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CURRENT JOB

I currently work as **Product Owner** at a leading automotive manufacturer. My job is to collect **requirements**, split them into actionable chunks, prioritize them on the **product backlog** according to my stakeholders' and business needs and my personal take on the product and its development challenges, **work closely** with my team to get features implemented incrementally from MVP to the final product and beyond and keep **communication** flowing and make my team engaged, productive and aligned to the **delivery plan**.

PROFILE

I am a BEng and a **Certified Scrum Product Owner** (CSPO) who had a development-to-management career progression, starting from a hands-on software developer role with increasing responsibility and then shifting my focus to the process (I am a **Certified ScrumMaster** – CSM too) and eventually to the product. I'm an enthusiastic **Agilist**, with experience in Waterfall and Agile working methodologies gained working for over 20 years in many roles, companies and businesses over the entire **Software Development Life Cycle** (from requirements collection to deployment).

As a product person I strive to bridge the gap between the developers, the customers, trying to understand what they want, and the business, taking in to account dependencies, strategy and the company's organization.

As an agilist I believe that quality can be achieved by a creative and autonomous group of people working together with the right process, aimed at delivering often and regularly and getting qualified feedback in order to continuously adjust the product and the process.

I'm experienced in working in multi-cultural teams across several countries and I'm experienced in driving internal as well as remote teams.

SKILLS

Automotive, Agile, Scrum, Kanban, ScrumMaster, Product Owner, User Stories writing, Lean, Software Life Cycle Management, Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC), eXtreme programming, pair programming, code reviews and pair reviews, Test Driven Development (TDD), Continuous Integration; requirement engineering, Atlassian Confluence and Jira, Agile coaching, people recruiting.
Organization skills, Time management, Team management.

MAIN CERTIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION

MAIN

University of Cape Town (UCT)	online
▪ Project Management Foundation short course	
Hood Group	Ulm, DE
▪ IREB® CPRE Certified Professional for Requirement Engineering certification.	
Scrum Alliance	online
▪ Scrum Alliance Certified Scrum Professional certification.	
Mountain Goat Software	London, UK
▪ Scrum Alliance Certified Scrum Product Owner with Mike Cohn.	
Xebia	Amsterdam, NL
▪ Scrum Alliance Scrum Master Certification (#128662) with Jeff Sutherland.	
Università degli Studi	Pisa, IT
▪ Bachelor Degree in Computer Engineering (BEng).	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015.02-today	BMW Car IT (BMW Group)	Ulm-Munich, DE
PO Projected Modes		
Leading one of the teams delivering Auto as the next platform for BMW and MINI cars, in particular the team delivering Projected Modes (Apple CarPlay and Google's Android Automotive), liaising with many partners inside and outside BMW to deliver a seamless experience in the car.		

PO Charging

Requirement collection and backlog creation for BMW's next generation's SW for electric vehicles.

PO TouchCommand

Managing BMW's Touch Command releases through three commercial releases and one platform upgrade, prioritizing requirements, communicating both ways between stakeholders and the development teams; managing up to 25 people, including suppliers' developers, UI/UX and testing. Led the development of the third version directing an internal and an offsite team using Scrum and Kanban and successfully handing over to suppliers and stakeholders in the last phase.

PO Speech

Delivered a component of the Speech software stack establishing a Scrum process and creating the backlog for my phase and the following.

2014.06-2015.01 (8m)

SatProf Engineering

Almere, NL

Development manager ad interim, Product Owner and Agile Coach

Helped with the recruitment and the performance evaluation of a new team in the Netherlands, led the agile transformation and wrote the backlog according to specifications coming from the HQ in Russia.

Delivered a series of security-related server-side applications and tools for access control in digital television.

2014.02-2014.04 (3m)

Cognizant Technology Solutions

Amsterdam, NL

Scrum Master/Manager

As part in the Agile Center of Excellence Benelux, managed three teams at a client location working in Scrum, leading the ceremonies and coaching the developers.

2013.05-2014.01 (9m)

eVision Industry Software

Den Haag, NL

Scrum/Kanban Product Owner

Frequently on a trip to oil & gas locations, collected requirements and directed a team working on the customization of several of the company's products, following the release with on-site demos and after-sales support.

2008.09-2013.04 (4y 8m)

Irdeto Access

Hoofddorp, Amsterdam Area, NL

Product Owner, Scrum Master and (Senior) Software engineer

As a developer, delivered several products coded in PHP, C, C++, .Net, Java and Python taking the leadership when required learning the principle of Agile and Scrum on the field, eventually delivering one of the first products with these methodologies.

Appointed Scrum Master shortly before being sent to a SM training, led my team where still developing to release other products for digital television's access control.

As a PO, coached another team and delivered two server-side applications.

2006.11-2008.08 (1y 10m)

Motorola

Melbourn, Hertfordshire, UK

Software engineer

Java development for the potential alternative Motorola AJAR Platform and part of the (embryonal) Agile team.

Obtained Motorola Yellow Badge for quality in software production.

2006.02-2006.11 (10m)

MBI Group

Pisa, IT

Programmer on Linux-based DVBs

C++ programming on Linux-based STB MW and related activities for the Multimedia Department of the company, taking part in product meetings and contributing to design.

2005.03-2006.01 (11m)

Università di Pisa

Pisa, IT

Project leader and programmer of UniPos project

Responsible of UniPos product transition phase from experimental stage to production and PHP, C and SQL developer, I made UniPos a viable potential product, established a process in the product evolution, maintenance and support.

2000.10-2005.01 (4y 4m)

galaxis technology ag.

Lübeck, DE/Livorno, IT

Principal Engineer, software and firmware developer on embedded DVBs

STB firmware development in Embedded C and UI developer using OpenTV API (HPK + SDK). As part of the small Italian office I overhauled the architecture and performance of STB Graphic User Interface, improved middleware platform (performance, new applications) and successfully coded, tested and delivered to acceptance of many customized middleware.

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SPOKEN LANGUAGES

Italian	Mother tongue (ILR 5).
English	Full professional proficiency (ILR 4).
German	Elementary proficiency (ILR 1).
Dutch	No proficiency (ILR 0).

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Marital status	Married, no children.
Birth	January, 16th 1969 in Orbetello (Italy), Italian nationality.
Driving license	Full European, clean. BMW licenses: B0, B1, B2, E0, E1, ELF.
Personal interests	Photography, motorbiking, travels, tennis, cycling, gym.
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Groups	Member of Agile Amsterdam (2013-2015), Agile Munich (2015-today)
References	Available on my LinkedIn profile