

Christopher Kusek

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Executive Summary

During the past 20 years my focus has been on creating innovative solutions through in-depth understanding and research. The breadth of my experience has included creating processes that utilized analytical and adaptable methods which I employed to bring success in complex situations. My positive nature and passion for my work has resulted in high levels of success across all boundaries of project requirements. Strong leadership, mentoring and communication abilities enable me to build dynamic relationships with others. Results oriented project management and managing customer engagements has ensured consistent and repeatable successes while acting as an advisor in the best interests of business and the relationship. My abilities, magnified by my enthusiasm, empower me to continually exceed expectations and foster growth.

Experience

EMC

Technology Evangelist

Lisle, IL
9/2009 – Present

- Team specialist with a focus on Microsoft, Virtualization, Cloud and Security solutions
- Customer advocate and evangelist focused on pre-sales enterprise accounts in Chicago district
- Community focused engaged with peers via user groups, events, blogs and social media

NetApp

Technology Evangelist, Principal Consultant

Schaumburg, IL
7/2007 – 9/2009

- Veteran consultant providing complete solutions to increase business agility
- Utilize social media tools (twitter, blogs) increasing awareness with a direct impact increasing sales
- Customer advocate and evangelist focused on delivering value through relationships and education
- Team specialist with a focus on Microsoft technologies and Security solutions

Peters & Associates

Principal Architect – Solutions Specialist

Oakbrook, IL
9/1996 – 6/2007

- Responsible for high level architecture design, including complex solutions and problem solving
- Assessment of new technologies for testing, review, process and adoption; training and evangelism
- Built wireless and security practices increasing opportunity in accounts while realizing revenue
- Managed project and customer engagements as a trusted advisor in a pre/post sales role
- Staff mentor driving the development of existing and new associates
- Established best practices, methodologies and procedures for all technologies and businesses
- Microsoft design, implementation, migration and support across the breadth of products available, with focus on Windows, Exchange, security and infrastructure solutions
- Consistent positive results in high-stress disaster or customer critical situations

Self Employed – PKGuild.com

Serial Entrepreneur, Technology Evangelist, Analyst, Trainer, Consultant

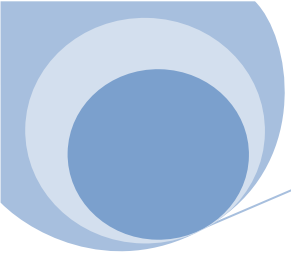
Naperville, IL
12/1999 – Present

- Utilize public speaking and 1-on-1 relationships to improve effectiveness and productivity within the IT and business community.
- Marketed and provided services, business and technical guidance to local start-ups
- Recruiter and mentor shaping careers through leadership, technical innovation and self-reliance

Previous professional experience available upon request

12/1991 – 9/1996





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Professional Affiliations

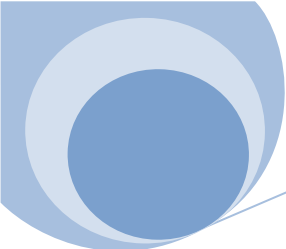
Official EMC Blogger
 VMware vExpert and CTO Community
 Co-Chair for Chicago Windows Users Group since 2007 (Founder since 2002)
 Contributing Member of Microsoft Learning Community, and Official Microsoft Learning Blogger
 Organizing member of Cloud Camp Chicago 2010
 Member of Project Management Institute
 Member of Windy City Professional Speakers
 Elected President of Woodridge Toastmasters #983 (2007-2008)

Certifications

- Security
 - ISC2 – Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) #31026 [**Active**] May 2002
 - NSA – National Security Agency’s INFOSEC Assessment Methodology (NSA IAM) Nov 2002
 - Symantec – Symantec Certified Technology Architect (SCTA) Aug 2005
- Microsoft
 - Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) Apr 2010
 - Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) Jun 2009
 - MCSE/MCTS/MCITP
 - 2008 Dec 2007
 - 2003 Feb 2005
 - NT 4.0 Jul 1998
 - Exchange
 - Exchange 2007 (MCITP, MCTS Messaging) Dec 2007
 - Exchange 2003 (MCSE, MCSA Messaging) Mar 2005
 - Exchange 2000 Apr 2003
 - Exchange 5.5 Dec 2000
 - Exchange 5.0 Jul 1998
 - SQL
 - SQL 2005 (MCITP Database Design) Oct 2007
 - All other Microsoft Certifications available via transcript upon request
- EMC
 - EMC Proven Certified Cloud Architect (EMCCA) Apr 2011
 - EMC Proven Expert (EMCTA) Jun 2010
 - EMC Proven Associate (EMCPA) Nov 2009
- NetApp
 - NCIE-Security Oct 2008
 - NCSA-Security May 2008
 - SVAP (Server Virtualized Accredited Professional) Apr 2008
 - NCSA-SAN Feb 2008
 - NCSA-BC Feb 2008
 - NCIE-SAN Aug 2007
 - NACE* Mar 2007
- Virtualization
 - Microsoft Hyper-V Jun 2008
 - Citrix XenServer CCA Mar 2008
- Toastmasters International
 - Advanced Communicator Silver FY09
 - Advanced Communicator Bronze, Advanced Leader Bronze FY08
 - Competent Communicator (CC) Competent Leader FY07

