# **ALEN DAMADZIC**

Proven Product Manager in driving and delivering award-winning, customer-centric products.

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SUMMARY

With over a decade of experience in Product Management and software engineering, I have led the development and release of impactful products that have garnered industry recognition.

- Launching a Generative Al powered mobile app news featured on *The Verge*.
- Driving Adarga to secure the 14th position in Deloitte's UK Tech Fast 50.
- Leading Titania's products to winning multiple Computing Security Awards year-on-year.

My expertise spans user first design, agile methodologies, and leveraging advanced AI technologies (ML, NLP, LLMs) to deliver scalable, innovative solutions that address real-world challenges.

**EXPERIENCE** 

#### Senior Product Manager

Adarga 11/2019 Remote (London/Bristol)

Adarga is an Enterprise Knowledge Platform leveraging cutting edge Al and combining it with a knowledge graph to deliver deep and critical insights.

- Launched a mobile app featured on The Verge, reaching #57 in Apple App Store's News category. Achieved a 91% conversion rate from downloads to accounts, 75% WAU, and over 5 minutes average engagement per session.
- Product Managed various AI driven teams and initiatives from core
  platform services (data ingestion and NLP pipelines) and insight based
  outputs (event detection and summarisation).
- Increased the quality and speed of data ingestion whilst reducing cost by leading an initiative to rebuild using LLMs provided by OpenAl & Anthropic.
- Captured diverse client requirements through deep consultations, creating a scalable product transcending a managed service model.
- Championed Agile transformation, integrating Al capabilities into engineering workflows and fostering an output focused approach.

#### Head of Product

Titania 10/2018 - 11/2019 Worcester, United Kingdom

Titania is a world-leader in security analysis for network devices, helping

CISOs and Network Managers build configuration confidence in their security

posture.

- Directed a transformation toward product-led growth (PLG), promoting customer self-service, through objective based onboarding, and productfirst strategies with dynamic trials leading to an ~40% increase in trial conversion.
- Developed impactful user outcome based strategies through direct enduser collaboration, addressing pain points and aligning roadmaps with precise needs.
- Integrated software engineering, project management, and AI insights for competitive advancements across product lines.

SKILLS

Servant Leadership · Communication ·

Peer Coaching Stakeholder Management

**Empathy - Product Discovery -**

**Iterative Development** •

Strategic Roadmapping •

**Data-drive Decision Making** •

User-Centric Design • AI • ML • NLP • LLMs •

**Product Lifecycle Management** •

**Journey Mapping** 

CERTIFICATION

Al for Product Management

Pendo.io 2023

Al Product Manager Nanodegree Program

Udacity 2021

**Product Focus Certified Product Manager** 

Product Focus 2019

Management & Leadership Coaching

Zentano 2017

EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science & Management Studies

University of Nottingham

2007 - 2010

A-Level & GCSE

**RGS Worcester** 

2000 - 2007

- A-Level: ICT (A), Art (A), Maths (B)
- GCSE: A\*, A, 7 Bs, C

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Javascript • Typescript • React • NextJS •

**Postgres** 

**EXPERIENCE** 

### Head of Engineering

Titania 08/2017 - 10/2018 Worcester, United Kingdom

- Optimized productivity across teams of 20+ developers through strategic structural changes and resource allocation.
- Enhanced coding standards and product quality, contributing to awardwinning results.
- Fostered innovation and collaboration across teams, aligning technical advancements with business objectives.
- Lead change management across a large technical shift from C++ to more modern languages like JavaScript, Python and Rust.

## Team Lead / Senior Software Engineer / Agile Coach

Titania 2014 - 08/2017 Worcester, United Kingdom

- Drove product development lifecycles with a focus on measurable enhancements informed by extensive feedback.
- Implemented Agile processes, advanced resource allocation, and led integration of high impact roadmap items.
- Overhauled and maintained the tool set, including Jira, Confluence & Bitbucket.

## Software Engineer

Titania 2010 - 2014 Worcester, United Kingdom

- Rebuilt the company website using Drupal CMS increasing site engagement by 300%.
- Build software tools for security analysts using C++, Qt, XML & CMake on all platforms.
- Developed an in-house License Management service with React & Typescript.

**REFERENCES** 

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