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Professional Summary

Dynamic and delivery-driven IT Project Manager with over 20 years of experience delivering complex cloud, application, and infrastructure transformation projects for financial services, insurance, and government sectors. Proven success managing cross-functional teams (onshore/offshore), multimillion-pound budgets, PMO governance, and executive stakeholder engagement. Expert in leading digital transformation, Azure migrations, and regulatory technology deployments.

Core Competencies

Cloud migrations (Azure, AWS), datacentre consolidation & decommissioning, Agile, Scrum, Waterfall & Hybrid delivery, budget management & cost optimization, RAID, PMO governance & SteerCo reporting, application upgrades & rollouts, service transition & support handover, stakeholder management & communication, team leadership and mentoring, vendor & partner management.

Professional Experience

IT Project Manager – The Access Group

Feb 2025 – March 2026 | Contract

- Part of a team to move applications from legacy datacentres to the new om-premise location.
- Analysis and deployment of Cortex anti-virus and Kesaya VSA patching tools to 2,500 Linux servers.
- Analysis, planning, decommissioning and the managed migration of servers from four legacy datacentres to the company's new locations.

IT Project Manager – Lloyd's of London

Jul 2024 – Dec 2024 | Contract

- Delivered improvements to submission services used by Managing Agents and Syndicates.
- Managed Agile delivery with Scrum Master, deployment runbooks and ensured service transition readiness.

Founder – MKK Lion Ltd

Jul 2023 – June 2024 | Self-Employment

- I took a year out to build and launch my own online business, creating my own clothing and cosmetics brands. I also created a horse racing model using AI to generate daily selections to place bets on.
- I built and launched mkklion.com, mkkhats.com, mktshirts.com and tjta cosmetics.com, selling thousands of products, using print-on-demand production and distribution, suppliers from China and Amazon FBA,
- This means I can work on product design and marketing part-time and order fulfilment is automated, until I can commit my time full-time.

IT Project Manager – London Stock Exchange Group

Jul 2020 – Jul 2023 | Contract

- Saved £3M in cloud costs through CloudHealth optimization.
- Deployed Snowflake on AWS, replacing Oracle workloads.
- In 2020, I project managed the build, deployment and testing of Google Anthos containerization in under 6 months — first of its kind in finance in the UK.

IT Project Manager – TP ICAP

Jan 2020 – Jun 2020 | Contract

- Migrated 20 applications, 80+ databases; closed three data centres within 6 months.
- Upgraded Oracle to 19c, delivered full decommissioning and transition.

IT Project Manager – Lloyd's of London

Feb 2019 – Dec 2019 | Contract

- Migrated 180 applications and 1,200+ servers/databases to Azure.
- Led £3.1M programme using Azure DevOps and Agile for a 100% on-time/on-budget delivery.

IT Project Manager – MS Amlin Insurance

Jun 2015 – Dec 2018 | Contract

- Delivered £3M/yr savings by consolidating IT services across partners.
- Migrated 100+ servers to Azure; deployed DR solutions for 25 mission-critical apps.
- Upgraded Microsoft Dynamics for 400+ users across 9 countries.

Earlier roles

(1993–2013)

- IT PM roles at CMC Markets, Ladbrokes, Merrill Lynch HSBC, Merchants Group, and Webbs Country Foods.

Education & Certifications

- PRINCE2 (Foundation & Practitioner) – Learning Tree, UK – 2007
- MSc, Information Technology – Warwick University – 1993
- BSc, Accounting & Computing (2:1 with Distinction) – De Montfort University – 1992
- A-Levels & GCSEs – Tresham College & Montagu School

Publications

- 📖 How to Manage a Project – 2023 (Amazon)
- 📖 IT Planning for Large Sporting Events – 2015

References

Available upon request

- Dean Peacock, Portfolio Manager, Lloyd's of London
- Ian Pratley, Programme Manager, LSEG
- Garrie Masson, Transformation Director, Lloyd's