Nariman Taghizade

Agile Delivery Manager

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PERSONAL SUMMARY

Versatile and innovative agility professional and IT Leader with extensive project management experience within multiple international technical environments. Analytical and detail-oriented strategist skilled in successfully implementing processes that enhance organizational initiatives and deliver significant advancements. Collaborative communicator focused on building productive teams and promoting efficient internal systems. Proven record of leading complex projects from inception through completion. Well-versed in promoting agile as well as waterfall approaches to real-time product development lifecycle.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Abroedu LLC, Baku, Azerbaijan

Sep 2021 – Present

Project: E-learning systems focusing on in-company training services for employees

Senior Project Delivery Manager

- Drove an average annual savings of \$150k in the cost-of-attracting talent over a year by creating, and integrating core company systems streamlining reconciliation processes
- Developed a key system for reporting resulting in improved closing cycles by 25%
- Managed outreach to 30 companies in one phase to gather data requirements needed for migration of email, calendars, shared resources, and devices from various platforms for over 4000 accounts
- Facilitated on-time/on-budget regional implementations and managed 3 geographically diverse feature teams to deliver multiple projects simultaneously across the organization

Key Skills: Jira & Confluence, ERP, CRM/SRM, Java, Hybrid-Waterfall & Agile, Microsoft 365, Asana

Tymmesa LN, Granada, Spain

Jan 2019 – Sep 2021

Project: VR Biofeedback RDI Simulator & Software for AI Gaming Network Agile Delivery Manager

- Managed customized internal Asset Tracking database linked to quarterly cost tables featuring inventory receipts resulting in 100% asset accountability and 30% overall IT assets costs reductions
- Contributed to building MVP focused on AI Gaming Network which helped the startup retain upwards of \$300k investment in 3 months
- Assisted in the development process from conception to MVP of an RDI Biofeedback project for both VR and AR
- Improved engineering practices that resulted in quality Enterprise Software Continuous Delivery, Time to Build, Time to Value, and System Resiliency
- Organized reviews of user stories with the Product Owner, Scrum Master, and conduct regularly scheduled meetings with the Product Owner in grooming Product Backlog in the definition of the "Done Criteria"

Key Skills: VR Development, C++, Retrospectives, Sprint Planning & Execution, Continuous Delivery, Prioritization Framework, MVP & Prototype Definition, Trello, Slack

DN Technologies, Baku, Azerbaijan

Mar 2018 – Dec 2018

Project: VR designs & Remote Control for real weapon prototypes (PKP/PKM 7.62, RPG-7) Product Delivery Manager (project-based contract)

- Delivered the project within 10 months due to strong performance and organizational impact (one year ahead of schedule)
- Aided the team to create an agreed Definition of Ready and Definition of Done allowing for well-refined stories to enter the sprint and high-quality pattern designs deployed to the 3D projects
- Co-ordinated work between internal Engineering teams and 3rd party suppliers (e.g., ASELSAN, Ministry of Defense)
- Planned, scheduled, and tracked project timelines and regularly sent progress updates to all stakeholders and upper management which increased the team productivity by 25%

Key Skills: UE4, Ballistics, C++, Strategic Planning, Critical Thinking, Team & Time Management, User Validation, User-Centered Design, Market & User Research, MeisterTask, MS Sharepoint

Google DSC, Baku, Azerbaijan

Aug 2017 – Apr 2018

Project: Initiative by Google to increase awareness about software development among students and involve them to participate in the development process of forthcoming Google products

Regional Delivery Lead

- Conducted regular workshops & meetups to manage and train 15+ developer groups on new software applications
- Made a strong technical Google DS community with 150 junior software developers over 6 universities within 4 months

EDUCATION

University of Alcala, Madrid, Spain

Advanced Erasmus Degree; Major in Engineering Management

Baku Higher Oil School, Baku, Azerbaijan

Bachelor of Science; Major in Computer & Automation Engineering, Minor in Engineering Economics

SKILLS & OTHER

- Agile Methodology
- Scrum
- Hybrid-Waterfall
- Kanban
- Sprint Planning & Execution
- E-Commerce
- Jira & Confluence
- Asana | Trello
- Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)
- Defining MVPs and Prototypes

- ERP | CRM | SRM
- Microsoft 365 | Microsoft Office
- Web | Mobile | Game
 Development Knowledge
- C|C++|HTML|CSS
- Quality Assurance
- Prioritization Framework
- User-Centered Design
- User Validation
- Market & User Research
- Project & Product Management

- Analytical Skills
- Critical Thinking
- Team Management
- Time Management
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Leadership Skills
- Communication Skills
- Reporting
- Problem Solving
- Strategic Planning
- Research & Development (R&D)

Winner – **Teknofest Azerbaijan 2022** 2x Regional Winner – **WRO 2018, 2019** 2x Honorable Mention – **ACM ICPC**

Languages: Azerbaijani (Native), English (Proficient), Turkish (Proficient), Spanish (Basic), Russian (Basic)

Interests: Piano, Books, Travel, Hike & Camp, Basketball, Football, Chess