

Curriculum Vitae of
Erik Taal

Profile

Linux and open source software specialist with 10+ years of admin and programming experience. Always eager to learn and apply new technologies. Currently looking for interesting challenges in the form of part-time/short term contract work or training opportunities.

Skills

Programming: PHP, Perl, Unix Shell, C++
System Admin: Linux (RHEL, CentOS, Ubuntu), FreeBSD, OpenBSD
Virtualization: VMWare, KVM / Qemu, VirtualBox
Networking: CCNA, General network design (DNS, DHCP, firewall, etc).
Databases: Oracle, PostgreSQL, MySQL

Work experience

2005 – present

Linux Systems Admin & Oracle DBA

West Midlands Fire Service, Birmingham, UK

Part of the DBA team which manages several dozen physical servers and an increasing number of virtual linux machines, running Oracle databases as well as various other open source and third party applications. Suggested and implemented various systems that enhance the smooth running of the DBA team.

(12 week contract) Jan – April 2005

Linux Network Tester

BECTA, government IT policy adviser, Coventry, UK

Built a mock linux school network and provided a linux introductory training course for colleagues.

Feb – Sep 2004

Software Engineer

Aramiska, satellite broadband provider, Eindhoven, The Netherlands

The software engineering team worked on the linux operating system that runs on the client side router. Worked on both the development and testing of upgraded packages for the rpm based OS itself and the new user interface built on PHP and LDAP.

Jun 2003 - Jan 2004

FreeBSD Systems Admin

Grip Multimedia, web hosting/CMS provider, Leiden, The Netherlands

Performed system admin duties on the company's dozen FreeBSD machines.

May 2001 – Apr 2002

Unix Security Consultant

Fox-IT, Security solutions provider, Delft, The Netherlands

Developed custom OpenBSD and Linux based security applications such as firewalls and email gateways and maintained the in house OpenBSD distribution.

Jun 2000 – Apr 2001

Junior Programmer

ESDGSN Multimedia, CMS provider, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Developed CGI websites using Perl and MySQL as well as a client application written in Delphi.

Contact



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Languages

Dutch	Mother tongue
English	Fluent
Arabic	Intermediate
German, French	Basic knowledge

Education

1999–2000	Applied Physics, Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands
1993-1999	Secondary Education, The Hague, The Netherlands

Misc

Interests	Astronomy, physics, world history, reading, emerging technologies, non-fiction books, high performance horseless carriages, spending quality time with the family, travelling.
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Additional key words

Ubuntu, Redhat, CentOS, Nagios, Munin, Apache, Subversion, Git, Tomcat, Samba, Mediawiki, Ssh, Snort, HTML, CSS, XML, Geocoding, DRBD, Clustering, GFS