STARTING A PROFITABLE

FREELANCING

BUSINESS

(DISCOVER VALIDATED REMOTE JOBS YOU CAN BANK ON)

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A bit about me

I'm Chichi Uchendu, the founder of Dynamics Virtual Assistant (Dvirtualassistant), a Company that helps the Coaches, Consultants, Online Creators and B2B businesses run their various communication channels flawlessly. This includes Email Marketing, Social Media Management, Content Marketing, Copywriting and Webinar Sales Funnels.

I started my side business as a passion few years and today, it's my major source of income! I love remote jobs because nobody cares what you look like, who you are, where you are (…remember this song right?) as long as you can deliver with your skills, you will get paid from people all over the world! This is mind-blowing.

What is Freelance Work?

Freelance work is a professional work or service provided by a person or agency individually and independently without being committed as an employee. A Freelance worker is a self-employed professional service provider who remotely provides various services like Social Media Management services, Data Entry, Inbox Management, Content Writing, Graphic design, writing, Video production, Music, translating, etc.

Should you Sign Up for multiple Freelancing sites?

Yes, you can sign up for multiple freelancing sites to get more opportunities. However, this will also result in handling multiple accounts, managing bids, communicating with multiple clients, solving current queries, managing deadlines, and more time managing stuff. If you can manage all this stuff together, then you are good to go.

Starting a Profitable Freelance Business

Starting your Freelancing business requires 2 phases. ***The Planning Phase and the Startup Phase.*** *Let's start with the Planning Phase*

PLANNING STAGE

An hour you spend planning now can save you days of headaches later.

1. Choose a Niche

If your goal is to start freelancing, you might feel ready to take ANY paid work on Fiverr or Upwork you can get your hands on. But as you get deeper into your freelancing career, you'll need to start being more strategic about the types of work you do and the clients you take on.

2. Define Your Services and Pricing

Now that you're done determining your future area of expertise, it's time for the next step: putting together your service offer.

That means you'll need to start outlining the services that you'd be providing, at what cost, and under what kind of pricing model.

3. Define What Your Ideal Client Looks Like

Before you can go out and start looking for clients, you'll need to develop a clear picture of who you're going to work best with.

To define exactly who your ideal freelance clients should be (and how to start finding them), ask yourself these questions:

What type of business has the problems I'm solving with my services?

Can the business I want to work with afford to hire me?

What demographic trends can I identify about the decision makers in the types of businesses I'm targeting? Think: age, gender, geographic location, websites they frequent, and their personal interests.

4. Start Working on Your Personal Branding

Before launching yourself onto the world, I would recommend creating for yourself an extensive social media platform and a portfolio website. Your portfolio will of course be limited at first, but there's nothing wrong with doing demo pieces if you don't really have any client work to show off yet.

As a freelancer, you're both your own boss and your own employee. And that means both flexibility and responsibility. Your clients aren't just looking for the cheapest, fastest, or best – they're looking for someone they can do business with.

5. Treat Freelancing Like Your Job, Until It Is.

Freelancing requires you to view it as a business and, just like a 9 to 5, you have to log those office hours to get the job done. If dressing up in business attire at home is what it takes, then do it.

For me, a dedicated office space that is entirely separate is essential.

6. Find Your First Clients

Once you get into the rhythm of getting work done, it's time to find your own clients. They won't come knocking your door down, you have to find them. Remember that ideal clients list you made earlier? Find it. Research organizations that fit these criteria.

Start reaching out, cold emailing and pitching.

7. Be Professional

Be professional in all things. You're human, and you deserve to have fun, but when your client comes to you, they expect you to be professional, even more so if your client is a company.

8. Keep Your Deadlines

Keep your word with your clients on when you will have the project to them and update them periodically about the process. You're allowed to ask for more time if you need it, but don't do this often.

PS – If you want to start or learn Soft Tech Skills that doesn't require coding, **CLICK** http://selar.co/x6g9 (put this link inside **HERE** to get started!

