

# Amresha Soomro

Senior IT Project Manager with 10+ years of experience leading the delivery of complex technology platforms and transformation programs across FinTech and digital banking environments. Proven track record of delivering large-scale platforms on time and under budget, leading cross-border teams, partnering with C-level stakeholders, and driving measurable business outcomes.

## EXPERIENCE

### SEPA Cyber Technologies, Istanbul — Senior IT Project Manager

FEB 2022 - FEB 2026

Led delivery of enterprise digital banking platforms for EU and UK clients within regulated environments.

- Led a portfolio of 8+ digital banking and FinTech transformation programs, coordinating cross-border teams and global vendors, consistently delivering initiatives on time and within budget.
- Directed cross-functional teams of 35+ developers, mobile engineers, QA specialists, and DevOps engineers across multiple geographies, improving delivery predictability and stakeholder confidence.
- Defined project scope, KPIs, and delivery roadmaps in partnership with C-level stakeholders, translating strategic objectives into executable plans.
- Delivered whitelabel digital banking platforms across EU/UK, aligning client product roadmaps and delivery priorities, improving data quality by 25%.
- Coordinated with UK and US vendors for API integrations including KYC/KYB, digital payments, and transaction monitoring.
- Oversaw production releases, and prioritization cycles, ensuring zero critical defects during go-live and post-release phases.
- Acted as primary escalation point for delivery and risk issues, maintaining strong client relationships and long-term engagement success.

✓ 8+ enterprise platforms delivered | ✓ 35+ team members led | ✓ 25% data quality improvement | ✓ Zero critical production defects

### Ata Kurumsal Danışmanlık A.Ş., Istanbul — Digital Project Manager

NOV 2018 - JUL 2020

Transformed 2 underperforming WordPress websites to ReactJS architecture, improving page load speed by 95% and increasing lead generation through enhanced user experience.

### Barclays Bank PLC, Karachi — Fraud OPS & IS Supervisor

MAY 2008 - NOV 2012

Delivered financial crime platforms and regulatory reporting solutions within a highly regulated global banking environment.

- Led end-to-end delivery of a Financial Crime Investigation & Incident Management platform. Coordinated internal teams and vendors to deliver on time, under budget, and with zero critical defects.
- Managed project timelines, budgets, and vendor performance, ensuring compliance



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## KEY CAPABILITIES

Delivered 8+ FinTech Platforms on time & under budget.

Zero critical defects in production delivery.

Led teams of 45+ engineers across EU, UK, and Emerging Markets.

Directed 6+ financial crime, incident monitoring, & regulatory reporting initiatives.

## TOOLS & TECHNOLOGIES

**Project Management:** JIRA, Confluence & MS Office.

**Data Analytics and Visualization:** Python, MySQL, Tableau, DAX and Power BI

**Development:** ReactJS, NodeJS, WordPress and WooCommerce.

## AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

Barclays Spot Award for Exceptional Performance.

Nominated Internal Audit Remediation Champion, leading Audit Issue Tracking & Closure.

UBL 2007 & 2006 Best Performer Award

Webmaster & Web Project Management.

with Barclays governance and delivery standards across EM.

- Coordinated fraud and dispute reporting with VISA (VROL), ensuring 100% accuracy and regulatory compliance.
- Delivered weekly, monthly, and quarterly regulatory reports to the State Bank of Pakistan, EM leadership, and UK Group. Achieved 100% compliance with no regulatory breaches.
- Designed and implemented automated fraud and regulatory reporting tools, reducing report preparation time by 75% and improving audit readiness.
- Identified and escalated fraud trends, implementing mitigation controls that reduced fraud losses by 45%.
- Prepared annual Fraud Risk Assessments and conducted quarterly Risk Control Assessments, aligned with Group risk frameworks.
- Chaired monthly governance meetings with regional and UK Group stakeholders, ensuring transparency and accountability.

✓ 45% fraud loss reduction | ✓ 75% reporting efficiency gain | ✓ 100% regulatory compliance.

## **United Bank Ltd, Karachi — Country MIS Coordinator**

NOV 2005 - APR 2008

Owned design and delivery of enterprise information systems supporting country-wide banking operations.

- Led the design and delivery of multiple enterprise systems, including Case Tracking, Sales Executive Clearance Systems, Credit Card Issuing & Acquiring, and Fraud Monitoring platforms, improving operational control and visibility.
- Authored system specifications, technical documentation, and user manuals, ensuring smooth deployment and operational continuity.
- Coordinated with infrastructure and networking teams for production deployments, ensuring 100% system availability and performance.
- Planned and delivered nationwide training programs for 25 branches and back-office staff, enabling successful system adoption.
- Prepared daily, monthly, quarterly fraud reports, ensuring 100% timely reporting.
- Coordinated with external vendors (EWIDT, INSTINCT) to support fraud screening and debit card transaction monitoring solutions.

✓ Multiple enterprise systems delivered | ✓ Country-wide adoption achieved | ✓ Zero critical defects at go-live.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Altinbas University, Istanbul — Msc. Data Analytics**

OCT 2024 - In Progress

### **Altinbas University, Istanbul — Msc. Information Technology**

OCT 2022 - JUN 2024

### **University of Portsmouth, UK — Bsc (Hons) in Computing**

OCT 2000 - JUN 2003

## **INTERNSHIP**

Glaxo Smith Kline, IT Division

Design UI's for Electronic Central Documentary System.

Design UI's for Bill Of Material.  
Tools used were 'Lotus Domino Designer' and 'Lotus Notes'.

## **LANGUAGES**

English & Urdu