour la Cybernétique Economique et Technique* (1987 to 1989).

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

Participated at local, regional and national level in the *Microtel* and *Adémir* associations (1980 to 1987).

Software development

Software Engineer, P.N.B., Paris, France (June 1990 to December 1991)

Developed a fax software in C and assembler at modem manufacturer P.N.B. Project leader of the Service

d'Acces Micro contract with France Telecom.

Research and Development Engineer, Microformatic, Paris, France and Moodus, Connecticut, USA (August 1989 to March 1990)

Wrote communications software on OS/2 at software house Microformatic. Spent two months at US subsidiary in charge of the adaptation of the product to the American market. Promoted to Project leader.

Technical Director, Euratec, Paris, France (September 1986 to February 1987)

Participated in a feasibility study of the transfer of the development operation of an Ada compiler from Iceland to software house Euratec in Paris. Negotiated support for Ada with manufacturers DEC, Data General, Bull, Atari and Apple. Prepared a videotext information service.

Student, Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI), Paris, France (1986 to 1987)

Wrote a Lisp interpreter and a compiler of a subset of Algol in Pascal on Multics, a task manager and memory manager in C on Bull Mini 6, and an emulation of a subset of MC68000 instructions in 8086 assembler.

Software Developer, Téléinformatique, Paris, France (April 1985)

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

Software Developer, Caisses Centrales de Mutualité Sociale Agricole, Paris, France (August 1984 to March 1985)

Software development, in Basic, for insurance company Caisses Centrales de Mutualité Sociale Agricole.

Teaching

Lecturer in telecommunications, IBM, Paris, France (1989 to 1990).

Computer course examiner, Institut de Gestion Sociale, Paris, France (1985).

Lecturer in computer science to second-year graduate students in DEUG AES, Université Panthéon-Sorbonne (Paris 1), Paris, France (1984 to 1986).

Computer instructor, City of Paris - InterClub 17, Paris, France (1984 to 1985).

Education

Training for Independent Custody Visitors, Metropolitan Police Authority, London, UK (2010).

Legal observing training day, Network for Police Monitoring, London, UK (2010).

International human rights law training day, CCJO.RenéCassin, London, UK (2009).

Human rights law continuing education course, City University, London, UK (2007).

Symbian OS Essentials, Internals, Application UI and Platform Security training courses, Symbian, London, UK (2000-2005).

Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI), Paris, France (1982 to 1988)

First year of MPhil without thesis (AEA) in languages, algorithmic and programming; majors: object-oriented programming and Lisp dialects semantic (1987 to 1988)

MSc (Maîtrise) in computer science; majors: operating systems, telecommunications and software engineering (1986 to 1987).

BSc (License) in computer science (1985 to 1986).

Undergraduate degree (DEUG) in mathematics, physics and computer science (1982 to 1985).

Certificate. August, Computer Camps International; Banner Lodge, Connecticut, U.S.A. (1982).

Diplôme du Baccalauréat S1 specialised in mathematics, Ecole Alsacienne, Paris, France (1977 to 1982).