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DATE OF BIRTH 09.09.1973 in Berlin, Germany

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CITIZENSHIP German / European Union Citizen
Canadian Permanent Residency

PROFILE

versatile, multilingual and skilled in IT as well as Geosciences (M.Sc. Geology)

- work experience in many diverse countries (Germany, UK / Scotland, Ireland, Canada, Mexico, Slovenia, U.S.A., Ethiopia, Bolivia, Argentina, Ecuador)
- cultural awareness / intercultural competency
- positive communication with internal and external customers
- cooperative approach
- analytical with the desire to improve
- worked with prestigious clients (HP, Xerox, IBM, Avaya, COLT, AXA Investment Managers, SAP/Business Objects, Rio Tinto Plc., many junior mineral exploration companies)
- entrepreneurial

LANGUAGES

German (native level)
English, Serbian (fluent)
Spanish, French (conversational level)

GEOLOGY

Exploration / Mining / Environmental and Geotechnical: Combined 10+ years experience acquired internationally in major commodity types (silver-dominated polymetallic veins, epithermal and mesothermal gold, Archean greenstone belt lode gold, Mississippi Valley-type strata-bound zinc-lead mineralizations) within greenfield surface exploration and underground mining projects.

- Exploration Drilling: Drill targeting and execution, core logging and sampling, QAQC; downhole surveys
- **Supervision:** BC Mine Supervisor Certificate; WSCC Exploration Supervisor II Certificate for NWT and Nunavut / Canada
- **Geotechnical Assessment:** Rock Quality Designation (RQD), Borrow Material for TSF Construction
- **Geoscientific Interpretations:** Site-scale to regional-scale geologic field and underground mapping, drawing sections, structural and stratigraphic interpretation
- **Geophysics:** Interpretative analysis used for drill targeting
- GIS / Resource Modeling: OGIS, Geoscience Analyst; Vulcan, GEMS, Surpac
- **Geochemistry:** Sampling, geochemical analysis (via XRF and AAS)
- **Mudlogging:** Wellsite geology, petrographical analysis of core and chip samples, gas monitoring
- Tenure Management
- Permitting
- ARD-ML Sampling
- P.Geo Designation: In Progress with EGBC

IT Technical Support: Combined 8 years experience in 1st - and 2nd line as well as datacentre support roles for internal & external customers over the phone and onsite.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Jun 18 - Now

Geological Services: Project evaluations, drill targeting, helicopter supported drilling supervision, database management, core logging, soil and biogeochem sampling and trenching for different clients in Canada and South America. Examples:

- Geotechnical and metallurgical drilling at NorZinc Ltd.'s Prairie Creek Mine, NWT, Canada.
- Endurance Gold Corp: Soil & biogeochem sampling, trenching, drilling crew and indigenous helper supervision, drill targeting.
- Battle North Gold Corp.: Geological database management and planning / preparation of migration from Geovia Gems SQL database to acQuire GIM suite.
- Skeena Resources Ltd.: Core logging at the Eskay Creek project in BC.
- CTI Plus Resources Ltd.: Supervision and data management of a 6-drill coal exploration project in NE of BC. Site field operations manager role.
- Western Atlas Resources Inc.: Supervision and execution of a helicopter supported diamond drilling program near Meadowbank, Nunavut.
- Exploration supervision near Fruta del Norte Mine, Ecuador.
- AMA Gold Exploration Ltd.: Core logging, remote sensing and technical report on Dancer project in BC. Marketing for earn-in or acquisition.
- Various Prospectors and Companies: Project evaluations and site visits, assessment reports.

Mar 18 - May 18

Assistant Project Manager, Lithium Salar PEA, Coast Mountain Geological, Ltd. (Salta, Argentina)

Cross-shifting with main project manager on a lithium brine project, supervision of well drilling, pump tests, people in camp and logistics; geological mapping.

Oct 17 - Feb 18

Project Geologist, Resource Drilling, New Pacific Metals Corp. (Potosi, Bolivia)Resource drilling, drillhole database design and data control, drill planning and

supervision; core logging.

