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## **2014 - The Year Ahead, 2013 - The Year Lookback**

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A very happy new year to all my readers. The excitement of making resolution in new year's week is practically irresistible. So here I am. This post is for myself more than anyone else.



**Figure 1:** Resolution - This year's gone be different

## 2013

It feels like only yesterday when I wrote a similar [resolution post last year](#). What I can say? Time flies very quickly, often so quickly that there is not enough time to accomplish all resolutions. That was story of last year.

### Personal highlights

Personally, 2013 was best year I ever had. In November, I became a dad to a lovely little angle named Miina. My wife and I are having fun of our life playing with her, soothing her and making her sleep. Having said that, she made me realise that life is so precious and gifted.

I managed to stick with most of the personal resolutions from last year except the writing frequently.

### Professional highlights

I spent a lot of time playing with marketing technologies and solution architecture. In 2013 I made some [big changes](#) and realised that I can still break-out of my comfort zone.

## 2014

This year I have decided that there will be no resolutions, but only goals. Most importantly, each of them will be very specific and measurable. Seriously, I cannot afford to miss these goals.

### Personal

My family, my health and my friends matter most to me this year. I may not be able to read, travel or party a lot this year but that's ok.

In 2014, I am adding some new good habits and planing to ditch some old and bad ones like poor eating habits.

### Goals

- Running at least 4 days a week 2.0KM per day or 8KM a week. That will be total around ~400KM in 2014.
- Balanced and less eating to loose weight at least 0.5 KG a month. That will be total around ~6KG in 2014.
- Writing more frequently and regularly, 1 post a week. That will be total around ~ 50 posts in 2014.
- Curating topic notes in Evernote more frequently and regularly, 1 note per working day or 5 notes per week. That will be total around ~ 250 notes a year.

### Professional

Unlike last year resolutions, this time I have very specific professional goals in my mind.

### Goals

- Become a AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Associate Level.
- Become TOGAF 9.1 Certified (Part 1 and Part 2).
- Attend AEM Developer Training.
- Build one small web app a month.
- Present at least 6 talks in 2014.
- Complete DevOps Book (still 60% to go).

In addition, I am intended to focus following areas this year,

- Marketing technology (WCM, experience management, search and display ad technologies)
- Solution architecture (SOA, design patterns, frameworks, best practices, integration)