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Experience

Step Up Labs Inc.

Prague

CEO & Dev Lead

from Mar. 2016

- Founded a US company for my app Settle Up
- Coordinating a team of 5, leading development, building the Android app
- Settle Up has over 900K monthly active users, it's available on Android, iOS & web
- It's used globally: 27% Spain, 27% India, 5% Italy, 5% Germany, 5% Czechia
- 4.7 rating, monetization with ads & subscriptions

green:code

Prague

Lead Android Engineer

Oct. 2022 - Jun. 2024

- Leading Android team in green:code, directly managed 6 people
- Leading development of MyŠkoda Android app, one of the largest codebases in CZ
- Responsible for architecture, security and direction of MyŠkoda codebase
- Organized hackathons such as Android Auto hackathon

Jones Lang LaSalle

Prague

Lead Android Engineer

Dec. 2019 - Oct. 2022

- Leading a team of Android developers
- Working on Jet, AI-powered assistant for your building
- Main focus on reducing technical debt, refactoring, automated tests, CI/CD
- Rewrote the app to Kotlin and other modern libraries

Velvon Bank

Prague

Lead Android Developer

Nov. 2018 - Nov. 2019

- Lead Android team of 5 developers
- Refactored Android architecture of the app to use Kotlin/DI/Navigation/MVVM
- $-\,$ Replaced part of backend data from GraphQL to Firestore
- Coordinated QA, CI/CD pipelines and automated testing

Avast Software s.r.o

Prague

Android Developer and Developer Advocate

Aug. 2014 - Feb. 2016

- Wrote production code for Avast Android apps and libraries
- Worked on Avast Mobile Security (100M+ installs) and Avast Anti-Theft (10M+ installs)
- Coordinated the company's open-source efforts, managed developer-focused social media, organized dev events, spoke at international conferences

Inmite s.r.o. Prague

Android Developer and Developer Advocate

Oct. 2012 - Jul. 2014

- Responsible for a the full development cycle of Android apps
- Started developer relations for the company, started initiative "Inmite Developers", publicly speaking about our open-source libraries.
- Working on apps for clients like Telefonica O2, Škoda Auto or CzechTourism

Google UK Ltd.

London, UK

Mobile Developer Intern

Jul. 2011 - Dec. 2011

- Built system Quiz & Poll, used for internal trainings (instead of costly hardware clickers), open-sourced
- Implemented whole stack Android app, Web player, AppEngine backend, Google Apps Script interface
- Participated in external Android project in 20% time

Bondaii Ltd.

Prague

Android Developer

Sep. 2010 - Jun. 2011

- Created Android client for start-up Bondaii, supervised iPhone developer

Kansas State University

Manhattan, KS, USA

Web Developer

Feb. 2010 - May 2010

- Created webpages for research projects of Bio & Ag Engineering Department

Education

Czech Technical University

Prague

Master's degree in Software Engineering and Interaction

Sep. 2009 - Jun. 2012

- Thesis: Settle Up mobile app for group expenses, UX testing and monetization
- Graduated with honors, GPA 3.536

Kansas State University

Manhattan, KS, USA

Study abroad, major: Computer Science

Sep. 2009 - May 2010

- GPA 3.679

Czech Technical University

Prague

Bachelor's Degree in Software Engineering

Sep. 2006 - Jun. 2009

- Thesis: Catch&Run mobile multiplayer GPS game
- Graduated with honors, GPA 3.695

Accomplishments

- Google Developer Expert for Android (since 2015), spoke at 22 conferences outside Czechia
- Helped to develop COVID-19 Exposure Notifications app for Czechia (eRouška) and COVID pass (Tečka).
- Co-organized DevFest CZ conference (2012, 2013, 2014, 2017 as main organizer)
- Co-organized mDevCamp conference (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2024 as core organizer)
- Guest in a popular 'Show Jana Krause' in public TV with Google Glass (2014)
- Organized 16 meetups for Android developers in 2014 and 3 meetups for Kotlin developers in 2018
- Winner of 'Czech Master's Thesis of the Year' contest (2012)
- Google Student Ambassador at Czech Technical University (2011/2012)
- 'Wild card' from Vodafone CZ at AppParade contest with Android app Settle Up (2011)
- 2nd place in local ACM Programming Contest at K-State (2010)
- CTU scholarship for excellent results (2006-2009)
- Winner of JuniorInternet 2003 with my project 'Duna on-line'

Skills

- Soft skills:
 - Leadership, Public speaking, Organizing events, Reliable, Radically open, Early adopter
- Hard skills:
 - Android architecture, Kotlin Multiplatform, Jetpack Compose, Unit & UI testing, CI/CD
 - Angular, reactive web apps
 - Firebase, Google Cloud Platform, Azure
- Languages:
 - Czech (native speaker)
 - English (Full professional proficiency, TOEFL score: 108/120, attended US university for one year (2009/2010))
 - German (basic reading and writing skills)

Interests and activities

- Playing live action role playing games (LARPs) and board games
- Interest in travelling, geocaching, swimming, snowboarding, & gardening