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PROFILE:

An analytical and thorough system operator with wide experience in several IT fields. Communicative and team-conscious, supports and enhances group effort. Effective management skills, including planning, supervising others and resource optimisation. Adaptive and a fast learner who is equally comfortable in an administrative, development or testing (QA) environment, has an eye for sound, contemporary design. Keeps up-to-date with developments in the field and seeks to establish a career within a far-seeing company.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

2002 – date **COSMOGRID**
Systems & Grid Administrator for NUI Galway

[CosmoGrid](#), led by [DIAS](#), is the first Grid Virtual Organization (VO) in Ireland, promoting Grid-enabled Computational Physics of Natural Phenomena.

- Co-administrator of a Sun SPARC Ultra 10 (SunOS), two Alpha 1200 (Digital UNIX), a SGI Origin 3800 (IRIX) and a grid of 32 PCs (Linux – Globus). Co-responsible for maintenance, upgrades and user support.
- Managed a team of 3 for the development of the dynamic, interactive website for the Computational Astrophysics Laboratory. Gave the team initial training, assigned them tasks and supported them through.
- Extensive experience with all flavours of Windows and Linux for PCs.
- Designed, developed and maintains the [Scientific Computing](#) website.
- Freed up time and human resources by coding several task automation scripts in C, PHP, Visual Basic and SQL.

2001 – date **WEBMATE.GR**
Chief Technical Officer - Senior Web Developer – Web Designer

[Webmate.gr](#) is a Greek company that offers integrated internet services.

- Remotely designed, developed and coded their entire portfolio of database-backed, dynamic, interactive, multilingual websites:
 - [CNC Solutions](#)
 - [Organization: Empery](#)

- [Systasis](#)
- [Artigraf](#)
- [Nova Casa](#)
- [Space-unit.gr](#)
- [A dream in blue](#)
- [Webmate.gr](#)
- Proficient in Web-development scripting technologies: HTML, XHTML, XML, XSLT, JavaScript, CSS, PHP, Perl, SQL.
- Experienced in setup, development, maintenance and administration: Apache, MySQL, PostgreSQL, MS Access.
- Experienced in Photoshop, PaintShop Pro, Flash, DreamWeaver.
- Trained 2 people to take up his role in the company.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Consistent [amazon.co.uk top 1000 reviewer](#) since the listing inauguration.
- Translates [phpMyChat](#) and [XnView](#) into Greek.
- "[Application of deconvolution to images from the EGRET gamma-ray telescope](#)" published in Proceedings of SPIE, Volume 4877, 2003.
- Co-organized the HTRA (High-Time Resolution Astrophysics) 2001 workshop in the IT department of NUI Galway, designed the website and the badge.
- Supervised first year Physics labs in NUI Galway from 1999 to 2002

QUALIFICATIONS:

- M.Sc. in Physics ("Deconvolution of the EGRET database") at [NUI Galway](#), 2004.
- B.Sc. in Mathematics at the [University of Athens](#), 1998.
- Cambridge [Certificate of Proficiency In English](#) (CPE), 1989.

PERSONAL DETAILS:

Driving license: EU, full, clean A & B

Languages: Fluent Greek and English, good German, basic French.

INTERESTS:

Writes articles on various subjects. Extremely fond of felines, motorcycles and the colour blue. Travels as much as possible and, as a rule of thumb, to 1 new country every year.