

# Curriculum Vitae **André Meyer**

## Personal Information

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## Employment

- **PhD student** 10/2015 – today  
Software Engineering and Architecture Lab (SEAL), University of Zurich in Zurich  
Focus: Personal Developer Analytics. Supervisor: Prof. Thomas Fritz.
- **Software Developer at MIT Innovation AG** 2009 - today  
MIT-GROUP company, Freienbach SZ & Schwyz in Switzerland  
Application Developer and Sales/GTM.
- **Intern at Microsoft Research** 11/2015 – 02/2016  
Supervisor: Thomas Zimmermann, ESE Group | Microsoft Research | Redmond, WA, USA  
Focus: Personal Developer Analytics, Building a meaningful Retrospection
- Teaching Assistant: Software Praktikum** 02/2015 – 07/2015  
Software Engineering and Architecture Lab (SEAL) | University of Zurich | Zurich
- Junior Research Assistant** 01/2013 – 10/2015  
Software Engineering and Architecture Lab (SEAL) | University of Zurich | Zurich  
Conducting studies and developing an approach to provide developers with a retrospective analysis of their work and productivity.
- Teaching Assistant: Informatik 1** 09/2013 – 12/2013  
Software Engineering and Architecture Lab (SEAL) | University of Zurich | Zurich
- André Meyer Consulting** 2000 – 2015  
Own company, started early; published a magazine 4 times a year over 5 years;  
several web-projects and web-platforms

## Education

### Msc. of Science in Informatics

01/2013 – 07/2015

University of Zurich in Zurich, finished with Summa cum Laude

Focus: Software Systems

Master Thesis: Personal Analytics, Two Studies on Developers' Perceptions of Productivity

### Bsc. of Science in Informatics

09/2009 – 01/2013

University of Zurich, Zurich, finished with Magna cum Laude

Focus: Software Systems

Bachelor Thesis: Happy Coder, Personal Analytics

### Matura

2005 – 2009

Kantonsschule Aussenschwyz in Pfäffikon SZ

Focus: Mathematics, Physics, Economics & Law

Matura Thesis: Medi-Alarm.ch - «Realisierung eines Programmier-Projektes»

## Languages

German (native tongue)

English (daily usage, fluently in writing and speaking, C1-C2)

French (rarely used, knowledge in writing and speaking, B1)

## About Me

I like to spend time with my girlfriend, family and friends, to do outdoor sports such as skiing, biking, jogging, swimming, hiking and climbing and to play the trumpet in an orchestra. Furthermore, I enjoy reading books, cooking delicious meals, taking photographs and watching movies.

I am very passionate about information and communication technology in general. I love working on cutting edge research and industrial projects: As a Ph.D. student and researcher, my interests lie in increasing software developers' productivity and on building tools to increase developers' awareness about their work. Also, I enjoy supervising students in their projects, theses, and courses. In my work as a software developer and co-founder of a startup, my interests lie in making people's lives easier with my software, and in experiencing first-hand how software developers work and how I can make them more efficient and happier in their work. I believe this is the perfect balance between working in academia and research.

# Noteworthy Papers & Projects

- **Retrospecting on Work and Productivity: Design and Evaluation of PersonalAnalytics** 2016  
Co-authors: Thomas Fritz, Gail C. Murphy, Thomas Zimmermann  
In submission for CHI'17.  
Based on studies done in Redmond (US), Vancouver (CA) and Switzerland (CH).
- **A Productive Workday in a Developer's Life** 2016  
Co-authors: Thomas Fritz, Gail C. Murphy, Thomas Zimmermann, Laura Barton  
In submission as a journal paper for TSE'16.  
Based on studies done in Redmond (US), Vancouver (CA), and Switzerland (CH).
- **Reducing Interruptions at Work: A Large-Scale Field Study of FocusLight** 2016  
Co-authors: Manuela Züger, Thomas Fritz, David Shepherd, Boyang, Li  
Work on Avoiding Interruptions at Inopportune Moments  
In submission for CHI'17.  
Collaboration with ABB Research, incl. studies in 12 different countries.
- **Software Developers' Perceptions of Productivity** (Paper, FSE'14) 2014  
Nominated for the "Distinguished Paper Award"  
Co-authors: Thomas Fritz, Gail C. Murphy, Thomas Zimmermann
- **Personal Analytics** (Master Thesis, UZH) 2014  
Two Studies on Developers' Perceptions of Productivity  
Incl. a three-week trip to Vancouver (CA) & Redmond (US) for the study
- **Picturex** (Secure photo-exchange services for B2C and B2B) 2014 - today
- **Information Fragments** (Master Project, UZH) 2013/2014
- **Happy Coder** (Bachelor Thesis, UZH) 2013
- **Challenges and Solutions in Distributed Software Development** (Seminary, UZH) 2011
- **TouchMountain** (Augmented Reality Windows Phone app, several awards) 2011 - today
- **Tagi-News** (inofficial Windows Phone & Windows 8 newsreader app, very successful) 2011
- **MeteoCheck.ch** (Swiss Windows Phone weather app, compare prediction with reality) 2010

