

Friso Kater

Entrepreneur and industrial designer



“Our greatest freedom is the freedom to choose our attitude”

- Victor Frankl

23-year-old, entrepreneurial-minded and self-motivated person who has the ambition and drive to develop products and services, to optimise processes, and is motivated to come up with innovative strategies.

Key qualities

Innovative

Creative

Proactive

Analytical

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EDUCATION

2020 - 2021

MSc Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Lund University (SE)

2017 - 2019

Honours Programme Industrial Design Engineering

University of Delft (NL)

2016 - 2019

BSc Industrial Design Engineering

University of Delft (NL)

08/2018 - 02/2019

Minor internship | Strand NL Interior Architecture

Utrecht (NL)

2010 - 2016

Pre-university education

Pieter Zandt | Kampen (NL)

WORK EXPERIENCE

10/2021 - present

COO & Co-founder

Glenntex AB | Gothenburg (SE)

As COO of Glenntex I am working with deep technology to achieve sustainability and disrupt the plastic industry. I am responsible for the daily operations involving scaling up production and new partnerships/ projects.

11/2019 - present

Founder

McCate & Company | Baarn (NL)

As entrepreneur, and founder of McCate & Company I am working together with internationally renowned companies, such as Royal DSM, VDL Groep and PreZero, and public organisations to achieve sustainable innovation. Our most recent project is ReCover, which is about (co-) creating a circular business model for facemasks in the healthcare sector.

05/2020 - 08/2020

Bicycle assembler

Stella | Nunspeet (NL)

Due to the impact of the pandemic on the job market, and my ambition to study abroad and continue working on my own business I was forced to seek job opportunities outside of my comfort zone. This job taught me how to work efficiently; to find a balance between quality and quantity.

11/2019 - 12/2019

Design intern

Lorenz & Company | Grand Rapids (USA)

At this architecture firm I gained my first international work experience. Moreover, I created a business model including a financial projection for the company's new business strategy.

02/2019 - 11/2019

Junior industrial designer and project coordinator

Droomstarters - VolkerRail | Vianen (NL)

As a student I was involved in creating an innovative startup within an established business. My role was especially translating the concept into communicative sketches. As an undergraduate I coordinated a tender and created the project schedule.

04/2018 - 10/2019

Student assistant Bachelor evaluation

Faculty of Industrial Design Engineering TU Delft | Delft (NL)

As a student assistant, I was responsible for the evaluation of the Bachelor courses. This role involved clear communication with students and teachers and required a high degree of accuracy in working.

07/2017 - 08/2018

Driver

Easyway | Breda (NL)

In this role I was responsible for moving cars from businesses to their customers. This job trained me to independently create solutions for unexpected situations. Additionally, I learned to manage the flexibility that this job required.

09/2016 - 07/2017

Night agent

Hotel Royal Bridges | Delft (NL)

As a night agent I learned to work solution-oriented at unusual business hours. Working in this role, I was exposed to unusual situations that required immediate action and solutions. These experiences taught me how to work focused at any time.

06/2012 - 08/2016

Sales person

Fa. A. Boer & Zn. | Kampen (NL)

At Fa. A. Boer & Zn. I primarily worked at the angling department. This job trained me in understanding the customer's demands quickly and delivering all services in a customer-friendly manner. Moreover, this job taught me to always think solution-oriented.