Ing. Daniele Occhipinti

15 years in the UK, leadership & people skills, advanced English, engineering degree



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At a glance

- > 15 years working in London after graduation, including for the British Government
- Master's Degree in Electronic Engineering
- Some of the principles I am guided by are: tactical and strategic planning, data-driven decisions, user-centred design, success metrics like KPOs, "agile" techniques, risk management, mediation between stakeholders and building relationships through trust
- I am confident, able to build strong relationships and have a multidisciplinary set of skills and interests
- > Experience:
 - Management, leadership and hiring
 - consultancy and innovation
 - five years working for the British Government in the Prime Minister's Cabinet Office, as part of the Government Digital Service, a flagship unit for digital transformation and the delivery of digital services for citizens
 - design and implementation of information systems and digital services

Aspirations

I am looking for a challenging role to take responsibility for the success of a team / project / initiative. I can travel.

Working experience

Sabbatical period From Dec. 2021

Relocation to Italy, bereavement, renovation of my newly bought flat. I also completed a couple of projects that I always wanted to do and explored some life and career options.

Government Digital Service, part of the Cabinet office (London) Technical Architect
Feb. 2017 - Nov. 2021 (4 years and 10 months)

Government Digital Service, part of the Prime Minister's Cabinet Office, is the technological and digital centre of excellence of the British Government, the engine of digital transformation, in which the needs of citizens guide the design of integrated digital services.

I started as a *Software Engineer* and got promoted very quickly, first to *Senior*, then to *Lead*, and finally to *Technical Architect*, a role that I held for more than three years. A Technical Architect is responsible for the architecture, operations and security of systems.

I was one of the few experts in the organisation qualified to chair job interviews and to audit the digital services that other departments wanted to offer to citizens.

As a Technical Architect I was liaising with managers, executives and engineers to ensure that new and existing systems met government, technology and security standards. I was also offering internal consultancy services.

Furthermore, given my visibility and good reputation among colleagues, I was asked by executives to help them overcome challenging situations in the organisation.

I worked on several projects and platforms: GOV.UK Pay (electronic payments platform), Reliability Engineering (infrastructure design and management), GOV.UK Verify (equivalent to the Italian SPID) and DigitalMarketplace (procurement platform for the public sector).

I led technical teams on the use of cutting-edge technologies and practises such as test driven design, infrastructure as code, continuous integration, microservices, cloud-based platforms, application containers and cybersecurity

Danyuki Software Ltd. (London)
Director and technical consultant
Sep. 2015 - Jan. 2017 (1 year and 9 months)

I was a consultant for the delivery of software solutions, working as part of multidisciplinary teams at the client offices. Some of the projects include:

 Creation of a cloud-based web application for analysing company data aimed at improving turnover figures (client: Cherry Advertising Ltd.)

- Expanding the functionalities of a micro-services architecture for managing insurance policies (customer: QMetric Ltd.)
- Creation of an online payment system

World First Ltd. (London)
Senior Software Engineer
June 2013 - Oct. 2014 (1 year and a half)

The company offers financial services and has offices around the world. I was part of the group that operated the online trading and currency exchange online services.

I was entrusted with a strategic project: the expansion of the functionalities of our systems for the creation of two new business channels. I led the development and launch of this new platform within time and resource constraints.

Danyuki Software Ltd. (London) Founder, director and principal engineer Nov. 2010 - May 2013 (2 years and a half)

I started this company to launch a web and mobile application for project management.

I won an award and a grant for youth entrepreneurs (Shell LiveWIRE Grand Ideas).

This experience taught me a lot about all aspects of managing a product and a business (technical solutions, marketing, accounting, seeking investments, sales, management of people with different specialisations).

The Beans Group Ltd. (London) Lead Web Engineer Sep. 2008 - Oct. 2010 (2 years)

I was hired as the second employee by this digital marketing start-up which grew very rapidly while I was there. Helping them grow the team was an important part of my job.

I was in charge of the initial development of their portal (one of the largest of that sector in the UK) and of the management of the infrastructure. I also created automation tools for improving the efficiency of processes and tasks.

Traffic Digital Ltd. (London)
Web developer and systems administrator
Aug. 2007 - Sep. 2008 (1 year)

This digital agency has major clients, including the BBC. As a member of a team, I was responsible for the design and development of applications and server management.

Roles in Italy before moving to the UK June 2006 - June 2007 (1 year)

Web developer for Neonetwork (Genova). Technical consultant for Ericsson (Milano).

Education, certifications and awards

Bachelor's Degree in Electronic Engineering, University of Genoa (2003)

Grade: 110/110 cum laude

Master's Degree in Electronic Engineering, University of Genoa (2006)

Grade: 110/110 cum laude

Award with grant for young entrepreneurs Shell LiveWIRE Grand Ideas (London, 2011)

TOGAF9 Foundation certification, to lead change of an organisation's information systems (London, 2020)

Certificate of Higher Education in Arts and Humanities, The Open University (London, 2021) Main subjects: politics, history and social studies

Entry on the public registry of chartered *Ingegneri* of Genoa, n° 11154A (2022)

Other information

Hobbies: do-it-yourself, physical exercise, politics and current affairs, trekking

Languages: English and Italian bilingual

Driving licence: category B

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