Jul 17 - Oct 17

Contract Exploration Geologist, Amarc Resources Ltd. (Gold Bridge, BC, Canada)

Canada)

Surface Drilling Cu-Mo-Ag Porphyry, logging, geotechs supervision, sampling.

May 2017

Contract Geologist, Due Diligence, New Pacific Holdings Corp. (Potosi, Bolivia)

Due diligence drilling on a strata-bound silver deposit; drill planning and supervision; core logging.

Jan 15 - Mar 17

Mine / Exploration / Resource Geologist, Bralorne Gold Mines Ltd. (Bralorne, BC, Canada)

Drilling supervision and planning, core logging, mine / beat geology, GIS / resource modeling, tenure management, permitting and ARD-ML sampling, geotech supervision.

Sep 13 – Dec 14

Underground Drilling Co-Ordinator for Diavik Diamond Mines Inc. / Rio Tinto Plc. (Diavik, NWT, Canada)

Supervision of dewatering, geological, resource as well as geotechnical underground drilling and instrument installations in a remote diamond mine in the North of Canada.

Feb 13 - May 13

GIS Geologist (On-Demand) for Citation Resources Inc. (Vancouver, BC, Canada)

On-Demand GIS geology work for a public exploration and mining company.

Jan 13 - May 13 Project Geologist at Barkerville Gold Mines Ltd. (Wells, BC, Canada)

Data validation, target generation, trenching, drilling, and geological logging on various properties in the Wells Mining District of BC. Borrow material analysis for the building of a sediment control pond. Data management solution proposal.

Jan 12 - Jun 12 GIS Geologist (On-Demand) for Acapulco Gold Corp. (Vancouver, BC, Canada)

On-Demand GIS geology work for a private exploration and mining company.

Jul 10 – Sep 12 Project Geologist at Sona Resources Corp. (Vancouver, BC, Canada)

Working with a team of geologists, mining engineers to bring the Elizabeth and Blackdome gold mines (British Columbia, Canada) back into production. GIS database compilation and drill program project geologist as well as regional investigations.

Apr 10 – Jul 10 2nd Level Desktop Engineer at SAP North America (Vancouver, BC, Canada)

Onsite 2^{nd} level technical hardware / software / phone and conferencing support for \sim 1000 users within a team of IT specialists.

Nov 08 – Mar 10 Project Geologist at Premier Gold Mines Ltd. (Geraldton & PQ North, ON, Canada)

Worked within a team of geologists and geotechnicians with contracted specialists for drilling and environmental assessment to succeed in delineating an initial NI 43-101 compliant resource in the Geraldton district (Northwestern Ontario) and participated in grass roots exploration and drilling in the remote PQ North camp north of the Musselwhite Mine (Northwestern Ontario).

Jul 08 – Oct 08 IT Analyst at Business Objects / SAP (Vancouver, BC, Canada)

In a team of eight contractors migrated to new standardized hardware and operating system images. Assisted users with data transfer and software installations. Taken over as onsite second level desktop technician.

Nov 07 – May 08 IT Analyst / Datacentre and Managed Services Support Engineer 1st line Contract at Colt Telecommunications UK

While working in a team of support analysts and third level specialists in a datacentre environment with managed remote services; created a knowledge base to increase expertise within the team and as a preparation for the outsourcing of the helpdesk.

Aug 06 – Nov 07 Technical Support Engineer Contract at Axa Investment Managers UK

In a multilingual team for this investment bank supported German and English internal users in a standard Wintel environment with bespoke financial applications. Trained new hires and established a relationship with German clients and local support group. Established and worked on a team knowledge base.

Nov 05 – Aug 06 Technical Support Engineer Contract at Colt Telecommunications UK

Managed Services support for solutions offered to SME in the UK. Travelled to client sites in West London and Glasgow, Scotland, for post implementation services. Connected Backup specialist and point of contact in team. Established and worked on a team knowledge base.

Oct 05 – Oct 05 Technical Support Engineer at Quest Software UK

Specialist software support for Quest's Windows Management Suite for Unix. Close cooperation with development teams in Russia and the USA.

