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Lead Multi-Cloud DevOps Engineer · Cloud Security & DevSecOps · Among the World's Youngest CISSPs at 22

7+ years across AWS · Azure · GCP · Oracle Cloud · 99.9% uptime on 50+ enterprise apps (now scaling to 23 sites) · 75% cloud cost reduction

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I build systems that outlast me. A security architect who automates at scale — among the world's youngest CISSPs at 22 (formally recognized as Pakistan's youngest CISSP graduate) — with 7+ years architecting enterprise infrastructure across AWS, Azure, GCP, Oracle Cloud, VMware, and on-prem. I lead multi-cloud DevSecOps across 5 production environments and 50+ applications at 99.9% uptime — now rolling that platform out to 23 sites — while founding SOCIRIS (AI-powered IDS/IPS) and running a self-evolving dual-agent ops system (WAZIR + HAKIM). Reduced cloud spend 75%, accelerated deployments 50%, eliminated 80% of manual ops tasks. Hafiz-ul-Quran; faith-driven engineer building secure, scalable systems.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- **5 multi-cloud production environments** across AWS · Azure · GCP · Oracle — **50+ apps at 99.9% uptime**.
- **75% cloud cost reduction** via FinOps + AI-powered optimization (confirmed by 2 direct managers).
- **45% security vulnerability reduction** across 50+ microservices via DevSecOps pipelines (DAST/SAST in every CI/CD stage).
- **50% faster deployments, 40% time-to-market reduction, 80% manual task elimination** through GitOps + Kubernetes automation.
- **165% team efficiency gain** while reducing supervision overhead by 60% through structured mentorship.
- **200+ cloud resources monitored** via custom NOC/SOC stack (Wazuh · Grafana · Prometheus · ELK) · **100+ certifications** across 15 issuers · **24+ LinkedIn recommendations**.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Cloud: AWS · Azure · GCP · Oracle Cloud · VMware · HPE · Private Cloud

IaC: Terraform · Ansible · Puppet · OpenTofu · CloudFormation

Security: CISSP · CCSP · ISO 27001 · Zero Trust · DAST/SAST · CIS Top 18

Languages: Python · Bash · JavaScript · TypeScript · SQL

Data: PostgreSQL · MySQL · MongoDB · Redis · OpenEBS

Spoken: Urdu (native) · English (bilingual) · Arabic (proficient) · German · French · Chinese · Japanese (basic)

Orchestration: Kubernetes (EKS/AKS/GKE) · OpenShift · Docker · Helm · ArgoCD

CI/CD: GitLab CI · Jenkins · GitHub Actions · AWS CodePipeline · GitOps

SOC/SIEM: Wazuh · Grafana · Prometheus · ELK/EFK · Shuffle SOAR · MITRE ATT&CK

Compliance: SOC 2 · ISO 27001/27017/27018 · PCI-DSS · GDPR · HIPAA · NIST CSF

AI/ML: Claude · OpenAI · LangChain · RAG · Prompt Engineering · GitHub Copilot

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ibex — Lead Multi Cloud DevOps Engineer

Sep 2025 – Present

Karachi, Pakistan · Hybrid · Full-time

- Lead multi-cloud DevOps across AWS · Azure · GCP — designing CI/CD pipelines, orchestrating Kubernetes (EKS/AKS/GKE) with HA + cross-cloud failover, migrating monoliths to cloud-native microservices; currently rolling the platform out across 23 sites.
- Automate provisioning via Terraform · Ansible · Puppet; manage MySQL clusters, ELK, Redis, OpenEBS; build observability with Grafana · Prometheus · ELK; develop Python/Bash tooling for ops automation.

SOCIRIS — Founder & Chief Executive Officer

Jan 2025 – Present

Karachi, Pakistan · Full-time · sociris.com

- Founded AI-powered IDS/IPS platform; architecting detection engineering + SOAR workflows that build on lessons from running production SOC/NOC at enterprise scale. Defining product strategy, infrastructure, and GTM.

AI Nafi International College — Lead CloudOps Manager

Mar 2025 – Dec 2025

Markham, Ontario · Hybrid · Full-time

- Led design + management of secure scalable cloud infrastructure supporting **50+ apps at 99.9% uptime**; built enterprise NOC/SOC from scratch (Wazuh · Grafana · Prometheus · ELK/EFK).
- Spearheaded SysOps + DevOps + SecOps + FinOps cross-functional collaboration — **75% cloud cost reduction** via FinOps + AI-powered automation.

AI Nafi — DevSysOps Lead Manager

Jul 2024 – Mar 2025

Markham, Ontario · Hybrid · Full-time

- Led cross-functional dev/ops/security collaboration; defined org-wide security policies; conducted pen tests + vuln management; mentored juniors — reduced supervision overhead 60% while raising team efficiency 165%.

AI Nafi — Senior Manager CIO-Ops · DevSysOps Engineer · Cloud Infrastructure & Network Manager · earlier roles

Sep 2019 – Jun 2024

Markham & Toronto · Hybrid · Full-time + Part-time (4.5+ years cumulative)

- Progressed through Senior Manager CIO-Ops (2024), DevSysOps Engineer (2023), Cloud Infra & Network Manager (2022–23), Cyber R&D Analyst (2021), CODS Security Analyst (2021), Junior Cloud + Cyber Security Engineer (2019–21).
- Designed/implemented secure scalable cloud + private cloud infrastructure; led security audits, pen testing, vuln assessments; deployed SIEM; ensured ISO 27001/27017/27018, PCI-DSS, CIS Top 18 compliance.

