

PR/110963 | Product Owner

Job Information

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Job ID
1623980

Industry
IT Consulting

Job Type
Permanent Full-time

Location
India

Salary
Negotiable, based on experience

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General Requirements

Minimum Experience Level
Over 10 years

Career Level
Mid Career

Minimum English Level
Business Level

Minimum Japanese Level
None

Minimum Education Level
Associate Degree/Diploma

Visa Status
No permission to work in Japan required

Job Description

Company Overview: Once of the Japanese company specializing into software component development.

Job Overview: Serve as the Product Owner for assigned commercial software products during a multi-year transition from an external development partner to the company. Work closely with Product Managers and Sales teams at global locations worldwide to translate product direction and customer needs into clear functional designs, user stories, acceptance criteria and executable release plans for the engineering team.

Job Responsibilities:

- **Functional Design & Backlog Ownership**:
    - Translate product direction, customer needs and commercial requirements provided by regional Product Managers and Sales teams into detailed functional designs, user stories, acceptance criteria and engineering-ready backlog items.

- Prioritize the product backlog in alignment with the relevant Product Managers, ensuring that requirements are clear, testable and feasible.
- Collaborate with architect, product lead and QA team to clarify expected behavior, workflows, edge cases, non-functional requirements and dependencies.

- **Release Planning & Delivery Coordination**:
  - Develop and maintain practical product release plans based on priorities agreed with regional Product Managers, engineering capacity, technical dependencies, quality requirements and customer commitments.
  - Coordinate release scope and readiness with engineering, QA, DevOps, Support and Sales teams, and communicate delivery risks, changes and dependencies to relevant stakeholders.
- **Regional Product & Commercial Collaboration**:
  - Act as the primary delivery-side counterpart for Product Managers and Sales teams across Japan, the US, Europe and other company locations.
  - Clarify customer use cases, functional expectations, commercial commitments and release requirements with regional stakeholders.
  - Provide Product Managers with engineering input on feasibility, dependencies, technical constraints and delivery trade-offs to support informed product decisions.
- **Transition & Knowledge Transfer**:
  - Lead and coordinate knowledge transfer (KT) across the entire product portfolio, overseeing the end-to-end KT process, including planning, scheduling, progress tracking, dependency management and status reporting to stakeholders.
  - Work with regional teams and the incumbent development partner to ensure structured transfer of product requirements, functional behavior, release processes and operational knowledge.
  - Define clear documentation, ownership and readiness criteria so company can progressively assume product development and maintenance responsibilities.

Job Requirements:

- 8+ years of experience as a Product Owner, Business Analyst, Technical Product Manager or similar role for commercial software products.
- Proven experience translating product direction, customer use cases and business requirements into functional designs, user stories, acceptance criteria and prioritized product backlogs.
- Strong experience working with Product Managers, Sales teams, engineering, UX and QA across distributed organizations.
- Experience planning and coordinating software releases, including release scope, dependencies, readiness, risk and stakeholder communication.
- Strong understanding of the software development lifecycle, Agile and Scrum practices, product quality, testing and release management.
- Ability to work effectively with senior engineers and discuss functional behavior, architecture, technical constraints, security, technical debt and delivery trade-offs.
- Practical experience with AI-assisted software development using tools such as OpenAI Codex or equivalent, with the ability to effectively leverage generative AI for code generation, debugging, refactoring, testing, documentation and code review.
- Strong analytical, facilitation, decision-making and written communication skills.
- Ability to communicate effectively in English with technical, sales and product stakeholders across distributed teams.

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