



# NICHOLAS VALBUSA

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Nationality	Italian
Date of birth	15/06/1987

### I'M...

A born developer, I really enjoy being proficient in a wide range of digital streams, from design, coding responsive websites, apps, devops.

I love managing teams, working closely with delivery managers and PMs to make every single bit work together the best way — from backlog grooming to planning the architecture of upcoming features.

Have spoken at various international web/mobile events such as JSDay and WHYMCA.

Like to lead and take good decisions based on my experience launching successful products.

### CORE SKILLS

**Leading teams** (Agile, Sprint, Waterfall, Kanban)  
**Architecture planning, scaling and any kind of DevOps**  
**FE/BE Full stack** (JS frameworks, Node, Rails, PHP, etc)  
**SQL & NoSQL**  
**Native Mobile development** (iOS, Android, Windows Phone)

Currently: **Head of Development** @ Fliplet, **CTO** @ [belocal.io](http://belocal.io)

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Dates	April 2016 onwards
Occupation or position held	<b>Head of Development</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Technical architecture across the entire product and dev team management.

Name and address of employer	<b>Fliplet</b> - London (UK) <a href="http://www.fliplet.com">www.fliplet.com</a>
Type of business or sector	Start-up
Dates	January 2015 - March 2016
Occupation or position held	<b>Lead Technologist / Tech Lead</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Leading a team @ DIG (Digital Innovation Group) of DigitasLBI. Agile Sprint, currently working with: Node.js (Express), MongoDB, AngularJS, AWS EC2, Vagrant, Chef, Heroku, Docker, BDD.
Name and address of employer	<b>DigitasLBI</b> - London (UK) <a href="http://www.digitaslbi.com">www.digitaslbi.com</a>
Type of business or sector	Digital Agency
Dates	December 2014 - August 2015
Occupation or position held	<b>CTO</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Co-Founder & CTO @ Belocal.
Name and address of employer	<b>Belocal</b> - London (UK) <a href="http://belocal.io">belocal.io</a>
Type of business or sector	Start-up
Dates	August 2013 - December 2014
Occupation or position held	<b>Lead Developer / Technical manager</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Led a team of ~10 ppl while building a webapp using a Backbone +Marionette+Rails stack. Elasticsearch Rails API, Jasmine TDD and everything in between. Also developed native Android & iOS apps.
Name and address of employer	<b>Cronycle</b> - London (UK) <a href="http://www.cronycle.com">www.cronycle.com</a>
Type of business or sector	Start-up
Dates	July 2012 - July 2013
Occupation or position held	<b>Lead Full-stack Engineer</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Developed e-learning cutting-edge apps for desktop and mobile phones. I've used the most popular frameworks and technologies as well as social networks integrations. Full-stack developer for single page webapps (Marionette) & Rails back-end.
Name and address of employer	<b>Quipper Ltd</b> - London (UK) <a href="http://www.quipper.com">www.quipper.com</a>

Type of business or sector	E-Learning Start-up
Dates	April 2010 onwards
Occupation or position held	<b>Senior Full-stack &amp; Mobile Developer</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Lead iOS developer for many iPhone/iPad native apps (Objective-C): Managed a small team of 4 developers, we made complex iOS apps using the most popular frameworks and technologies. I worked a lot with RESTful services, all device hardware capabilities, social networks integrations and much more. ~15 apps released on the App Store so far.</p> <p>Front-end developer of tons web/mobile websites and web applications (HTML, CSS, JS).  Web and Software developer using the most populars MVC frameworks (Zend framework, CodeIgniter, .NET).  UX Designer for web applications and mobile native apps.</p>
Name and address of employer	<b>Intesys Web Agency</b> - via Roveggia 122/A, 37136 Verona (VR), ITALY <a href="http://www.intesys.it">www.intesys.it</a> - +39 045 503663
Type of business or sector	Web Agency
Dates	April 2008 to May 2011
Occupation or position held	<b>Full-stack Web Developer (LAMP)</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Developer of websites, web and desktop applications.  I also developed an Advertising platform that deploys thousands of banners everyday and an E-commerce from scratch.  SEO/SEM and Analytics analysis.</p>
Name and address of employer	<b>GoClick Limited</b> - London (UK)
Type of business or sector	Web Agency
Dates	September 2007 to March 2008
Occupation or position held	<b>Web Developer (LAMP)</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Developer of many websites written in PHP.  Graphic designer of brochures and printed/web ads.  I designed also a turistic guide of Italy (AltaQuota, ~500 paper pages).  Developer of the database currently used by the most of Italian Golf Clubs.</p>
Name and address of employer	<b>NSC Srl</b> - Verona (Italy)
Dates	2004-2006
Occupation or position held	<b>System and network administrator</b>

