

THIBAUT VARÈNE

Nationality: French

SKILLS

- Project management
- Public affairs
- European framework
- Financial analysis
- Business valuation
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Linux / embedded dev.
- CAD
- Bilingual

EXPERIENCE

- 2014-2015 **In-house R&D Engineer / ESIEE Paris (Graduate School of Electronic Engineering)**
(1 year) *One-year contract*
- 2012-2013 **Blue Book Trainee / Cabinet of Commissioner Michel Barnier, European Commission – Brussels**
(5 months) *Internal Market & Services – Demanding selection process (10,000 applicants, 600 positions, of which only 1 for each 27 cabinet)*
- Reported to the Head of Cabinet
 - Drafted briefing notes for the Commissioner (topics incl. regulations, economic and social affairs)
 - Assisted members of the Cabinet in their work (incl. meetings, document analysis and brainstorming)
- 2011-2012 **Co-founder, CTO/COO Role / Internet Service Start-Up (Stealth Mode)**
(1 year) *Multi revenue streams, user-generated content site*
- Generated informal, initial-stage financial and market analyses and defined product strategy
 - Coordinated product engineering milestones and implemented project management systems
 - Designed and developed complete, working software prototype
- 2009-2010 **In-house R&D Engineer / ESIEE Paris**
(2 years) *European projects related to Ambient Assisted Living technology – two-year contract*
- Performed resource management (incl. infrastructure setup and discretion over expenditures)
 - Supervised a five-intern team: goal-setting, technical training and mentoring
 - Authored a paper published in CISSE SCSS 2009 international conference's journal
- 2007-2008 **M&A Analyst / Leonardo & Co**
(16 months) *Boutique M&A advisory firm focusing on mid-cap and large-cap deals*
- Performed financial modelling (multi-criteria valuation incl. multiples, DCF, LBO model)
 - Authored prospective pitches in several sectors (incl. Utilities, Telecom, Media)
 - Carried through several execution mandates (e.g. advising Pardus / Valeo, Areva T&D / Convertteam)
 - Completed due-diligence, business plan audit in preparation of VC investment in a start-up company
- 2006 **M&A Intern / Rothschild & Cie**
(4 months) *Similar to a Business School Summer Associate program*
- Conducted sector research and preliminary valuation tasks
 - Authored pitches and presentations for different sectors (incl. Aerospace & Defense, Utilities, Retail)

EDUCATION

- 2005-2006 **ESSEC Business School – Paris – France / Advanced Master's in Financial Techniques**
Ranked worldwide 2nd best Masters in Finance by the Financial Times in 2013 (one-year program)
- Corporate Finance Track – AACSB Accredited
- 2000-2005 **ESIEE Engineering School – Paris – France / Master's Degree, Major in Computer Science**
One of France's top engineering schools focusing on electronics and computer science (five-year program)
- 4-year extracurricular school project in partnership with **HP US Labs**: porting Linux to the HP-PARISC system
Selected based on grades and abilities in 2nd year (positions normally reserved for senior students)
 - Final-year 6-month internship: **Thales-e-Transactions** – embedded software development (ARM Linux)

EXTRAS

- Languages Native **French**, excellent **English** (TOEFL 114/120 in Sept. 2015), basic **Japanese** and **Italian**
- Computers UNIX systems, open source environment; programming in C, Python, Perl
- Achievements Authored and published a photo book about Paris: www.blurb.com/b/2985849
Designed and produced an 8-bit USB audio interface: hacks.slashedirt.org/hw/exsid/
Restored pinball machines and published documentation: pinballs.slashedirt.org
Restored and transformed a small farmhouse in Normandy
- Associative Supervised lessons and projects at ESIEE from 2003 to 2006
Participated in the organization of ESIEE's annual Gala in 2002 and 2003 (5,000 attendants)
- Sports & Hobbies Skiing, climbing, team sailing, amateur photography, music making, ethology, literature, DIY