Drupal experience

Author and maintainer of many contributed modules on Drupal.org, with D6, D7, and **D8** versions. See https://www.drupal.org/u/lolandese. They report being installed on 30.000+ websites. Using Drupal on a full-time basis for over twelve years now. In that time span, the following experience was acquired:

- Profound knowledge of most mainstream modules (top 100), specialized knowledge of the Drupal modules Views, Commerce, Rules, Domain, Entity Reference, Feeds, Features (including building Installation Profiles).
- Author of several guides on Drupal.org that are part of the official documentation. The most well-known guide is https://www.drupal.org/docs/develop/local-server-setup/linux-development-environments/set-up-a-local-development-drupal-0.
- Profound knowledge of most of the Drupal 7 and 8 API. This also includes the template system to perform custom theming and the desired render changes.
- Writing own modules and patches, extending or overriding the behavior of core or contributed modules and themes. This is both for the Open Source community, as mentioned above, as well as custom-made for client projects.
- Knowledge of most of the techniques integrated into Drupal, like PHP (OO), SQL, SOLR, Twig, jQuery, RegEx, JSON, SCSS, CSS3, HTML5, Composer, Symfony, REST, GraphQL.
- Fulfilled development projects as Drupal Lead Developer, internationally working within a team both on-site and remotely. Therefore, familiar with Agile and Scrum methodology, CI/CD, both PHPUnit and regression testing (Behat), BLT, Acquia Lightning, Acquia Cloud Site Factory, all commonly used Git repos, most of the Atlassian products, several IDEs (mainly PhpStorm).
- Portfolio mainly consisting of multilingual business sites, occasionally including Arabic (RTL). Also done eCommerce, Digital Publishing, Media Handling, and data migration projects. Most of the websites I made in my webshop period (2010-2013) have been deliberately closed (lack of time). Some can still be seen through web.archive.org (see https://lolandese.github.io/work.html#top for the links).

Related knowledge

LAMP, GIT, UNIX, GIMP, UX.

Drupal jobs

[NRB International Organisations (TRASYS)](#) (January 2021 - April 2024)

Client: EU [Joint Research Centre](#) (JRC) in **Italy**, specifically within the [Copernicus](#) team.
Drupal versions: 7 to 9
Deployment: GitLab
Role: Help the transition from Drupal to Django-based web applications, including writing user documentation.
Employment: Freelance, 99% remote from within Italy. Occasionally on site in Ispra, Lago Maggiore.

[Cognizant Germany](#) (September 2018 - December 2020)

Website factory set up for the creation of hundreds of brand sites worldwide.

Client: [Bayer](#)
Drupal version: 8
Deployment: Git to GitLab.
Role: Drupal Architect, Developer, and QA (merge request reviews, technical support, giving webmaster trainings, and writing developer documentation).
Employment: Permanent. On location in **Cologne and Berlin (Germany)**.

[rarecare.world](#) (July - August 2018)

Knowledge and information ecosystem about rare diseases.

Client: https://www.shwachman.nl/ (and Stem van de Patiënt)
Duration: 2 months.
Drupal version: 8
Theme: Custom, based on Classy.
Deployment: Git to GitLab.
Role: Lead developer, mainly backend. Guidance and support for the front-end.
Employment: Direct agreement with the client. On location in **Breukelen (NL)**.

[literom.nbdbiblion.nl](#) and [uittrekselbank.nbdbiblion.nl](#) (April - June 2018)

Respectively:
LiteRom - NBD Biblion:
Book reviews, interviews, articles and more.
Uittrekselbank - NBD Biblion:
Book summaries, Author portraits, Writer information, and more.
A Dutch library subscription number is needed to make use of both services.

End-client: https://www.nbdbiblion.nl/

Duration: 3 months.
Drupal version: 8
Theme: Custom, based on Classy.
Deployment: Git to GitLab.
Role: Lead developer, mainly backend. Guidance and support for the front-end.
Employment: Contract. On location in **Breukelen and Zoetermeer (NL)**.
Notes:
- All book data was used from an existing Oracle database through a REST API.
- The design was provided by another agency and pixel-perfect transformed into our custom theme.

www.adformatie.nl (February - March 2018)

A Drupal 8 site. Only been involved as a freelancer in the last phase before delivery to help finish the project in time.

