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EXPERIENCE

Founder, President & CEO

CashXChain  cashxchain.com

-  April 2025 – Ongoing
-  Rosenheim · Munich
- Founded and built CashXChain, a payment platform that lets businesses send, receive and convert money worldwide within seconds; **successfully went live on 1 October 2026** with business accounts and payments across the EEA, UK, US and Canada
 - Raised a **pre-seed round** on YC post-money SAFEs; currently preparing the Seed round
 - US expansion:** entered the US market through CashXChain Inc. (Delaware, New York) with a commission-based sales and integration partner model
 - Financial institution:** registered CashXChain Inc. with FinCEN (U.S. Department of the Treasury) as a Money Services Business and money transmitter, making it a financial institution under the U.S. Bank Secrecy Act (MSB Reg. No. 31000341178304)
 - Lead a team of **10+ people** across engineering, finance, sales and operations
 - Opened a **physical office at Stellwerk18 in Rosenheim**, a digital startup centre co-funded by the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs
 - Designed the API-first backend architecture (Rust, AWS), using stablecoins and smart contracts for cross-border payment flows
 - Secured IP protection with **1 patent application**, **5 registered utility models (DBGM)** and an **EU trade mark** application
 - Signed LOIs with a projected transaction volume of ca. **USD 50M**; partners include Sokin, Bridge (Stripe), Stripe, Coinbase, Interlace and Stablegate

Assistant to the Management & Product Manager

thermal DRONES GmbH  thermaldrones.de

-  June 2024 – July 2025
-  Greifswald
- Impact-driven tech startup focused on AI- and drone-based environmental innovation
 - Supported management in international production and supplier coordination, saving the company over 15k €
 - Gained hands-on exposure to the problems of cross-border payments, FX costs and settlement delays, which ultimately led me to found my own startup

PROJECTS

Theoretical Research: Information Paradox

Physics Plus Program

-  2024 – Ongoing
- Self-directed study of information preservation in black holes via the holographic principle, at the interface of General Relativity and Quantum Mechanics

STRENGTHS

- Leadership & Entrepreneurship
- Business DevelopmentResilience
- FundraisingRegulatory & Compliance
- Systems Architecture
- Theoretical Math & Physics
- AI/MLBlockchainFull-Stack
- PythonRustJavascript/Typescript

LANGUAGES

- German
- English
- French

EDUCATION

Startup School  startupschool.org

Y Combinator – Startup School (Online)

-  November 2025 – ongoing
- Participation in Y Combinator’s online Startup School curriculum. Educational program (non-batch, open admission), focused on company building and execution.