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IT professional with range of experience in design and development of web applications, team management, and with a background in modern languages.

Languages

- English (Native speaker)
- German (Fluent)
- French (Fluent)
- Russian (Basic)

IT Skills

- Web Application Development (ColdFusion and PHP) with ecommerce and API integration experience
- Database design, maintenance, usage (Microsoft SQL Server and MySQL)
- Software localisation and internationalisation
- Multimedia (audio, video, and presentational software)
- Graphics and DTP
- Office suite applications

JOHN CHIVERS

Experience

Since March 2021 - Web Development Manager* – Home-based Management of website development in Marketing team.

*Contact for current employer details.

January 1999 – February 2021 – Web Application Developer/Language Support Manager – Hexagon (Licom Systems, Planit, Vero), Coventry, then home based Design and development of bespoke content management system for company and resellers. Management of software localisation, including documentation and software translation.

July 1997 - January 1999 - IT Specialist, IBM, Warwick

Involvement in various projects as member of Global Services unit. Y2K work and mainframe software development.

February 1996 – March 1997 – Technical/Translation Co-ordinator – Comtec Translations, Royal Leamington Spa

IT system development and deployment in translation agency, including computerassisted translation systems. Translation proof-reading and document-formatting.

Additional temporary work experience includes three seasons in Swiss hotel receptions, work as a bank cashier, supermarket work, factory shop-floor work, and voluntary work in a gift shop on the Keighley and Worth Valley railway.

Education

1990-1994 – B.A. Hons. First Class in Modern Languages, Coventry University German and French as main languages, with Russian as third language. Course content based around history and politics themes. Third year abroad in Potsdam, Germany, and Grenoble, France.

1994-1995 – Post Graduate Certificate in Education (Modern Languages), University of Hull. Course included two teaching practices in different schools.

1984-1989 – A and O Levels, Oakbank School, Oakworth, West Yorkshire 4 A Levels: German, French, Computer Science, General Studies 6 O Levels: English, Maths, German, French, Computer Studies, Music 2 CSEs: History, Physics

Main Interests

Advanced Motorcycling, Training, and Touring

IMI certified voluntary National Observer (trainer) with IAM RoadSmart (formerly Institute of Advanced Motorists). I have been awarded the highest possible civilian riding qualification in the UK (Masters with Distinction) and offer on and off-road training to students preparing for their advanced motorcycling test. I enjoy motorcycle touring.

Music Writing, Recording and Performance

I have played various instruments (chiefly drums since 1981) and sung since childhood and have been involved in writing, recording, and live performance of both original music and cover versions both as part of groups and on a solo basis.

e-Mobility and Sustainable Technologies

I have owned electric cars since 2014 and electric motorcycles since 2016. As somewhat of an early adopter, I am an advocate of these and moves towards emerging sustainable energy technologies. In 2017, I was the first person ever to ride an electric motorcycle from Land's End to John o'Groats.