

## Ben Brown

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### Personal Statement

I am a Senior Data Warehouse Analyst-Developer / Architect with 10+ years of experience. I have personally built very successful MI solutions end-to-end performing the analysis, modelling, ETL, cube development and report writing.

I am very comfortable in leadership roles and have a track record of removing confusion, simplifying processes and getting the best out of others.

Although capable of excelling in any industry, I have specialist domain knowledge of London Market insurance.

### Data Developer Profile

I am active within the SQL Server community and my attendance at Sql Server conferences and user groups has kept me up to date with the latest technologies, architectures and working patterns.

In 2017 I was inducted into the [Friends-of-Redgate](#) programme.

#### Core Skills include:

Sql Server 6.5 - 2016	Integration Services (SSIS)	Reporting Services (SSRS)	Analysis Services (SSAS)
Data Warehousing	Power BI	SAP Business Objects 4.2	Informatica 9.1
Tableau 10	Release Management	Data Governance	Master Data Management
Dimensional Modelling	Source Control: TFS / SVN	Database Administration	Office 365

### Education and Qualifications

**CII:** Award in London Market Insurance (LM1 & LM2)

**CFA:** Investment Management Certificate (Unit 1)

**Degree** (2002 – 2006): Aston University - **BSc Computer Science (2.1)**

### Current Employment

**March 2016 – Present**

**Data & Analytics Specialist, CNA Hardy**

CNA Hardy is a specialist commercial insurance provider within the Lloyd's and company markets.

Here I spent 3 months embedded within the Claims function, responsible for all operational, executive and ad-hoc reporting before re-joining the Data & Analytics team to lead development on a data warehouse build.

Key achievements:

- Architected, designed and modelled a Data Warehouse, successfully building *claims* as the first subject area.
- Successfully built all dimensions, conforming Company Market (CNA Europe) and Lloyd's Market (Hardy) Data.
- Owner/developer on a legacy syndicate MI tool, working with Actuarial & Finance on the Lloyd's PMD return.

## Previous Employment & Key Achievements

**November 2014 – February 2016**

**Application Dev/Support Manager, Aerion Fund Management**

Aerion were the in-house fund manager of National Grid's £17bn pension scheme.

As the company's sole data-developer I was in charge of the interfaces (written in SSIS) between our outsourced scheme accounting service (HSBC) and our OMS & Risk Systems (Markit thinkFolio & Barclay's POINT).

Key achievements:

- Put in DevOps processes including source control, CI and automated tests to deliver 80+ changes in ~1 Year.
  - Reduced start-of-day batch failure rates to zero.
  - Designed Database Administration framework and passed over to outsourced infrastructure partner.
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**March 2011 – November 2014**

**Senior Technologist – Data Warehouse, Catlin Group**

I initially joined Catlin as part of a team supporting the production Data Warehouse and related systems. My role quickly moved on to developing BI solutions as well as evaluating new technologies to see how they could be leveraged to solve long-standing problems.

Key achievements:

- Within the first few months of joining I got the support backlog under control and tightened up support procedures so they could be taken over by 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> line teams.
  - Conducted a high-level DWH analysis and presented findings to the Chief Data Officer and Head of Data Governance.
  - Demonstrated Power Pivot to senior people in Underwriting, MIS and Actuarial teams to give the business more autonomy.
  - Rationalised a huge range of Servers, Cubes and AD groups, massively reducing legacy footprint.
  - Built a complete MI solution for the company helpdesk system, 'Assyst'.
  - Designed & Implemented a SQL/SSAS security model.
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**April 2007 – March 2011**

**Support Analyst/Developer, Canopus Managing Agents Ltd**

At Canopus I worked primarily within the 'Applications' team supporting & developing a huge variety of systems and processes including; Underwriting/Claims/Finance Applications, Data-Warehouses, ETL Processes, BI Tools, Reporting Tools, providing data-extracts and conversions of legacy systems.

Key achievements:

- Implemented SourceGear Vault as a replacement for Visual SourceSafe 6.0, including repository structure design and management of phased roll-out.
  - Worked on a real-time Data Warehousing Project including Analysis, ETL and Reporting.
  - Had primary responsibility for multiple legacy systems and drove decommissioning of a redundant dwh.
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## Other IT Roles

During 2004 – 2006 I worked in Service Desk & Infrastructure roles which, added to my time in application support, has made me a more complete developer; I am able to build great relationships across all areas of IT and have a comprehensive understanding of the entire IT ecosystem.