

# KAREL ŠOUPAL - CV

## WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2019 – present

**Up2staff**

Up2staff is a simple board for remote jobs. I run this project on my own, occasionally subcontracting tasks. High-level info about the project is here: <https://up2staff.com/the-stack> , <https://up2staff.com/about>.

August 2018 – June 2019  
**Sabbatical**

After ten years in banking IT, I decided to take some time off and recharge.

December 2014 – July 2018  
**GRETL team (rates exotics desk IT)**  
**Deutsche Bank (London)**

I worked as QA/BA of a team focused on the Rates Exotics Trade capture projects. 2 applications were in scope. **I was working on my own (no reports) and was responsible for the overall QA, CI, trader sign-offs, systems integration, and testing.** The dev team was relatively small (11 incl. me) and very agile. The customers were directly the DB traders. We successfully maintained a strict bi-weekly release cycle. *There was a FOREST server and HANSL front-end involved too.*

October 2008 – November 2014  
**FX Derivatives IT**  
**Barclays Investment Bank (London, Prague)**

Running a team of local and remote colleagues, I participated in various phases of the project lifecycles, including planning, analysis, hands-on testing, automation coding, and end-to-end sign-off coordination. The most outstanding achievement was completing a complex E2E test and a significant FX system replacement sign-off. **Seventy-two internal and external customers had to agree with what we proposed.**

March 2007 – October 2008  
**Sabbatical + Freelancing**

Apart from taking the sabbatical, I worked on many exciting projects during this period. Not all were strictly IT-related. I also experimented with the early stages of freelancing services such as oDesk, Elance, or uTest.

May 2002 – February 2007  
**Project Manager**  
**Wall Street Systems - formerly Trema (Prague)**

I started as an analyst for the treasury accounting and algo-trading modules. Then I was appointed to manage the upgrade projects of the accounting module. Our efforts resulted in more than **20 successful client upgrades** and meant on-site direct exposure to clients.

February 2001 – April 2002  
**Business Consultant**  
**Eurocommerce Ltd. - acquired by MasterCard (Dublin, Prague)**

I was assigned to work on the integration projects. **The solution we developed was, at the time innovative, payment processing automation for online businesses.** I contributed to the development, design, specification, and testing.



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**June 2000 – January 2001**

**Analyst**

**Accenture (Prague)**

I worked on a project covering the roll-out of the new SMC segmentation of the CST company customer base.

**January 2000 – May 2000**

**IT**

**eWork**

**July 1998 – December 1999**

**Civil Service**

**Silesian University in Opava (Department of Foreign Relations)**

## EDUCATIONAL TRAINING

I finished secondary school in 1992 and spent one year travelling before I started college. My education consists of the below degrees and training:

**M.A. at Silesian University - School of Business Administration (1998)**

Main Specialization: Information Technology and its application in Finance and Banking. The final thesis was on computer modelling of possible future scenarios for the pension system in the Czech Republic.

**Other training:**

Delivering Agile Projects Using Scrum (BC Prague)

Core People Management Programme (BC London)

FDD Training (WSS London)

Business Process Improvement Training (WSS Prague)

eAccent training (ACC Chicago)

FCE

## PERSONAL

I am married and have two children. I enjoy culture in all of its forms, as well as hiking and cycling. I also collect single malt scotch whisky and comic books.

## LANGUAGES

English (proficient)

Czech (native)

## SKILLS & EXPERTISE

Docker, Swarm

MySQL, Oracle

PHP

JavaScript, CSS, HTML

Selenium (Java, PHP)

Bash scripting

WordPress (advanced)

Teamcity CI (admin)

JIRA (admin)

OpenShift

XSLT

Clojure (basics)

Java (basics)

DigitalOcean API

Google APIs

AJAX, REST

Integration

Communication

Management

Teamwork

Agile