

# Elena-Celia Blacu

Experienced Development Team Lead with strong PM skills, and good knowledge in Visual Basic, Visual Basic .NET, SQL, XML, COM+.

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## EXPERIENCE

### Softvision, Romania, Cluj-Napoca — *Development Team Lead*

JULY 2013 - PRESENT

Windows Desktop ERP and CRM Applications. POS System

#### Achievements

- Gained the client's trust by building a long term relationship over several years: offering appropriate solutions to problems, finding and fixing gaps, suggesting other approaches
- Increased team members' communication skills by working together with them, offering support, supervising their direct communication with customer

#### Team management

- Daily scrum call with team (8 people split in 4 locations, 2 cities)
- Support team members to resolve the issues they are escalating
- Ensure new team members' induction; for junior developers, make sure they have an assigned senior developer who ramps them up
- Weekly status and other reports
- Code review
- Provided time estimates for the assigned functional specifications
- Managed team's work to ensure estimates are respected
- Introduced the Agile principles in our team's development process
- Continuous working with the QA team in order to ensure the quality of the delivered product and maintain the functional integrity of the software across deployments

#### Software Development

- Analyzed requirements documents together with customer and QA

## SKILLS

Project Management

Coordinate teams up to 10 members

Team-oriented player

Excellent communication skills and good awareness of customer's needs

Ability to meet deadlines, take fast decisions in critical situations, manage conflicts

Willing to deliver high quality products

Technologies: Visual Basic and Visual Basic .NET, C#, WCF, WPF, MS SQL, XML, COM+, LINQ, Visual Source Safe, JIRA, Salesforce, MS Access, Web services, Windows services

Methodologies: Agile SCRUM, Waterfall

## LANGUAGES

Romanian - native

English - advanced

team to reduce the risk of change requests

- Migrated legacy VB6 code to .NET 1.1. Upgraded to 2.0, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0.
- Updated DBs to SQL 2012/2014. Updated calling code accordingly.
- Installed VB6 based apps and COM+ on x64 systems.

Researched/resolved issues raised up in production.

- Implemented new features in .NET 3.5/4.0. Linked them to the VB6 legacy code.

## **Softvision, Romania, Cluj-Napoca — UIUX Community Lead**

JANUARY 2017 - DECEMBER 2017

Team management

- Organized community's life together with the UIUX community manager
- Daily scrum call with team (20 people split in 4 locations, 4 cities)
- Support team members to resolve the issues they are escalating (technical, administrative, days off, conflicts etc)
- Ensure new team members' induction
- Weekly status and other reports
- Liaison between UIUX people and customer / developers / QA engineers

## **Softvision, Romania, Cluj-Napoca — Software Developer**

OCTOBER 2006 - JULY 2013

Windows Desktop ERP and CRM Applications. Pocket PC. POS System.

Achievements

- Strongly reduced the percent of the reported bugs (from 20% to less than 5%) by increasing the work quality and updating the development process
- Kept the high quality by setting a set of rules and workflow that each team member must follow; for example: 2 developers are responsible for a task: the coder and a team member that performs development testing – in this way QA performs mainly validation
- Gained client's trust by offering support and solutions, finding and fixing gaps in the current logic, suggesting better approaches

## **OTHER**

B Driving License

Practicing horseback riding at competition level - endurance and show jumping

Involved in pet rescues (dogs, cats, horses)

## Software Development

- Analysis, development and implementation of the new functionalities using Visual Basic 6 and .NET 1.1, 2.0, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0
- Junior team members' training
- Perform general maintenance and bug fixing
- Reviewed and redesign the existing code to match the current needs of the users
- Integrating .NET web services calls within VB6 code
- Researched legacy code and updated its logic according to the new requirements
- Migrated Access DBs to SQL 2005 and added implemented usage of web services
- Analyzed requirements documents together with customer
- Collaborated with QA team in order to ensure the quality of the delivered product

## **Softvision, Romania, Cluj-Napoca — QA Engineer**

JUNE 2006 - OCTOBER 2006

Windows Desktop ERP and CRM Applications. Pocket PC. POS System.

### Quality Assurance

- Performed manual and functional testing
- Performed UI testing (Look & Feel and Functional)
- Create required Testing documents (Test Cases, Test Reports, Bug Reports)
- Design test cases according to the functional specifications
- Report and track issues found during testing activities
- Defect Reporting, Analyzing, Tracking and Report Generation using JIRA.

## EDUCATION

### **University of “Babes-Bolyai”, Romania, Cluj-Napoca — *Bachelor of Computer Science***

OCTOBER 2002 - JULY 2006

### **National College of “Gheorghe Sincai”, Romania, Baia Mare — *High School Degree***

SEPTEMBER 1998 - JULY 2002

Project Diploma – Implemented a Chess Game using the Minimax algorithm.

## PROJECTS

### **Point of Sale System — *Development***

Advanced point of sale and business-management system for single and multi-location tire and auto service dealers.

Order-entry system specifically designed for tire wholesale dealers.

Comprehensive back-office business-management system that facilitates centralized control and monitoring of widely distributed shop management systems

### **Data Backup Windows and Web based — QA**

The software consists of two parts: one (client) installed on the users' PC as a windows or web application to manage the backup data and another (server) at a different location - for keep the backup-ed data to be restored if needed. I QA-ed the client part.

### **Data backup Mobile Phones — QA**

Backup and restore the mobile's internal structure and/or data as contacts, notes, tasks, appointments. Setup to receive notifications on the backed up data.