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Technical Project Manager | Software Development Manager | Head of Technology

Technical Project Manager and Head of Technology focussed on managing Projects within the Prince2 Framework across:

- Software development
- Microsoft Infrastructure
- Enterprise infrastructure
- Global Networking, Routing and Switching
- Physical Hosting and Corporate Infrastructure
- Technical Acquisition Integration

Strong technical background in software development, enterprise architecture, solution architecture, SQL Server, C#, Routing/Switching, Power Distribution, Prince2 Project Management, and Data Centre Architecture.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Apply Focus Ltd, Nottingham
Oct 2020 – Present
Founder | Technical Project Manager | Prince2 Focussed

Founded an independent consulting practice focused on delivering technical project management expertise to companies needing focus on new and existing projects.

- Review of existing projects to verify whether the projects fit withing the company's roadmap and that they are still required, viable, and within scope.
- Lead the creation and implementation of new projects, team structures, stakeholders and project structure.
- Management and Maintenance of PM Documentation including Business Case, RAID Logs, Governance, Change Plans, Issues, Risks, Stage Plans etc.
- Review existing projects, reasons for success or fail, to build "lessons learned" to improve future projects.
- Introduce Senior Management to Projects Management Principles, and the Theory of Constraints, with the express aim to improve decision making, communication, and productivity.
- Introduce AI-assisted tools to accelerate analysis, documentation and decision support.

Air Charter Service – Surbiton, UK
Oct 2021 – Aug 2023
Technical Programme Manager | Software Development Manager

Led Software development and Technology projects following the Prince2 principles:

- Many software development projects by leading a, internal team of 3 PM's, 6 BA's, 5 Testers, and an outsourced development team of 12 people.
- Consolidation of 30 distributed infrastructure environments into two Microsoft Azure regions, reducing operational complexity and cutting hosting and licensing costs by approximately 25 percent.
- Migration of core on-premises business systems to Microsoft Azure, improving resilience and removing reliance on on-premises infrastructure.
- Upgrade of many legacy SQL instances and application that were out of support to Azure instances, including application, API, Web hosting layers
- Migration of legacy customer communication and marketing systems to Salesforce

WiseTech Global – USA | UK | Australia | South Africa | Europe
Oct 2012 – Sep 2020
Head of Technology and Infrastructure | Technical Programme Manager

WiseTech is a global logistics technology company undergoing rapid international expansion through acquisition and organic growth. Responsible for leading global technology infrastructure strategy, hosting architecture and delivery of large cross-regional technical programmes supporting platform expansion. The projects included:

- Technical integration of multiple global acquisitions including Trinium Technologies, CargoSphere, CoreFreight and CompuClearing.
- Build and delivery of WiseCoud, WiseTech's internal cloud hosting platform enabling scalable onboarding of global logistics customers without the need for customer-owned infrastructure. This included the design, build and rollout of three custom global data centres, network architecture, security, physical infrastructure, power systems, cooling, generators, and Automatic Transfer Switching.
- Two, 40,000 square foot building renovations (Chicago and Johannesburg), new physical security/entry systems, and migration of teams from legacy offices, Migrations of legacy on-site hosting infrastructure to the WiseTech Cloud.
- Migration of Acquisitions companies staff contracts, benefits, and terms of employment to WiseTech standard contracts, including salary benchmarking, team structures and pay changes.
- Implementation of global disaster recovery, data transmission, redundant infrastructure and processes, ensuring full redundancy of local systems together with global failover in the event of a disaster in one site or region.

- Many smaller projects from document consolidation, global standards, infrastructure upgrades, software and hardware migrations, global IP transit negotiations,

Advance Solutions International – West Sussex, UK
Oct 2011 – Sep 2012
Senior Software Engineer (Analysis and Development)

- Worked on enhancements to ASI's enterprise membership management platform (iMIS) while supporting improvements to development practices and engineering quality.
- Delivered enhancements to core enterprise application functionality.
- Introduced test-first development approaches and improved engineering testing discipline.
- Conducted code reviews and quality assurance across development workstreams.
- Contributed to Agile delivery processes including Scrum-based team coordination.

FORMER ROLES

SolTech Inc – Atlanta, USA, Lead Software Developer
WiseTech Global – Sydney, Australia & Milton Keynes, IT Manager
Sony UK – Weybridge, UK (4 Year Contract), Senior Software Engineer / SQL Server DBA
EDS – Gatwick, UK, Software Engineer (Analysis and Development)

SKILLS

Prince2 | Theory of Constraints | Project Management | Programme Management | Stakeholder Management | Project Documentation | SQL Server | Virtualisation | Windows Server | .NET | C# | Active Directory | Microsoft 365 | Azure | Routing | Switching

EDUCATION

- Goring Hall School: 8 GCSE's
- Our Lady of Sion School: 3 A Levels: Maths, Physics, Geography
- University of Kent: Maths and Computing.
- Viago: Black Belt in Thinking
- Learning Tree: CCNA Training
- Learning Tree: SQL Database Administration