

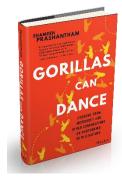




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PROLOGUE

MICROSOFT'S STARTUP PARTNERING JOURNEY

Microsoft's one of the few companies we were able to partner with that actually worked for both companies . . . Bill [Gates] and Microsoft were really good at it because they didn't make the whole thing in the early days and they learned how to partner with people really well.

-Steve Jobs1





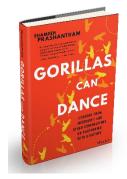






 $\underline{https://news.microsoft.com/2010/10/27/microsofts-first-annual-global-bizspark-one-summit-brings-tech-startup-companies-together-in-silicon-valley/$





Microsoft accelerators chief: Our model has proven itself



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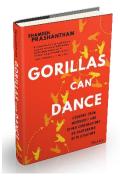


















Microsoft's Startup Partnering Journey

A (non-linear) learning process.





















Co-evolving with Ecosystems





The Microsoft Story Tells Us...

Even a tech giant can face disruption...

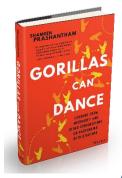
WHY
[Co-aligning with strategy]

HOW?[Co-creating with startups]

WHERE?
[Co-evolving with ecosystems]

...but gorillas can learn to dance!





Digital transformation

Looking ahead...

Harvard Business Review

Democratizing Transformation

Give your entire workforce the capacity to become innovators. by

Marco lansiti and Satya Nadella

From the Magazine (May-June 2022)

WHY

[Co-aligning with strategy]

HOW?

[Co-creating with startups]

WHERE?

[Co-evolving with ecosystems]

Sustainability transformation

- Round table 2019
- Pandemic 2020
- COP26 2021



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Looking ahead...

Introducing
Microsoft for Startups
Founders Hub

Breadth engagement

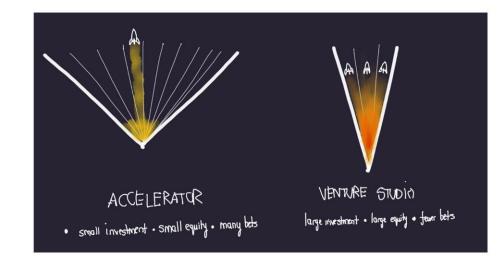
Depth engagement

HOW?

[Co-creating with startups]

Rise of the Venture Studio

By Steve Gotz, Silicon Foundry







Looking ahead...

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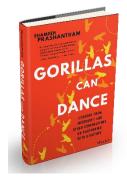
- Think global act local
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WHERE?

[Co-evolving with ecosystems]

- Sentiment vs action
- Buzz vs long game
- Decoupling (tech) vs collaborating (climate)





Looking ahead...

WHY

[Co-aligning with strategy]

Digital + sustainability transformation

HOW?

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Open innovation becoming institutionalized

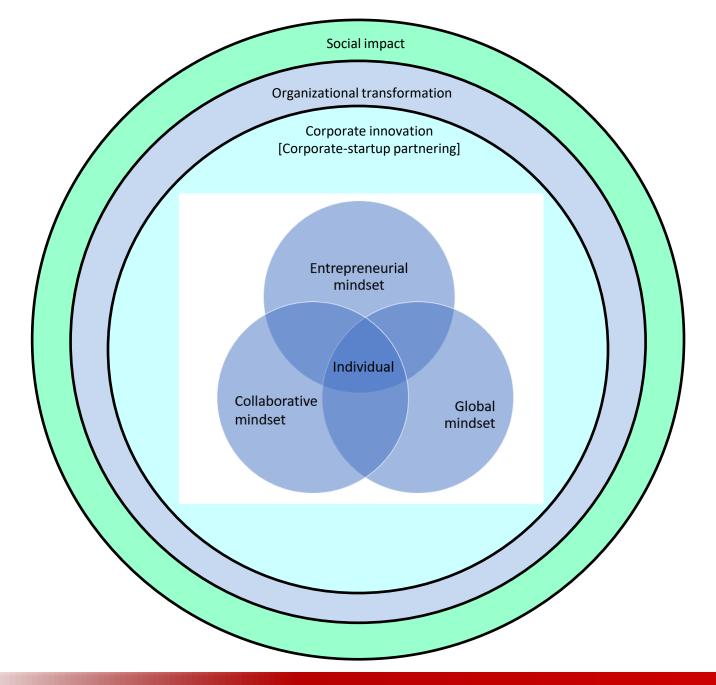
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Global vs local challenges and opportunites

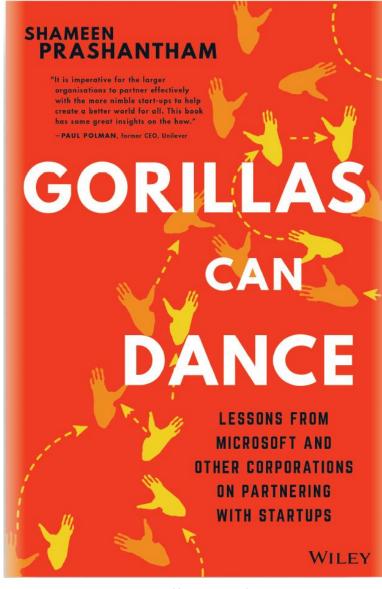












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