## **MARIA PRINUS**

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Legal status: US citizen

Experienced Release Manager with over 15 years in SaaS and enterprise software, known for full release lifecycle ownership, strategic release coordination, and delivery of high-velocity, high-quality software. Proven ability to lead cross-functional collaboration between Product, Engineering, QA, and DevOps. Deep expertise in SDLC, CI/CD practices, and release automation. Skilled in risk mitigation, tooling optimization, and scaling processes in Agile environments. Developed and enforced rollback protocols to ensure release stability and incident readiness. Recognized for reducing rollbacks by 73% and improving release cadence across multiple product lines.

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES:**

Release Management, Release Cadence Planning, CI/CD & Automation, Agile/Scrum, Cross-functional Coordination, Risk Mitigation, Microservices Coordination, Communication Strategy, DevOps Partnership, SDLC Optimization, Tooling Improvement, Incident Readiness, Jira, GitHub, Python, Jenkins

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

### MongoDB

Remote | Jun 2023 - Feb 2025

# **Senior Release Manager**

- Managed the full release lifecycle for MongoDB server versions, coordinating across Server, Cloud,
   QA, and Support teams to ensure timely, stable, and compliant releases.
- Aligned release cadences with executive priorities and enterprise OKRs, delivering major versions (7.0, 8.0) and driving transparency through executive-level reporting and risk reviews.
- Defined and enforced CI/CD best practices across release workflows in partnership with DevOps, driving automation, consistency, and reliability across environments.
- Drove incident readiness by establishing rollback protocols, assessing pre-release risks, and collaborating on fast triage paths for production-impacting issues.
- Scaled team capabilities by mentoring engineers, leading onboarding for new release staff, and contributing to hiring and technical assessments.

#### **Evernote Corporation**

Redwood City, CA | Feb 2018 - Feb 2023

### Release Manager

- Led end-to-end release execution for desktop, mobile, and web products, implementing structured rollout strategies (Dogfooding → Beta → GA) to ensure stability and user confidence.
- Built and enforced release protocols including rollback procedures and risk triage cutting post-release issues and achieving a 73% reduction in rollbacks.
- Introduced quality and performance dashboards that elevated release SLO from 97% to 99.5%, enabling data-driven decision-making and continuous improvement.
- Delivered a 30% reduction in product turnaround time by spearheading automation and agile-driven process improvements across QA and release workflows.
- Coordinated release readiness across development, staging, and production environments, aligning engineering, QA, and product teams to prevent late-stage surprises.
- Managed a distributed QA team through eight release cycles and led Evernote's desktop accessibility initiatives, ensuring regulatory compliance and inclusive design.

- Standardized and enforced release documentation including release notes, deployment checklists, and rollback playbooks to ensure auditability and post-release support.
- Led post-release reviews and retrospectives, incorporating lessons learned into continuous improvement plans and future risk mitigation strategies.

# **EPAM Systems Inc.**

### SF Bay Area, CA | Jan 2014 - Feb 2018

## **Lead Software Engineer**

- Headed Global Assessment Committee and championed a training program to assist front-end departments in learning accessibility basics and best principles.
- Supervised, managed, and supported a team of senior-level software engineers, assuring work
  meets technical requirements and timely completion of projects for Goldman Sachs and Google.
- Continuously monitored project progress and made adjustments as needed to ensure successful completion.
- Designed an internal accessibility training program resulting in competence improvement of 70% across front-end departments.

### **EPAM Systems Inc.**

#### Minsk, Belarus | Jan 2011 - Feb 2014

## Senior Software Engineer

- Led a team of on-site and off-site developers to implement projects for international clients such as NBC Universal, Sephora, TUI, OVUM, and The Cools.
- Represented EPAM management in meetings with client teams.
- Became SME on best practices for the web development available. Collaborated with the UX design team to examine the existing projects to identify errors in markup, styles, and color schema.

#### **EDUCATION:**

#### M.S. in Computer Systems & Networks

Belarusian State University of Informatics and Radioelectronics - Minsk, Belarus

### **CERTIFICATIONS:**

Prompt Engineering for ChatGPT
 Coursera (Issued June 18, 2025) – <u>Certificate Link</u>

• Risk Management Professional (PMI-RMP®) Certification Course

Target Completion: August 2025

• Google Project Management Certificate

Target Completion: October 2025