Remote Jobs That You Can Bank On

General Freelance Platforms

9. College Recruiter Link:

Best for college students and recent graduates to find internships as well as part-time, seasonal, and entry-level jobs. https://www.collegerecruiter.com/

10. Freelancer

Similar to Upwork, it's a virtual marketplace for freelancers to offer their services to buyers in categories that range from IT and web designing to writing, SEO, data entry, accounting, and jobs in the law industry. https://www.freelancer.com/

11. ServiceScape

ServiceScape is a global marketplace, oriented towards editing, translating, graphic design and writing jobs. https://www.servicescape.com/

12. Toptal

Marketed as a place to find the top 3% freelance talents, they have a rigurous screening process. Toptal is a network for freelancer finance experts, product managers, etc. You can easily find jobs from numerous industries like healthcare, e-commerce, banking, and more. Applicants to Topal site is tested and vetted before they applied for the job. https://www.toptal.com/

13. SimplyHired

Since the job search engine doesn't charge for job posting, and freelancers can simply upload a resume to get the profile up and running, the site is a good place to start. It also offers great resources for job seekers, with guides on resume writing, cover letter writing etc. https://www.simplyhired.com/

14. PeoplePerHour

PPH offers access to freelancers worldwide, as well as workers in a specific area. On this site, you will find both online as well as on-site freelancing gigs and jobs are either fixed price or hourly type. https://www.peopleperhour.com/

15. Craigslist

Known for the sales part, Craigslist also has a fairly good job posting section. Due to its location-specific listing feature, it is possible to find on-site freelancing jobs through Craigslist. https://craigslist.org/

16. Pangian

Remote jobs site with free and premium listings. They offer full or part-time remote work. https://pangian.com/

17. Upwork

Large freelance marketplace, with over 18 million freelancers and 5 million clients listing around 3 million freelance jobs each year. www.upwork.com

18. Truelancer

It offers freelance jobs online for beginners, work from home jobs, virtual assistance jobs, marketing trainer, and more. You can easily earn money by doing jobs on Truelancer. You can access it from a browser, Android, and iPhone device. Link: https://www.truelancer.com/

19. We work remotely

People or companies that want to post a job have to spend a fixed price of $299 to list on We Work Remotely, which acts as a screening process and weeds out a lot of low-quality job leads. You don't have to create a profile all you need to do is click on a job link and be brought straight there. https://weworkremotely.com/

20. FlexJobs

On this platform you can find not only freelance, but also flexible jobs - it's a place for remote, freelance, part time, and flexible schedules. www.flexjobs.com

21. AngelList

Working with startups can be exciting and AngelList connects freelancers with these up-and-coming businesses. https://angel.co/

22. Fiverr

An online marketplace for freelance services (gigs) - where sellers have the option to offer all sorts of digital tasks and services to clients starting from $5. https://www.fiverr.com/

23. SolidGigs

Their tream looks through various job boards and email a list of jobs for you to apply to based on a set of criteria, weekly. They also offer a resource library with courses, interviews, templates, scripts and other tools designed to help you get started on your freelance journey. https://solidgigs.com/

24. Guru

Good for freelancers in various areas of expertise, skill levels, and backgrounds. https://www.guru.com//

25. CloudPeeps

The platform focuses on marketing, social media, and general copywriting jobs. There is an application process to be able to join the platform, which helps insure that the skills match the client's needs. https://www.cloudpeeps.com/

26. Indeed

One of the most all-inclusive job posting board. You can find contract positions, work-at-home. https://www.indeed.com/

Writers Platforms

Transitions Abroad

27. Transitions abroad want articles on:

Working abroadliving abroadvolunteering abroadstudying and student travel abroadcultural travelcountry guides. Link : https://www.transitionsabroad.com/information/writers/writers.shtml

28. Contena

A large number of work from home options, gathered together from multiple sources. They also offer online training to help build your freelance writing business. https://www.contena.co

29. Freelancewritinggigs

A job board for freelance writing jobs. https://www.freelancewritinggigs.com/

30. Blogging Pro

Job board updated daily, for blogging and freelance writing jobs. http://www.bloggingpro.com/jobs/

31. Freelance Writing

Writers can sign up to Freelance Writing's writing platform to access high-paying writing jobs. They are vetted before being accepted, which ensures there is a match between client and freelancer in terms of writing style and skills. https://www.freelancewriting.com/

32. ProBlogger

Apart from the helpful advice for the freelance writers, the platform also hosts a job board where you can find a writing job, without a subscription fee. https://problogger.com/

33. JournalismJobs.com

Journalism and media job listings for online media, newspapers, tv, radio, magazines, nonprofits, and academia. They offer full-time and part-time work, but also have a Freelance section. https://www.journalismjobs.com/

34. Freelance Writing

A hub for both businesses to hire top quality writers, and freelance writers to make more money writing. They offer

freelance jobs, news, advice, inspiration, and videos to help writers improve. https://www.freelancewriting.com/jobs/

