Vinit Nijhawan

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Vinit Nijhawan is an expert in conceiving and building technology organizations.

Biography

Strategic visionary, conceived and built technology organizations that have been acquired by Boeing, Motorola, Qualcomm, and others? Worked in industries: computing, aerospace, telecom, logistics, supply chain, manufacturing, telecommunications, medical devices, biopharma, synthetic biology, advanced materials? Admired leader and mentor, built and effectively managed high-performance teams? Empathetic and collaborative team member Intentionally pivoted career from technology entrepreneur and CEO to helping other entrepreneurs, with a focus on academia. Began teaching Entrepreneurship at Boston University and subsequently led the Office of Technology Development (OTD) from 2010-2016 (published a peer reviewed paper on that experience: Maximize Collisions, Minimize Friction). In this role participated in BU committees and organizations, such as the BUildLab, Faculty Innovation Network, Conflict of Interest Committee, Coulter Translational Program, Fraunhofer Grants, CTSI and on the board of the National Academy of Inventors. Represented BU on spin-off boards and business plan/grant review panels. Took the OTD experience and launched a national academic IP monetization program with 40 institutions engaged. Launched Waterloo Alumni Angels at my alma mater. Executive Director of the Massachusetts Technology Transfer Center and Massachusetts Association of Technology Transfer Offices housed at the UMass President?s Office.

Industry Expertise

Corporate Leadership, Electrical Engineering

Areas of Expertise

Venture Capital, Technology Transfer, Entrepreneurship, Technology, Mergers & Acquisitions

Affiliations

UnitedLex Corporation: Managing Director, Boston University: Managing Director, Technology Development & MBA Lecturer, Waterloo Alumni Angels: Founder and Advisory Board Member,

LearnLaunch: Co-Founder & Board Member, Excelocity: Board Member

Education

University of Waterloo

B.Sc. Electrical Engineering

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