Main activities and responsibilities	What basically today you would call "DevOps". Helpdesk support and windows/linux servers configuration.
Name and address of employer	CED - Centro Elaborazione Dati <b>Azienda Ospedaliera di Verona</b> - Verona (Italy)
<b>EDUCATION AND TRAINING</b>	
Dates	2001-2007
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Computer Engineer</b> — Computer science
Principal subjects/ occupational skills covered	Programming languages, Network services, SQL and much more.
Name and type of organization	<b>Guglielmo Marconi</b> - Verona (Italy)
Dates	2007-2010
Title of qualification awarded	<b>Big data &amp; SQL Engineer</b>
Name and type of organization	<b>Guglielmo Marconi</b> - Verona (Italy)
<b>SPEECHS &amp; SEMINARS AS TEACHER</b>	
Date	<b>13.04.2016</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Full-stack development with Meteor</b>
Event	<b>FEVR</b> Verona, Italy
Date	<b>10.07.2015</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Meteor.js</b>
Event	<b>Full-stack Conference</b> London
Date	<b>14.05.2014</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Make your Backbone application dance</b>
Event	<b>JSDAY 2014</b> Verona, Italy - <a href="http://2014.jsday.it/">http://2014.jsday.it/</a>

Date	<b>25.05.2013</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Apple Bonjour: Let's talk</b>
Event	<b>WHYMCA</b> (Mobile developer conference) Milano, ITALY - <a href="http://www.whymca.org">www.whymca.org</a>
Date	<b>15.05.2012</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Bancha versus Wordpress, Drupal and Joomla</b>
Event	<b>The Digital League</b> - <a href="http://www.thedigitalleague.org">www.thedigitalleague.org</a>
Date	<b>2012</b>
Title of the speeches	- <b>Objective-C and iOS</b> - <b>Introduction to Bancha CMS</b>
Event	Intesys Academy - Intesys Talks - Verona (ITALY) - <a href="http://www.intesys.it">www.intesys.it</a>

Date	<b>20.05.2011</b>
Title of the speech	<b>Webkit Meets Native development</b>
Event	<b>WHYMCA</b> (Mobile developer conference) Milano, ITALY - <a href="http://www.whymca.org">www.whymca.org</a>
Date	2011
Title of the speeches	- <b>GIT Versus X</b> - <b>Photoshop Workshop</b> - <b>Codelgniter: Faster, stronger, better</b> - <b>An introduction to Objective-C</b>
Event	Intesys Talks - Verona (ITALY) - <a href="http://www.intesys.it">www.intesys.it</a>

## PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Mother tongue	Italian
Other languages	English, Elementary Japanese
Social skills and competences	Team work: I usually work in small and medium sized teams (3-20 people) as a Technical Lead or Lead SW Engineer/Architect.
Organisational skills and competences	I always join as an active part on the projects, working directly with the clients and discussing with them about critical aspects, such as planning the architecture and user journeys among many other things.

Shortlist of competences

- Open-source
- Agile, Sprint, Kanban, Waterfall
- Interviewing developers
- Advanced knowledge of HTML, CSS, JS, Objective-C, C#, Ruby on Rails, Node, Java (Android), PHP
- Microservices architectures
- The main MVC frameworks
- SQL & NoSQL (MySQL, Postgre, Elasticsearch, MongoDB, etc)
- Any kind of DevOps, Server configuration / scaling / engineering
- AWS & Heroku
- Big data
- API integration with most common services & socials
- JS Frameworks (Backbone, Marionette, Angular)
- UX/UI & Adobe suite
- SEO/SEM

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