35. PubLoft

With Publoft, writers can focus on just writing the posts. Everything elseis handled by Publoft, so the writer doesn't need to manage the client relationships. https://publoft.com/

36. All Indie Writers

All Freelance Writing is a collection of resources, advice, and tips for aspiring freelance writers. It also has a jobs section, and their layout makes it easy to compare the available projects by the client's budget. While the site offers some premium features and products, the vast majority of resources here are free. https://allfreelancewriting.com/freelance-writing-jobs/

37. Freedom With Writing

You can submit to write for them, but you'll need to come up with a pretty good idea to pitch. http://www.freedomwithwriting.com

38. Media Bistro

Media Bistro has a nice variety of categories, which includes writing and editing. Their curated list features everything from book editing to PR content, so you're sure to find a few things that fit your niche. https://www.mediabistro.com/jobs/

39. Due

For those that are interested in technical writing, this platform has a guest post section. They're looking for longform and well-researched posts. https://due.com/

40. Contently

There are 2 types of opportunities on Contently - writing for their clients, and writing directly for Contently. It also has a good list of clients and it's a good showcase of your portfolio. https://contently.com

41. Textbroker

It's a market to shop for and sell your copywriting services. https://www.textbroker.com/

42. Designhill

In Designhill, those hiring can create a project contest or can seek out a freelancer's services through a search box. Offering jobs for graphic designers, web designers, or those pursuing other types of design, they also have the possibility for designers to create their own products, have them printed, and sell them in their online shop. https://www.designhill.com/

43. Behance

Behance is one of the most used platforms when seeking creative inspiration. Due to the positive exposure, oftentimes clients send job invitations or offers based on the designers' portfolios. Behance also offers a jobs sections, which has quite a few leads for quality freelance work. https://www.behance.net/

44. Dribbble

Having a profile on Dribbble is a must-have you're trying to get started as a designer. Dribble has a lot of traffic and a large number of clients looking for talented designers. Web developers, graphic designers, and others with design-related

skill sets have a high chance of finding their next freelance gig. https://dribbble.com/

45. DesignCrowd

DesignCrowd is a global online marketplace for logo design, graphic design and web design. It's a comprehensive freelance marketplace with a wide variety of job listings. https://www.designcrowd.com

46. 99designs

99designs connects clients with web and graphic designers, that can create any type of design like logos, web designs, illustrations and many more. It has an intuitive design posting process, which ensures that the requirements are clear. https://99designs.com/

47. Working Not Working

Working Not Working connects creatives in a variety of industries (such as writers, editors, designers, illustrators, developers etc) with companies that want to hire them. The job board and the type of clients posting jobs are really good and because of the vetting process it's helpful for recruiters. https://workingnotworking.com/

48. Art Wanted

More of a design portfolio for graphic designers or digital illustrators, Art Wanted offers the potential to showcase your work and connect with clients. http://www.artwanted.com/

49. Design Crowd

Similar to 99Designs, this is a marketplace, providing logo, website, print and graphic design services. It's a smaller platform. Clients can hold a design competition where designers submit entries or they can pick a designer to work with. https://www.designcrowd.com/

50. YunoJuno

YunoJuno matches UK's creative professionals with freelance jobs, whether on site or remote. It's free for freelancers, but they have an application process, that requires references. https://www.yunojuno.com/

51. Envato Studio

The marketplace only accepts professional freelancers that already have a good background. If you're a designer, developer or other type of digital talent, you can try and see if you can get your next project there. https://studio.envato.com/

52. Coroflot

The advantage of Coroflot is that they match freelancers with their clients' projects, based on their portfolio. http://www.coroflot.com/design-jobs

53. OnSite

OnSite is an invite only platform, that helps clients find qualified, available talent through instant job matching or instant searches. https://onsite.io/

54. SmashingMagazine

A job board for developers and designers - although you will need to take the time to sort through the postings, there are quite a few great jobs and lots of useful. https://jobs.smashingmagazine.com/freelance

55. CrowdSPRING

From logo to web design, to custom business names, this platform is especially geared towards designers and creatives. It's free to sign up and it has an easy sign up process. https://www.crowdspring.com/

56. 48hourslogo

48hourslogo is a freelancer marketplace that guarantees clients to get any custom logo designed within 48 hours. It's a small platform with a small number of freelancers, so it might be a good place to start if you're new to Logo design. https://www.48hourslogo.com/

