

PEOPLE OF N26

Valentin Stalf

Founder & Chief Executive Officer



Valentin founded N26 in 2013 with his longtime friend Maximilian Tayenthal. Back then, both shared a vision of building a bank that the world loves to use. Today, he is the CEO leading the company that is redesigning banking for the 21st century.

A true entrepreneur at heart, Valentin has always been close to the startup community. Before N26, he was an Entrepreneur in Residence for Rocket Internet, an incubator and investor in online startups. There, he helped to develop several companies in the mobile payments industry, including payleven and Paymill GmbH.

His experience working in strategy consulting and investment banking, along with a passion for solving problems with technology, led him to found N26 and challenge an industry ripe for change. Additionally, Valentin is an investor and has supported a number of startups in Europe as well as venture capital funds. He advises different investors across the globe.

In addition to his professional experience, Valentin is a believer in digitalization and the role that education plays in creating our future. From 2018 to 2023, he has been an active member of the University Council of the Vienna University of Economics and Business.

Valentin has a bachelor's degree in business administration and management and a master's degree in accounting and finance from the University of St. Gallen.

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