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Belgian nationality  
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**EDUCATION**

Graduate in Industrial Engineering in Electricity - Electronics option - Telecommunications specialization (Bac +5)

**PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Results-driven Cybersecurity Architect with over 20 years of experience in designing and implementing robust cybersecurity solutions for global organizations. Proficient in network infrastructure design, risk management, and digital transformation initiatives. Skilled in leading cross-functional teams and ensuring compliance with industry standards.

**EXPERIENCE PROFESSIONNELLE**

Dates	Start at November 2019	Actual
Function	Cybersecurity architect	
Company name	Arkema	
Works place	Lyon, Paris France	
Activity area	International chemical group	
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Designed and implemented network and security infrastructure for Arkema group worldwide, enhancing cybersecurity posture and risk management.</li><li>Developed plans for LAN/WAN networks and IT security, ensuring connectivity and security between employees, customers, and partners.</li><li>Provided L4 support for all global security equipment and monitored budgets for project implementations.</li><li>Utilized technologies including Firewall (Checkpoint, Palo Alto, Fortinet), Big IP F5, Windows, Unix, Linux, Algosec, Prisma Access Palo Alto, and AWS.</li></ul>	

Dates	Start at April 2016	End at November 2019
Function	Service Delivery Manager Operational Cybersecurity	
Company name	Engie-IT	
Works place	Bruxelles, Belgium & Paris, France	
Activity area	Global energy and services group	
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managed operational security services, including budget development and invoicing for internal clients.</li> <li>• Monitored service KPIs and ensured compliance with SLAs.</li> <li>• Led a team responsible for managing security policies and coordinated with service providers.</li> <li>• Proficient in Firewall (Checkpoint, Juniper, Palo Alto, Fortinet), SecurePlatform, BIND, Cisco, Big IP F5, Windows, Unix, Linux, and Algosec.</li> </ul>	

Dates	Start at October 2010	End at April 2016
Function	Senior Network and Security Designer	
Company name	GDF-Suez-Electrabel (Engie-IT)	
Works place	Bruxelles, Belgium & Paris, France	
Activity area	Global energy and services group	
Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsible for the management of security equipment for the GDF-Suez group as an expert in design and technology.</li> <li>• I am responsible for the design of security equipment in the group's global network.</li> <li>• I provide expert support at the GDF-SUEZ NSOC level for security equipment (firewall, proxy, F5 big-ip, radius, etc.).</li> <li>• I also manage the services of service providers.</li> </ul>	

Dates	Start at April 2008	End at October 2010
Function	Security Manager at Lyreco	
Company name	Orange Business Service (ex: Silicomp Benelux)	
Works place	Valenciennes, France	
Activity area	Security and telecom	
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>I am accountable for overseeing Lyreco's global cybersecurity infrastructure, including the management of all e-business platforms. My responsibilities extend to maintaining seamless connectivity across diverse agencies worldwide. Additionally, I am tasked with managing the user management system, ensuring the successful deployment and optimal performance of production launches. Furthermore, I oversee the services provided by our suppliers to guarantee efficiency and reliability.</p>	
Software and Hardware	<p>Firewall (checkpoint, Juniper), windows, Unix sun, Linux, secureplatform, Nokia, bind, cisco switch, cisco router, Big IP F5, Ironport.</p>	

Dates	Start at December 2007	End at April 2008
Function	Technical Account Manager	
Company name	Orange Business Service (<= Silicomp Benelux)	
Works place	Bruxelles, Anvers (Belgium) & Lyon (France)	
Activity area	Cybersecurity and telecom	
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>I support major clients within the NSOC in implementing services under supervision. I oversee the overall management of the NSOC, ensuring effective coordination between client needs and the NSOC teams. As the primary point of contact, I am responsible for escalating and resolving incidents and issues in the network and security infrastructure. Additionally, I serve as a security expert, assisting clients in making informed decisions regarding their security and network architecture.</p>	
Software and Hardware	<p>Firewall (checkpoint, Juniper, Fortigate, Pix), windows, Unix sun, linux, infoblox, secureplatform, bind, nortel Alteon, cisco switch, cisco router, Big IP F5, Symantec Brightmail Gateway.</p>	