57. The Creative Loft

Premium job listing website for jobseekers and professionals of creative industries. https://photography.thecreativeloft.com/

58. Creative Jobs Central

With the paid premium membership, they have over a thousand actively posting companies. It's free to join and you can search through their offering before committing to a premium. https://www.creativejobscentral.com/

59. Talentwwinc

Do you want to work somewhere that you can make a difference and assist people in reaching their professional goals? They hire motivated individuals to help them create a better landscape for job seekers everywhere.

https://talentwwinc.applytojob.com/apply/

60. BDG

The Force Redefining Modern Media. Each month, the brands reach over 110 million readers and 105 million across social platforms. https://jobs.lever.co/BDG/

61. SexualAlpha

Are You A Research-Based Writer Looking For A Stable Gig?Join and Use Your Skills To Become A Trusted Advisor In The Sex Lives Of Thousands Of People. https://sexualalpha.com/get-paid-to-write-for-us/

62. Rockcontent

They're looking for highly motivated, unconventional thinkers to join us, whether for a full-time opportunity or a freelance gig. Their team represents a diversity of talent, expertise, creativity, and experience. If you love big challenges, are curious, creative, determined, and love new technology take a look at the opportunities! https://rockcontent.com/careers/

63. Achievetestprep

They offer flexibility, 100% work from home, with no commute. A career at Achieve Test Prep allows their employees to cultivate a work-life balance. They help our customers further their educational and professional dreams. If you are creative and want a fun, rewarding and collaborative work atmosphere, Achieve is the company for you. https://www.achievetestprep.com/careers

64. Tawk.to

is a completely remote company, you're welcome to apply from anywhere. If you're ready to take it up a notch, you're one application away from a pivotal moment. https://tawk-to.breezy.hr/

65. Foxelligroup

Join a diverse team of go-getters, inventive thinkers, creative data analysts, expressive world travelers, and many other awesome people who work to scale our businesses to their highest potential using innovative and effective strategies. The most amazing part is – we work completely remotely! https://foxelligroup.recruitee.com/

66. Animals.co

Is a fully remote content marketing agency with team members scattered around the world. They have an eclectic team of writers, scientists, journalists, operations folks, and more. They all work from wherever suits us best, whether that's a home office or the local coffee shop. https://www.animalz.co/join-us/

Tutoring Platforms

67. Vip kid

work with students who are based in China and are between the ages of 4 - 12. Bachelors Degree & Teaching Experience Required.

68. Magic Ears t.

Magic Ears is an online English tutoring company and they are constantly hiring. They require a BA and English Teaching experience. They pay well and the schedule is flexible. mmears.com

69. Cambly

Cambly is very flexible, you choose your own hours and can adjust them as you wish. They offer tutoring for both children and companies. cambly.com

70. QKids

Qkids is an online English teaching platform based in China that caters to young English language learners. They connect young students with native English speaking teachers through a virtual classroom. teacher.qkids.com

71. HAWO American Academy

Online learning language platform connecting qualified English language teachers with Chinese K-12 students, which are grouped in a virtual class of four students to each teacher. 51talk.com

72. Preply

Preply is a platform for foreign language tutoring, focused on providing classes and educational support for people who live in remote areas.. It is easy to navigate and versatile, and tutors can choose how much they want to charge for their lessons. preply.com

73. italki

italki is a tutoring marketplace that brings students and native language teachers together. Teachers work independently, plan their lessons, select their own materials and teach students 1-1 or in groups. www.italki.com

74. Chegg

Chegg Tutors is an online tutoring platform where students and teachers come together in virtual classrooms. For a work-at-home gig, Chegg pays pretty good. $20.00 an hour for the time you spend tutoring and/or creating a written lesson explanation. www.chegg.com

Video Editors Platforms

75. Mandy

Dedicated to the film and TV production work, Mandy has an entire community of entertainment industry professionals. They feature jobs across all sectors of Film, TV, Theatre and Commercial Production. https://www.mandy.com/

76. Stage 32

A Job Board for creative within the Film, TV and Theater industry. https://www.stage32.com/find-jobs

77. Production Hub

Production Hub helps connect businesses with the creative professionals needed to make attractive content. https://www.productionhub.com/jobs

78. Motionographer

Aside from showcasing work in filmmaking, animation, and visual effects, the platform has a specialty job board geared toward those topics, featuring both freelance and full-time positions. https://jobs.motionographer.com/

