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Founder and product builder, working across mobile, web, and TON.

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PROFILE

Cyber Security and Computer Science graduate from Lancaster University, one of the UK's top-ranked universities. Most of what I do outside the degree is building and shipping products: over the last four years I have launched several apps and platforms across mobile, web, and the TON ecosystem, and a couple of them did real numbers. I write production TypeScript and Python every day, run small teams of contractors and contributors, and have raised money from angels for two of my ventures. I'm now focused on building and scaling real products full-time.

EDUCATION

BSc (Hons) Cyber Security and Computer Science

2023 – 2026

Lancaster University (UA92, Manchester) — ranked among the UK's top 10 and the world's top 100 universities.

- Graduated with an honours degree (BSc Hons), with consistently high marks across modules and the final-year dissertation.
- Final-year project: a Cisco Packet Tracer build for a multi-site enterprise network with IPsec VPN, ASA firewall, NAT and ACL hardening, plus a 71-page audit-style logbook.
- Modules include Networking Security, Secure Coding, Cyber Security and Risk, Software Design, Operating Systems, Information Systems, Human Elements of System Design, Front End Development, Back End Development.
- Hands-on lab work in penetration testing (Metasploit, Burp Suite), code review against the OWASP Top 10, and software optimisation.
- All teaching, assessment and dissertation work in English.

FOUNDER AND PRODUCT EXPERIENCE

ResQBox — Founder and Lead Engineer

Apr 2026 – Present

Food-waste marketplace for Chisinau, Moldova — resqbox.md

- A Too Good To Go-style platform for Moldova: restaurants, cafes, and small shops sell surprise boxes of unsold food at a heavy discount, users book through the app and pick up at a set time slot.
- Built the full mobile product on React Native and Expo for both iOS and Android: catalog, map view with clustering, booking and payment flow, partner cabinet, and the multi-step business application form.
- Backend on NestJS with Prisma and PostgreSQL, deployed on a hardened Hetzner box. Admin panel and landing page in Next.js. Localised in Romanian (primary) and Russian (secondary).
- Wired up MAIB eBanking via WebView for payments (Moldova's main domestic processor), Resend for email OTP auth, Expo Push for partner notifications, and a Telegram-only support channel since SMS in Moldova is unreliable.
- In final production hardening as of May 2026: end-to-end tests pass, domain and SSL configured, security review done. Soft-launching with a small group of pilot venues in central Chisinau.

Pingy — Founder and Technical Lead

2025 – Present

Home-services subscription marketplace for Tashkent — pingy.life

- Current version — Pingy Clean, a subscription-first home-cleaning marketplace for Tashkent (pingy.life): Expo and React Native for iOS and Android on a NestJS + Prisma + PostgreSQL backend, with pay-after-inspection escrow that removes the local cash-payment barrier. In final pre-release as the flagship of the Pingy ecosystem.
- Previous version — a verified task marketplace for the UK (pingy.co.uk): Next.js + TypeScript with PostgreSQL, wrapped into native iOS and Android with Capacitor. I built the identity-verification layer myself, integrating OneID for ID checks and GPT-4o Vision for document scanning, and reviewed every line of the auth and payments code before launch.
- Pitched at UA92 TechFest 3.0 with a £500k ask at £2.5m pre-money valuation, finishing third in the cohort.
- Presented at the UA92 Business Advisory Board showcase in April 2026.

CORE — Co-Founder and Technical Lead

2025 – Present

Cooperative gifting platform on TON / Telegram — corefond.com

- Designed the cooperative crafting pool mechanic: four-gift pools with fractional ownership splits and a rental-based revenue model. Modelled around a 92% expected pool success rate.
- Found and routed around a hard MTProto limitation where bots get a 7-day cooldown on crafting that doesn't apply to manual users. Built a coordination-only model and a Mini App WebView path as workarounds.
- Wrote the implementation specs and Cursor prompts for gift sharing, Stories integration, curator pools, and access filters.

NestDEX — Co-Founder

2023 – Present

TON trading terminal — nestdex.io

- Shipped the MVP in four months as a Python and JavaScript stack with liquidity aggregator integrations and an instant swap engine.
- Crossed 30,000 users in the first two months. Recognised as a top-tier trading tool in the TON ecosystem at the time.
- Personally fixed transaction-processing bottlenecks and swap routing edge cases that were costing the team trades.

FastGifterBot and Nest Store — Co-Founder

2024 – 2025

Two earlier ventures in the Telegram gifts market

- **FastGifterBot:** built the transaction architecture from scratch and unblocked a Telegram Stars withdrawal bug that other teams couldn't crack. Reached \$100k+ turnover and #1 in niche within the first month.
- **Nest Store:** a P2P gifts marketplace I built in roughly two days, design aside. Ran \$40–60k daily turnover and went top three by volume.

OTHER PROJECTS

Orbitor — Product Architect (concept stage)

2024 – 2025

Unified code, design, and deployment editor — orbitor.space

- Wrote a 30+ page technical specification including competitive teardowns of Cursor, Bolt, and v0, plus a 12-week build roadmap with API designs and algorithm specs in both Russian and English.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: TypeScript, JavaScript, Swift, Python, Java, C++, SQL, Bash, PHP

Frameworks and runtime: React, React Native (Expo), Next.js, NestJS, Node.js, Express, Capacitor

Data and infrastructure: PostgreSQL, Prisma, MySQL, REST APIs, Docker, Linux, basic Hetzner / VPS hardening

Domain experience: TON blockchain, Telegram Bot API, Mini Apps and MTProto, OWASP Top 10, AI-assisted development with Claude Code and Cursor

Product side: Spec writing, roadmap planning, investor pitching, bilingual technical documentation, fundraising conversations with angels and small VCs

LANGUAGES

- **Russian:** native
- **Uzbek:** native
- **English:** advanced (C1). Three years of full-time university study at Lancaster, all coursework, projects and dissertation in English.
- **German:** beginner.

ADDITIONAL

- Four years inside the TON and Telegram developer ecosystem. Comfortable with the Bot API, Mini Apps framework, and MTProto.
- Have managed product budgets up to roughly \$150k and raised funds from individual investors across multiple ventures.
- Used to working fast under pressure: shipped a full marketplace in two days, took a bot to #1 in its niche in under a month.
- Twelve years of competitive chess, three of those in FIDE training. Around sixty tournament certificates over the years, and a city third place.
- Graduated from a full seven-year music school on piano, with a third place in the city piano competition along the way.

- Four years of lawn tennis, played at a professional level. Padel, bouldering and snowboarding outside that.