Lio Benz

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German citizen, 26 years old, pronouns: they/them/their

Key Skills

- Concept, design and prototyping of graphical and tangible user interfaces with attention to ethical aspects
- Human-AI-Interaction with focus on user privacy and trust
- Design and data visualization for healthcare and science

Work Experience

Jun 17 - Aug 17	Research Intern at **Microsoft Research Cambridge**
Apr 16 - Jan 17	User Experience Design Intern at **Google Munich**
Oct 15 - Mar 16	Student Assistant at **HPI School Of Design Thinking**
Jan 14 - Oct 15	Part-time work at **W.O.M. World Of Medicine GmbH** *Designing touch interfaces of equipment for Minimally Invasive Surgery*

Education

2011 - 2017	**B.A. in Interface Design** from FH Potsdam University of Applied Sciences (1.1/equivalent to first class honours)

Achievements

2015 - 2017	**Scholarship** from the German National Academic Foundation *(Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes)*
2016	**Best Student Project** for “Inclusive Maps” at Visualizing Cities Competition *in proceedings of Habitat III UN conference in Quito*
2015	**First prize** at German qualifier of "International Space Apps Challenge“ by **NASA**
2014	**First prize** at the "Superfly Hacker Weekend" by **Lufhansa**
2014	**First prize** at "The OTHER Hackathon" by **SAP**.

Language Skills

German (native), English (fluent), some French (B2) and Spanish (A2)

Tools

Adobe Creative Suite, Sketch, user research and testing, various digital prototyping tools, paper prototyping, HTML & CSS, basic JavaScript

Additional Skills

- championing intersectional and diverse thinking in design/in the workplace
- educating on discrimination based on gender identity and unconscious bias