## Awards & Certificates

- **Microsoft TUP Award** 2016  
Ph.D. Research Grant (10K US\$) following my internship at Microsoft Research
- **Finalist for the European AppCup 2015 Award** 2015  
One of the best B2C Apps in Europe. Won with the Picturex app.
- **Semester price for my Master's Thesis** 2014  
One of the 30 best master's thesis at the University of Zurich in the spring semester 2014.
- **ACM Sigsoft CAPS Travel Grant** 2014  
Provides financial assistance to attend SIGSOFT-sponsored conferences
- **Writing your Master's Thesis** - Science and Engineering C1-C2 2014  
University of Zurich and ETH Language Center
- **Lumia Geek 8-Week Technology Showcase Award** 2013  
App: TouchMountain for Windows Phone  
DemoBooth, Video-Interview, Presentation at the Mobile World Congress in Barcelona
- **Windows 8 App of the Year** (App: Tagi-News for Windows 8) 2013
- **Swisscom App of the Year Award** (App: TouchMountain for Windows Phone) 2012
- **Medi-Alarm.ch** (Matura Arbeit) with award 2009
- **FCE** – First Certificate in English 2008
- **DEL F** - Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française B1 2008
- **DEL F** - Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française A1 & A2 2007
- **ECDL Core & ECDL Advanced** - European Computer Driving License Advanced 2006

## Talks & Conferences

<b>Conference Experience Chair &amp; Student Volunteer</b> FSE 2016 Conference, Seattle, USA	11/2016
<b>Building a meaningful Retrospection</b> , Personal Developer Analytics. Presentation at Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA, USA	02/2016
<b>FocusLight – Streamlining Developer Interruptions.</b> Presentation at ABB prior to a roll-out of our FocusLight-project, Krakow, Poland	10/2015
<b>Microsoft Azure – A success story</b> Presentation about Microsoft Azure and Picturex at the ALSO webcast.	08/2015
<b>Microsoft Azure – A success story</b> Presentation about Microsoft Azure and Picturex at a Microsoft CH and ALSO event.	06/2015
<b>Picturex Pitch</b> at the European AppCup 2015 Pitching Picturex in front of a Jury after an extensive pitch training by Lars Sudmann.	03/2015
<b>Developers’ Perceptions of Productivity</b> (Paper Presentation) FSE 2014 Conference, Hong Kong, China	11/2014
<b>Student Volunteer</b> FSE 2014 Conference, Hong Kong, China	11/2014
<b>How startups can benefit from the cloud!</b> (Picturex App) Microsoft Switzerland and IFJ (Institute for Startups), Zurich	10/2014
<b>Information Fragments</b> (Master Project at the UZH) Adesso Innovation Snack, Department of Informatics, University of Zurich	05/2014
<b>Information Fragments</b> (Master Project at the UZH) Soft Talk, Department of Informatics, University of Zurich	05/2014
<b>Student Volunteer</b> Ubicomp 2013 and ISWC 2013, Zurich	09/2013
<b>TouchMountain - An Augmented Reality Windows Phone app</b> Nokia App Developer Conference, Mobile World Congress, Barcelona	02/2013
<b>Happy Coder – Personal Analytics</b> AS2013, Monte Verita Symposium, Ascona, Switzerland.	02/2013
<b>TouchMountain – Entwickeln einer App mit Augmented Reality</b> Adesso Innovation Snack, Department of Informatics, University of Zurich	11/2012

## References

References upon request.