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Technical product manager

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Profile

Technical product manager with years of experience in building products and managing engineering teams with a strong technical background. Seeking to leverage skills gained in areas of leadership, strategy and management. Led 5 cross-functional teams delivering products ranging from marketplaces to decentralized systems.

Hard skills

- ★ Scope management
- ★ Strategy
- ★ Forecasting
- ★ Product vision
- ★ Cross-functional team management
- ★ Agile methodologies
- ★ Programming

Experience

2017-Present - Verity: Head of development

- Assembled cross-functional team of developers and devOps. Organized agile development progress.
- Delivered an MVP, which reached over 200 daily active users and ensured private presale was a success.
- Planned and delivered on the date a Verity Protocol on mainnet: fully decentralized system consisting of dApp, Smart contracts and decentralized network of nodes.
- Worked closely with UX, design and growth team on events experimentation and product discovery. Organized two design sprints.
- Introduced internal QA processes to ensure high-quality standards.

Soft skills

- ★ Leadership
- ★ Decision making
- ★ Time management
- ★ Communication
- ★ Risk assessments
- ★ Analytical Thinking

2017-2018 - D.Labs: Technical product manager

- Product owner for a variety of products (two blockchain products, one market place, one multi-platform application).
- Worked closely with clients and defining KPIs.
- Preparing product specifications, development plans, and tasks.
- Managed cross-functional teams of developers, devOps, UX and QA. Ensured the agile process ran smoothly.
- Worked with sales on product discovery and MVP definition for three new projects and onboard them.
- Served as customer liaison for live products and ensuring all customer issues were quickly resolved.

Education

- ★ University of Ljubljana: Bachelor's degree in Social informatics
- ★ University of Warsaw: the study of people's behavior on the internet

2016-2017 - D.Labs: Team lead

- Managed development team of 7 and worked as a lead developer.
- Hired, onboard and mentored five new team members.
- Organized four technical workshops for internal and external participants, founded the blockchain guild.

2014-2016 - D.Labs: Developer

Worked as a lead developer: preparing architecture plans, performing code reviews. Writing code (RoR) and mentoring.

Other interests

- ★ Avid reader
- ★ Backpacking
- ★ Hiking

2014 - Pet project: SieveMaster

Concept, development and design of mobile game [SieveMaster](#).

2011-2014 - ProGMBH: Web developer

Web developer, mostly hybrid mobile applications, Facebook applications and market place websites.