

# **Eugene Oleinik**

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# **Professional Summary**

Experienced technology leader with a proven track record in leading global engineering teams, building scalable platforms, and driving operational excellence. Co-founder of two successful businesses, including APAC's leading ground transportation OTA, handling 30,000 bookings daily. Passionate about growth hacking, developing innovative products, and fostering high-performing teams.

### **Notable Achievements**

- Scaled 12Go from startup to APAC's leading ground transportation OTA, managing 45+ remote team members across 12 departments and delivering \$500K GMV daily with 99.95% uptime.
- Spearheaded the development of a mobile-first strategy, launching a mobile app that captured 30% of total bookings within its first year.
- **Established a culture of innovation and ownership**, mentoring teams across multiple geographies, driving team synergy, and achieving exceptional employee retention rates.
- Navigated the COVID-19 crisis by executing operational pivots and ensuring a successful M&A integration across 4 international markets, preserving business continuity under extreme conditions.
- Co-founded and led GV, one of Southeast Asia's pioneering holiday rental platforms, partnering with Airbnb to expand short-term rentals and serving thousands of users regionally.

# **Professional Experience**

#### Co-Founder & Chief Technical Officer

2014-2024

#### 12Go.com | Ground Transportation OTA (Online Travel)

- Co-founded and scaled a platform handling **30,000 tickets sold daily**, **100+ searches per second**, with **search latency under 150 ms**, **99.95% uptime**, and **global coverage**.
- Unified a multicultural team spanning Eastern Europe, Southeast Asia, Middle East, managing 45 remote team members across 12 departments.
- Transitioned the company from a startup environment to corporate governance, integrating quarterly milestone planning and QBR reporting.

#### Leadership and Team Building

- Cultivated an **end-to-end ownership culture**, empowering teams to solve problems autonomously.
- Nurtured a **collaborative environment**, fostering respectful and productive discussions.
- Established KPIs for engineering teams, driving a **performance-driven culture**.
- Implemented agile workflows, delivering fortnightly and on-demand releases via CI/CD pipelines.
- Introduced data-driven decision-making using Jira Product Discovery (ICE prioritization) and A/B testing frameworks.

#### **System Architecture and Development**

- **Backend**: Led teams to build a scalable **search API** with latency under 150 ms, sharded caches, and a flexible pricing engine. Oversaw integration of **150+ supplier systems**.
- Frontend: Guided development of a modern web app using Node.js, Vue.js, Nuxt and a mobile app contributing 30% of bookings within its first year.
- Infrastructure/DevOps: Managed AWS infrastructure (EC2, ELB, RDS, S3, CloudFront) with tools like Grafana, Datadog, Bugsnag, and Clickhouse.

#### **Strategic Contributions**

- Partnered closely with the product team to deliver features on time and with high-quality code.
- Planned annual budgets for infrastructure, third-party tools, and hiring, aligning resources with business growth objectives.
- Navigated the COVID-19 crisis, leading due diligence for a successful M&A with an Israeli group, integrating operations across **Israel, Croatia, Argentina, and Brazil**.

#### Co-Founder & Chief Technical Officer

2011-2012

#### **GV** | Holiday Rentals Platform (Online Travel/PropTech)

- Co-founded one of Southeast Asia's first holiday rental platforms, partnering with Airbnb during their Thailand expansion.
- Engineered scalable backend systems using PHP, MySQL, and Go, supporting thousands of property listings.
- Expanded the business beyond Russian-speaking clients, achieving significant growth in Southeast Asia.

## **Skills & Expertise**

- Leadership: Managing global remote teams, fostering collaboration, and driving accountability.
- Operational Metrics: Establishing KPIs to optimize engineering velocity and quality.
- System Architecture: Designing low-latency, high-availability systems with global scalability.
- Performance Monitoring: Skilled in tools like Superset, Grafana, Datadog, Bugsnag, and Clickhouse.
- Cloud Infrastructure: Expertise in AWS services (EC2, ELB, RDS, S3, CloudFront) and modern DevOps practices at scale.
- **Product Development**: Proficient in prioritization frameworks (**Jira Product Discovery, ICE**) and experimentation frameworks (**A/B testing**).
- M&A Leadership: Taking part in due diligence and ensuring seamless integration during acquisitions.

### **Education**

#### **Specialist degree in Applied Mathematics**

Moscow Aviation Institute (National Research University)

2005-2010

### **Additional Information**

Languages: Fluent in English and Russian (native), Thai (conversational), Arabic (beginner)

**Relocation:** Open to global opportunities