Other certifications available upon request





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Awards

VIP Winner: Americas TC White boarding Contest	FY 2011
VMware vExpert	FY 2010
Official EMC Blogger	FY 2010
EMC TC – Recognition of Record Industry Certifications	FY 2010
EMC TC – Recognition of Over \$1M Services Sold	FY 2010
Chicago Top Consultant Award Q1 FY10	Q1 FY10
Team Leadership Award FY09 Q4 – Central Chicago Team Leadership	Q4 FY09
Recognition for Coordinating Education and Certification initiative around NCIE-SAN	Q4 FY08
SAN Champion – Presented to PS Team for Achieving NCIE-SAN Certification	Feb 2008
Team Lead - Solution Design and Delivery Champions Microsoft Applications	Feb 2008
PS SHARE Quest Program Q3 FY08 – 1 st Place Globally	Q3 FY08
PS SHARE Quest Program Q2 FY08 – 1 st Place Globally	Q2 FY08
Toastmasters Presidents Distinguished Club award 2007-2008 fiscal year	Jun 2008
Toastmasters Division Winner in Table Topics Competition	Jun 2008

Public Speaking and Presentations

Experienced and award winning public speaker regularly presenting in professional and public environments. Notable presentations include:

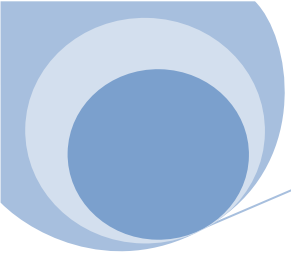
Conferences, Community, Other

• <i>TEC 2011 – Best Practices for Virtualizing Mission Critical Applications</i>	Apr 2011
• <i>Leading with the Unified VNX (video)</i>	Mar 2011
• <i>Leveraging the Power of the IT Community (video)</i>	Jun 2010
• <i>Industry Analyst and Interviewer TechEd 2010</i>	Jun 2010
• <i>Microsoft Application Virtualization: Explained (video)</i>	Jun 2010
• <i>Introduction to Virtualization (video)</i>	Jun 2010
• <i>TechEd 2009 NA – Are you Certifiable</i>	May 2009
• <i>MSL Career Express – RRCC, CO - Certification Tips and Tricks</i>	May 2009
• <i>MSL Career Express – JCCC, KCK - Certification Tips and Tricks</i>	May 2009
• <i>Chicago Virtualization Meet Up – Backup and Recovery in Virtualization</i>	Mar 2009
• <i>Social Networking – Changing the face of Professional Communication</i>	Mar 2009
• <i>Toastmasters Intl D30 Fall Conference – Thinking on your feet (Standing room only)</i>	Oct 2008
• <i>ITT Tech Institute – Networking and Professional Growth in Information Technology</i>	May 2008

Chicago Windows Users Group

• <i>Certification and remaining relevant in a recession</i>	Apr 2009
• <i>Certification Demystified – Techniques to prepare for certification</i>	Nov 2007
• <i>Technical Offerings – Training, education and opportunities for personal advancement</i>	May 07/08
• <i>DST 2007 – A Daylight Saving Time 2007 Primer</i>	Feb 2007
• <i>Live Communication Server and other Instant Messaging solutions</i>	Aug 2005
• <i>Security Exposed – Surviving the Port Audit</i>	Dec 2003
• <i>Hot Server Topics – Security, Migration and New 2003 Features</i>	June 2003

Other presentations and public appearances available upon request



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Recommendations

“Christopher Kusek was a tremendous asset to Peters & Associates. He was a gifted consultant who could absorb knowledge exceptionally fast. He was always passionate about improving his skills as well as those around him. Christopher would add significant value to any organization.”

- Richard Opal, Vice President, Peters & Associates

“Christopher is the most unique person I know. His work ethic is unparalleled. His expert opinion spreads across multiple topics. He is innovative, has laser like focus, and is able accomplish amazing things. All of his work is very professional, though I find him to be a very interesting person to talk to away from that setting as well. His compassion and generosity is as deep as his knowledge. Even if you don't hire him, go out of your way to meet him, Christopher is a great person.”

- Gonzo Granzeau, Director, Delta Dental

“Christopher is a very dedicated professional. Not only that he has an extensive technical background in the areas of Storage Designs, Data Management, and Application integration, but also his commitment to customer success is very high. In addition, his management skills make him a great professional and leader.”

- Nick Chang, Global Practice Director – Data Center Transformation Practice, NetApp

“Christopher has worked with me as a consultant for the last 4 years. His knowledge and work ethic is of the highest quality. He was brought to our company to implement a new network infrastructure and messaging solution in 2003. The project results were so positive, both from a professional- on time and on budget- and personal level, that we requested him back to our company even though he was not the specialist recommended by his firm. The results were of the same high quality for all ensuing projects. He is certainly someone I would recommend to anyone looking for IT solutions for their business.”

- Jeff Schenck, Director, QST Industries

“I worked on several projects with Christopher during our 3+ years together and he always exceeded our client's expectations. He was thorough and possessed excellent technical, as well as solid intrapersonal skills, which is rare in the technology arena. I'm confident that Christopher can add value to any IT project he is engaged in.”

- John Nicolau, Managing Partner, VantagePoint Partners

“Christopher is an exceptional systems architect. His knowledge of the systems he supports is second to none. He has a great understanding of project management. Each project that Christopher has assisted my company with was completed timely and without incident. I look forward to each project with Christopher.”

- Dan Ballard, Manager, Terlatto Wine Group

“Christopher adds value to all company meetings by offering valuable input and creative solutions. Christopher also plays an important role in sparking intriguing conversation at those meetings. Christopher is always considered to be the person to come to when the answer on a topic escapes the rest of the group. Lastly, Christopher is always the first one to step up and offer help to other employees when they need it.”

- Brian Jones, Treasurer, Chicago Windows Users Group

“Christopher is a polymathic superman... he is the most knowledgeable and most certified person I know, when it comes to Microsoft platforms. He is my go-to guy when I run into a roadblock, and he always knows where to send me to get me unstuck”

- Matt Bartels, Senior Networking Consultant, Agility Networks

25+ Additional recommendations available via linked-in or direct contact

