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Technology Manager / Chief Technologist

Work experience

Internews (London, United Kingdom – Since 2015)

Technology manager for an international NGO (www.internews.org)

Areas of work: Freedom of expression, media development, and innovation. Closed states.

→ *Managing Human Rights technology team and activities at a global level*

Leading the design, development and delivery a portfolio of innovation and technology activities supporting local media organisations in 8 countries among the most repressive regimes.

Overseeing recruitment and managing the Technology team, ensuring planning, coordination and distribution of work, setting priorities, agreeing detailed work plans, budgets and schedules.

→ *Strategic Development and Learning.*

Leading the design and implementation of policies and guidelines for technologies activities
Conceptualizing and design of innovative approaches for using technology to meet beneficiaries' needs.
Providing innovation & technology inputs at programmatic & organization level. Participating to fundraising efforts & proposal writing, budgeting technology components. Performing innovation watch, identifying new trends. Representing at conferences and events.

Self Employed (London, United Kingdom – 2014/2015)

Freelance consultant in open source technologies (www.seropian.io)

Areas of work: E-Commerce, ERP web applications, Infrastructure management.

Design & development. Research & prototyping. Cyber security training & capacity building.

Internews Europe (London, United Kingdom – 2013 & Paris, France – 2009/2013)

ICT Projects manager / Web application engineer for an international NGO (www.internews.eu)

Areas of work: On-line freedom of expression, support of local media, digital security

→ *Designing, developing & supporting multilingual web applications.*

Writing user stories & specifications during inception. Managing external contractors and developer.

Developing and maintaining custom modules. Integration with third party providers APIs.

Writing documentation for users. Managing localizations, training & support with project teams.

→ *Managing technical resources & back-office infrastructures.*

Managing back-offices for ICT activities: web platforms, secure hosting & video platforms. Deploying and monitoring cloud based infrastructure.

→ *Building, delivering and facilitating trainings & trainings of trainers on various ICT topics*

Training of trainers on website building and digital security (West Africa, MENA, Europe)

Hellotipi.com (Paris, France – 2008)

Web engineer for a social networking service designed for a family use (www.hellotipi.com)

Developed new features end users and internal use features. Providing customers support.

Fondation KASA (Yerevan, Armenia – 2006/2007)

ICT projects manager for a local NGO in Armenia (www.kasa.am)

→ *Coordinated Computer trainings in youth training centres.*

Developed activities in 2 major cities. Recruited of a local team. Provided technical support for training & social programs. Participated to feasibility studies & design for countrywide projects.

Valeo Thermal Systems (Paris, France – 2005)

Assistant manager for e-training IT projects for an international training center (www.valeo.com)

Designed & implemented tools for course supports creation (virtual classes, e-learning modules).

Education

Ecole Supérieure d'Informatique, Electronique, Automatique (Paris, France – 2001/2005)

5 years engineering school in information technologies & electronics (www.esiea.fr).

→ *Master of Science diploma equivalent. Graduated with first class honours.*

Foreign languages

French: Mother tongue

English: Fluent

Spanish: Basic level

Arabic: Beginner