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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY:

* Certified SAFe (6.0) Agilist, Certified Scrum Master (CSM), Product Owner (CSPO) and pursuing Certified Project Management Professional (PMP) with 12 years of expertise in Infrastructure Engineering, Project Management, and Agile methodologies, driving process improvements and achieving high-performance outcomes across all phases of SDLC.
* Expert in leading offshore and onsite teams in planning, executing and delivering IT projects from initiation through implementation, ensuring alignment with business goals.
* Spearheaded the design, development, and execution of IT systems, enhancing project performance and system functionality across small and large-scale projects.
* Facilitated Agile/Scrum ceremonies (e.g., backlog grooming, sprint planning, daily scrums, and retrospectives) significantly boosting team productivity and transparency while integrating best practices like Pair and Mob programming, for coding standards, QA processes, and adequate unit test coverage.
* Removed impediments and guided teams through obstacle resolution, ensuring continuous project progress and maintaining momentum.
* Optimized and managed database performance collaboratively with DBAs and development teams, ensuring efficiency for data-intensive applications.
* Created automated workflows and streamlined CI/CD pipelines using Azure DevOps, reducing technical debt and increasing release frequency for faster time-to-market with new features and enhancements.
* Advanced proficiency in Agile tools like JIRA, Kanban, Confluence, and Azure Boards, customizing workflows, automation, and dashboards for enhanced tracking and reporting.
* Enforced coding standards through code reviews and integrated security practices into Agile sprints, ensuring code quality and compliance with security standards.
* Executed retail store implementations across 1,100 locations in the USA, achieving timely and successful deployments.
* Enhanced stakeholder communication through effective status reporting, meetings, and documentation, ensuring alignment and transparency throughout the project lifecycle.
* Developed and managed product backlogs and user stories, breaking down complex requirements into actionable items, improving project scope management.
* Enhanced project transparency by implementing Kanban boards to enhance workflow visualization, task prioritization, and resource allocation, improving team efficiency.
* Led Program Increment (PI) planning sessions to align cross-functional teams with business objectives, resulted in project delivery to align with strategic goals.
* Refined story estimation practices, resulted in more accurate sprint planning and accuracy of project timelines.
* Developed and executed long-term business strategies that aligned with business goals to improve overall business performance.
* Facilitated and Integrated ATDD and TDD frameworks into the development process, aligning testing with business requirements and reduce technical debt to increase in delivery efficiency.
* Conducted business analysis by gathering requirements through interviews, brainstorming, and JAD sessions, delivering clear and actionable requirements to drive business needs and value.
* Successfully coached and mentored cross-functional teams to elevate Scrum maturity to achieve higher performance levels and sustainable agile practices.
* Encouraged self-organization and ownership within teams, to increase in transparency, accountability and decision making to contribute towards project success.
* Leveraged Azure DevOps analytics and dashboards to track and report on SLA/KPI metrics, developed root cause analyses (RCA), and created mitigation plans to ensure project and operational excellence.

**TECHNICAL SKILLS:**

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| Operating Systems:  | Windows, UNIX, Linux |
| Office Tools:  | MS Office Suite, MS Outlook, MS Access, MS Visio |
| Project Tools:  | JIRA, KANBAN, Confluence, Azure DevOps, Share Point, MS Project |
| Methodologies:  | SDLC, Waterfall, Agile/Scrum, Project Management, Product Management |
| Languages:  | Shell, SQL, Python |

**CORE COMPETENCIES**

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| Organization/Interpersonal Skills | Cultural Fit | Stakeholder Management |
| Waterfall/Agile Project Management  | Agile/Scrum Ceremonies | Team Coaching/Mentoring |
| CI/CD DEVOPS | Impediment Removal | Problem-Solving  |
| Impediment Removal | Team Facilitation | Change Management |
| PI Planning | User Stories  | Engineering |
| Software Development | Technical Acumen | Project Managers |

**Education:**

* Masters in computer science from Silicon Valley University, California, USA - 2015
* MBA in Marketing and International Business from University of Wales, Newport, UK - 2011
* Bachelors in mechanical engineering from JNT University, Hyderabad, India - 2008

**CERTIFICATIONS:**

* Certified SAFe (6.0) Agilist
* Certified Scrum Master (CSM)
* Certified Scrum Product Owner (CSPO)
* Certified in Operating Systems and Hardware Networking with LAB
* Certified in Auto CAD, Catia and Unigraphics
* Pursuing Certified Project Management Professional (PMP)

**PROJECT EXPERIENCE:**

**Ahold Delhaize USA**

**October 2016 – Current**

**Projects:** Tech Modernization, Infrastructure Virtualization, On Premises to Cloud Migration, Disaster Recovery & IT Business Continuity, CA Broadcom Replacement, Everseen in Retail stores and Automation for Infrastructure Deployments.

