



# VLAD-ANDREI ERCULESCU

PLATFORM TEAM LEAD

## ABOUT ME

I have worked commercially as a PHP Developer and Software Engineer since 2012.

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## SKILLS

A lot of experience with (5 Years+):

Symfony, Laravel, PHP, MySQL, PostgreSQL, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Linux, Apache, Nginx, Git

Some experience with (2 Years+):

Redis, MemCache, Doctrine, Eloquent, WordPress, Sass, Less, Bootstrap, RabbitMQ, MongoDB

Minimal experience with (< 2 Years):

Java, Python, C#, C++, NodeJS, Objective-C, Elastic Search, Magento, Drupal, CodeIgniter, Vagrant, Jenkins, Microsoft SQL Server, .Net Core, Unity

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **PLATFORM TEAM LEAD @ HUMMINGBIRD • FEB 2020 – PRESENT**

Having spent a year learning as much as possible about the business, technical direction and technical needs I was promoted to the team lead position and responsible of managing 8 people (2 Frontend, 3 Backend, 2 QA and 1 DevOps). I have completely restructured our workflow to be more in line with SCRUM methodologies whilst keeping in mind the particular needs of each of the team members.

### **SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER @ HUMMINGBIRD • FEB 2019 – FEB 2020**

During my time with Hummingbird as a software engineer my focus was on understanding the at the time current monolithic software and the future needs and plans of the company. Besides focusing on what could be improved in the code layer and how I've also started to look at the processes the team was following regarding Agile (SCRUM) and came up with a new plan to align everyone's visibility into the work we were doing.

### **SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER @ VIALMA • JUL 2017 – FEB 2019**

My main focus during this job was restructuring the 3rd party framework the company had bought prior to my joining into a distributed micro service based architecture. Once that phase was completed the rest of my time before leaving the company was focused on adding more features required by the business such as: music transcoding (C#) and a new CRM/Payments system (PHP/NodeJS).

### **SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER @ PADDLE • SEP 2016 – JUN 2017**

When I joined they were a small startup, a company building a platform to sell software and manage these time-consuming operations. Allowing developers, and software businesses to spend time doing what they love, building incredible products. I was part of their growth team dealing with customer facing tech issues.

### **WEB DEVELOPER @ DUE DIL • OCT 2015 – SEP 2016**

While at DueDil part of my responsibilities were developing new code and maintaining the existing code base. I was part of their growth team dealing mostly with user activity tracking on our website, A/B testing and integrating with Pardot and Salesforce. We started off with SCRUM and moved on to Kanban as our team grew and the tasks got easier to define.

### **PHP DEVELOPER @ E-MAG • OCT 2014 – OCT 2015**

E-Mag was my first job in a truly corporate environment. Part of their growth team my responsibilities were dealing with customer reports of issues on our website, tracking their activity and implementing A/B testing. I was also part of the team that developed and maintained their credit system, implementing order queues and integrating with Romanian bank APIs as well as payment processors and document delivery service providers

### **FOUNDER @ HERCTECH • AUG 2013 – PRESENT**

HercTech is a company I founded a few years ago back in Romania. I use this company for my side projects and whenever I do consulting in my free time. Initially started as a web development outsourcing company I'm currently working on games under this name.

### **SELF-EMPLOYED • NOV 2012 – AUG 2013**

During this time, besides my projects, I worked for a company, contract based, building a website for one of their clients. Given that my experience at the time was fairly limited I was provided with the workflow and requirements of the project and I was left with little to no room to experiment or try new things. Nonetheless it was a great experience as I was part of the project from start to finish, did most of the things on my own and everyone was happy in the end, including the customer.

### **PHP DEVELOPER @ SKITSANOS • APR 2012 – AUG 2012**

Skitsanos is the first company I've worked for. I was recommended for the job by one of the friends with whom later I started HercTech. During my time here it was mostly WordPress, Drupal and Joomla management and maintenance with the occasional PHP/MySQL task.

## **MORE ABOUT MYSELF**

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I take my work very seriously and am completely dedicated to doing my best. My personal time is also very important however and therefore I am currently looking for a position where I can face new challenges, learn new things and continue expanding my horizons whilst also having the possibility to take some days off to be completely off the grid.

After the day-to-day work I enjoy programming so much I have started developing small PC Games as a hobby as well as working on a few electronics projects. Besides spending hours on end in front of the PC learning new things or playing video games I like to take my motorbike out during the weekends or play the keyboard and guitar.