Curriculum Vitae

Personal Data

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Education

2000 - 2003	Kandó Kálmán College of Engineering, Budapest/Hungary, post-gradual education, *Engineer of Telecommunication*
1996 - 1997	École Nouvelle D'Ingénieurs en Communication (ENIC), Lille/France, *Informatics*
1994 - 1997	Kandó Kálmán College of Engineering, Budapest/Hungary, *B.S. Engineer of Informatics*
1992, 93, 97, 98	ELTE University of Sciences, Budapest/Hungary, Department of Scandinavistics, *Danish and Swedish languages*
1989 - 1992	Kandó Kálmán College of Engineering, Budapest/Hungary, *Informatics*
1985 - 1989	Teleki Blanka Secondary School, Budapest/Hungary, *graduated in French language*

Experience

2011 – present	Dream Travel, S.A. Panama, *Tour Guide, Photographer, Administrator, Webmaster.* Privately founded travel agency focusing on European travellers to Central and South America, yacht travel from the Pacific Ocean to the Caribbean sea crossing the Panama Canal and tailored trips to the San Blas islands in Panama.
2005 – present	Eupolisz Travel Agency, *Tour Guide, Photographer*. Functions include leading, guiding, organising, negotiating and translating for groups from 4 up to 46 persons mainly in Latin America (Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Cuba, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Chile), Europe (Italy, France) and Asia (Philippines, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Macau). Culture, nature, landscape and outdoor sport photos for web and print publishing. 30 trips (most of them 12-24 days) with a total of ca. 800 tourists until mid 2012.
2002 – present	*Freelance Photographer*. Photos sold through International (Alamy UK, Dreamstime, Fotolia) or local (Netképtár Hungary) stock agencies as well as through self maintained websites. Photos sold to a number of international publications (e.g. Lonely Planet Costa Rica 2006, Eyewitness Travel Guide Costa Rica 2005, AA Key Guide Costa Rica 2005 among others), educational and guide books. Photography references for several non-governmental organisations and governmental institutions, like PRETOMA, ASVO (Asociación de los voluntarios para el servicio en las areas protegidas) and MINAE (Ministerio de Ambiente y Energía) in Costa Rica and WWF (World Wildlife Fund) in Hungary.

2002 – present	Absolut Reklam Kft., *System Integrator, System Administrator, Photographer and Bicycle Messenger as part time occupation*. Maintaining a small office multiple operating system environment (Linux, Mac OS, Windows), LAN, file and print server. Hardware and software consulting.
2002 – 2006	Unicorn Multimedia, Inc., S*ystem Administrator, Webmaster, search engine optimiser*. USA based company with interest in several countries. Maintaining web and mail servers, domains, building complex websites and optimising (SEO) for better search results in major engines (Google, Yahoo, MSN etc.).
2002 - 2003	PRETOMA (Programa Restauración de Tortugas Marinas), *Volunteer*. Costa Rica based organisation protecting sea turtles and marine life. Field work with sea turtles, protecting beaches and hatchery. Experience with working on fishing boat. Photography of wildlife and project photo documentation in extreme conditions. Management of the office computer systems and networking. Designing, creating and administrating the website based on a free software content management system. Designing posters, simple DTP works.
2000 - 2002	NetNgine Kft./Multi Graph International ApS, *IT Manager, System Integrator.* Denmark based web agency. Establishing and managing web developer teams and their respective office environment in Hungary, Czech Republic and Poland. Integrating and administering LAN environments. Representing the company to clients as a technical expert. Software design and localisation including free software. Writing project specification and documentation.
1997 - 2000	Multi Graph Hungary Kft., *Web Developer, System Administrator*. Denmark based international advertising and communication agency in five countries. Developing static and dynamic web content, basic graphics design. Establishing and maintaining Internet access, web-, mail-, domain name servers, software and hardware for intranet solutions.
1996 - 1997	École Nouvelle D'Ingénieurs en Communication, Lille/France, *Software Developer*. Research period of five months in Digital Image Processing. Completed two projects: 1. Visual Basic on Windows 3.11, 2. Java and C on Sun Solaris.
1993 - 1995	Channel 42 Bt., *Content Developer, Manager*. Private multimedia company. Computer animation, music, teletext, video editing.
1992 - 1993	Denmark and Sweden, *Freelance Journalist*. Ten month period of technical writing and improving language skills.
1989 - 1995	Different Publishers, *Freelance Journalist*. Reviews and tests in several computer journals about games, utilities, audiovisual demo programs.

Language Skills

Hungarian	Native
English	Advanced speaking, advanced writing, +technical
Spanish	Advanced speaking, intermediate writing +technical
French	Intermediate speaking, lower intermediate writing, +technical
Portuguese	Basic
Danish	Lower intermediate speaking, lower intermediate writing
Swedish	Lower intermediate speaking, lower intermediate writing
German	Basic

Programming Skills

ShellScript, Perl, PHP, C, CGI in various languages, HTML, CSS, Java, LATEX, Pascal, Basic, Visual Basic, Assembly (x86, 68000, 6510)

Networking Skills

TCP/IP, LAN, Switch/HUB, Telephone Switch, Routing, Mail (Sendmail, Fetchmail, Majordomo, Procmail, spam and virus filtering), HTTP (Apache), PPP, PPPoe, FTP (various ftp servers), DNS (Bind), Proxy-cache (Squid), NFS, NIS, AppleTalk (Netatalk), SMB (Samba), multiplatform print management (LPD, CUPS), DHCP, SSH/SCP, web based system administration interfaces (Webmin, Cpanel).

Operating Systems

Linux	Since 1995 advanced system administrating level at both client and server side. Experience with RedHat (Fedora), SuSE (OpenSuSE) and Debian (Ubuntu) distributions.
Apple MacOS/X	User and office administrating level
Win NT/2k/XP	User and small office administrating level
Win 3.x/9x	User and small office administrating level
Sun Solaris	User and programming level
MS-DOS	User and programming level
Novell Netware	User level
AmigaOS	User level

Summary

- I have travelled in Latin America, Europe and Asia widely. I have lived and worked in Costa Rica for 5 years and spent longer periods in Peru, Mexico and the Dominican Republic, where I have learnt to appreciate the Spanish language, indigenous and Hispanic culture.
- I am an independently minded guide and usually tend to find pleasure in solving every possible problem that might occur during a trip, that is organising and reserving accommodation and transport, dealing with and contracting local people, discovering and researching a particular area for possible tours.
- I believe in environmental conservation, sustainable development, am interested in wildlife and nature in general. I am sensitive to social inequalities, especially in third world countries. During my travels and work I try to act responsibly in that respect.
- I am a skilled photographer and an experienced traveller with independent visits and longer stays in 70+ countries.
- I have been interested and dealing with computers since my childhood. During these years my interest shifted from graphics to networking and web development. While being in France and working in countries, like Denmark, Poland and Costa Rica I grew accustomed to international team development and participated in relatively long and complex projects, however in the majority of cases I was to solve problems on my own.
- I have 10+ years of experience as a system administrator in an advertising agency.
- I prefer working on Unix based systems with open, platform independent environments and languages.
- My technical dream pet projects are to replace a crash prone and expensive office network with a server based environment with cheap graphical terminals by means of free software and/or teach or promote free software in a developing country.
- The use of languages, my travel experience, photography, computing and designing skills in some combination is the ideal occupation for me.
- If it comes to sports I do mainly biking, hiking and swimming. To reduce my eco footprint I ride a bike and am a devoted recycler. I don't smoke.