

Project Manager / Business Analyst

Financial Consultant with experience in Banking and Payment Systems

I effectively manage stakeholders to gather and define requirements to ensure that new processes and systems meet specific business needs. I also carefully analyse existing business processes to identify inefficiencies and ultimately enhance practices or workflows. Mitigating potential financial risks and technical issues are critical to achieving project success, and I am adept at developing creative solutions to maximise performance whilst minimising downtime.

Education

MSc, Finance and Economy

Hagen, Germany
2016

PhD, Mathematics

St. Andrews, UK
2015

MSc, Mathematics

Aachen, Germany
2012

Skills & Certificates

Operating Systems

Unix | Linux | Sun Solaris 10 | Windows

Database Management

Oracle SQL | MS SQL | SAS SQL

Programming

C++ | Java | VBA | R | Latex | XML | Hadoop

Project Management

Scrum Master | Scrum Agile | PMI | Standards | Milestone Analysis

Awards

Executive Directors Special Award for Performance
Employee of the Year Executive & Corporate Affairs Division Award

Languages

German (Native)
English (Fluent)
Russian (Fluent)

Areas of expertise

CONSULTANCY

Business Consulting
Project Management
Business analysis (BRD, FSD)
Requirements engineering & implementation
Testing and documentation

BANKING

Derivatives and FX products
FX trading and settlement
Regulatory requirements (MIFID II, MIFIR, SFTR, DFA, EMIR, Basel, MaRisk, CRR etc.)
SWIFT Experience
MT101, MT104, MT940 formats
End to End Security Process
Front to Back Trading Flow
Risk Management
Market Risk

PAYMENTS & TRANSACTIONS

Banking APIs
FX Operations
Liquidity and Treasury
Regulatory Requirements (ZAG, PSD2)
Payment Processing
Booking Transaction & Payment
Transactions Processing
Acquiring and Card schemes

Work experience

Founder & CEO

04/2017 - Present

Strategic Business Consulting and Executive Coaching, specialized in business strategy, leadership development and coaching. A customer-centric organization that offers unlimited access to our consultants and coaches.

SPECIALTIES

- + Strategic management consulting
- + Executive business coaching
- + Management consulting
- + Performance leadership training
- + Family office consulting and interim management

CEO & Project Manager

04/2017 – 02/2020

Management of an online content platform for real estate investors - ImmoCrunch.com.

PROJECTS

2018 - Affiliate Marketing Business

2018 - Online service provider for online gambling

Project Manager – Risk Task Force

Nets A/S, Denmark / 03/2020 – 12/2020

Ensuring payment continuity, customer risk assessment, risk mitigation, ad hoc development of risk processes and process automation.

PROJECT

- + Market and customer analysis during the corona pandemic crisis.
- + Company-wide risk minimization and development.
- + Introduction of emergency processes, payment monitoring processes and automation tools.

Interim Product Owner Smartpay

Concardis GmbH, Eschborn / 01/2020 – 09/2020

Development and launch of new digital products. Management and improvement of the new payment platform.

PROJECT

- + Overall management and strategic advice to the financial stakeholders.
- + Assessing and defining requirements for improving payment platform.
- + Business and process analysis; identification of inefficiencies.
- + Application of work processes automation.
- + Identification of potential financial risks and technical problems & implementation of proposed solutions.

Project Manager, Treasury Clearing & Settlements

Concardis GmbH, Eschborn / 07/2019 – 03/2020

Optimization of payment processes across Concardis / Nets Group as well as enhancement of cash management and liquidity.

PROJECT

- + Analysis of payment processes across the product range.
- + Set up of automated payments for DCC business (daily >1.3 Mio EUR).
- + Automation and management of card scheme settlement payments (daily >230 Mio EUR).
- + Complete automation of treasury processes for remaining business.
- + Creation of weekly liquidity analysis report and daily net worth reports for management.
- + Development of a payment file analysis and editor tool for SWIFT, SEPA, ISO20022, and DTAZV payments.

Project Manager, Treasury & FX Operations

Concardis GmbH, Eschborn / 12/2018 – 07/2019

Establishment of a new payment processor in Clearing & Settlement and Treasury.

PROJECT

- + Assessment of the effects of FX on the company's financial profile.
- + Support of clearing and settlement processes.
- + Development of new booking and payment transaction processes (in CSV, XML and ISO20022 format, instant Pay) for SAP and the cash management system.
- + Creation of new account statement (CAMT.053) processing process, documentation and improvement of processes and procedures in general.
- + Complete automation of manual treasury and FX processes.
- + Cooperation with product management and pricing - Assist teams in development of appropriate pricing strategies related to FX.
- + Assist key account management in analyzing profitability and pricing of large customers.
- + Working with the card system / product management teams to ensure that the daily rates are updated for each system and correctly applied.
- + Modeling of the access rights to the payment processor "eXact", the internal SAP system.
- + Use case analysis and creation, coordination and cooperation with the outsourced service provider in order to determine the information requirements and to collect data for the analysis.
- + GAP analysis implementation and testing.
- + Establishment of access rights and users in AdminTool.
- + Data and trade research in mainframe environment (DO) and CoSMOS.
- + Use of Oracle DB, Java, XML, JSON, HP ALM Cooperation with international project team (India - UK - Germany).

Interim Business Analyst

Deutsche Börse, Frankfurt / 01/2017 – 02/2017

Implementation of a regulatory reporting system for MiFID II / MiFIR (Transaction and Trade Reporting).

PROJECT

- + Preliminary study, AS-IS & GAP analysis.
- + Design of a suitable data model
- + MiFID II Field Specification (Transaction and Trade Reporting System).
- + Analysis of the ESMA regulatory texts.

Business Analyst

Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt / 05/2016 – 12/2016

FX transaction and trade reporting specification and implementation of a regulatory reporting system for MiFID II / MiFIR, DFA and Singapore. Preparation of SFTR and TARGET2-Securities.

PROJECT

- + Planning and design of a data model.
- + GAP analysis.
- + Testing and implementation of various regulatory requirements & Interface specifications.
- + Cooperation with international teams across multiple locations.
- + MiFID II field analysis (transaction reports / trade reports).

- + Analysis of the ESMA regulatory texts.
- + Specification of MiFID II, DFA and Singapore reporting.
- + Preparation of the SFTR and TARGET2-Securities.

Project Manager in Risk & Reporting

Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt / 10/2015 – 04/2016

Project Manager in Risk and Reporting and Project Manager BAU. Implementation of a risk and reporting system for trading and management of the regulatory reporting business according to EMIR and MiFID 1.

PROJECT

- + Strategic development and implementation of a reporting service based on SAS data management services (risk management, reporting, project management).
- + Implementation and testing of statistical money market reporting.
- + Interface specification, cooperation with an international team (Prague - Germany - Great Britain).
- + Monitoring and improvement of the automatic and manual processes for business as usual in EMIR and MiFID 1 reporting.