Joeri Verhavert

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

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EDUCATION

Applied Informatics | 2016 - 2020
University HOGENT, Ghent, Belgium

Accountancy & IT | 2010 - 2016
OLVC Campus Centrum, Zottegem, Belgium

SOFT SKILLS

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Proactiveness
- Continuous learning
- Adaptability
- Work ethic
- Collaboration
- Self-Motivation
- Responsibility
- Flexibility

CERTIFICATIONS

March 2025
Google Cloud Associate Cloud Engineer Certification

May 2024
Certified Kubernetes Security Specialist (CKS)

January 2023
Certified Kubernetes Administrator (CKA)

January 2022
Red Hat Certified Engineer (RHCE)

May 2021
Red Hat Certified System Administrator (RHCSA)

CAREER OBJECTIVE

Medior Platform Engineer with 6 years of experience, focused on Google Cloud and Kubernetes. I'm looking for an opportunity to apply this expertise and modern Platform/Cloud practices within a forward-thinking company, contributing to meaningful projects while continuing to grow professionally. I'm also building expertise in project management and FinOps practices to enhance my capabilities.

EXPERIENCE

Conro | DevOps / Platform Engineer | Freelancer

April 2024 - PRESENT

- Freelance consultant in DevOps and platform engineering.

Axxes | DevOps Engineer | Consultant

April 2022 - March 2024

- Consulted for telecom provider Telenet.

Open-Future | Linux System Engineer | Consultant

November 2020 - April 2022

- Consulted for a government organization in Belgium called 'VDAB'.
- Developed multiple Ansible roles to enhance internal infrastructure.
- Built a completely improved internal monitoring setup using Zabbix.
- Restacked servers, managed cabling, and enhanced the overall efficiency of the small internal datacenter.
- Conducted numerous internal patching cycles.

PROJECTS

Brussels Airport Company (Via Conro) | Platform Engineer

May 2026 - PRESENT

- Member of the Cloud Foundation team at Belgium's national airport, managing cloud infrastructure in AWS.
- Engineer, operate and maintain the internal EKS platform exposing in-house API applications.
- Built and maintain a high-level self-service setup that lets application teams expose their applications on our EKS platform, with a focus on stability and security.
- Standardize delivery through GitOps and CI/CD pipelines, so development teams can safely and efficiently release their own products on AWS services such as EKS, RDS, S3, MSK and Secrets Manager with Argo CD, OpenTofu and GitHub Actions.
- Maintain and improve our EKS platform, keeping it robust and cost-efficient to enable continuous operation of its workloads.
- Assist with the setup of and migration to Gateway API.
- Migrated EKS node pools from Cluster Autoscaler fully to Karpenter.
- Help developers debug their cloud infrastructure, including RDS, cross-account MSK setups, Secrets Manager, Parameter Store, PrivateLink connections to ECS and backups of code artifacts.

PROJECTS (CONTINUED)

Telenet (Via Axxes & Conro) | DevOps Engineer

July 2022 - PRESENT

- Built and managed Google Cloud infrastructure with Terraform & Kubernetes Config Connector (KCC): private GKE clusters, Cloud Instances, Cloud SQL, Shared VPC, Private Service Connect (PSC), IAM, etc.
- Designed and optimized GCP Shared VPC architectures and improved team infrastructure workflows.
- Deployed KCC on a private GKE cluster to manage Cloud DNS through GitOps workflows.
- Automated bare-metal Kubernetes clusters using Anthos (GDC for Bare Metal).
- Handled daily GCP operations: incident resolution, resource tuning, and platform fixes.
- Developed custom Kubernetes Operators in Python and deployed them via CI/CD pipelines.
- Set up GitOps workflows for Kubernetes using FluxCD.
- Implemented monitoring and observability with OpenTelemetry.
- Supported deployment of multiple cloud-native application stacks.

VDAB (Via Open-Future) | Linux System Engineer

April 2021 - April 2022

- Executed various Linux system engineering tasks, including patching, troubleshooting, and automation with Puppet and Ansible.
- Developed multiple Ansible roles for automating deployments across various products.
- Provide in-depth 0nd line support for Linux-related issues.