Stevica Kuharski

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EXPERIENCE

Fil Rouge Capital, Croatia — Partner

December 2018 - PRESENT

Selecting talented and prosperous teams that will be supported by VC investments. Nurturing the local ecosystem to grow new entrepreneurial stars. Total funding amount on FRC's disposal is 45 mil EUR. Participated in more than 140 investments.

Locodels, Croatia — CEO / founder

July 2015 - November 2019

HARD CASH EXIT TO CROATIAN POST

Co-founder and managing partner. Head of software development. Responsible for preparing the growth strategy in the EU market and opening new cities.

Intersat, Zagreb, Croatia — CTO

May 2014 - April 2015

Head of IT department and software development.

Habbits, Sofia, Bulgaria — Founder

December 2012 - December 2014

Investee of LAUNCHub, a to-do mobile app for kids.

IT4U, Zagreb, Croatia — Founder

November 2009 - April 2014

Development shop agency with 10 employees.

SKILLS

Exit strategy
Early stage investments
VC investments
Project management
Software development
Rapid prototyping
Startup mentoring
Business consulting
PR and marketing

AWARDS

Croatian Chamber of Commerce for Habbits, 2012

Pioneers of the Balkans, finalist with Locodels, 2015

Financial Times, Google New Europe 100 emerging technology stars, 2017

LANGUAGES

English, Croatian

ROTARY

Rotary Fellowship of Startup Investors - RING, chair 2022-2026

Rotary Club Zagreb Ilica, president 2024/2025

Omikron, Jastrebarsko, Croatia — Founder

February 2003 - PRESENT

Software development company, development of logistic and package delivery software for regional clients. Business consulting & mentoring.

Altos, Zagreb, Croatia — Head of IT

July 2002 - June 2004

Responsible for software development.

Centar MCS, Zagreb, Croatia — *developer*

November 1999 - June 2002

Software developer.

EDUCATION

International Visitors Leadership Program, USA

Scaling digital technology startups – invitation only program organized by the State Department

May 2015

Academy for political development, Zagreb, Croatia

Annual selection of top 20-25 young leaders that will lead Croatia in a future

February 2013 - November 2013

Peta gimnazija, Zagreb, Croatia — High school

September 1993 - June 1997

STARTUP ECOSYSTEM - SHORTLIST OF MENTORING EVENTS

Startup Camp, Croatia

Founded Startup Camp. Every year 15–18 teams are selected and mentored during the five days long program. The core of the program was prepared by Stevica Kuharski. Startup Camp is funded by the State Department and organized by StepRi, Rijeka. To date, more than \$4,000,000 USD has been invested into companies that participated in the program.

2012 - ...

ZIP / AlgebraLab, Croatia

Mentoring startups within ZIP's program.

Allianz Group, Europe

Invited by Allianz to a design thinking workshop to shape the future of financial tools.

February 2017