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Senior Product Leader · Principal Product Manager

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Product leader with 10+ years shipping digital products. A decade contracting as a product and UX lead for Google, LVMH, Jaguar Land Rover, Xapo and Santander, then building and running product at a marketplace acquired by Klarna and at three commercial products since. Strongest where an ambiguous problem needs a decision: discovery, strategy, product design, delivery and measurement, end to end.

SELECTED OUTCOMES

Nuji, acquired by Klarna in 2020. Marketplace of 5m+ items from 10,000 designers. Attributed order value grew from £60,039 to £455,025 across 2011 to 2012, with connections between people up 37.6x.

Movingto. €6.76m of client capital placed into 10 investment funds; 96% instalment collection across the client book.

Santander. Led Project Leapfrog, a 15-person cross-functional programme presented to global executive teams.

Bitcompare. Built the crypto yield-intelligence layer: a normalised data product across CeFi and DeFi, served to apps, publishers and AI agents.

EXPERIENCE

Product portfolio

2019–present

Product leadership across three commercial products I helped start, run concurrently. Full ownership of strategy, discovery, design, delivery and measurement in each.

Movingto — Head of Product, 2021–present

Residency-by-investment platform. Comparison tooling, qualification and booking funnels, content-to-conversion architecture, internal operations and commercials systems, internationalisation.

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Bitcompare — Product Lead, 2019–present

Crypto yield-intelligence platform and data API. Normalised yield schema across CeFi and DeFi, structured API and MCP surfaces for AI agents, provider marketplace with CPC billing.

42,131 rates normalised across 57 providers and 620 assets, at a ~3 minute median refresh.

Robozaps — Head of Product, 2024–present

Humanoid-robotics catalogue and data product. Canonical database, category and brand architecture, regulatory-status data.

Senior Innovation Partner · Santander UK

2019–2021

London

Led Project Leapfrog, directing a 15-person cross-functional team defining the bank's forward vision across digital banking, customer experience and operating-model design.

Presented recommendations to global executive teams; fed into digital rollout prioritisation across multiple markets.

Internal venture activity: vetting strategic initiatives and investments, and standing up structure for incubating new ventures.

Product Design Lead (contract) · Xapo

2018–2019

London

Bitcoin wallet and custody products. Product and UX frameworks, Figma design system, iOS, Android and web.

Emphasis on payments, onboarding and KYC. Workshop facilitation and team mentoring.

Head of UX, then Head of Product (contract) · Lifecake, a Canon Europe company

2017–2018

London

Joined Canon Europe's family photo app as Head of UX; promoted to Head of Product after six months. Responsible for iOS, Android and web.

Doubled the user base to 2m+ and quadrupled engagement. Introduced the product's first business models through contextual print and automated photobooks.

Product Lead (contract) · Poke London

2017–2018

London

Clients: Virgin, TM Lewin. Ecommerce and travel. Led C-level workshops; full product and UX stack across responsive web and email.

UX Lead (contract) · Spark 44, for Jaguar Land Rover

2016–2017

London

Connected-vehicle and vehicle-management interfaces. Full UX stack across iOS and Android, user research, C-level stakeholder management.

UX Lead (contract) · Google

2016

London

Greenfield YouTube product under NDA. Full UX stack across responsive web, Android and iOS.

Product Strategy Lead (contract) · LVMH, 24 Sèvres

2015–2016

London

Product strategy for 24 Sèvres, LVMH's first multi-brand ecommerce platform, defined against Net-a-Porter and Farfetch.

Worked with LVMH's chief digital officer and members of the founding family. Led C-level workshops; managed and mentored UX, design and strategy teams.

Launched 2017 with 150+ brands, the only multi-brand site carrying both Dior and Louis Vuitton. Trades today as 24S.

Head of Product · Nuji, acquired by Klarna

2011–2015, Director to exit 2020

London

Social product-discovery marketplace, 5m+ items from 10,000 designers. Owned the discovery and curation model, catalogue architecture, mobile product and affiliate monetisation.

2011 to 2012: connections between people grew 37.6x, outbound clicks to retailers 8.2x, attributed order value from £60,039 to £455,025.

Klarna acquired the team, platform and technology in 2020.

Earlier

Spring Studios (UX and IA, contract) · Dare (UX and IA, contract; clients included Nescafé Dolce Gusto) · Various London agencies (clients included Sainsbury's and Hunter) · Hill & Knowlton (innovations and strategic planning) · Yahoo! (strategy) · Euro RSCG 4D, Havas, Amsterdam (strategic planning) — 2008 to 2016.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Business (Marketing)

Swinburne University, Melbourne, 2004–2007

User Experience Design

General Assembly, London, 2015

RECOGNITION

Seedcamp winner, 2011

TNW Startup Rally, Best Web App, 2012

The Guardian, East London's 20 hottest startups, 2012

TechCrunch Europas, top UK startup, 2013

Young Guns, top 30 entrepreneurs under 35 in the UK, 2014

Tech City 100, 2013 to 2016

CAPABILITIES

Product strategy · Discovery · Roadmapping · Customer research · UX and interaction design · Prototyping · Experimentation · Analytics · Monetisation · Growth · Marketplace design · B2B and API products · Design systems · Cross-functional leadership · Go-to-market