79. Viedit

A marketplace for video editors, Viedit allows you to apply to client projects, showcase your portfolio and get hired as a Video Editor. https://viedit.com/video-editor

80. Videopixie

With a focus on making the relationship between client and freelancer go smooth, Videopixie is a good place to look if you are a videographer, video editor, or animator. https://www.videopixie.com/

Virtual Assistant Platforms

81. Belay

The company that offers virtual assistant, bookkeepers, web specialists and social media strategists work to their clients, They hire new talent consistently. https://belaysolutions.com/

82. Clickworker

Clickworker is good when you need some extra income or are in between jobs. You are paid per task and not hourly and it's convenient for work-at-home as a side job. https://www.clickworker.com/

83. Time Etc.

Time Etc. provides flexible, part-time work for U.S. and the U.K. secretaries, virtual and personal assistants who want to work from home. https://timeetc.com/

84. Pepper VA

Pepper is a Philippines based virtual assistant service. https://peppervirtualassistant.com/

85. Fancy Hands

US-based virtual assistants company, that offers the flexibility on choosing assignments and work schedule. https://www.fancyhands.com/

86. Zirtual

The company hires freelance VA's fulltime for various specialties, while also providing benefits (which is not common in the remote world.) https://www.zirtual.com/jobs

Developers Platforms

87. YouTeam

YouTeam is a tech talent marketplace that connects businesses and startups to software developers and designers from offshore countries. Developers go through thorough vetting process before becoming part of teams working on a full-time basis at local software agencies. https://youteam.io/

88. X-Team

X-Team employs a team of top web designers, programmers, and developers and acts as a middle man to connect employers to these freelance developers. Clients will use X-Team to outsource the software development for their products. https://x-team.com

89. MoonLightWork

MoonLightWork is a community of software developers and product designers that also acts as a marketplace where you can hire freelance developers. https://www.moonlightwork.com/

90. CodementorX

Codementor is an online marketplace that helps its clients find a professional developer (mentor) for live programming help. Its sub-project, CodementorX, is a place where you can hire freelance coder picked from the pool of mentors. https://www.codementor.io

91. Pilot

Hiring platform that connects clients with vetted developers and designers, while handling the hiring logistics. https://pilot.co/

92. Lemon.io

Lemon.io is a network of vetted developers that can be hired as freelancers. They handle matching the client with a freelancer, which gives you time to focus on development, allows you to choose which projects you work.

93. Codeable

With an easy-to use interface, Codeable is the place to be if you are a Wordpress developer. https://codeable.io/

94. GetACoder

A freelance marketplace with a focus on more technical fields. This is what makes it a good option if you are looking for a web design/development, programming or database development job, but also so many others in the technical area. http://www.getacoder.com/

95. Gun.io

Gun.io has a growing community of developers that have passed code, culture, and reference assessments. The better part is that they also vet the clients and most jobs are filled within 48 hours

96. Lorem

The platform is invite-only and the Lorem team vets the applicants. They find the clients, help scope work upfront. There is no lowest price proposal competition, as they will only send opportunities that match a freelancer's skills. https://www.asklorem.com/

97. Joomlancers

With a fast sign-up process, Joomlancer focuses on intermediate to advanced software projects. http://www.joomlancers.com/

98. Turing

Turin intermediates the relationship between clients and developers - they will vet the developers and deal with the contracts, payments and negotiations. https://turing.com/

99. 10x Management

Geared towards techinclined freelancers, the patform has very good reviews due to the vetting process of freelancers and also the client satisfaction. https://www.10xmanagement.com/

100.   Gigster

With a vetting process that makes it more difficult for new talent to be accepted, Gigster is a great platform for software designers, web designers, even app developers. The nice feature is that they use AI to match projects and freelancers. https://gigster.com/

101.   Hired

Using a custom matching software, Hired helps clients find software engineers and developers for their projects. Best if you have relevant experience (as most candidates have at least 2-years' experience. https://hired.com/

102.   GitHub Jobs

With the large developer community on GitHub, they offer clients the possibility to post jobs for a small fee. https://jobs.github.com/

103.   CodePen

Popular among developers, the Job board on CodePen helps clients find developers (used primarily by developers coding in HTML, CSS, and Javascript). https://codepen.io/jobs

104.   Stack Overflow

Stack Overflow is an open community that has a job board for clients looking for developers around the world. It is also often used as a resource by developers, novice to expert, seeking to learn more about coding. https://stackoverflow.com/jobs

