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Senior Full-Stack Engineer | 16+ Years Experience | 250+ Projects

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Full-stack software engineer with 16+ years of experience building production systems for startups and enterprises across the US, Europe, and Latin America. Specialized in Laravel, React, Node.js, and cloud infrastructure (AWS). Track record of delivering MVPs in as little as 3 weeks, improving API performance by 80%, and integrating 40+ payment providers across multiple regions. I work directly with founders and CTOs as an independent consultant, providing senior-level engineering without the overhead of agencies or full-time hires.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Independent Consultant / Senior Software Engineer

2020 — Present

[Freelance \(Self-Employed\)](#) — [Remote](#) — [Digital Nomad](#)

- Help businesses build custom websites, web applications, and AI automation tools
- Work directly with founders and CTOs worldwide, providing senior engineering on a subscription or fixed-price basis
- Clients include startups, scale-ups, and SMEs across US, Europe, and Latin America

Senior Software Engineer

Sep 2023 — Jul 2024

[GigEasy](#) — [United States \(Remote\)](#)

Online insurance sales platform (startup).

- Built the entire technological base from scratch and delivered MVP in 3 weeks for investor demo
- Set up full AWS infrastructure using Pulumi (Infrastructure as Code)
- Created developer onboarding process and local development environment

Chief Technology Officer

Jan 2023 — May 2023

[Imoveis SC \(ImoHub\)](#) — [Brazil](#)

Real estate portal with 120k+ property listings.

- Led technology organization post-investment, focusing on cost reduction and platform optimization
- Rebuilt portal with Meilisearch for sub-second search across 120k+ properties
- Reduced AWS infrastructure costs while improving reliability and performance

Senior Software Engineer

Apr 2021 — Jul 2023

[Cuez by Tinkerlist](#) — [Belgium \(Remote\)](#)

Software for managing television programs and live events.

- Improved product API speed by 80% (from 3 seconds to 300ms average response time)
- Refactored API in Laravel to follow industry standards; upgraded to Laravel 10 and Vue.js 3
- Built a media processing service in TypeScript with FFMPEG on AWS

Senior Software Engineer

Jan 2020 — Apr 2021

[bolttech \(Unicorn\)](#) — [Portugal \(Remote\)](#)

Global insurtech platform.

- Rewrote two core microservices: sales price calculation and insurance policy management
- Led development of Payment Service (team of 5), integrating 40+ payment providers across Asia and Europe
- Worked with banks, payment processors, and e-wallets across multiple regulatory environments

Full Stack Engineer

Feb 2019 — May 2021

[Manejebem / Vibbra](#) — [Brazil](#)

Agri-tech and freelance network projects.

- Backend development with NestJS and MySQL; frontend with React and Redux
- CI/CD pipelines with Jenkins, Docker, and Kubernetes on GCP
- Delivered multiple projects for startups and enterprises through Vibbra network

CTO / Full Stack Engineer

Feb 2010 — Feb 2017

W2O Web Softwares — Brazil

Custom software development agency.

- Led a team of 15 developers serving 30+ clients
- Developed an Enterprise Safety product for ISO standards management, accident prevention, and audits
- Responsible for client requirements, development, deployment, and support of 25+ software products

Freelance Web Developer

Jan 2009 — Jun 2016

Self-Employed — Brazil

- Built websites and custom systems for local businesses
- Established long-term client relationships through reliable delivery

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages	PHP, JavaScript, TypeScript, Node.js, Python, SQL
Frontend	React, Vue.js, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Redux
Backend	Laravel, NestJS, Express, REST APIs, GraphQL
Databases	PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis, Meilisearch
Cloud / DevOps	AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda, RDS, ECS), Docker, Kubernetes, Pulumi, CI/CD
AI / ML	OpenAI API, Claude API, LangChain, RAG pipelines
Tools	Git, GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket, Jira, Linear

EDUCATION

MBA — Economics and International Financial Markets

Centro Universitario Internacional UNINTER

2022 — 2023

Google Data Analytics Professional Certificate

Coursera / Google

2022 — 2023

Bachelor of Information Systems

Uniassevi

2011 — 2015

Programming and Systems Development

SENAI

2009 — 2010

Mechatronics, Robotics and Control Engineering

SESI

2007 — 2008

LANGUAGES

Portuguese (Native) | English (Fluent) | Spanish (Conversational)

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Delivered a production-ready MVP from zero in 3 weeks (GigEasy — investor demo led to successful funding discussions)
- Improved API response time by 80%, from 3s to 300ms average (Cuez by Tinkerlist)
- Integrated 40+ payment providers across Asia and Europe in the first release (boltech)
- Rebuilt a real estate portal to handle 120k+ listings with sub-second search (ImoHub)
- Led a 15-person development team serving 30+ clients over 7 years (W2O)
- Published academic research on AI-Driven Predictive Maintenance in Manufacturing