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Introduction

I am an enthusiastic problem solver and manager who help companies develop and scale their engineering and product organisations. I have 20 years of work experience in various technical positions and have taken on management roles for 15 years. I usually work directly with company founders and management, helping to build world-class technical teams, and establish processes for operational success. I am a positive and curious person who loves working with people and I am always looking for problem to solve, such as delivery problems, unclear processes, or bad attitudes within the team - when everything is running smoothly I tend to get bored and prefer to move on to something else.

My management style is focused on working with the team to establish their purpose and goals. In my experience team values such as flexibility, transparency, humbleness, freedom of speech, respect, and grit have proved very successful in creating truly agile teams delivering business value at a high pace.

Work experience

Management consultant

Sidetracks AB

April 2020 - Present

I started my own company Sidetracks in april to evaluate some product ideas I believe is missing on the market. Starting in august I plan to take on interim management roles.

Manager development, Integration and Support

Btwentyfour AB

Sep 2018 - April 2020

Btwentyfour was founded in 2000 with a vision to create a common business platform and enable the streamlining and rationalization of the Supply chain process between buying and selling companies in the retail industry. With customers such as Zalando, adidas, nike, Intersport and H&M they are rewriting the rules of the world of retail. I managed three different teams, a total of 28 people, and was in charge of budgets, salaries, hiring (and firing), inspiring as well as keeping track of their daily priorities. The omnichannel platform is built in C# .NET in an Azure environment. My technical work was limited to MS SQL for statistics and error tracking.

CTO

Payson AB

Nov 2011 - Sep 2018

Payson is one of Sweden's leading online payment solutions with several million users and thousands of merchants. In the executive team I was responsible for delivery, analysis and improvements of Payson's products. I managed the development team of 7 people and was in charge of their daily priorities, along with hiring new team members. I started my work at Payson as a member of the development team working with technologies such as C# .NET, MS SQL, splunk, mongo db, and event store but the final five years my technical work was limited to backend work for PCI compliance purposes and KPI tracking.

Managing Director

Extralives AB

Jun 2007 - Dec 2010

As Managing Director for a company of 20 people my responsibilities ranged from budgets, salaries, hiring, inspiring, supplies, economy administration to managing a team of 18 developers. I remained as a developer working with web technologies such as asp classic, C# .NET, MS SQL and a lot of manual procedures needed to keep the football manager game hattrick.org alive.

Game Developer

Extralives AB

Jun 2004 - Jun 2007

I was a member of a development team of 10 people adding new functionality and fighting legacy for the game hattrick.org, who had close to 1 million active players at the time. We also developed a backend tool used by approximately 1000 hattrick volunteers of translators, moderators and game masters.

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About me

I live with my husband and two kids in a house in Uppsala. Family life takes up most of my spare time but whenever I get a chance I take my camera out for photography experiments or play with our home music studio.

To balance a busy life I run and do yoga a couple of times a week and fight an endless war with weeds in our garden.

Technical Proficiencies

Web: C# .NET, asp, javascript, angular, php

Database: MS SQL, mysql, event store, mongo db

Cloud: Azure

Principles: Agile methodologies, scrum, continuous integration and delivery

Hot Water Driller

Nov 2008 - Feb 2009

Ice cube, South Pole Station

Nov 2009 - Feb 2010

Icecube is a 1 km³ neutrino detector built at the geographical South Pole, in the middle of Antarctica. I spent two summer seasons working as a driller with the United States Antarctic Program. With temperatures ranging from -50 to -20 I was a part of a 24-7 crew of 30 drillers with varying tasks such as plumbing and automatic control engineering.

Store Manager

Coffee Cup

Jan 2003 - Nov 2003

Coffee Cup was a chain of coffee shops very similar to Starbucks. I managed the flagship store at Stockholm Central Station and handled daily operations such as scheduling, purchases, mentoring and managing its 15 employees. The work demanded planning, quick decision making, and an endless patience.

Consultant / Developer

Tain, Aspiro, Satama Interactive, Celltribe

Jan 2000 - Jun 2004

I took a sabbatical year from my studies at KTH to work as a Java programmer. I loved the tempo of the business world and kept working as a part time Java and jsp developer for several different companies for the rest of my studies.

Education

M. Sc. Engineering Physics

Royal Institute of Technology (KTH)

1997 - 2003

I specialised in computing and discrete mathematics but what I value most from my years at KTH are the friendships and problem solving skills I developed.

I held some different positions while at KTH; Member of the student union council, Member of the faculty board - Engineering Physics, Chair of the student committee at the Engineering Physics section, and Student responsible for the Engineering Physics program. I was on sabbatical leave during 2000.

Non-profit Work

Lecturer, Organiser, Co-ordinator

Federation of Young Scientists

1997 - 2006

I helped organising roughly 30 events, often taking part as a teacher or lecturer at trade fairs, seminars and festivals. The Federation of Young Scientists is on a mission to get young people to show a larger interest in science and the scientific method.

Among these events I want to especially mention working in a team of five co-ordinators to organise the Stockholm Youth Science Seminar (SIYSS) in collaboration with the Nobel Foundation and the Royal Academy of Sciences during the Nobel week of 2003 and 2004. SIYSS invites 25 of the world's most brilliant young scientists to Stockholm for a truly memorable week every year.