

Nicolae Nicolaev

SENIOR JAVA DEVELOPER

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PROFILE

Senior Java Developer with 6+ years of experience building banking and fintech software. Progressed from intern to senior engineer and development lead, combining hands-on delivery with community leadership, mentoring, internship coordination, technical interviewing, and people management. Currently developing modern banking systems at MAIB while independently building native macOS products.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Java Developer

JAN 2026 - PRESENT

MAIB | Chisinau, Moldova | Moldova's largest bank

- + Develop modern banking software with Java 25 and Spring Boot.
- + Apply hexagonal architecture across business logic, infrastructure, and external integrations.
- + Work with Kubernetes, RabbitMQ, PACT, jOOQ, Grafana, OPA, OData, and Azure DevOps.

Senior Java Developer / Development Lead

FEB 2020 - JAN 2026

Endava | Chisinau, Moldova | Major banking and fintech client

- + Progressed from intern to Senior Java Developer through expanding delivery and leadership scope.
- + Served as development lead for two years while remaining active in software delivery.
- + Coordinated several Java internship editions and led an internal Java community of about 150 people.
- + Managed and supported approximately 20 developers through feedback and development planning.
- + Conducted technical interviews and contributed to engineering hiring decisions.
- + Delivered with Java 8-17, Spring Boot, Apache Camel, RabbitMQ, IBM MQ, PostgreSQL, and Git; also worked with Erlang 17-22 for approximately 18 months.

CORE SKILLS

JAVA

Java 8-25, Spring, Spring Boot, Apache Camel, jOOQ

ARCHITECTURE

Hexagonal architecture, distributed systems, integration design

DATA + MESSAGING

RabbitMQ, IBM MQ, PostgreSQL, PACT

DELIVERY

Kubernetes, Azure DevOps, Grafana, Git

LEADERSHIP

Development leadership, people management, mentoring, interviewing

ADDITIONAL

Erlang, Swift, SwiftUI, TypeScript, applied AI

INDEPENDENT PRODUCTS

Oktoshot

Released native local-first code screenshot studio for macOS.

Remember This

Private screen-memory utility with on-device OCR and optional AI-powered recall.

EDUCATION

Technical University of Moldova

Bachelor in Automatics and Informatics, 2016-2020

SPEAKING

Java's JIT Mechanism

JVM Talk Conference, Moldova - May 2026

LANGUAGES

Romanian	Native
English	Advanced
Russian	Advanced

LEADERSHIP IMPACT

2 YEARS

Development lead while remaining hands-on

~150 PEOPLE

Java community leadership across Endava

~20 DEVELOPERS

Direct management and development support

SEVERAL EDITIONS

Java internship program coordination