Freelancer Messenger for Android one of the first 50 apps extended to Android Wear allowing James Bond style voice-to-text communications from your watch in any language using the Google API

Sydney, July 9, 2014: Freelancer.com today announced that it has launched an Android Wear compatible version of the Freelancer Messenger app in the Google Play store with a new messaging paradigm for wearable computing. Combining the mobility of wearable technology with the power of the Freelancer platform, this upgrade will allow people to collaborate no matter where they are, transforming the way the world works.

Freelancer.com is the world's largest freelancing and crowdsourcing marketplace, connecting over 11.5 million skilled professionals globally from over 247 countries, regions and territories. Freelancer is the #1 resource for small business owners and entrepreneurs, allowing them to connect with freelancers to grow their businesses and get work done in more than 700 skill categories.

Freelancer released a new update to its Android app, to make the app compatible with the new Android Wear platform. The Freelancer Messenger app, released in April 2014, has been a huge success, with a star rating of 4.2 and over 1,200 reviews.
The Freelancer Messenger app allows users to communicate with their employers or freelancers while on the go as well as award or accept projects. The enhancements for Android Wear allows anyone with a compatible watch to speak like James Bond did into his watch. The app will transcribe into instant messages for forwarding on the Freelancer platform. The app has multilingual support, users can simply speak in any language that their phone is set to and the messages will get converted to text in that language using the Google Voice API.

Matt O’Kane, Director of Products, said they will be creating a core Android Wear experience with a Wear app to add additional features in the coming months, such as bidding for projects directly from Android Wear devices, which streamlines the user experience on Freelancer.com.

Freelancer joins a selection of leading developers including Evernote, Trello and Duolingo, who released updates adding support for Android Wear since its release last week.

Matt Barrie, Chief Executive of Freelancer.com said, “Wearable computing is the next frontier of mobile. We’re excited to be launching our Freelancer Messenger app as one of the first applications in the Google Play store optimized for Android Wear. This app is pioneering the use of wearable computing, you simply speak into your watch and we’ll turn this into a message for the person you’re working with!”

Freelancer Messenger Android app is available on Google Play today.

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