Dates	Start at May 2007	End at December 2007
Function	Senior Network Security Administrator	
Company name	Consultancy at the European Commission pour Orange Business Service (<= Silicomp Benelux)	
Works place	Bruxelles, Belgium	
Activity area	Governmental	
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>TESTA II network provides the interconnection with the European institutions. As part of the contract, Orange Business Services provides additional services: encryption, messaging, DNS, file transfer and web portal, managed in secure premises by NATO-certified personnel. As Senior Network Security Administrator, I had the following responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance and operation of the services provided to the Commission (DNS, Mail, Relay, Alteon, FTP, Web Portal, Solaris, Linux, Windows, IPSO, CISCO)</li> <li>• Hardware management and certification of the encrypted network of the European institutions</li> <li>• Supervision and operations on the firewalls of the European Institutions' network</li> <li>• Level 2 support for router configuration and troubleshooting</li> <li>• Proactive network monitoring (Concord / Netsaint / Nagios):</li> <li>• Class B IP address management</li> <li>• Cisco Router Management</li> </ul>	
Software and Hardware	Firewall (checkpoint, Juniper), windows, Unix sun, linux, infoblox, secureplatform, bind, cisco router; cisco switch, Cybertrust, sendmail,...	

Dates	Start at February 2001	End at May 2007
Function	System expert Unix, Security expert	
Company name	Mobistar (=>Orange)	
Works place	Bruxelles, Belgique	
Activity area	Telecommunications	
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>SPOC for client and provider VPN connections at Mobistar.</p> <p>Day-to-day management of firewall rules and debugging with internal and external customers for different projects and operational situations</p> <p>Management and implementation of mailchecking systems (anti-spam and viruses), realization of the systems' mail policy and daily management of it.</p> <p>Management and implementation of DNS systems.</p> <p>Zone and patch management on Binds products.</p> <p>Installation and coordination of the production launch of new infoblox systems.</p>	
Software and Hardware	Firewall (checkpoint, netscreen, Pix), windows, Unix (sun et Hp-unix), linux, infoblox, Mailsweeper, secureplatform, bind, nortel Alteon, ...	

Dates	Start at November 1998	End at February 2001
Function	System Expert on HP-unix and Windows server	
Company name	Belgacom	
Works place	Bruxelles, Belgique	
Activity area	Telecommunications	
Main activities and responsibilities	Management of HP-unix systems, and Windows server. Management of the Belgacom NOC operators' workstation fleet (user management, authentication, etc.) Management of the NOC Center Video Wall (hardware and information display) Programming of tools to help manage and display information on the video wall.	
Software and Hardware	HP-unix (server, Workstation), barco systems, windows NT & 2000)	

## SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

- ❖ Proficient in Firewall (Checkpoint, Palo Alto, Fortinet), Big IP F5, Windows, Unix, Linux, Algosec, Prisma Access Palo Alto, AWS.
- ❖ Certified in Clearswift (Certified Mimesweeper Engineer) and Aglosec: Expert in AFA et Fireflow.
- ❖ Skilled in Perl, VB, PHP, Python, Shell scripting.
- ❖ Fluent in French, Very Good knowledge of English, Basic knowledge of Dutch

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- ❖ Cybersecurity for servers Windows NT, HP-UX, Linux.
- ❖ TNG software and Automation Point software.
- ❖ Formation Big IP, administration of Infoblox, and Nortel passport.
- ❖ AWS training.

## ASSETS

- ❖ Initiative, teamwork, autonomy.
- ❖ Valid Driver's License B and Red Cross Business First Aid Certificate.
- ❖ Willingness to travel across Europe for work.
- ❖ Strong project and team management skills.
- ❖ Constantly updating skills through technology watch