


# Claudio Cicali - Résumé

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<p><b>Education</b></p>	<p>September 1981 – July 1986 Liceo Scientifico Scientific high school degree. Final mark: 45/60</p>
<p><b>Current position</b> may 2004 - today</p>	<p>Since <b>May, 2004</b> I have been freelancing as an IT consultant mostly working as the <b>CTO</b> and solution architect for a small web software house in Bologna (Italy) – see <a href="http://renomo.com">http://renomo.com</a>. I primarily deal with the <b>architecture and development</b> of web sites of various genre and dimension: institutional, public administration, ecommerce, sport, news, recruiting, etc. I'm responsible for technological choices and the coordination of a development team (4 people). Renomo also builds <b>web applications</b> that act as management platforms tailored specifically on the needs of the customer.</p> <p>One recurrent task of mine is to <b>collect the software requirements by the client</b>, writing down the specifications and selecting the most appropriate technical solution(s). Delivery and client interaction processes are based or directly inspired by the Agile software development methodologies.</p> <p>Owing to my various past experience working with enterprise grade systems I'm also a good <b>system integrator</b>.</p> <p>I'm a passionate and experienced <b>free software advocate</b> so our projects make use of free or open source software only (like GNU/Linux, PHP, Apache, MySQL, Drupal, Apache SOLR, Zend Framework, etc.).</p> <p>I also strongly believe in a W3C standards-compliant vision of the web, so my team and me always try to work following those recommendations.</p> <p>I recently had to develop for another client a quite complex set of web applications for the <b>Apple iPad</b> platform.</p> <p>My range of skills covers both the “server” and “client” side of the whole software development process.</p> <p>More specifically, on the web client/frontend side I'm fluent in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>JavaScript</b> and helper libraries (mostly jQuery, jQueryUI. Past experiences in YUI and ExtJS). Teaching grade level (see <a href="#">my jQuery screencast on Thinkcode.tv</a>).</li><li>• <b>CSS</b> up to and including version 3. Teaching grade level</li></ul>

	<p>(I have past experience in teaching some classes).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>HTML, HTML5</b> and some related technologies (Storage, WebWorkers, WebSockets)</li> <li>● Adobe AIR (HTML + JavaScript)</li> </ul> <p>On the server side, I have current experiences in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>PHP</b>, with the aid of <b>Drupal</b> and <b>Zend Framework</b></li> <li>● <b>MySQL</b> (DBA level) and PostgreSQL</li> <li>● <b>Node.js</b> (I'm the writer of the <a href="#">XML-RPC</a> and <a href="#">SCGI</a> module)</li> <li>● <b>Python</b>, for "glue" scripting or batch processing (the backend of my project appdate.it is Python powered)</li> <li>● <b>WordPress</b>, of course. Not my best skill though, but this very theme is hand made</li> <li>● Perl (galrey has been written in Perl and is my only contribution to the Debian project)</li> <li>● Ruby and Ruby On Rails (up to version 1.2.6; I was an early adopter since 2004, then abandoned it)</li> <li>● <b>Apache SOLR</b> as my full text search engine of choice, and its Drupal intergration</li> <li>● <b>Apache ActiveMQ</b> as the MOM</li> <li>● Apache Tomcat, if a servlet container is needed</li> <li>● Apache httpd, lighttpd as my web servers</li> <li>● Subversion or Mercurial as the RCS</li> </ul> <p>My preferred OS at the moment is <b>GNU/Linux</b> but I'm also the owner of a MacBook Pro.</p>
<b>Recent projects</b>	<p>I'm maintaining a list of active projects on my personal web site: please refer to <a href="http://ccl.me/prj#en">http://ccl.me/prj#en</a></p>
<b>Other IT skills</b>	<p>Skills that I learned over the years and that could need some updating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>C language</b> (was very good)</li> <li>● <b>C++ language</b> (I was too good in C to get really "into" C++...)</li> <li>● Java language (never loved), and J2EE web programming</li> <li>● <b>Oracle DBMS</b></li> <li>● <b>Microsoft SQL Server</b> (and anything related to developing in MS environment, starting with the SDK for Windows 2 and VB6)</li> <li>● <b>COBOL and DB2</b></li> </ul>
<b>Past experiences</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>September 2002, May 2004: I worked as Project Manager</b> in Milano at NordCom. All my activities were related to the biggest NordCom client: Ferrovie Nord (<a href="http://www.ferrovienord.it">http://www.ferrovienord.it</a>), an italian railway company. I've managed various projects for their big information infrastructure from CRM applications to statistical reports for train overdues, to a CMS for Ferrovie Nord</li> </ul>

	<p>website. I was also engaged as proposal manager in some NordCom and Telecom contracts with Regione Lombardia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>1999, June 2002</b>, I worked as developer in CHL (<a href="http://www.chl.it">http://www.chl.it</a>) . CHL has been the italian first great e-commerce shop, started in 1996. I was involved as a developer as part of the project of completely/totally rebuild their intranet (the backbone of all their IT department). When CHL went public, in 2000, I worked on their custom CRM system. Then I participated in the porting of their DBMS to Oracle from MS SQLServer.</li> <li>● <b>June – November 1999</b> I was employed in EDS (<a href="http://www.eds.com">http://www.eds.com</a>) as a contractor in Monte dei Paschi di Siena in Siena, to analyze and provide instruments for monitoring MPS financial flows.</li> <li>● <b>From 1990 to 1999</b> I was employed by Infogroup. Infogroup is an important software house in Florence, where I started my career. I was employed as a developer in C and COBOL. We mainly developed software for banks and insurance companies.</li> </ul>
<b>Known languages</b>	<p><b>Italian:</b> mother tongue  <b>English:</b> reading very good, writing good, verbal good</p>
<b>Work methodology approach</b>	<p>I'm firmly convinced that the "interface is the application". I also work hard to stay focused on the "agile" methodology approach and to have the customer involved in all the iteration that an application may have. If I believe that what I'm doing is good for me or for my customer I always work with passion and motivation and try to make my team feel the same.</p>
<b>What I love, love to do</b>	<p>I'm a geek, passionately curious. I love computer programming, graphics, web technologies, wood models, photography (<a href="http://www.flickr.com/photos/enebish/">http://www.flickr.com/photos/enebish/</a>), movies, good food, good wine.</p>