**Roles and Responsibilities:**

* Led SAFe/Scrum ceremonies, boosting team productivity by 30% and reducing sprint planning time by 20%.
* Built and led cross-functional teams, supporting Waterfall to Agile transformation and improving project delivery times by 40%.
* Utilized Kanban boards to visualize workflow, eliminate blockers, and reduce cycle times by 25%.
* Facilitated cross-functional collaboration, which led to more effective communication and accelerated product development.
* Guided Agile teams in adopting containerization tools like Docker and Kubernetes, improving application scalability and portability across environments.
* Implemented CI/CD pipelines using Jenkins, GitLab, and Azure DevOps, streamlining code integration, testing, and deployment processes.
* Collaborated with DevOps teams to optimize deployment pipelines, automate infrastructure provisioning using Terraform/Ansible, and increase deployment frequencies.
* Replaced ageing infrastructure and privileged user access platforms in record time, saving millions of dollars and ensuring system reliability.
* Developed a multi-year program, transitioning to a single third-party provider and saving over $200M by moving applications to Azure cloud.
* Integrated testing automation frameworks into Agile process, enhancing testing efficiency and ensuring 100% compliance with software system requirements by reducing manual efforts to align with business goals.
* Directed and managed project plans, roles, and resource allocation, achieving a 95% project success rate and ensuring projects stayed within scope and budget.
* Tracked Project progress and reported defects using Agile tools (JIRA, Kanban, ServiceNow), significantly reduced the issue resolution time.
* Promoted Agile mindset and best practices, improving team efficiency and resolving all inter-team risks and blockers.
* Led cross-functional Scrum teams to deliver data integration and migration projects on time and within budget, enhancing data accuracy and accessibility across the organization.
* Led a corporate-wide PCI 4.0 compliance initiative for infrastructure and security, enhancing overall security posture across various systems (Windows, Unix/Linux OS, Network, VMware, storage, and Identity Access Management) and documented in confluence.

**SPARK IT**

**April 2016 – October 2016**

**Role:** Project Manager/ Business Analyst

**Responsibilities:**

* Gathered business requirements and established project scope, system requirements, and goals by coordinating with stakeholders, leading to clear development, analysis, and prioritization of requirements.
* Created business requirements and translated technical specifications into non-technical terms, improving cross-functional understanding and execution.
* Defined and documented testing processes, enhancing overall quality assurance and delivering higher-quality products.
* Led development of data-driven solutions with new technologies, significantly exceeding business customer needs.
* Implemented strategic project trees, achieving business success and more effective project execution.
* Efficiently managed multiple teams, setting up team rooms, roles, and sprint schedules, increasing productivity and ensuring timely delivery.
* Translated business goals and customer needs into prioritized requirements and use cases, aligning project objectives with business strategies.
* Conducted Agile transformation sessions and training, enhancing team performance and adaptability.
* Partnered with PMO and SMEs to define goals and detailed documentation, ensuring alignment with business objectives and comprehensive risk assessment.

**Emergent Infosol Hyderabad, INDIA**

**Sep 2013 - Nov 2014**

**Role: Systems Engineer**

**Responsibilities:**

* Supported IBM Power systems, enhancing performance and reliability of AIX and RHEL environments.
* Executed OS upgrades, security patches, and firmware updates using automation and scripting, minimizing end-user impact and increasing system efficiency.
* Optimized server performance and flexibility through resource allocation analysis, monitoring with tools like NMON, PowerVP and CPT and migrated hardware to Virtualized environments vis LPM and Offline migrations.
* Improved system resilience and storage performance by implementing and troubleshooting PowerVM virtualization, configuring GPFS filesystems, converted VSCSI-based OS and data disks to NPIV, and created LUNs using SAN volume controller in DS8870 and XIV storage.
* Delivered technical and operational support for building, installing, and deploying Middleware and DB2 environments, optimizing UNIX/Linux server operations.

**First Source Cardiff, U.K**

**Sep 2011- Jun 2013**

**Role: Systems Engineer**

**Responsibilities:**

* Installed and configured UNIX/LINUX servers, managed Physical and logical devices and optimized disk space management, maintaining security protocols and compliance standards.
* Conducted system performance monitoring and tuning, resolving hardware issues through error reporting and diagnostics, resulting in improved system stability.
* Optimized disk space management and file system performance, including creation, extension, and mirroring of volume groups, enhancing storage efficiency.
* Utilized logical volume manager for volume group and file system problem determination, successfully replacing failed disks and maintaining system integrity.