

LARA KFOURY

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior ICT professional and Solutions Architect with 15+ years of experience in systems analysis, software development, and IT solutions delivery for international organizations and government institutions. PMP®, AWS Certified Developer, and ITIL® certified, with a proven track record supporting United Nations and intergovernmental partners — including requirements analysis, application design and development, data modeling, testing, technical documentation, and user training. Skilled in Java, JavaScript, SharePoint, REST APIs / microservices, and cloud architecture, with direct experience leading development teams and delivering enterprise systems on schedule and to specification.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- **Intergovernmental / UN experience:** 8+ years delivering IT products directly for UN agencies (FAO, UNDP, ESCWA) — directly aligned with UNOPS/UNOG project environments.
- **Systems analysis & requirements translation:** Track record of gathering stakeholder requirements and translating them into application features across multiple production systems (Kosovo Forest Information System, Fish Statistics System, national e-government platforms).
- **Microsoft technology stack:** Hands-on experience with SharePoint for enterprise and government platform delivery (Solid Waste and E-Recruitment systems).
- **Programming languages:** Java (Spring Boot, Hibernate), JavaScript, REST APIs.
- **Software development lifecycle:** Unit and integration testing, deployment, performance monitoring, and post-deployment support across multiple production systems.
- **Documentation & training:** Author of technical inputs, reports, and user documentation for UN digital development programs; delivered user training and knowledge transfer to beneficiary teams.
- **Team leadership:** Led cross-functional development teams on an international mission (FAO/Kosovo) and in banking systems delivery (SAB MED).
- **Cloud & DevOps:** AWS Certified Developer; working knowledge of DevOps practices and Git/Bitbucket version control; currently expanding into cloud architecture, data engineering, and AI through an ongoing Master's-level technical program.

CORE TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **ICT & Software Development:** Java, Spring Boot, Hibernate, REST APIs / microservices, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Drupal, WordPress, SharePoint
- **Databases & Data:** PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQL Server, MS Access, data modeling, ETL
- **Infrastructure & Cloud:** Apache Tomcat, JBoss, IBM WebSphere, AWS (Certified Developer), DevOps practices, Maven
- **Tools & QA:** Git, Bitbucket, unit / integration / regression testing, BIRT, Jasper Reports, Crystal Reports
- **Management & Documentation:** ICT Project Management (PMP®), Business Analysis, Technical & User Documentation, Digital Transformation, IT Service Management (ITIL®)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance ICT Consultant - Notre Dame Sahel Alma (Lebanese Private School)

January 2026 – March 2026

- Upgraded and re-platformed the school website from Drupal 7 to Drupal 11, including full theme redevelopment and layout enhancements
- Managed end-to-end deployment via cPanel, ensuring uninterrupted service continuity

IT Software Development Consultant - United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (Remote)

May 2025 – December 2025

- Maintained and enhanced the Kosovo Forest Information System, improving system stability by 95% through targeted troubleshooting, performance monitoring, and issue resolution
- Delivered system enhancements supporting national forest monitoring and reporting requirements
- Collaborated with international stakeholders to refine application performance and user experience
- Supported system deployment and full application lifecycle management

Research Assistant – Digital Cooperation & Development - UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

July 2024 – April 2025

- Designed a Monitoring and Measurement Platform supporting Digital Cooperation initiatives across the region
- Conducted research and compiled comparative data on digital development policy across multiple countries
- Developed digital tools supporting regional cooperation initiatives
- Authored technical inputs and reports supporting UN digital development programs

IT Software Development Consultant - United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (Remote)

June 2021 – May 2023

- Led a software development team through the deployment and upgrade of the Kosovo Forest Information System, achieving a 90% improvement in system stability
- Conducted an in-person mission to Kosovo to gather requirements directly from stakeholders, collect team feedback, and present a technical roadmap to the beneficiary
- Refactored the global Fish Statistics system end-to-end, delivering all code milestones on schedule and maintaining a disciplined Git version-control archive

Web Developer - United Nations Development Program, Office of the Minister of State for Administrative Reform, Lebanon

June 2015 – September 2020

- Developed and maintained government digital platforms, including SharePoint-based E-Procurement and E-Recruitment systems, and a Solid Waste Monitoring System
- Provided ongoing technical support and system administration for national digital platforms
- Designed and implemented database replication architecture to support centralized reporting
- Coordinated with international vendors during system handover and knowledge transfer, ensuring continuity of operations

Software Task Leader - SAB MED

August 2007 – October 2014

- Led development teams in building banking applications, including loan management systems
- Implemented FATCA compliance solutions for international banking clients
- Managed application infrastructure across multiple production servers (WebSphere, JBoss, Tomcat)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Computer and Communication Engineering — Software Engineering, 2007

Lebanese University, Faculty of Engineering, Roumieh, Lebanon

Master Tech Degree (Expected completion: end of 2027)

SimpliLearn, Remote — Coursework: Business Analysis, Digital Project Management, DevOps Engineering, Data Analysis, Cloud Architecture, Big Data Engineering, Artificial Intelligence Engineering, Data Science

CERTIFICATIONS

- AWS Certified Developer — Issued 05/2022
- PMP® — Issued 12/2019

- ITIL® — Issued 01/2018

LANGUAGES

Arabic (Native) | English (Fluent) | French (Fluent) | Spanish (Beginner)

References available upon request.