End-client: http://www.adfogroep.nl/
Duration: 2 months.
Drupal version: 8
Theme: Custom, based on Classy.
Deployment: Git to GitHub.
Role: Developer, mainly backend.
Employment: Contract. On location in **Amsterdam**.

[HCL](HCL) (Oct. 2015 - Jan. 2018)

Website: www.aegon.nl
Senior Drupal Developer & Architect for cXstudio, a joint venture between Aegon and HCL. Established close to Aegon's headquarters in The Hague, the 50-seat cXstudio fosters co-innovation between both companies.

End-client: www.aegon.nl
Duration: More than 2 years. Started October 2015.
Drupal version: 7
Theme: Custom, based on Omega D7.
Deployment: git (Bitbucket).
Role: Senior Drupal developer, both back-end and front-end.
Employment: Permanent. On location in **The Hague**.

Agency work (2013 - 2015, newest to oldest, freelance)

European Enforcers Coordination Sessions

This web application is not public. It is a database/moderation application for the European

Securities & Markets Authority (ESMA). It aids in the information exchange about national financial regulations between the EU member states. Included was a data migration from SQL databases from a former custom PHP application using Feeds SQL.

End-client: www.esma.europa.eu
Duration: 6 months. Started July 2014.
Theme: Custom, based on Responsive Bartik D7.
Deployment: svn and ctools export.
Role: Lead developer, both back-end and front-end.
Employment: Contract. On location in **Paris**.

www.visd.nl

The site is now integrated on the main site at
https://vng.nl/onderwerpenindex/sociaal-domein/isd-informatievoorziening-sociaal-domein.
End-client: www.vng.nl
Duration: 2 months. Started January 2014.
Theme: Customized version of Rijkshuisstijl (Dutch Government Branding).
Deployment: Git and Features
Role: Drupal developer, both back-end and front-end.
Employment: Payroll. On location in **Amsterdam** and The Hague.

www.makebuttons.co.uk/en

The site appears to be offline, but is still visible in their portfolio at
http://shiftdesign.org.uk/portfolio/buttons/
End-client: www.shiftdesign.org.uk
Duration: 4 months. Started August 2013.
Theme: Custom sub-theme of Zen.
Deployment: Git
Role: Drupal developer, both back-end and front-end.
Employment: Contract. The first half is on location in **London**. Second half, remote from the home office.

Independent one-man webshop (2010 - 2015)

Produced around twenty websites ranging from a € 2K to a 5K budget covering a variety of clients from a restaurant, a discotheque, a dentist, several diving centers, to the local casino and a book publisher. All related to Sharm el-Sheikh, Red Sea, Egypt, as that was my hometown in that period.

Education

Hogeschool/TH

BA, Technical Business Administration

In the Netherlands, somebody holding an engineer's degree is an" ingenieur" (NL). The abbreviation is ing. for an engineer's degree at the higher vocational education level.

Polytechnic in Mechanical Engineering

(literally, middle-level applied/technical training) similar to polytechnic education, Mechanical Engineering

HAVO

The HAVO ("higher general continued education") is a stream in the Dutch secondary educational system. It has five grades and is generally attended from age twelve to seventeen. A HAVO diploma provides access to the HBO-level (polytechnic) of tertiary education.

Languages

- Dutch (Native) C2
  Born in Holland.
- Italian (Fluent) C1
  Lived in Italy for more than 10 years. Moved back to Italy from the first of January 2021.
- English (Fluent, also in writing) C1
  Author of a lot of technical documentation available on Drupal.org.
- German (Conversational) B2
- Lived for two years in Germany.
- Spanish (Basic) A1 speaking, A2 understanding.
  Reading Quora, watching Netflix (Spanish audio with Spanish subtitles).

Other

- EU passport.
- Passionate Airbnb host, see one of my places https://airbnb.com/h/maussa.
- In good physical condition and a non-smoker.
- Internationally orientated. Lived both in Holland and Italy (over a decade). Traveled many places for work. Feels more European than tied to a specific country.
- Strong social, training, and presentation skills.
- In open relationships. Tantra practitioner.