

TIMUR SHAFEEV

Senior DevOps Engineer / Platform Engineer / Infrastructure Lead

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SUMMARY

Senior DevOps/SRE engineer with 20+ years leading cloud infrastructure at scale. Deep expertise in AWS and Azure, Kubernetes platform engineering, GitOps-based delivery, and CI/CD automation. Proven track record migrating legacy systems to cloud-native architectures, operating platforms serving 40M+ users across 80+ countries, cutting infrastructure costs by up to 30%, and building high-performing engineering teams.

CORE SKILLS

Cloud: AWS (EKS, EC2, RDS, S3, Lambda, CloudFormation, Auto Scaling), Azure (App Services, DevOps, ARM Templates, Application Insights)

Kubernetes & Containers: EKS, cluster lifecycle management, deployment strategies, Helm, Docker

GitOps & Continuous Delivery: Argo CD, GitOps workflows, declarative deployments, drift detection and reconciliation, progressive rollouts

IaC & Automation: Terraform, CloudFormation, ARM Templates, Ansible, Chef

CI/CD: GitLab CI/CD, Jenkins, Azure DevOps, TeamCity

Observability: Prometheus, Grafana, ELK Stack, New Relic, PagerDuty, Fluentd

Languages: Bash, Python, PowerShell, Ruby

EXPERIENCE

Senior DevOps Engineer — Hexaware Technologies (Zoosk.com)

Jan 2024 – Nov 2025 · Berlin, Germany (Hybrid)

Subcontractor maintaining AWS infrastructure for Zoosk.com, a global dating platform with 40+ million members across 80+ countries.

- Managed AWS infrastructure (EKS, EC2, RDS, S3) for high-traffic production environment
- Owned Kubernetes cluster operations — deployments, scaling, and incident response
- Operated GitOps-based delivery with Argo CD, managing declarative application manifests and Helm releases across environments
- Maintained and improved GitLab CI/CD pipelines, reducing deployment cycle time
- Authored and maintained Terraform modules for reproducible infrastructure provisioning

Stack: AWS (EKS, EC2, RDS, S3), Kubernetes, Argo CD, GitLab CI/CD, Terraform, Helm

Senior DevOps / SRE — Spark Networks (Zoosk.com)

Mar 2021 – Dec 2023 · Berlin, Germany (Hybrid)

Led DevOps and SRE for Zoosk.com, a global dating platform with 40+ million members across 80+ countries.

- Led migration from legacy custom platform to Kubernetes, improving operational efficiency by 50%
- Introduced GitOps practices with Argo CD, moving deployments to a declarative, Git-driven workflow with automated sync and drift detection
- Drove AWS cost optimization initiatives, reducing infrastructure spend by 30%
- Established observability stack (Prometheus, Grafana, ELK) enabling proactive incident management
- Maintained on-call operations ensuring 99.9% uptime for business-critical services
- Refactored legacy infrastructure to IaC, significantly improving deployment consistency

Stack: AWS (EKS, EC2, RDS, S3, Lambda), Kubernetes, Argo CD, Terraform, Helm, Cloudflare, Prometheus, Grafana

Senior DevOps Engineer — Quest Software

Nov 2017 – Mar 2021 · Team of 8 DevOps Engineers

Led DevOps for Quest's enterprise product portfolio across AWS and Azure.

- Architected and maintained CI/CD pipelines (Jenkins, Azure DevOps) for the full product portfolio
- Led Kubernetes cluster rollout, reducing deployment time by 60%
- Built multi-layered observability with ELK, Prometheus, New Relic, and Grafana
- Automated routine operational tasks, saving 40+ engineering hours per week

- Hired, onboarded, and mentored DevOps engineers; drove team-wide best practices

Stack: AWS, Azure, Kubernetes, Terraform, ARM Templates, Jenkins, Azure DevOps, ELK, Prometheus, New Relic

Lead DevOps Engineer — EPAM Systems

Dec 2014 – Nov 2017 · EU Client Project · Team grew from 5 to 12 members

Grew from Senior DevOps to Lead, driving cloud adoption and infrastructure automation for a European enterprise client.

- Designed and implemented Chef configuration management across the full environment
- Built scalable AWS infrastructure with Terraform (ASG, ELB, RDS, EC2, ECS)
- Architected MS SQL HA clusters with Always On Availability Groups and Windows Failover Clustering
- Led zero-downtime migrations of Jira, SVN, and Git services
- Established security compliance frameworks and server hardening procedures

Stack: AWS, Chef, Terraform, Docker, Jenkins, GitLab CI, MS SQL

System Administration Department Manager — Liberty Mutual Insurance

Aug 2008 – Jan 2015 · Team of 8 Engineers (4 L3, 4 L2)

Built and managed enterprise IT infrastructure supporting 24/7/365 operations across hundreds of servers distributed across the Russian Federation.

- Led virtualization initiative using VMware vSphere and MS Hyper-V, reducing hardware costs by 40%
- Implemented enterprise-wide monitoring with Zabbix and ELK Stack
- Deployed MS System Center 2012 for automated patch management, backup, and VM orchestration
- Established Citrix XenApp farm serving business-critical applications to 500+ users via HAProxy/F5 BigIP
- Introduced first DevOps practices: Chef configuration management and Jenkins/TeamCity CI/CD pipelines

Stack: VMware vSphere, Hyper-V, System Center 2012, Citrix XenApp, HAProxy, F5 BigIP, Zabbix, ELK, Chef, Jenkins

EDUCATION

Baltic State Technical University — Faculty of Mechanics

LANGUAGES

English · Professional | German · Basic | Russian · Native