AI Nafi Group (Annaafi E-Pay · Academy · Consulting) — Network Admin · IT Manager · Cloud Admin · Lecturer

May 2021 – Dec 2025

Karachi · Hybrid · Concurrent positions across 4 entities

- Concurrent roles: hybrid cloud + on-prem network admin (Annaafi E-Pay, 4+ yrs), IT manager (Academy, 4+ yrs), cloud + cybersecurity consultant (2413207 Ontario, 4+ yrs), DevSysOps & Cloud Lecturer (AI Nafi, 3+ yrs).
- Implemented network security, BCP/DR, training programs; led IT specialist teams.

EDUCATION

- **Bachelor of Science in Cyber Security** — ILMA University, Karachi · Sep 2021 – Mar 2026 · CGPA 3.75
- **Diploma in Artificial Intelligence Operations (RQF Level 6)** — EduQual UK · Sep 2024 – Jan 2026 · Grade A+
- **Higher Education Diploma in AI-Ops** — Al Nafi International College · Sep 2024 – Oct 2025 · Grade A+
- **Nights & Weekends Season 5** — buildspace, San Francisco · Jun – Aug 2024 · Tech startup accelerator
- **Hifz-UI-Quran-AL-Kareem** — Markaz-UL-USman, Kuwait · Feb 2014 · 1st position

ANCHOR CERTIFICATIONS

- **CISSP** — Certified Information Systems Security Professional · ISC² · Apr 2021 (earned at age 22)
- **ISO/IEC 27001:2022 Lead Auditor** — Mastermind Assurance · Nov 2025
- **CCSP** — Certified Cloud Security Professional · Simplilearn / Cybrary · May 2021
- **AWS Advanced Networking — Specialty** — Amazon Web Services · Feb 2022
- **Microsoft Cybersecurity Analyst Professional Certificate** — Microsoft (Coursera) · Dec 2025
- **Google Cybersecurity Professional Certificate** — Google (Coursera) · Nov 2025
- **Generative AI Cybersecurity & Privacy for Leaders Specialization** — Vanderbilt University · Dec 2025
- **ISO 27001 Master** (Implementer + Auditor for 27001/27017/27018) — Al Nafi · Aug 2021

Additional credentials (100+ across 15 issuers): Linux Foundation 22+ certs (DevSecOps, GitOps, Zero Trust, KEDA, OpenSSF Scorecard); Microsoft Learn Level 11 (112 modules · 22 paths · 173,850 XP · 76+ training hours); KodeKloud labs (CKS, Kubernetes, Terraform, Linux); 8 AWS Educate badges; 4 Vanderbilt GenAI courses; 4+ IBM cloud badges. **Pursuing:** CEH, CISA, CISM, CGRC, AZ-500, CKS.

FEATURED PROJECTS (PUBLIC)

- **The Sovereign Court** — Self-evolving dual-agent AI ops system on Oracle Cloud ARM: WAZIR (execution · OpenClaw) + HAKIM (research · Hermes) — 150 cron jobs · 176 skills · living-file memory; built on the ARMORY (1,161 ops scripts) and NEXUS (1,294-module intent engine). UFW + fail2ban hardened (~1,593 brute-force attempts auto-banned per 24h).
- **SOCIRIS** (sociris.com) — AI-powered IDS/IPS · Founder & CEO since Jan 2025.
- **OMNI-GRC** — AI-powered GRC automation across 8 frameworks (SOC 2, ISO 27001, HIPAA, PCI-DSS, NIST CSF, GDPR, FedRAMP, CMMC); single scan feeds all compliance outputs.
- **JourneyOS** — Modular AI OS (Next.js + NestJS + PostgreSQL + Playwright) for navigating high-stakes life journeys; Career, Admissions, Immigration, Fitness, Startup, Certification modules.
- **ARISE** — Solo-Levelling-type personal growth system; Turborepo monorepo (4 apps), 7 AI provider adapters, 776 passing tests, 70 warrior classes × 14 cultural regions.
- **Personal site:** matx104.com.pk — vanilla HTML/CSS/JS SPA showcasing the full portfolio; source github.com/matx104/CV.

SELECT AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- **Award of Excellence — Youngest CISSP Graduate** · Al Nafi International College · Feb 2025 (formal recognition of CISSP-at-22)
- **Future Leader Award (Champions of Tomorrow) 2024** · Server4Sale & ITCN Asia · Aug 2024
- **buildspace Nights & Weekends Season 5 Alumni** · SF Bay Area · Aug 2024
- **Star Class Representative of 2024** · ILMA University · Jan 2025
- **1st Place — ILMA World Fusion Fest 2.0 (Representing Pakistan)** · May 2024
- **12th ICACST 2025 Appreciation Award** · ILMA University · Apr 2025
- **2nd Place — Ethical Hacking Competition** · ILMA University · Dec 2022
- **Microsoft Learn Level 11 Achievement** — 173,850 XP · 112 modules · 76+ training hours · 2022 – 2025
- Plus 12+ additional awards across ILMA tournaments (Chess, Table Tennis, Futsal, MUN, Debate), Al Nafi service recognitions, and academic merit awards.