Jan 05 – Oct 05 2nd Level Onsite Engineer Contract at Cisco Systems Germany

Onsite Engineer and local "feet on the street" implementation engineer (user and infrastructure support). Tandberg video concerning support.

Jun 04 – Dec 04 Technical Support Contract (Tier 1.5) at Colt Telecommunications UK

Contract during European Windows XP rollout; preparation for outsourcing to India. Training the outsourced help desk in Gurgaon, India.

Jan 04 – May 04 Technical Support Contract (Tier 1.5) at Avaya UK

Cooperation in a help desk spread over several international hubs; liaison with external help desks; backup for Spanish calls.

Nov 03 – Jan 04 Sales Assistant for the Book Warehouse Ltd, London, UK

Customer-facing role in a busy bookstore in the renowned Regent Street; book advice, responsibility for daily cashing up.

Sep 03 – Oct 03 Technical Support Contract (German / English) for CSC (at DuPont) UK

1st Line Wintel support role with liaison to specialist support groups "following the sun" principle.

Feb 03 – Sep 03 Technical Support Agent for Office Printers at Xerox in Ireland

Support for Business Office Printers (e.g. MonoLaser, ColourLaser, Solid Ink) in corporate / SME / and specialist (graphic design) clients.

Nov 01 – Jul 02 Technical Support Contract at IBM UK (Greenock, Scotland)

Worked as part of a team of multilingual support analysts in an outsourced helpdesk environment; designed and implemented a knowledge base via RoboHelp and published it internally to increase 1st call resolutions and improve customer satisfaction; supported IBM ThinkPad hardware.

Oct 00 – May 01 Unix System Administrator Contract at Hewlett Packard, Germany

24 / 7 / 365 1st-line hardware and software responsibility for over 500 HP Unix application servers located all over Europe.

1998 (2 months) Sampler Geologist Contract for GS GeoService (Northern Germany)

Geological responsibility for the mudlogging in a cavern gas drilling project, cooperation with other service companies; working in a remote location

1998 M.Sc. Project Generation Work in Addis Abbaba (Ethiopia), Field Work in Montana (USA)

Cooperated with the local authorities to establish the potential for a M.Sc. thesis in the Badme area (border to Eritrea); impending war preparations stopped the project. Organized M.Sc. thesis in Montana with an active North American exploration company instead.

1996 - 1997 Geochemical Laboratory Assistant (PT), Technical University of Berlin,

Germany

Techniques: X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) on pressed and fused pellets, Atomic Absorption Spectrometry

(AAS) on acid extracted fluid samples

Achievements: sample preparation, accuracy in work

1996 (1 month) Exploration Geologist (polymetallic veins, Michoacán, Mexico)

Reconnaissance mapping of a prospect in México (Michoacán) for a Mexican investor; intercultural communications; working successfully in a remote area; Spanish proficiency

1997 (1 month) Mining Geologist, Rudnik Svinca in Zinka, Mezica, Slovenia

Underground mapping; carbonate hosted Pb-Zn mine (Mississippi Valley Type)

Other Employment Student worker in geotechnical companies in Berlin (foundation ground evaluation and

hazard assessment from land register data); personal live-in carer

EDUCATION

1993 - 2000 M.Sc. / Diploma degree in geology at the Technical University of Berlin, Germany

Subject: **Economic Geology, Geochemistry, and Geophysics**

M.Sc. thesis: "Geology and geochemistry of Au-Ag-mineralizations in the Virginia City

Mining District, Montana, USA"

Short study: "Heavy metal mobility in typical mining and melting heaps of the

Kupferschiefer district of Mansfeld, Germany"

(both studies can be downloaded from the website as PDF files)

Achievements: Self-organized M.Sc. study in Montana, USA, in cooperation with an active North American

exploration company; several field trips with hands-on geology in Europe.

1986 - 1993 Secondary school: Ernst-Abbe-Gymnasium in Berlin, Germany

1981 - 1986 Primary school: Hermann-Sander in Berlin, Germany

1980 - 1981 Primary school: Veljko Lukic Kurjak in Bosnia, Yugoslavia