

# Valentin Cassarino

Front-end Engineer

## About me

Economist turned engineer. I started studying economics back in 2020 but, 3 years after starting the degree, I realized that my passion was in the tech field. I learned almost all I know about programming by myself, and I've been working really hard to get to where I am today.

I'm all about building cool stuff—whether it's figuring out the user experience or the nuts and bolts of how a product works. When I'm working on a project, I'm all in, aiming to make things as great as they can be for the people using them.

## Experience

### Front-end Engineer at Yakoa — Apr 2023 - now

At Yakoa, we aim to build the best IP protection platform for the blockchain. Some noteworthy aspects about my work:

- Got experience working solo for the first months and mentoring interns onwards.
- Built the MVPs for our two apps, using NextJS.
- Built the second iteration of our apps, using plain React this time.
- Worked with multiple data fetching libraries, such as react-query, urql and Relay.
- Got familiarized with web3 terms and how the blockchain works.
- Wrote the full test suite for both of our applications, using Playwright.
- Built the company's own design system.
- Participated in the product design/development from its inception to its release.
- Took complete ownership of several features, from the back-end to the front-end.

### Front-end Engineer at Selehann — Mar 2022 - Apr 2023

- Participated in multiple projects, some of them worth mentioning are: a CMS for a US government-related project, a no-code tool for training AI models and an NFT-related project.
- Worked with many tools, such as React, NextJS, Typescript, Docker, AWS, Azure, Tailwind.
- Got experience working with large teams.
- Led a team of 10 other front-end engineers.
- Designed a product from scratch and discovered my passion for building great user experiences.

### Full-stack Engineer Freelance — May 2021 - Mar 2022

- Mostly built websites for local companies

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