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Nikola

Software Engineering Manager / Technical Lead

Summary

Experienced Software Engineering Manager and Senior .NET Developer with 10+ years of experience building scalable enterprise systems and leading cross-functional teams. Strong expertise in microservices architecture, distributed systems, and cloud-based solutions using C#/.NET and modern frontend technologies. Proven track record in managing delivery processes, defining system architecture, and driving technical excellence across projects in iGaming, enterprise platforms, and messaging systems. Hands-on leader combining engineering and management responsibilities, including CI/CD, cloud infrastructure, and system scalability. Skilled in working with distributed teams and aligning technical solutions with business goals. Demonstrates strong ownership, leadership, and problem-solving capabilities.

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

- Backend: C#, .NET Core, .NET Framework, ASP.NET, Web API, WCF
- Frontend: Angular, AngularJS, TypeScript, JavaScript, HTML5, CSS
- Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQL Server, NoSQL
- Architecture & Messaging: Microservices, Distributed Systems, RabbitMQ, Kafka
- Cloud & DevOps: AWS, Kubernetes, Docker, CI/CD, Azure, Git
- Other: Entity Framework, LINQ, REST APIs, DevExpress

Professional Career

Software Engineering Manager

May 2025 – Present | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Online casino platform focused on mobile gaming, transparency, and safe user experience with scalable backend systems and real-time features

Responsibilities:

- Managed team processes, workflows, and delivery execution across engineering teams
- Designed and implemented backend services using C# and .NET within microservices architecture
- Developed and maintained scalable systems supporting real-time gaming operations
- Managed and optimized CI/CD pipelines within AWS cloud environment
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to align technical solutions with business requirements
- Participated in hands-on development and architectural decision-making
- Ensured system reliability, scalability, and performance under high load

Technologies:

C#, .NET, Microservices, PostgreSQL, AWS, CI/CD

Software Engineering Manager

February 2022 – May 2025 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Enterprise-scale digital platforms across multiple domains, focusing on scalable architecture, distributed teams, and complex system integrations

Responsibilities:

- Managed project delivery, team organization, and execution processes across distributed teams
- Defined project scope, timelines, and ensured successful delivery of releases
- Conducted feasibility studies, risk assessments, and contributed to system architecture design
- Collaborated with Tech Leads and development teams on feature breakdown and estimations
- Participated in hiring processes, evaluating candidate seniority and cultural fit
- Led onboarding processes and ensured alignment with team standards and workflows
- Worked closely with stakeholders to ensure product and technical alignment
- Maintained CI/CD processes and build pipelines

Technologies:

.NET, Microservices, CI/CD, Agile, Distributed Systems

Team Lead Software Development

September 2021 – February 2022 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

High-load iGaming platform delivering real-time gaming features with distributed architecture and high scalability requirements

Responsibilities:

- Designed and implemented high-performance real-time systems using message brokers and caching solutions
- Improved enterprise-scale applications focusing on horizontal and vertical scaling
- Led and mentored development and QA teams to improve delivery performance
- Participated in hiring and team scaling activities
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to deliver new features
- Optimized system performance and resolved bottlenecks in distributed systems

Technologies:

C#, .NET Core, RabbitMQ, Kafka, Redis, AWS, Kubernetes, MySQL, PostgreSQL

Team Lead Software Development

January 2020 – August 2021 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Enterprise messaging security and workflow platform for IBM and Microsoft ecosystems

Responsibilities:

- Collaborated with architects and stakeholders on requirements definition and system design
- Led development lifecycle including coding, testing, and deployment
- Ensured timely delivery of product features aligned with business goals
- Conducted code reviews and technical workshops to maintain code quality
- Improved CI/CD processes and introduced new technologies
- Mentored junior engineers and supported team growth
- Participated in hiring and team building activities

Technologies:

C#, .NET Core, Azure, Git, CI/CD, Agile

Senior Developer (Microsoft Technologies)

January 2019 – December 2020 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Enterprise healthcare and pharma solutions developed for large international clients

Responsibilities:

- Developed backend services using .NET Framework and Entity Framework
- Worked with SQL Server for data storage and processing
- Implemented REST APIs for system integrations
- Collaborated with cross-site teams in Agile environment
- Ensured system reliability and maintainability

Technologies:

C#, .NET Framework, Entity Framework, SQL Server, REST, DevExpress

Senior .NET Developer (Full Stack)

August 2018 – February 2019 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

SMS Gateway platform enabling large-scale messaging services across global markets

Responsibilities:

- Developed full-stack applications using AngularJS and JavaScript
- Implemented REST APIs and integrated backend systems with SQL Server
- Improved system performance and reliability
- Collaborated with international teams

Technologies:

C#, ASP.NET, AngularJS, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL Server

Team Lead Software Development

February 2012 – August 2018 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Large-scale enterprise systems for maritime and offshore industries, including communication and data management platforms

Responsibilities:

- Led development teams and coordinated project execution
- Designed and implemented backend and frontend components

- Developed secure middle-tier services using WCF
- Integrated systems with SQL Server and external services
- Consulted directly with clients on technical solutions
- Managed full software development lifecycle

Technologies:

C#, .NET, WCF, SQL Server, WPF, Silverlight, TypeScript, JavaScript

Software Developer

August 2010 – February 2012 | Sofia, Bulgaria

Project Info:

Geospatial information systems for infrastructure and enterprise clients

Responsibilities:

- Developed desktop and web applications using Microsoft technologies
- Worked on large-scale GIS systems
- Applied OOP principles and best practices
- Maintained and improved existing applications

Technologies:

C#, .NET, WPF, Silverlight, SQL

Education

Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

Bachelor's degree in Informatics

Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

Master's degree in Distributed Systems and Mobile Technologies

Foreign Languages Skills

English: Upper-Intermediate

Bulgarian: Native