MEHMET SEMIH BABACAN

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Software engineer with 3 years of experience and dual degrees in Computer Science & Industrial Engineering, building applications and scalable systems end to end. I ship full-stack products—from Python backends and agent workflows to Flutter apps and Next.js dashboards—with a focus on UX, performance, and delivery. As CEO of Solace Technology, I launched two AI-native products (smart home & B2B assistant), leading architecture, ML integration, and Go-To-Market. Previously contributed to MPC wallet and Central Bank's (CBDC) Digital Currency in TÜBİTAK, and real-time ML pipelines in R&D programs. Now seeking a high-impact software engineering role to build, ship, and scale.

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

B.Sc. Industrial Engineering, Yildiz Technical University — GPA: 3.32

2018-2024

B.Sc. Computer Science (Double Major), Yildiz Technical University — GPA: 3.05

2020-2024

Publication: Beyond Synthetic Benchmarks: Assessing Recent LLMs for Code Generation

WORK EXPERIENCE

CEO / Co-Founder

Solace Technology Incorporated

Nov. 2023 - Aug. 2025

Istanbul, Turkey

- Launched two AI products—Ensi (smart home) and EMA (B2B assistant)—leading full-stack development across mobile, web, and backend systems.
- Built Python/FastAPI backends with WebSockets to power agentic flows and LLM orchestration using LangChain, LangGraph, and RAG.
- Deployed CI/CD with GitHub Actions and Docker, and configured Nginx proxies and pipelines for automated, scalable releases.
- Delivered real-time pipelines for business logic, STT/TTS agents, and integrated GenAI APIs over WebSocket communication layers.
- Created internal tools and dashboards in Next.js; managed data infrastructure; Firebase, SQLite, PostgreSQL, and Supabase.
- Raised \$250K, secured TÜBİTAK 1507 grant, joined Bilişim Vadisi, and operated with a lean \$200K budget.
- Pivoted from hardware to SaaS through user discovery, prototyping, and feedback-driven iteration loops.
- Scaled team from 4 to 8 by hiring across engineering and AI, and enforced execution with reviews.
- Drove GTM and brand strategy—including positioning, launch campaigns, demos—and handled operations, legal, and investor relations.

Part-Time Researcher

Aug. 2023 - Dec. 2023

Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)

Kocaeli, Turkey

- Built a secure cross-platform MPC Wallet in Flutter+Go to eliminate single-key custody risk.
- Contributed to a Go crypto library and simulated adversarial attacks to test protocol resilience.

STAR Presidential Research Intern

Jan. 2022 - Jul. 2022

Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK BILGEM)

Gebze, Turkey

- Built CBDC smart contracts with Hyperledger Fabric, Solidity, and TypeScript for the Central Bank.
- Developed and deployed a regulated NFT prototype to test digital asset flows internally.

Istanbul & Kocaeli, Turkey

- Torun Metal (ERP Intern) Supported SAP MM/PP rollout by gathering shop-floor data, generating live KPI dashboards (throughput, availability), and assisting inventory analysis using SQL/Excel.
- Baykar Defense / Cezeri AI (Project Management Intern) Benchmarked CI/CD tools, built containerized pipelines, and proposed a DevOps roadmap including early-stage static analysis and deployment KPIs.
- KGM Heavy Machinery (Production Intern) Conducted time studies, lean layout improvements, and REBA/RULA ergonomic assessments, delivering a factory report with OEE and resource planning insights.

UNIVERSITY CLUB & VOLUNTARY WORK

Deep Learning Engineer, Autonomous Systems Club Yildiz Technical University

Nov. 2020 – Aug. 2021

Istanbul, Turkey

- Boosted detection pipeline throughput (YOLOv4 → TensorRT/TKDNN) from 36 to 140 FPS.
- Led dataset ops and launched Tableau reviews to ensure labeling and evaluation quality.

Rising Star Scholar, Turkish Technology Team Foundation Istanbul, Turkey

Feb. 2021 - Nov. 2022

- Built a desktop evaluation system and visualized 600K+ records to aid the human resources operations.
- Mentored across AI, software, and entrepreneurship; supported TEKNOFEST operations.

TECHNICAL SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

GenAI / Agents Cursor, Windsurf, LangChain, n8n, OpenAI, Claude
Backend Python, FastAPI, Node.js, REST, Firebase, Supabase

DevOps & InfrastructureDocker, GitHub Actions, CI/CD, GCP, NginxFrontendReact, Next.js, Flutter, Sanity CMS, HTML/CSS

Mobile / Desktop Apps Flutter, React Native, PyQt, C++ Qt

Machine LearningPyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, XGBoostData & VisualizationPandas, Polars, NumPy, Matplotlib, Tableau

Blockchain Solidity, Circom, Remix IDE, Go

Dev Tools & Databases Vim, VS Code, Copilot, PostgreSQL, MongoDB

Soft Skills & Competencies: Analysis, Agility, Problem Solving, Leadership, Systems Thinking, Tech Trends, Code Quality, UX Empathy, Drive, Optimization, Mentoring, Languages.

CERTIFICATES

Google Project Management Specialization; Game & App Dev Academy (Entrepreneur-

ship & Mobile Dev)

Deep Learning Specialization

Codecademy

R, Python, Data Visualization, Data Analysis

Mennan Şahin (TRT)

Diction & Effective Speaking in Turkish

LANGUAGES

English (Full Professional)

Turkish (Native)

Spanish (Intermediate)