

# SAHIL UDDIN

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Eight years across policy, technology, and finance with credentials in political science, economics and a diploma from Harvard Business School. I started as a risk officer in financial services, moved into UN economic policy, then co-founded a crypto venture platform where I ran product, engineering, legal, and fundraising.

I've recently built Glide, a UK ride-hailing company, and handed day-to-day running to my co-founder. Now focused on AI and software engineering, comfortable setting up AI development environments and building across frontend, backend and Python, with a foundation in machine learning and neural networks.

## EXPERIENCE

### Sabbatical | Independent Work

2025 – Present

- Built Glide, a bid-based ride-hailing platform for the UK market, end to end.
- Self-studying software engineering and AI through The Odin Project and DeepLearning.AI.

### Founder | ukiyo Labs

2021 – 2024

*Crypto-native venture platform for permissionless global investment in private companies. Built, angel funded, exited.*

- Product & design:** owned the brand and visual identity, designed the app and website UX & UI end to end, and led art direction through to launch.
- Tech:** led product architecture and coordinated Ethereum smart-contract development; carried out fieldwork at DappCon Berlin and ETHDenver.
- Capital & community:** raised \$100K pre-seed, ran the Telegram community, and built business relationships with Hashed VC, Placeholder, Volt Capital, and Dapper Labs.
- Legal & treasury:** structured a first-of-its-kind Cayman Islands Segregated Portfolio Company for on-chain Venture Capital; designed tokenomics and treasury mechanics.
- Writing:** authored a 55-page technical whitepaper, the GitBook documentation, and the full pitch narrative.

### Technical Contributor | Story Protocol

2023 – 2025

*Blockchain based infrastructure for registering licensing and tracing intellectual property. Previously known as Story Foundation, now focused on becoming the trust and provenance layer for AI training data.*

- Developed an early decentralised marketplace concept for intellectual property following a hackathon, covering patents, character IP, music rights and scientific discoveries. Blueprinted IP monetisation mechanisms, including IPSwap, that contributed to the development of ip.world, now a core ecosystem product.

### Economic Affairs Consultant | United Nations ESCAP

2019 – 2020

- Co-authored the Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2020, the flagship regional publication on low-carbon economic transition, under Sweta Saxena (IMF / UNESCAP).
- Produced MPFD Policy Brief 105 on ESG standards and sustainable finance for Asia-Pacific financial systems.
- Facilitated multi-ministry stakeholder workshops and coordinated data and policy framing for publication-ready deliverables.

### Risk & Compliance Officer | Linear Investments

2017 – 2019

*FCA-regulated prime brokerage serving hedge funds and family offices.*

- Cut client onboarding from 4 weeks to 1–2 weeks through a KYC process redesign.
- Reduced trade-surveillance alerts by 70% via system calibration and trade-level analysis.
- Ran independent risk reviews across governance, financial crime, outsourcing, and record-keeping; remediation secured FCA clearance post-fine.

### Earlier

- Journalist, [Sky News](#) (2017): led a 3-person crew on live UK election coverage of marginal seats (Swansea & Gower).
- Research Assistant, [Swansea Council](#) (2012–2014): local economic profiling, data collection, and labour-market reporting.

## EDUCATION

**London School of Economics** — MSc International Political Economy

2017 – 2018

**Birkbeck, University of London** — BA Politics & International Relations

2014 – 2017

**Harvard Business School (HBX)** — CORE Diploma (Data Analytics, Economics, Accounting)

2020 – 2021

## SKILLS

**Analytical & commercial:** Financial analysis and modelling, statistics and econometrics, financial accounting, economics, data analytics, Excel, report writing, investor relations, stakeholder management.

**Hard skills:** Python, JavaScript, React, Node.js, Solidity, HTML/CSS, Git, APIs, Firebase/Supabase, Vercel, smart contracts.

**AI/ML:** AI/ML fundamentals, prompt engineering, RAG and agentic workflows.

## SELECTED NETWORK & REFERENCES

Sweta Saxena (IMF / UN) · Jun Park (Hashed VC) · Roham Gharegozlou (Dapper Labs) · Shaun Maguire (Sequoia) · Jyoti Bisbey (The World Bank) · Oli Strong (Magma)