

Mario Mendonça

Full Stack Software Engineer | Tech Lead

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Full Stack Software Engineer and Tech Lead with over 5 years of experience building robust, scalable web and mobile applications. Skilled in Java, Spring Boot, Node.js, React, React Native, and TypeScript. Experienced in leading cross-functional engineering teams, mentoring developers, fostering engineering best practices, and designing architectures for high-traffic systems. Strong communicator with a track record of partnering with stakeholders to deliver both technical and business-driven results in startups and large-scale platforms.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Frameworks: Java, Spring Boot, Node.js, NestJS, JavaScript, TypeScript, React, React Native

Architecture & Infrastructure: Microservices, Micro Frontends, Kubernetes (k8s), RabbitMQ, CI/CD, REST APIs, AWS

Observability & DevOps: Logging, Monitoring, Distributed Tracing

Databases: PostgreSQL, OracleDB, MongoDB, Redis

Soft Skills: Technical Leadership, Developer Mentoring, Stakeholder Communication, Engineering Culture, Architecture Decision-Making

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Tech Lead / Full Stack Software Engineer – Livelo *Oct 2022 – Present*

Joined as a Mobile Developer and progressively promoted to Software Engineer and then Tech Lead, taking on increasing responsibility across mobile, backend, and frontend engineering.

- Currently leading a team of 5 engineers as Tech Lead of the Hotels vertical, one of Livelo's high-volume booking platforms, responsible for architecture decisions and long-term scalability.
- As Mobile Developer (React Native), co-built the full car rental flow in the Livelo app alongside two engineers, driving a 50% increase in car rental sales within months of launch.
- Deepened backend expertise across Java, Spring Boot, Node.js, NestJS, microservices, Kubernetes, CI/CD, RabbitMQ, logging and monitoring.
- Contributed to building new backend architectures that enabled partner integrations, expanding the product catalog to include flight tickets and car rentals.
- Led frontend modernization of the Hotels booking experience using Micro Frontends (React.js), improving developer autonomy and delivery speed.

Full Stack Developer – Gowdock *Apr 2021 – Sep 2022*

Joined an early-stage startup with broad responsibilities across product and engineering. Had direct exposure to investor discussions and product strategy, collaborating closely with founders.

- Developed web and mobile applications using React and React Native.
- Expanded into backend development with Node.js and Express, taking end-to-end ownership of features.

Frontend Developer – Seed a Bit (Junior Enterprise) *Jan 2020 – Mar 2021*

First professional experience in a university-based junior enterprise. Collaborated on multi-developer projects, learned Git workflows, contributed to an e-commerce platform, and developed institutional and corporate websites for clients.

PROJECTS

Co-Founder & Developer – FalaAgro *Jun 2021 – Jan 2023*

Agriculture-focused startup offering a mobile platform for posting news, events, and business opportunities in the agribusiness sector. Developed the full React Native app and the Node.js/Express/TypeORM/PostgreSQL backend from concept to production. First experience as a startup co-founder, gaining deep entrepreneurial and product ownership skills.

Personal Project – Zuno *Jan 2026 – Present*

Side project built in personal time to explore and integrate emerging technologies and AI tools. The platform helps people discover local sports events in Recife, Brazil. Built with a Java backend and React frontend, using a 'vibe coding' approach to experiment with modern development workflows.

MENTORING

Mentor – Porto Digital *May 2024*

Porto Digital is the largest urban open-technology park in Brazil. Served as a technical and strategic mentor for 6 squads (48–60 students total) in a city government–sponsored program, guiding university students building startups focused on environmental and climate challenges. Strengthened leadership, communication, and knowledge-sharing skills through hands-on, impact-driven mentoring.

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Degree in Software Architecture – FIAP, Brazil *In Progress*

Bachelor's Degree in Systems Analysis and Development – Uninassau, Brazil *2024*

LANGUAGES

Portuguese: Native **English:** Advanced (C1)