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Vijay Govindarajan (VG) is widely regarded as one of the world's leading experts on strategy and innovation. He is the Earl C. Daum 1924 Professor of International Business and the Founding Director of the Center for Global Leadership at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. He is the 2009 Professor-in-Residence and Chief Innovation Consultant for General Electric.

Govindarajan has been named to a series of lists by influential publications including: Top Ten Business School Professor in Corporate Executive Education, named by *BusinessWeek*; Top Five Most Respected Executive Coach on Strategy, rated by *Forbes*; Outstanding Faculty, named by *BusinessWeek* in its Guide to Best B-Schools; Top 50 Management Thinker, named by *The London Times*; Outstanding Teacher of the Year, voted by MBA students; "superstar" Management Thinker from India, named by *BusinessWeek*.

Prior to joining the faculty at Tuck, VG was on the faculties of Harvard Business School and the Indian Institute of Management (Ahmedabad, India). He has also served as a visiting professor at INSEAD (Fontainebleau, France), the International University of Japan (Urasa, Japan), and Helsinki School of Economics (Helsinki, Finland).

The recipient of numerous awards for excellence in research, Govindarajan was inducted into the *Academy of Management Journals*' Hall of Fame, and was ranked by *Management International Review* as one of the "Top 20 North American Superstars" for research in strategy and organization. One of his papers was recognized as one of the ten most-often cited articles in the entire 40-year history of *Academy of Management Journal*.

More than 70 articles by VG have appeared in journals such as *Academy of Management Journal; Academy of Management Review; Strategic Management Journal; Harvard Business Review; California Management Review*; and *MIT Sloan Management Review*. He has published seven books, including the international best seller *Ten Rules for Strategic Innovators* (HBS Press).

VG works with CEOs and top management teams in Global Fortune 1000 firms to discuss, challenge, and escalate their thinking about strategy. He has worked with 25% of the Fortune 500 corporations including: Boeing, Coca-Cola, Colgate, Deere, FedEx, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, J.P. Morgan Chase, Johnson & Johnson, New York Times, Procter & Gamble, Sony, and Wal-Mart. He is a regular keynote speaker in CEO Forums and major conferences including the World Innovation Forum and Business Week CEO Forum.

VG received his doctorate from the Harvard Business School and was awarded the Robert Bowne Prize for the best thesis proposal. He also received his MBA with distinction from



the Harvard Business School where he was included in the Dean's Honor List. Prior to this, VG received his Chartered Accountancy degree in India where he was awarded the President's Gold Medal for obtaining the first rank nationwide.