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Regional Business Developer Manager / Area Sales Manager

Result orientated sales leader with diverse experience in Business Development, Sales, Management, IT, B2B, and Account Management. With a strong technical and business background, I have become passionate about International business, start-up and IT field and have a can-do, proactive approach to my work.

CURRENT OBJECTIVE

Looking for a challenging position of responsibility in South-East Asia (Bangkok) where I can undertake regional business development of technical/complex solutions to key accounts in startup or international company.

WORK EXPERIENCE

From Sept 14 2 years

Regional Business Development Manager – 4xLabs

4xLabs is a fast growing VC-funded fintech start-up (30 person) headquartered in Singapore with operations in Hong Kong, Thailand, India and Vietnam that has raised Series-A (\$1M) round. **Bangkok** – **Thailand**

- ➤ Managing and hiring a sales team of 5 BDM (Thailand, Singapore, India, Hong Kong) + 5 Interns to assist the business development operations
- ➤ Developed business from scratch around South-East-Asia by building a wide network of partners of GET4X around South-East Asia
- ➤ Opened/Launched 7 new cities
- ➤ Define B2B products requirements (new features, bugs and improvements) and led the IT engineering team (Vietnam) to deliver B2B products to the market
- Reached own KPI to help the Series-A fund-raising from investors
- ➤ Was the first employee and drove growth for almost 2 years (+150 clients)

Feb 13 - Jul 14 *1 year 4 months*

<u>India Sales Manager (VIE)</u> – <u>PKB</u> (15M€ T/O) manufactures filling and capping machines. It provides full technical solutions to customers. PKB is France leading's manufacturer for the perfume and cosmetics industry (Chanel, L'Oréal, Clarins, Oriflame, AVON, P&G, Shisheido,) I was in charge of all commercial operations in India. As business developer, I sought out new sales leads and business opportunities across the Indian subcontinent in **Pune** – **India**

- ➤ Identifying potential clients across India from scratch
- Closing sales: Target achieved and exceeded
- ➤ Dealing with high-value and complex solutions (>100k€)
- > Setting up key account data base from scratch and maintain strong relationship with Top 20 biggest India Key Accounts (Unilever, P&G, L'Oréal, Avon,...)
- Identifying the specific needs of customers, then creating bespoke technical solutions
- Managing projects between clients and technical team in France
- Organising a trade show in Mumbai

Apr12-Dec 12
9 months

<u>Business Consultant</u> - <u>Expandys</u> is a consultancy company specialising in international business development and promotion of international events in **London** – **UK** I was responsible for:

- > Searching for UK distributors to helping a foreign SME to enter the UK market
- ➤ Identifying key players within largest Irish and UK clothes retailers and wine distributors (Topshop, Marks&Spencer, Primark, Monsoon, John Lewis, Next)
- ➤ Hiring and managing 2 employees
- > Involves sourcing shows (textile, garments, fabrics, collections) in Mediterranean area
- > Researching potential new commercial partners in UK and abroad
- ➤ Visiting international trade shows across the UK

Feb 11 -May 11 **4 months**

Business Development - Telco Management Inc. in Vancouver - Canada

- > Turned prospects into new customers within French and UK markets
- ➤ Responded to customer enquiries and requests and resolved issues efficiently and professionally
- > Handled a high volume of cold-callings within a pressured call centre environment
- ➤ Enhanced the customer experience by providing information on new products, and services through up-selling opportunities.
- ➤ Was top seller of my intake

June 10 - Sep11 *15 months*

<u>Round the world travel</u> - I travelled independently on a small budget around Oceania, Asia, North America, Central America. The personal skills I developed were:

- ➤ Self-sufficiency and self-reliance
- > Development of interpersonal skills
- > Open-mindedness and cross-cultural understanding
- Budgeting and Planning

Dec 08-Mar 10 **16 months**

<u>Humanitarian operation</u>-Founder and creator of <u>Greentrip</u>, an association which aimed to involve students in humanitarian activities. I was in charge of managing a project from beginning to end. Together with my team, we managed to raise the €7,000 target, therefore succeeding in our challenge in **Morocco.**

Sep 08 - Sep 09 *1 year*

<u>Charity operation</u> - I was responsible for medical materials purchasing during a humanitarian mission to <u>Mekong Association</u>, a student run charity in **Hoi An** - **Vietnam**

- > Organised local stalls to raise funds for the mission
- > Communicated with key players within Vietnamese hospitals to make a final decision concerning purchasing of medical material

EDUCATION

2008-2012

<u>Business School</u>: <u>ICN Business School</u> (EQUIS Accredited), Nancy, France One of France's leading Management Schools

Master in Business and Management: Entrepreneurship and Business Development

- ➤ Major: Innovation and Technology Management
- > Minor: Emerging Technologies

2006-2008

Engineering School: **ENSGSI** National Superior School of Industrial Systems, Nancy, France Bachelor in Industrial Engineering

Project Management, organizational engineering, innovation and scientific skills

2005

High School: Georges de la Tour, Metz, France

Special merit equivalent to A at A-Level

ADDITIONAL SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Languages
IT Skills
Others

French (native), English (fluent, 4 years in English-speaker countries, TOEIC 920/990) Advanced MS Office, Windows and MacOS, Adobe CS4, CRMs (SalesForce, Sage) Driver's licence, Emergency First Response

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Sports Hobbies Running, scuba diving (Rescue PADI), wakeboard, skiing, swimming Multimedia, technologies, networking, current affairs, travelling

REFERENCES

References available upon request