



Hello,

my name is Chris Cracknell and I am a Scottish software engineer living in Hamburg, Germany.

Professionally I describe myself with the following short description:

I am Scottish but currently based in Hamburg. I can speak fluent German, as well as English (my mother tongue). I have an MA in Theoretical Physics from Cambridge University (1988) and a Diploma in Management Studies from the University of Abertay (1994). I have worked for twelve years as a freelancer in the area of retail banking and was permanently employed for 8 years before that. During this time I have worked as a software developer/architect, Project manager and security specialist on a large range of projects mostly centred around ATMs and retail banking. My core competence would lie in the areas of payment/communications security. My technical skills are centred around C++, Java, J2EE, OO Analysis and Design, Cryptography, security and smart cards.

I am the managing director of [Open Mind Software Ltd](#) .

A bilingual copy of my CV (German and English) can be downloaded [here](#) .

Reading the [Development Blog](#) for cryptoleague.com will give you a good insight into how I work.

Personally, my interests include:

Judo, since 1977.

Music, playing flutes and bagpipes.

Sculpture. Wood, stone and clay.

Reading, especially science fiction, historical novels and factual histories.

Climbing, hill walking, mountaineering.

My favourite hobby is learning to do something that I cannot already do.

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Regards,

Chris Cracknell