# SAVITHA KANDUGULA

# **BUSINESS ANALYSIS ENTHUSIAST**

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Business Analyst Portfolio

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# PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Business Analyst with 6+ years of expertise in data-driven decision-making, process optimization, and stakeholder collaboration. Adept at requirement gathering, process improvement, and Agile methodologies, with hands-on experience in JIRA, Confluence, PowerBI, and workflow automation. Currently leading Business Analysis projects across multiple industries, applying Agile principles and process optimization strategies to improve business efficiency.

- ♣ Skilled in business process mapping, stakeholder management, and Agile development.
- ♣ Strong analytical mindset with experience in root cause analysis and workflow automation.
- ♣ Proven ability to bridge business needs with technology to optimize workflows and efficiency.

# **BUSINESS ANALYSIS PROJECTS & CASE STUDIES**

- Agile Workflow Optimization Enhancing Product Development (Gaming Industry)
  - o **Problem**: The product development team faced bottlenecks and backlog delays, impacting release timelines.
  - o **Approach**: Employed Agile Scrum methodology to refine sprint planning and backlog prioritization. Developed workflow diagrams to enhance team collaboration.
  - Outcome: Reduced inefficiencies by 30% and decreased defect rates through continuous testing.
- Expense Tracker Business Analysis Case Study (FinTech Domain)
  - o **Problem**: Users struggled with budget tracking and financial planning.
  - o **Approach**: Conducted requirement gathering sessions and created wireframes and process flow diagrams for an intuitive budgeting interface.
  - o **Outcome**: Established clear requirements that enhanced the banking app's value proposition.
- Customer Onboarding Optimization Process Improvement (FinTech & Banking)
  - o **Problem**: Onboarding delays led to increased drop-off rates and reduced conversions.
  - o **Approach**: Applied 5 Why analysis and developed a stakeholder matrix for improved interdepartmental alignment.
  - o **Outcome**: Reduced onboarding time by 40%, enhancing customer retention.
- Personal Finance Management BA Project (FinTech & Banking)
  - o **Problem**: Users lacked automated financial planning tools.
  - o **Approach**: Designed a budget dashboard with AI-driven insights and developed data visualization models to track spending trends.
  - Outcome: Demonstrated the complete lifecycle—from stakeholder analysis to user stories, functional specifications, and process flows.
- Business Analysis Case Study: Data-Driven Talent Acquisition Strategies
  - o **Problem**: Inefficient talent acquisition processes leading to suboptimal placement rates across multiple markets.
  - Approach: Conducted a comprehensive analysis of regional talent acquisition strategies, utilizing data-driven insights to identify key recruitment considerations and optimize sourcing and hiring practices.

o **Outcome**: Achieved a 20% increase in placement rates by implementing optimized, data-informed recruitment strategies.

# **CERTIFICATIONS & LEARNING BADGES**

- Business Analysis Foundations: Planning (LinkedIn Learning)
- The Complete Business Analysis Fundamentals Course + CERT (YESI Education)
- BA Analysis Basics (Simplilearn | SkillUp)
- Agile & Jira Certification (AGILEKB)
- Microsoft Planner & Teams Certification (PMKB)
- Trello Certified (YESI Education)
- Multiple LinkedIn Certifications Leadership
- Power BI for Data Analysis (Udemy in progress)

#### TECHNICAL & ANALYTICAL SKILLS

- Requirement Gathering & Elicitation: Brainstorming Sessions, Interviews, Surveys & Questionnaires, Workshops & Focus Groups, Document Analysis, Observation (Job Shadowing), Use Case Analysis.
- Business Analysis & Process Mapping: Business Process Modelling Notation (BPMN), Flowcharts, Swimlane Diagrams, Root Cause Analysis (RCA).
- Stakeholder Management & Communication: Stakeholder Matrix (RACI Chart), Stakeholder Mapping, User Personas, MoSCoW Prioritization.
- Agile & Scrum Practices: User Stories & Epics, Product Backlog Grooming, Sprint Planning, Daily Standups (Scrum Meetings), Retrospectives
- Requirement Documentation & Traceability: Business Requirement Document (BRD), Functional Requirement Specification (FRS), Requirement Traceability Matrix (RTM), Use Case Diagrams.
- Data Analysis & Visualization: PowerBI, Excel, Other Data Flow Diagrams.
- Workflow & Collaboration Tools: Jira, Trello, Confluence, Microsoft Planner, Draw.io

# **EXPERIENCE**

# Business Analysis & Agile Learning (Training & Projects), Riga, Latvia 12/2024-Present Self-Directed & Hands-on BA Projects

- Completed 5+ hands-on Business Analysis projects in diverse industries.
- Developed stakeholder matrices, user stories, and process flow diagrams for BA case studies.
- Applied 5 Whys technique & Agile methodologies to optimize workflows.
- Designed and implemented Business Requirement Documents (BRD), FRD and Traceability Matrices (RTM).
- Built a BA Portfolio showcasing real-world case studies, process improvements, and wireframes.
- Earned certifications in Business Analysis, Agile, Jira, and Process Management.
- Implemented a structured process map that reduced average hiring cycle time by 2 weeks.

# Elevate Jobs, IT Recruitment Partner (Europe), Riga, Latvia-

12/2023 - 11/2024

- Conducted stakeholder requirement analysis to align hiring needs with data-driven talent strategies.
- Applied process automation to improve hiring efficiency by 25%.
- Optimized recruitment workflows using Agile methodologies & root cause analysis.

# allnex, Sr Talent Acquisition Specialist EMEA, Riga, Latvia-

03/2022 - 11/2023

- Managed stakeholder engagement across IT, Sales, R&D, and Operations teams.
- Developed data-driven hiring reports, improving workforce planning and recruitment efficiency.

- Improved hiring pipeline efficiency by reducing process bottlenecks by 30% using root cause analysis.
- Implemented HR process automation using SAP SuccessFactors, reducing administrative workload.
- Conducted business process mapping to streamline talent acquisition workflows.

# Webroas, HR Recruiter/ Onboarding Specialist, Riga, Latvia-

11/2020 - 03/2022

- Gathered business requirements from hiring managers to ensure an optimal candidate-job fit.
- Developed structured recruitment workflows based on process mapping techniques.

# Evolution Gaming, Game Presenter, Riga, Latvia-

01/2019 - 08/2020

• Adapted quickly to changing priorities while maintaining a strong focus on stakeholder needs and customer satisfaction.

# RK Info Systems, HR Associate/Recruitments, India-

01/2016 - 07/2018

• Managed full-cycle recruitment for IT roles, leveraging requirements gathering and stakeholder management to identify top talent.

# **EDUCATION**

 Master of Business Administration, Business Management 01/2021 01/2019-

Informatises Sistēmu Menedžmenta Augstskola (ISMA University) - Riga, Latvia

Master Thesis: "Introducing New Technologies in Human Resources at Volkswagen Group"
Market Research & Business Analysis.

References available upon request.