

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT | ENCRYPTION

Whether it's developing, designing, and implementing security measures, or the occasional pentest – I never get bored in my dual role as Head of Security and developer at Secomba GmbH. For me, it is important to create real added value for the security of our customers and our compa-

It was clear to me at the latest after my bachelor's degree that I wanted to specialize in IT security.

I then came to Secomba GmbH in 2012 through my thesis. I stayed there through my master's degree as a working student, then as a software developer and now as Head of Security. What impressed me back then, why I stuck with it, and what friends and acquaintances still envy me for today is the unique working atmosphere and the short communication channels at eye level – even towards me as a student at that time.

What fascinates me most about my work as a security manager is that you never stop learning, you have to stay on top of things, and you can see the entire development process from different perspectives: Be it through the eyes of the developer, the customer, or the attacker. Of course, the most fun is finding a well-disguised security problem, demonstrating it, and sending it to the eternal hunting grounds before the software is released. However, the most satisfying thing for me is to make our processes more secure in the long term and thereby improve the protection of data.

For me, success means putting up a wall for the attacker that the developer hardly notices as a nuisance in their everyday life. My dual role as Head of Security and developer gives me a unique perspective on things and allows me to design the best possible solutions.

I can recommend our company to anyone who wants to do more than just complete tasks; who wants to be an engine instead of a cogwheel. With us, you get responsibility early on – in a working atmosphere that is second to none.

Of course, I also have a life outside our company. There you can often find me in the fencing hall, where I am a coach in Passau. Or, of course, outdoors, having adventures with my wife and young daughter.

All the best,
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