Simon Frost - Senior Frontend Engineer

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With over ten years experience building and coordinating teams around frontend web features and products, I have a focus not only on merging pull (merge) requests, but also on improving processes within the team.

I have been integral at the early stage of startups such as N26, current unicorn valued at $3.5 billion. As well as Blacklane, named Germany's fastest growing startup by Tech5 in 2015. I also have experience at established corporations such as SAP and Telogis (now named Verizon Connect).

Being a good frontend engineer is more than just writing good code. Communicating effectively, identifying invalid assumptions, and choosing the right tools are all essential skills I've learned that minimize risk and maximize technological efficiency.

Work Experience

Klar Klar

› September 2020 - January 2023 (2 years)
› Berlin, Germany
› Senior Mobile Software Engineer - *Flutter, Mobile Development, Figma*

Klar democratizes banking services in Mexico.

During my time at Klar I transitioned into the position of senior mobile engineer, where I developed many business critical (credit) features and also helped review code, paired and onboard new team members

Klar Klar (freelancer)

› May 2019 - August 2020 (16 months)
› Berlin, Germany
› Web Lead Engineer - *React, Redux, React Boilerplate, Zeplin, Figma*

Klar democratizes banking services in Mexico.

I led web development during Klar's initial fundraising rounds and launch of their mobile application. Features I built and maintained included signup, customer service portal creation and coordination with external freelancers, creating of a blog, and landing page redesigns.

Popsure (freelancer)

› November 2018 - January 2019 (3 months)
› Berlin, Germany
› Senior Frontend Engineer - *React, Redux, CSS Modules, Create React App, Zeplin*

Popsure specializes in giving personalized insurance advice.

I expanded functionality of an early version of their product closely with the founders that had just graduated from a prominent incubator. Features I completed included account creation and management, and a rewards section.

SAP (freelancer)

› April 2018 - October 2018 (6 months)
› Berlin, Germany
› Senior Frontend Engineer - *Vue, AWS, Invision*

SAP is a an enterprise software company.

In a team of specialized freelancers, I created a prototype for a universal identification system for both internal and external company use. Features I completed included account creation, account linking, and account login.

ⓟ Planet (freelancer)

> Feb 2017 - Nov 2017 (9 months)
> Berlin, Germany
> Senior Frontend Engineer - *React, Redux, Webpack, Material-UI*

Planet builds small satellites and delivers information about the changing planet.

At Planet I improved the frontend of an admin tool that managed daily imagery captured by more than hundred micro satellites. Features I completed included access management tooling, report viewing, report generation, and adding 2FA.

N̄ N26

> Feb 2016 - Nov 2016 (9 months)
> Berlin, Germany
> Frontend Engineer - *Backbone.js, SASS, Gulp, Zeplin*

N26 offers mobile banking solutions.

At N26 I improved and maintained the main banking application. There was a strong focus on rapid feature development as well as design/UX for one of the now most valuable startups in Europe. Features I completed included a transaction screen redesign, overdraft functionality, premium card ordering, and migration to the new licenced bank.

◼ Blacklane

> Oct 2014 - Feb 2016 (1 year 4 months)
> Berlin, Germany
> Frontend Engineer - *AngularJS, Ruby on Rails, Gulp, HAML, SASS*

Blacklane is a global chauffeur and airport concierge service.

At Blacklane I improved and maintained the second version of a limousine booking application. Blacklane received Tech5's 'Fastest growing startup in Germany' in 2015. Features I completed included a corporate portal, enhancements to the booking form, ride listing improvements, ride ratings, and static marketing/SEO related pages.

🌀 Telogis (now Verizon Connect)

> Feb 2012 - Feb 2014 (2 years)
> Christchurch, New Zealand
> Full stack Engineer - *C#, SQL, PowerShell*

Telogis is a SASS transportation logistics company.

At Telogis I improved and maintained the interface and backend for a traveling salesman problem solver. Features I worked on included a route templating system, routing algorithm memory optimizations, and user modification tooling

Client Projects

> Urban Cosmonaut Radio (urbancosmonaut.com) - Wordpress website for Berlin based downtempo music label
> Antisemantic (antisemantic.de) - Wordpress website for Berlin based electronic music label
> The Republic of Corn (therepublicofcorn.com) - Wordpress website for non-profit Mexican corn farm

Education and Interests

Formal Education

> Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (2009 - 2011) - University of Canterbury, New Zealand

> Scholarship (2011 - 2012) - University of Canterbury, Human Interface and Technology Laboratory

Languages

> English - Native

> German - Intermediate (B1 Goethe-Institut Certified)

> Spanish - Beginner

Interests

> Music production

> 3D modeling and printing

> Science fiction and productivity non-fiction books