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Senior software engineer and freelancer with an emphasis on PHP backend development.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SINCE 2023

easybill GmbH

- Rebuilding the UI piece by piece into an entirely new design with modern technologies (React, ShadCN, Tailwind, TanStack)
- New features: onboarding, incoming invoices, interfaces to external providers
- Mainly backend PHP development: features and maintenance in a Symfony environment

Freelance

since 2025

Senior Software Engineer

2023–2025

2021–2023

eCentral GmbH (fgtclb)

Senior Software Engineer

- Designed the architecture for and implemented DAM integrations, including a FAL driver for TYPO3
- Provisioned development environments with automated SSL certificates and server infrastructure
- Built and extended websites and interfaces with TYPO3, PimCore, Symfony and WordPress
- Frontend development with React and Vue/TypeScript, tested with Cypress
- Mentored colleagues, particularly in PHP and TYPO3

2017–2021

anders und sehr GmbH (Pluswerk AG)

(Backend) Web Developer

- Designed and built interfaces along with import and export pipelines
- Created development environments with Docker
- Built and connected search indices to various CMS platforms
- Developed new websites with TYPO3 and PimCore
- Performance tuning and QA of web applications
- Implemented frontend applications with Vue/TypeScript among others

2014–2017

audius AG

Dual study programme, software development

- Learned C# and MSSQL
- Extended the Dashface product
- Cost-benefit analysis of several mapping systems for Dashface

2012–2013

Kurzpraktika, diverse Software-Unternehmen

Short internships at various software companies

- Multi-day internship at OrgaData, software development with C#
- One-day internship at Tridem Leer, web design
- One-day internship at BussData Leer, software development
- One-day internship at ConneData Leer, software development

EDUCATION

2014–2017

Duale Hochschule Baden-Württemberg

Applied Computer Science, Bachelor of Science

2006–2014

Gymnasium Rhaderfehn

Abitur (German university entrance qualification)

FREELANCE WORK

2020–2021

Geniocon Online Marketing

- Consulting, support, upgrades and further development of the WordPress-based website instances

SINCE 2019

Trainingsinsel GmbH / Sitzkrieger

Tech lead

- Since 2022: building trainer software to test and evaluate employee fitness in companies (including a video platform, courses, and analytics)
- Concept, implementation and hosting of the Sitzkrieger.com website on PimCore, Symfony, ReactJS and Rust
- Before: Support and further development of the Trainingsinsel WordPress instances

SINCE 2018

SanoGym GbR

- Until 2021: relaunch of the Sanogym.com website (WordPress with Gutenberg and a custom Sage theme, ReactJS, Elementor)
- After: individual Gutenberg and Elementor blocks, integrated with MindBody
- Now: Sitzkrieger for SanoGym

2016–2022

Stiftung managerohnegrenzen gGmbH

- 2016-2017: website relaunch with WordPress
- Since 2017: support and further development of the website
- Digitalisation of internal processes

2015–2018

Lauer-Repair GmbH

- Built a plugin to manage invoices (with PDF export), products and customers inside the website

OPEN SOURCE

phpsu/phpsu

A tool for synchronising files and databases between environments

phpsu/ShellCommandBuilder

A library for composing (complex) shell commands in PHP, OOP style

chrisb9/pimcorex-docker

Dockerfiles for Pimcore X on nginx, for production and development. The successor to pimcore-dev.

ai-inline-review

Human-curated code review inside PhpStorm and IntelliJ, driven by a Claude Code loop. Written in Kotlin.

manga_epub_creator

Fetches manga chapters and packages them into EPUB files for an e-reader. Rust, with a Dioxus interface.

OTHER PROJECTS

shiritori

Single player and multiplayer shiritori in English and Japanese, for fun and for studying.

- Five modes: local pass-and-play, single player against a CPU, solo survival, online multiplayer over a WebSocket relay, and SRS study
- Cross-language play with one side in English and one in Japanese, the chain always tracked in kana
- Word selection scores continuation, learnability and commonness, and never hands back a losing *ku*-word when a safe one exists
- Two vocabulary layers: a curated ~22.5k pool the bot plays and teaches, and a full-JMdict acceptance set loaded as per-kana shards so rare words are accepted without ever being played against you

freelance-hub

Symfony application for customers, work logs, invoices, expenses and exchange rates, with a Flutter companion app.

More projects at github.com/ChrisB9

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

LANGUAGES	German: native · English: fluent · French: good, recently refreshed · Japanese: comfortable in everyday conversation
LANGUAGES AND TOOLS	Languages: PHP, JavaScript/TypeScript, Rust, Dart/Flutter, SQL (MySQL/MSSQL), Shell, HTML/CSS (Tailwind, ShadCN), C, C# · Tools: Docker, Linux, GitHub/GitLab, JetBrains IDEs, Zed, Claude Code
INTERESTS	Paragliding: licensed, IPPI4