

THEO VAN STRATUM

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Experienced software development manager and project leader with a strong background in Agile methodologies. Proven track record of implementing efficient project management systems, leading cross-functional teams, and delivering high-quality software solutions. Skilled in bridging the gap between technical teams and stakeholders to ensure project success.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Agile Project Management (Scrum, Kanban)
- Software Development Lifecycle
- Team Leadership & Mentoring
- JIRA Administration
- Product Ownership
- Client Relationship Management
- Risk Management
- Programming: C#, C++, Python, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Project Manager

LayerCake, Sydney, Australia (Remote) February 2024 –

- Create the Project Management Office
- Leading 10+ projects
- Developing Agile workflows
- Manage relationships with remote development team over different timezones

Senior Project Manager / Scrum Master

Kythera AI, Edinburgh, Scotland (Remote) | Apr 2021 - Dec 2022

- Established and led the project management office, implementing Agile development culture
- Implemented JIRA for issue tracking and document management, improving team efficiency
- Managed relationships between customers and development teams across multiple time zones
- Acted as product owner, negotiating project scopes and creating user stories

- Facilitated sprint planning and backlog grooming for multi-location development teams

Software Development Manager

Plant Integrity Management, Blackburn, ABD (Remote) | May 2014 - Nov 2020

- Developed a tablet inspection app (C#) that reduced response time for repairs from 3 months to 2 weeks
- Created a web-based backend and frontend system, resulting in a 35% cost reduction per inspection
- Implemented Agile (Scrum) methodologies, leading to incremental improvements in project delivery
- Managed and motivated project teams, promoting collaboration and productivity

Product Development Manager

Sage, Newcastle upon Tyne, NET | Apr 2006 - Jan 2012

- Led the Sage 50 (accountant software) development team
- Implemented Scrum methodology throughout the organization
- Developed a Sage-specific project management framework based on Agile principles
- Fostered collaboration between development teams and customer service to address user issues
- Integrated developers and testers into customer feedback sessions, improving product quality

Software Development Manager / Software Engineer

Albanet, Dingwall, HLD | Nov 2000 - Mar 2006

- Developed software for managing remote networks (C++)
- Expanded and led a team of 5 developers
- Managed multiple concurrent projects while adhering to budget and schedule requirements
- Designed and built a centralized system for the Crofter Commission, consolidating disparate information sources

EDUCATION

- Doctorate in Information Technology, Atlantic International University, Hawaii
- Master of Science in Information Technology, University of Liverpool
- Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, University of Arnhem

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Prince2 qualified
- Fluent in English and Dutch

- Proficient in MS Office & MS Project