

Marius Kalder

Technical Product Owner

Platform Modernisation · Integrations · Technical Delivery

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Technical Product Owner in IT delivery since 2016, aligning business priorities with engineering constraints across legacy and modern architectures. Track record includes leading product delivery at E.ON following a build-versus-reuse evaluation and driving the final microfrontend migration and monolith decommissioning at 1&1. I also build and operate my own web and AI applications using Node.js, PostgreSQL, LLMs and Linux.

CORE COMPETENCIES

Product Management: Product Strategy, Product Discovery, Roadmap Development, MVP Definition, Backlog Ownership, Prioritisation, User Stories & Acceptance Criteria, Agile, Scrum, Cross-functional Teams & Delivery

Technical Product Delivery: Product Development, Platform Modernisation, Migration, Microfrontends, APIs, Dependency & Risk Management, Release & Change Management

Leadership & Governance: Stakeholder Management, KPI Reporting, Portfolio Management, Business Cases, Budget & Delivery Planning

Technical Practice: JavaScript, Node.js, Express, PostgreSQL, REST APIs, Git, Linux/VPS, nginx, CI/CD, LLM (generative AI)

Product & Delivery Tools: Jira, Confluence, MS Office, MS Project, Process Modelling, Figma, Miro

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Independent Product Owner & Web Engineer

Independent Projects | Remote | 04/2025 – Present

Developed my own products alongside a part-time Master's degree in Artificial Intelligence, working across product management, web development and AI/LLM applications.

- Built and deployed mariuskalder.de, a live full-stack portfolio platform using nginx, Node.js, Express, PostgreSQL and Linux VPS hosting. Published 3 case studies and implemented a custom contact form.
- Developing VocAbi, a locally hosted language-learning application that supports contextual word translation, vocabulary capture and review.

IT Portfolio Manager

1&1 | Remote | Contract | 09/2024 – 03/2025

Managed Digital Help Center initiatives in a complex environment, working with business stakeholders, delivery teams and management.

- Turned an unstructured backlog of ~25 tickets into 14 defined initiatives with budget, timeline and business case. Built a KPI-based framework covering effort, cost per sprint and release dates.
 - Built a RAG-based chatbot PoC in Voiceflow; the concept was adopted for the help center.
 - Case study IT Portfolio Management: mariuskalder.de/projects/it-portfolio-management-digital-help-center/
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Product Owner — E-Commerce Platform Migration

1&1 | Remote | Contract | 03/2024 – 08/2024

Owned the final delivery phase of a multi-year e-commerce migration from a legacy application to a microfrontend-based target platform, until the legacy application could be decommissioned. The team consisted of eight developers, one shared Scrum Master and two shared architects.

- Reconstructed undocumented business logic for a legacy deposit shop using stakeholder interviews, production code and historical records before development continued.
 - Structured the target solution into four independently deployable microfrontends: authentication, catalogue, offer and contract.
 - Linked release-date commitments to complete acceptance criteria and signed-off Architecture Decision Records (ADRs) in Jira and Confluence, rather than unvalidated status reporting.
 - Case study Microfrontend: mariuskalder.de/projects/product-owner-deposit-shop-microfrontend-migration/
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IT Project Manager — Cross-Platform Delivery

1&1 | Remote | Contract | 03/2023 – 02/2024

Worked with Business, UX/UI and Engineering teams on three initiatives: a web microfrontend migration, Connect Test on Android and iOS, and broadband features.

- Kept track of milestones, dependencies, risks, staffing and budget, and prepared releases and updates for management.
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Technical Product Owner — E-Mobility E-Commerce

E.ON | Remote | Contract | 02/2022 – 04/2023

Owned product delivery for a shared digital sales channel that brought separate purchasing journeys for wallboxes and electricity tariffs together. The delivery team included ten developers, two testers and one shared Scrum Master.

- Contributed to the build-versus-reuse decision between an AEM/Adobe integration and an existing PHP system, working with architects and management to prioritise faster time to market while accepting the maintenance trade-off.
 - Defined a narrow first release (one wallbox, one tariff), then supported incremental expansion to additional products.
 - No blocker, major or critical production bugs were reported over 14 months of delivery.
 - Case study E-Mobility: mariuskalder.de/projects/technical-product-owner-e-mobility-e-commerce/
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Product Owner — Email & Mobile

1&1 | Remote | Parallel project assignment | 07/2022 – 02/2023

Owned product development for Android mail applications across GMX, WEB.DE, 1&1 and mail.com, working with a delivery team of seven developers, one tester and one shared Scrum Master. Delivered the Intelligent Inbox feature across all four Android mail brands.

Business Analyst

REWE digital | Remote | Parallel project assignment | 03/2023 – 06/2023

Requirements analysis for a service mobile application, including API analysis and user acceptance testing.

Product Owner — Photo Management

kajama | Remote | 10/2021 – 01/2022

Defined the product vision and roadmap for a photo-management application across web, iOS and Android.

Senior IT Project Manager

BWI GmbH | Remote | 04/2021 – 09/2021

Took an editor product from idea to production in five months.

Senior IT Project Manager & Product Owner

AUSY Technologies AG / Telefónica | Hybrid | 08/2018 – 03/2021

Worked across business analysis, product ownership and delivery for Mein O2, Mein Blau and partner mobile applications, coordinating customer journeys, API dependencies, releases and KPI reporting.

IT Consultant & Product Owner

Carano Software Solutions GmbH | Berlin | 09/2016 – 06/2018

Managed requirements, estimates, proposals and delivery for fleet and finance software, including responsibility for a Santander customer account and delivery team.

Officer Career

German Air Force | Cologne | 07/2005 – 06/2014

Held responsibility for the largest vehicle fleet of the German Air Force in Cologne.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Master of Science, Artificial Intelligence

IU Internationale Hochschule | Part-time, since 08/2023 | Expected completion: 12/2027

Master of Arts, Sales & Marketing

Hochschule Wismar | 09/2014 – 03/2017

Diplom-Wirtschaftsingenieur (Industrial Engineering and Management)

Helmut-Schmidt-Universität | 10/2006 – 04/2010

Certifications:

Advanced Certified Scrum Product Owner (A-CSPO), Professional Scrum Product Owner (PSPO I), Professional Scrum Master (PSM I), Project Manager (IHK), Certificate course Android App Developer (SGD)

Languages:

German (native), English (business fluent)