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## EDUCATION

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### University College Ghent, Ghent | *Applied Information Technology* 2022-2026

- Mainframe specialisation
- Related Coursework: Mainframe System Administration, Mainframe Transaction Systems, Master the Mainframe, Linux, Discover the Mainframe, Windows Server, Cybersecurity & Virtualization, Operating Systems, Networking

## EXPERIENCE

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### KBC Global Services N.V.

Brussels, Belgium

*Intern Systems Engineer*

*February 2026 - May 2026*

- Re-designed alert definitions and distribution procedures, including procedure for setting alerts, input of alerts
- Converted current alert definitions to the proposed definitions through structured documentation
- Presented technical proposals to resolve long-standing issues with current alert system
- Analyzed the integration of z/OS Workload Manager resources into vendor-specific tooling for my bachelor thesis.
- Mapped 100% of existing Workload Manager resources, documenting IPL timing, LPAR distribution and desired state configuration.
- Identified resource dependencies to ensure accurate order of command during IPL process.

### AZ Oostende

Ostend, West-Flanders

*ICT Support*

*Seasonal 2023-2025*

- Configured and documented UPS network interfaces via SNMP in Zabbix to ensure infrastructure power redundancy and monitoring
- Managed hardware lifecycle, including NIC replacement and asset registration within enterprise management system
- Facilitated Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) deployment and support workshops

## CERTIFICATION & AWARDS

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IBM Z and LinuxONE Community Influencer - 2025 (Level 3) 2025

IBM Z Day Speaker Advocate 2025

IBM Z Xplore - Concepts, Advanced & All Star badge 2024

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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**Technical** z/OS, REXX, Automation, Ansible, Docker, CI/CD, Networking, Virtualization, Java, Python

**Language** English - native, Dutch - native, Urdu - native, French - conversational

**Interests** Astronomy, Reading, Music, Calisthenics

## PROJECTS

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### Homelab

2025

- Managing virtual machines, including Kali Linux, web server, DNS, DHCP, monitoring server, router and Ansible control node
- Tools used: Ansible, Virtualbox
- Future additions: SIEM, IPSec, OpenVPN, backups, CA, reverse proxy and server hardening.

### Hercules emulator

2026

- Successfully emulated mainframe environment on a PC
- Used for testing, tinkering and exploring z/OS