105. Dice

Dice is a database for technology professionals, managing over 9 million profiles in the United States. The platform helps technology professionals manage their careers and employers connect with highly skilled tech talent. https://www.dice.com/

106. ProgrammerMeetDesigner

The website is a place for programmers, web developers, designers, entrepreneurs and writers to work together on creating good looking, functional websites. http://www.programmermeetdesigner.com/

107. Authentic Jobs

A niche job board for developers, designers, and creative talent, that only has jobs posted directly on the platform. Since clients pay to post, there are high quality jobs. https://authenticjobs.com

Top Best Payment methods for Service provider

1. Payoneer

is a popular digital online bank. Many blog owners and freelancers use it because you can send and receive payments from anywhere in the world.

You can complete transactions with just one click and can even get a small line of credit if you're a new customer. You can't integrate Payoneer directly into your eCommerce or membership website, but you can ask clients to send payments via Payoneer. Withdrawing money from your Payoneer account is easy, wherever you are in the world.

Available in 150 different currencies Available in more than 200 countries Payments received from other Payoneer customers are free in USD, GBP, EUR, and JPY Payments are relatively quick

2. Revoult

Revolut is a popular international payments platform. It's easy to use and has a wealth of impressive features. You can buy goods and services using a Revolut card and also get access to cryptocurrency trading and virtual cards.

It's free to open a Revolut account, but if you want more functionality you might want a Premium ($6.99/month) or Metal ($12.99) subscription account. Transfers for the same currency and mid-market exchange rates are free. But there is a 0.5% markup on weekends.

Now you've got a few payment options to choose from, it's time for you to decide how to get paid as a freelancer.

3. PayPal

PayPal has been a very popular freelancer payment method for quite some time now. It started more than two decades ago,

which makes it one of the oldest ways of sending and receiving money online. PayPal specializes in electronic money transfers and many organizations, freelancers, and websites use it as a primary means of taking payments.

Transaction fees vary depending on where your account is based. Cross-border transactions tend to be more costly. In the US you pay $0.30 for each transaction plus 2.9% of the amount you receive. For non-US transactions, the fee is 4.4% plus a fixed fee percentage depending on the country.

This PayPal competitors fees vary, depending on your location. For example, in the United States, there is a fixed 2.9% + 30¢ for successful credit card charges.

4. Google pay

Google Pay is a replacement for Google Wallet. You can send and receive payments for free, using your mobile or a desktop device.

When your clients send you money, they only need to use a phone number or email address. When you create an account, you're given a PIN that you use to manage your transactions.

You pay no fees for debit card payments and bank transfers. However, there is a 2.9% fee for credit cards.

5. Wire Transfer

With a wire transfer, funds are moved directly from one bank account to another. It's not the most common of methods, but you may end up with clients who prefer to pay in this way.

If you're in the US, you pay $25 for a domestic transfer and $43 for an international one. When you receive funds, you may have to pay an additional fee of between $8 and $10.

6. Escrow

Escrow is an online payment platform that your clients can use to hold funds. When your clients are satisfied with the work you've done, you'll be able to collect the funds. Processing times for checks and money orders are ten business days. Escrow is available in most countries; however, there are some exceptions. These are Cuba, Belarus, Iran, Iraq, Nigeria, Moldova, Sudan, North Korea, Zimbabwe, and Sudan. Available currencies are quite limited. For credit cards and PayPal, only USD is available. For wire transfers, you can use USD, EUR, GBP, and AUD.

Escrow fees vary depending on the amount you want to transfer. For amounts up to $5,000, there is a 3.25% charge of the processed amount, or 6.5% plus 3.05%.

7. Stripe

Stripe has become very popular for anyone looking for a PayPal alternative. The main downside is that it's not available in very many countries. It's relatively new as well, which might put some people off using it. The primary purpose of Stripe is to accept payments from clients, with less focus on any kind of money transfer services.

8. Selar

Sell any and every kind of digital product, from content packs to designs to bundles and more without stress. It's simple and easy to use. Sign up and set up your bank details. You will receive payment from upto 8 different currencies.

9. Money gram

Moneygram is a money transfer company you can use for domestic and international transfers.

The processing time for payments is an impressive 24 hours. Payments can be made in over 200 countries and there are over 45 currencies available. Payment methods include cash pickup, bank transfer, debit card, mobile wallet account, and home delivery.

