

Mahesh Chakravarthy

A business analyst and product owner who has helped build large enterprise systems



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CORE COMPETENCIES

- Scrum product ownership
- Business Analysis
- Business process reengineering
- Record to Report
- Order to Cash
- Regulatory reporting for derivatives
- Corporate lending

EDUCATION

- Post Graduate Program in Management, Marketing & Finance from IIM Lucknow, 2005
- Bachelors in Science, Physics from Loyola College, Madras University, 1998

TOOLS

- JIRA, TFS, Confluence, VersionOne
- BDD using Cucumber and FitNesse
- MS Visio, MS Office
- Adenza (AxiomSL), a data management and reporting tool

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Cognizant, April 2006 to June 2021
- GENPACT, May 2005 to March 2006
- AdventNet, Dec 2001 to May 2002
- NIIT, Aug 2000 to Sept 2001

PROFILE SUMMARY

Experience spanning **17 years**, in which I have:

- Provided **product ownership** and **business analysis** for multi-year, enterprise platform development projects and owned the product roadmap towards realizing the product vision
- **Led teams of business analysts** through IT consulting projects, discovery and design workshops, product implementation projects.
- Led consulting projects for **process transformation** involving: process mapping, redesigning, identifying improvement opportunities, and delivering operational gains to business
- Change management and transition management of large business process reengineering projects
- Worked extensively on pre-sales, bid management for RFP responses, and created go-to-market plans for new service offerings
- Extensive international experience, working with clients and client teams at their offices across the US, UK, and Europe

KEY PROJECTS

April 2006 to June 2021, Cognizant Technology Solutions

Roles Played: Product Owner, Lead Business Analyst, Process Consultant, Process Transition Manager, Pre-sales Manager

Projects Undertaken:

- **2018-21: Developing a Front Office Platform for Lending Operations for IFC, World Bank**
 - As scrum product owner for two squads, ensured the seamless execution of the grooming, development, and acceptance process for ~ 150 stories
 - Designed and project managed the execution of end-to-end testing scenarios, guaranteeing the seamless functionality of the front office platform for lending operations
 - Guided the testing team in the automation of their regression suite and helped reduce testing effort
- **2017-18: Implementing a Regulatory Reporting Product for Trafigura**
 - As a lead BA, oversaw the implementation of the AsiomSL (now, Adenza) product for EMIR RTS reporting, replacing the existing Qlikview based reporting system.
 - Resolved data issues from upstream systems and built custom functionalities: Trade routing, Netting, Position creation, UTI generation, and threshold checks
 - Managed the UAT, parallel – runs, reconciliation of the resulting differences, and eventual go-live.
- **2014-17: Building the Finance Functions of Commodities Trading and Risk Management Platform (CTRM) for Trafigura**
 - Successfully led a team of business analysts in delivering over 680 stories for the building of the finance modules (purchase invoicing, accounting, and cash settlement) of Trafigura's CTRM platform
 - I was the product owner for the accounting module and was responsible for the release of ~130 stories in the accounting workstream
 - Led the business go-live preparedness for the finance modules, including data migration, end-to-end tests, user trainings, and cut-over plans
 - Led the BPM project to established standardized business processes that shall be supported by the CTRM platform
 - Transformation goals of accounting team was achieved, resulting in quicker monthly closing (~ within 5 days); ability to do daily trial balance; compatibility for multi-accounting standards reporting; daily reconciliation of accounting and commercial P&L
- **2011-13: Enhancements for Portfolio Management module for SEI**
 - Worked as a business analyst on Portfolio breach functionality and related workflows
 - Helped with the UAT and user-trainings, and early life support after go-live.