

# Testing the App that supports investment decisions

## THE COMPANY: CITYCURATOR

CityCurator's data platform enables companies to quickly compare Cities based upon their business expansion requirements.

CityCurator takes a direct to consumer approach with companies able to access City data covering the key themes associated to relocation, Workforce size and experience levels, Salaries Size of industry cluster, Research and Innovation, Quality of Universities, Taxes and Costs of operation.

CityCurator's founders, Tony Hughes, Simon Sprince and Phillip Matthews have been supporting businesses and entrepreneurs to grow internationally for over 10 years, helping over 1000 companies with their global expansions.

Through working with companies, they identified that there is no service that helps companies compare cities and analyse market access before jumping on a plane.

CityCurator is the answer to these problems and is a new approach to exploring Cities that helps companies gain an accurate picture of each city's strengths and connect to partners that best fit their requirements.

[www.citycurator.co.uk](http://www.citycurator.co.uk)

## THE CHALLENGE

Execute an exploratory testing in a short period of time, and work independently, without major disruption to CityCurator's team priorities and generate the foundation of automated tests that helps CityCurator execute regressions in fast and secure way to prevent defects in future app releases.

## THE SOLUTION

Crowdar suggested start with an Exploratory Testing of CityCurator website. This testing has covered web browsers and mobile devices, including Chrome, Edge, Android and IOs. Issues was registered and identified by their severity in an agile board. CityCurator Development Team was able to fix the issues and deploy a new version with fixes prior to go-live.

As second step, Crowdar advised to perform an Automated Smoke Suite that includes the critical happy-paths test cases using Lippia Automation Framework. This allowed a quick development of test scenarios written in BDD format. Smoke Suite is executed automatically and execution reports is generated in order to analyze the results. Run automated test suite helps to know the new release app health rapidly.

Next step will be perform a Stress and Performance Testing and a Security Test Assessment.

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I lead on product design for CityCurator and testing is always something we do in house and as such could be improved by utilising groups of users new to our systems. The team at Crowdar were great and having a priority categorised list with detailed descriptions of each bug meant I could quickly action tiered responses with my team.

**Phil Matthews,**  
Product Director

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## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Duration: 1 month

Team: 1 Agile PM, 1 Tester Senior, 1 Automation Engineer

Tools used: Lippia, Trello

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We started talking to Javier and his team as soon as we went into lockdown as we knew that this was actually a great time to take stock and to test our software. The process couldn't have been smoother and we were quickly serviced with a categorised list of bugs from critical to basic functions. The price was great and I would recommend Javier and his team to anyone who should be testing their applications.

**Simon Sprince**  
CEO

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