10. Skrill

Skrill used to be known as Moneybookers. It's an online payment processor you can use for making international money transfers. One of its outstanding features is the low cost. There are two parts to the payment process. The Skrill review team first has to approve the transfer, which can take up to three days. Then you

have to wait up to 24 hours before the payment is transferred to your account.

Skrill is accepted globally, except for a handful of countries. Over 15 currencies can be used for making payments, which are made using bank transfers, credit or debit cards, and digital eWallets.

11. Western union

Western Union is a company that offers money transfer services both online and from more than 500,000 worldwide locations. The processing time for Western Union payments is between 2-5 business days. You can use Western Union for making payments in over 200 countries and over 140 currencies are available. Payment methods include cash pickup, bank transfer, credit or debit card, over the phone, in person, or via the Western Union website.

12. Wise

It used to be known as Transferwise, but now it's just Wise. Your clients can use this method to pay you directly in your local currency. Your clients are charged for the payment, and it's sent to your bank account as a local transfer. Wise is accepted in many countries, and payments can be made in several currencies. Wise uses the same exchange rate you see on Google or XE when currency exchange is involved in any transaction. This is a bonus because you can calculate how much you'll receive, and it saves you money in currency exchange. The only real downside is that it's impossible to send business payments in some countries.

BONUS: HOW TO USE VPN

I have received several messages regarding should I use VPN or Not as a freelancer? I remembered my first international client on Instagram we had to do several zoom calls. Later, she paid 50% to ensure I was legit and till now she still with my agency.

No doubt if you're in Nigeria you may be facing similar trust issues. One thing that has worked for a lot of Nigerians is the use of VPN to mask their location and make it look like they are working from a different country.

You can use NordVPN, it gives you the chance to choose any country you prefer and once connected to the VPN service, you can sign up on Fiverr or any freelancing platform as if you're based in that country. You need to be aware that Fiverr doesn't encourage this. That's one of the reasons they use phone verification methods to confirm your location.

Sometimes, Nigerian VPN users on fiverr use the phone numbers of people they know in a foreign country and more or less set up the account using their account details as well.

Please note, if you're going to try this route, ensure you're working with someone you trust. Once again, pretending to be from a different country isn't allowed on Fiverr and you might be banned if caught.

I feel the need to share this with you because it's a practice that has worked for a lot of Nigerians.

BONUS 2: HOW TO CREATE A STRIPE ACCOUNT

HOW TO CREATE A STRIPE ACCOUNT WITHOUT LLC

Knowing this truth will save you from stress! Some countries don't require you to have LLC unlike IN USA. I did my Stripe registration 3 years ago and trust me it wasn't easy I spent $300 and excluding tax. I was happy when I discovered **an incredible, NEW Generation system that lets ANYONE gain access to a Stripe Account without an LLC, SSN, EIN or Tax ID documents.**

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- Receive payment from anywhere in the world.

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- It also comes with a Virtual Card which you can use for your online transactions.

BONUS 3: 17 BIG COMPANIES THAT HIRES REMOTELY

Want to work remotely but with big companies? You may want to give these companies a try. To apply for jobs requires you to have a professionally organised resume and cover page. Please check out novoresume.com

1. **Adobe**

What the company is: Adobe is a computer software company. If you do a lot of office work on computers, you've probably used or heard of some of Adobe's software, like Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator or Adobe Acrobat Reader.

The company is staffed with a variety of careers, including engineers, designers, sales and customer experience employees and professionals in finance and operations. As with many companies, Adobe's in the midst of a remote worker revolution.

On an Adobe blog last year, a writer noted, "We expect to double the size of our remote worker population overtime as we learn and iterate on making this model successful."

2. Atlassian

What the company is: The Company develops products primarily for software developers and project managers.

The company employs engineers, product managers, analysts and data scientists, people who work in IT, security engineers you name it, they've probably got it –including remote work opportunities. Given that the company makes a lot of products that help employees work remotely, you'd expect the company to have some remote work opportunities of their own. Yes, they do

3. Activision Blizzard Inc.

What the company is: Activision Blizzard specializes in creating video games. You've likely heard of some of their creations – Candy Crush, Call of Duty, World of Warcraft and Overwatch, among others.

The company's staff consists of software developers, as well as finance professionals, IT staff, sales, supply chain executives, lawyers and more. They have offices around the world. Some employees do work remotely; many don't.

4. Autodesk

What the company is: Autodesk makes software products and services for a number of industries, including architecture, engineering, construction, manufacturing and entertainment. They have offices around the world, including five in the United States.

