



Greetz Java Software Architect

Location: Amsterdam

Greetz is a fast growing e-commerce company that focuses on the online real greeting cards market. Through its Dutch channels Greetz has conquered an undisputed market leader position in its home market. Strong ambition and entrepreneurial spirit are the foundation for the expansion of the services abroad. Greetz has recently launched its service in the UK, Germany and the USA.

Based in Amsterdam, Greetz is a young and dynamic company of around 50 people, winner of the Red Herring 100 Award, 3 years listed in the Deloitte Technology Fast 500 (2008, 2009 and 2010) and recently winner of the popular Kassa TV program and consumer contest in the greeting cards category.

The strong domestic and international growth requires a strengthening of the IT department, we are therefore immediately looking for a

Java Software Architect

In this role you are responsible for developing and maintaining an architectural vision over all in-house developed software solutions. As Java Software Architect you will be responsible for converting business requirements of internal clients into business rules to develop tangible software solutions. We expect you will lead and influence the company technology directions, define architecture blueprints, design and develop systems, tools, integration and test methods. You will work together with team of Java Software Developers and Web Developers both in-house and with our near-shoring partner.

Reporting to the Greetz Application Manager, we expected that you can operate in independence at operational level in the following areas:

Architecture:

- Define Application and Technical Architecture Vision; support the selection of architecture models, frameworks and patterns according to long term business goals;
- Support the shaping and definition of IT solutions integrating all technical aspects including application and infrastructure and ensuring the technical solution is aligned with the overall Architecture Framework (development, execution and operations);
- Govern the IT architecture reviewing and validating IT requirements, technical decisions and project deliverables to ensure they are consistent with overall business and IT goals.





Methodology:

- Define and facilitate project team use of methods, standards and templates for managing all software lifecycle activities from requirements definition to deployment management;
- Guide the development of architectural blueprints both at application and infrastructure level to link business goals with technology outcomes;
- Guide the implementation of Knowledge management solutions to facilitate knowledge sharing, maintain libraries of template deliverables, and accessibility of technical documentation.

Implementation:

- Coordinate on-site and off-shore back-end team distributing work and guaranteeing commitment to delivery deadlines and quality of code.
- Develop sound e2e solutions in the back-end area, balancing short term priorities with longer term requirements by focusing on the most complex architectural pieces and delegating implementation based on template to other team members.
- Adopt and implement strategies to guarantee IT Operational and Service Continuity;
- Manage relationship with key IT vendors, service suppliers and printing providers.

Your profile

We are looking for a candidate with a university degree. You have 4-6 years work experience of which 3 or more as a Java EE/J2EE software architect, preferably in an e-commerce environment where you have been in close contact with customers and IT suppliers.

You are passionate for technology and you have an excellent track record of on-time delivery where you have demonstrated:

- Strong Application and Tech Architecture Skills;
- Strong data modelling skills;
- Broad IT experience with web protocols, web middleware, operating systems, storage, performance and scalability;
- Extensive experience with technologies like SOA, Spring, Hibernate, JSP, Servlet, ORM, XML, JMS and web services;
- Ability in Vendors Management and IT Product Selection;
- Knowledge of Distributed Software lifecycle and Delivery Tool;
- Experience in distributed and remote delivery and coordination;

Knowledge in the following areas is considered a plus:

- Experience with image manipulation technologies and printing industry standards like ImageMagick, Cairo and Poppler;
- Knowledge of printing industry standards like SVG, Postscript, PDF, MARS and colour management;
- In-depth knowledge of database technologies like Oracle & MySQL and data warehouses;





Our ambition is to make Greetz a worldwide brand and your ambition is to grow the Greetz IT department into a center for eCommerce innovation and a professional Service Organization delivering the highest level of quality to the Greetz markets.

You communicate fluently in Dutch and English, both spoken and written.

We are looking for someone who wants to influence the overall success of the company, who likes the challenge to work in an entrepreneurial environment which is constantly in motion. This means lots of dynamics, short deadlines, delivering quality and performance, elements where you make the difference!

The offer

An inspiring environment where there is room for personal growth and where excellence, passion for results, cooperation and fun are our values. Obviously Greetz offers a market competitive salary and a matching secondary benefits package.

Interested?

Send an email to jobs@greetz.com with your CV and motivation letter in English.

