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SUMMARY

- Telecommunications Engineer and PhD in Computer Science specialized in programmable networks and Industrial IoT.
- In-depth knowledge on wired and wireless networks, with focus on the PHY, MAC and IP layers.
- Hands-on experience in multi-domain testbeds and on-field network deployments within multi-stakeholder projects.
- Wide background and research experience in ultra-reliable IoT networks, Open RAN and Non-Terrestrial Networks

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Researcher — Research Line Leader, Sustainable 6G vRANs

Jan 2022 – present

i2CAT, AI-Driven Systems · Barcelona, Spain

- Engineer and senior research scientist for AI/ML solutions across Horizon Europe SNS-JU ORIGAMI and H2020 DAEMON, and for Non-Terrestrial Network O-RAN compliant payloads on ARTES 4.0 4S SPL SULFUR (ESA).

Postdoctoral Researcher

Nov 2019 – Dec 2021

IDLab — University of Antwerp / imec · Antwerp, Belgium

- Technical lead across Vital-5G, ProTego, InterConnect and FlexNet on end-to-end programmable networks; from system requirements to deployed and validated systems on real pilots.
- Deployment and benchmarking of a global multi-domain testbed federation between Fed4FIRE+ (EU) and Chameleon (US), coordinating joint test campaigns across distributed partners.

PhD Researcher — Scalable End-to-End Programmable Industrial IoT

May 2015 – Nov 2019

IDLab — University of Antwerp / imec · Antwerp, Belgium

- Designed, implemented and evaluated *Whisper*, a distributed SDN-on-IoT control framework
- Core contributor to the open-source 6TiSCH Simulator
- Contributed in a number of on-field wireless network deployments including in City of Things testbed, the Port of Antwerp and a highly-dynamic *peloton* of cyclists.

Research Assistant — EU-FP7 TUCAN3G · Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid

Mar 2013 – May 2015

- Design, dimension, field deployment and testing of low-cost 3G/4G femtocell backhaul networks in isolated rural environments (Amazon basin, Peruvian Andes), hardened as carrier-grade systems based on low-cost infrastructure.

EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science — University of Antwerp, Belgium

2015 – 2020

Thesis: *Towards Scalable End-to-End Programmable Industrial Internet of Things*

MSc in Networks and Computer Systems — Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid

2013 – 2014

MSc in Telecommunications Engineering — Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (A with Honours, 99.9th percentile)

2010 – 2013

BSc in Telecommunications Engineering (Telematics) — Universidad Politécnica de Madrid

2006 – 2010

SELECTED R&D PROJECTS & OPEN-SOURCE

Space / ESA: ARTES 4.0 4S SPL SULFUR (2026 – present).

Horizon Europe / H2020 / Celtic+: SNS-JU ORIGAMI, SNS-JU BeGREEN, H2020 DAEMON, Vital-5G, InterConnect, ProTego, Celtic+ FlexNet, FP7 TUCAN3G.

Open-source: 6TiSCH Simulator (core contributor); *Whisper* (SDN-on-IoT suite, ONOS-integrated) (primary author); long-distance Wi-Fi/WiMAX link simulator for ns-3 (primary author).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS · H-INDEX 18 · +800 CITATIONS (GOOGLE SCHOLAR, MAY 2026)

- **Municio, E.**, Garcia-Aviles, G., Garcia-Saavedra, A., Costa-Pérez, X. (2023). *O-RAN: Analysis of Latency-Critical Interfaces and Overview of Time Sensitive Networking Solutions*. IEEE Communications Standards Magazine 7(3).
- **Municio, E.**, Cevik, M., Ruth, P., Marquez-Barja, J. (2021). *Achieving End-to-End Connectivity in Global Multi-Domain Networks*. IEEE INFOCOM CNERT.
- **Municio, E.**, Latré, S., Marquez-Barja, J. (2020). *Extending Network Programmability to the Things Overlay using Distributed Industrial IoT Protocols*. IEEE Trans. Industrial Informatics 17(1).

Full list: emunicio.github.io/publications

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Systems engineering & operations: Multi-domain testbeds operation (Fed4FIRE+, Chameleon, Citylab, etc.), CI/automation (Ansible, Juju), monitoring (Grafana, MQTT, ZMQ), virtualization and orchestration (Kubernetes, Helm, Docker, Podman, OpenStack, OSM), GenAI deployments (Ollama, Langfuse, LangGraph)

Programming & data: C, C++, Python, Java, Unix shell, Matlab, LaTeX; Numpy, Pandas, TensorFlow, PyTorch, MySQL, PostgreSQL, GitLab

Networking & RAN: O-RAN-SC, OpenAirInterface, srsRAN, 5G-Empower, ONOS, ns-3, GNU Radio, OpenWSN, Contiki.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Teaching: Adjunct Professor at UC3M (2023–present); previously Lab Teaching Assistant at University of Antwerp.