The company's remote work policy is pretty flexible and generous. There are home-based employees, hybrid employees and office-based staff, but even the office-based employees who have jobs that are expected to be at the office are allowed to work remotely up to 20% of the time.

5. IBM

What the company is: It's a highly respected technology company that has been around since 1911. There are numerous careers at IBM, in everything from research to sales and software development too much, much more.

IBM has had remote workers long before it became fashionable, and earlier this year, its CEO, Arvind Krishna, said at the Aspen Ideas Festival that only about 20% of IBM's American employees are in the office for three days a week or more.

6. Intuit

What the company is: Intuit is a software company. You've likely heard of some of their products, like Quicken, QuickBooks & TurboTax to Mint.com. Some of the professions you'll find here include software engineers and data scientists.

In May of 2022, the company started working in hybrid fashion, where most teams are expected to be on-site two to three days a week, which, of course, means that you'll also often be working remotely two to three days a week

7. Marvell Technology

What the company is: Marvell Technology develops and produces semiconductors and other related technology. As you would expect, they hire software engineers and computer programmers as well as professions such as accounting analysts and technical writers.

The company had a lot of employees working remotely during the pandemic and provided its employees with adjusting to teleworking through its remote work assistance policy. It has not, however, made a big issue out of working remotely in the way some of the companies on this list have.

8. PayPal

What the company is: You've probably heard of PayPal and used the payment method. PayPal Holdings, Inc. is a financial technology company; it helps make money transfers and online payments easier. It was founded in 1998 and has been a successful company in recent years.

As for the company's remote work policies, PayPal has a wide mix of employees working on site and at home. But the trend seems to be drifting toward remote work. A subsidiary of the

company recently closed a San Francisco office. Why? Because so many employees were electing to work from home.

9. Salesforce

What the company is: Salesforce makes software that helps companies sell. Meanwhile, its employees have sold Salesforce on offering a flexible work policy, where many employees work remotely.

According to the company's website, some employees work in the office one to three days a week; those who don't live near an office are fully remote, and "the smallest population" of employees go into the office four to five days a week and only if their roles require it.

10. Splunk

What the company is: This software company specializes in offering technology that is used for searching, monitoring, visualizing and analyzing machine data in real time.

The company announced in 2021 that their policy of working remotely, which started during the pandemic, would be made permanent.

11. Yelp

What the company is: Yelp has its famous website, Yelp.com and the Yelp mobile app, both of which publish crowd-sourced reviews about businesses. If you want to work remotely and work for Yelp, that shouldn't be a problem.

In a recent Yelp blog titled, "The future of work is remote," co-founder and CEO Jeremy Stoppelman wrote that the company

has been shuttering offices because so many employees work from home. "Globally, about 1% of our workforce is choosing to come into the office every day," Stoppelman wrote. "As we continue to embrace a fully remote workplace and design the future of remote work at Yelp, we plan to re-allocate resources towards our employee experience, new talent, and the growth of our business."

12. Automattic

Industry: Technology

Notable benefits: Sabbaticals, career coaching, home office setup and co-working allowances.

Recent job openings: Brand/creative designer, Happiness engineer, Content writer.

13. Zapier

Industry: Technology

Notable benefits: Two annual company retreats, a home office stipend, unlimited vacation days.

Recent job openings: Senior financial analyst, Content specialist, product designer.

14. Frontastic

Industry: Technology

Notable benefits: Three company retreats per year, work set-up allowance, professional development budget

Recent job openings: Sales account executive, Product manager, Solutions engineer.

15. Ghost

Industry: Technology, publishing

Notable benefits: Team retreats, the last Friday of every month off, a new laptop and workspace set-up budget, meeting-free focus time.

Recent job openings: Product engineer, Infrastructure engineer

16. Doist

Industry: Technology

Notable benefits: Annual corporate retreat, professional development stipend, health and wellness budget, cost of co-working space covered

Recent job openings: Copywriter, Product manager, Full-stack developer

17. Swiftly

Industry: Technology

Notable benefits: Stock options, unlimited paid time off, home office and internet reimbursement

Recent job openings: Account executive, senior product designer, Software engineer

The finish line is here!

If you're ready to start getting remote jobs here are few steps to follow

1. Decide your niche and create your profile on the site you want.

2. Apply to Jobs regularly. Jobs are posted regularly you have chances of getting jobs when you are among the top first 10 to apply.

3. Your next side hustle can be your next big thing. Be consistent

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