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Software Engineer & Owner @ Blijnder

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I am a seasoned Software Engineer who started with Lego but switched to code when I was a teenager. Now I help companies get on track with their development processes by helping them with the development process and/or being the development process if they don't want the hassle. In my career, I have worked with several technology companies and retailers, as well as with startups, non-profit and government organizations.

I have extensive expertise in Laravel, Vue.js, and Linux, making me adept at proficiently handling both frontend and backend development.

Worth mentioning:
- I'm all about implementing high-quality standards.
- From 2023 I've been working on a new community platform which is planned to go live in Januari 2024.
- Due to my entire family being teachers, I have developed a natural inclination to enjoy explaining things.
- I'm a fan of using the newest techniques available, saving time and raising the quality.

Technical details about me:
- I am proficient in developing software using Laravel and utilizing tools from Laravel's ecosystem.
- My frontend development expertise extends to a focus on Vue.js, which serves as the primary framework for building most of the frontend software.
- I have a proactive approach exploring and adopting new techniques that enhance project quality and cost-effectiveness.
- Additionally, I have hands-on experience with Statamic, Symfony, Drupal, WordPress, Craft CMS, and Angular, broadening my skillset and versatility in various technologies.

EXPERIENCE

Blijnder, Numansdorp — *Software Engineer & Owner*

Jul 2015 - PRESENT

Founded Blijnder in 2015 with a partner. Successfully continued and expanded the business after my partner pursued another career opportunity in 2018. Currently, managing diverse technical challenges and ensuring the company's growth and success.

SKILLS

PHP / LARAVEL

VUE.JS

JAVASCRIPT

LINUX

DRUPAL

STATAMIC

PWA

API

LANGUAGES

ENGLISH

DUTCH

PERSONAL QUALITIES

COMMUNICATIVE

RESPONSIBLE

CALM

POSITIVE

ANALYTICAL

Lyfter, Steenbergen — *Software Engineer Jedi Master*

Jul 2016 - Oct 2019 (3 years and 4 months)

Yes, this was the official title that came with the job. I joined the startup Lyfter as their first full-time Jedi. Within the next 3.5 years, Lyfter built a client base of more than 50 clients and won an award as the best startup company in the region. I worked as their main backend developer, connecting several business-to-business/consumer webshops to backend systems.

Mindbench, Numansdorp — *Project/operational manager*

Jun 2014 - Mar 2016 (1 year and 10 months)

Besides developing software I managed a team of 7 developers (3 external developers working from Romania).

Mindbench, Numansdorp — Senior *Web Developer*

Oct 2010 - Mar 2016 (5 years and 6 months)

Worked as a software developer on several websites and webshops. These web applications were developed on a custom CMS on the Symfony framework.

Communited, Oud-Beijerland — *Web Developer*

Nov 2006 - Sep 2010 (3 years and 11 months)

Worked as software developer on .Net and Smartsite CMS applications. Most of the customers were part of, or related to, the government.

EDUCATION, LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

Zend Certified Engineer (ZCE)

Issued Nov 2011

Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences, Rotterdam — *Bachelor of Applied Science (HBO) Major: Web Technology*

2003 - 2006

PROJECTS

Project Descriptions Illustrating Application Development Skills.

CTS Group Communication Bus Maintenance — with Blijnder

2021 - PRESENT

Perform maintenance and updates for the communication bus of CTS Group, a logistics services company. Manage a high-traffic application responsible for receiving and updating shipments from various sources, seamlessly integrating with CTS Group's back-office system.

Integration Hub for BakerTilly — with Blijnder

Jan 2021 - PRESENT

Developed and maintaining an integration hub for BakerTilly, enabling efficient data exchange between various platforms such as Microsoft Dynamics, their intranet, and website. Implemented an innovative solution that facilitates seamless and rapid data sharing between different platforms, significantly improving data accessibility and efficiency for BakerTilly.

Junea — with Blijnder

2019 - 2020

Developed an app for Junea, enabling seamless product checkout and purchases from their vending machines. Implemented microtransactions and a user-friendly touch-screen interface. Utilized cutting-edge technologies to ensure a smooth user experience with Junea vending machines.

Control Tool for Depar — with Blijnder

2022

Developed a control tool for Depar, a registry established by 15 different hospitals. The tool allows for rapid and efficient testing of updates to Depar's tooling, resulting in a faster update cycle without significant time investment in testing the application's input and output.

Connecting Schaffenburg's B2B shop with — @ Lyfter

2019

Connecting Schaffenburg's B2B WooCommerce webshop with their backoffice in Microsoft Navision, making it possible for all their customers to directly order new furniture through their webshop.

Bartnet — @ Mindbench

Jan 2011 - Jan 2017

Bartnet is the intranet of Bart's Retail (Bakker Bart) designed for franchisees and employees. Bartnet includes functionalities such as time registration, purchasing orders, invoicing, news, and a forum. A significant amount of information is updated through a custom communication bus.

Rotterdam.nl — @ Communited

Jan 2009 - Jan 2010

The main website of the municipality of Rotterdam. The site's content was managed by a large number of editors and linked through metadata. Various technologies used for this website: Smartsite 6, metadata-driven navigation, Collaborating Catalogs of Municipalities, jQuery, MsSql, and .Net.