OpenForge Solutions
Professional Services Rate Sheet (2026)

I. Core Architectural Services

- **Systems Architecture & Design: $225 / hour**
  - *Relational database design, tech-stack migration, and API strategy.*
- **Custom Software Engineering (Python/Backend): $175 / hour**
  - *Senior-level development, automation scripts, and legacy system integrations.*
- **Technical Discovery & Feasibility Audits: $150 / hour**
  - *System "spikes," API evaluation, and "Build vs. Buy" analysis.*

II. Strategic Consulting & Leadership

- **CTO-as-a-Service / Fractional Leadership: $250 / hour**
  - *High-level technology roadmap planning and engineering team mentorship.*
- **Project Management & Workflow Optimization: $125 / hour**
  - *Business process automation and efficiency auditing.*

III. Engagement Models

OpenForge Solutions offers flexible engagement structures to meet project-specific needs:

- **Fixed-Scope SOWs:** Projects with defined deliverables are estimated based on the rates above with a 10% contingency buffer.
- **Monthly Retainer:** For ongoing support and iterative development.
  - *Example: 10 hours/month at a discounted blended rate of $160/hr.*
- **Day Rates:** For intensive, on-site, or high-priority troubleshooting.
  - *Flat Rate: $1,500 / day (8 hours).*