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Antonio is a network engineer that has been worked during last decade in adapting and advancing cloud technologies for their application to the Network Virtualization, where networking and performance are paramount factors while taking care of committing with the high standards on security and operational requirements. He has led the Telefónica global team that developed the NFV Reference implementation Lab and launched OpenMano and ETSI Open Source MANO (OSM) as Open Source projects. He was responsible for defining the architecture of UNICA NEXT, the evolution of the Network Virtualization program of Telefónica based on multi-vendor and modular principles, and coordinated the efforts on deploying the Telefónica Telco Cloud Architecture in the different Telefónica operating businesses.

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