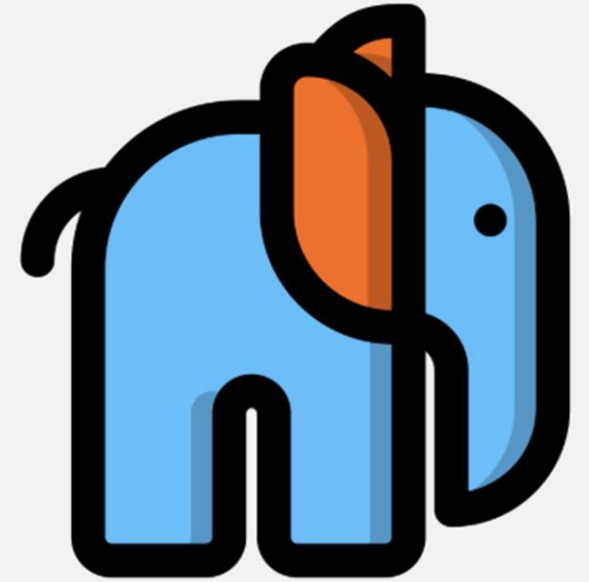


My Lightning Talk Disaster

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“One of the hardest talk formats to start with”



“Not enough time to settle in and speak”



Derk van Veen

Lightning Talk

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“.. you’re standing on stage. There are 100 potential enemies on the other side.” *

The result?

- 😱 Got a warning from my watch
- 😱 Rushed through my slides
- 😱 Forgot to mention a million things

My key takeaways

- 🌟 Do things even when you're scared
- 🌟 Practice timekeeping
- 🌟 Avoid over-polishing your slides

Zero regrets



My next session
@ PGConf.eu 2025
felt great



Thank you