## Welcome to US MAC! A Launchpad for Global Startups in Silicon Valley

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Think Big. Start Smart. Scale Fast.

## **Quick Introduction: The USMAC in 60 Seconds**

- Founded in 1995 as the 1<sup>st</sup> accelerator to help non-US entrepreneurs succeed in Silicon Valley
- Since then, we have helped 1,800+ international companies
- Offices in San Francisco & Menlo Park
- Active programs with more than 20 countries
- ✓ 108 Mentors





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## **Quick Introduction: Our Team**



Alfredo Coppola Co-CEO



Chris Burry Co-CEO



*Jeff Snider* Chief Content Officer



*Gigi Wang* VP, Early Stage & Innovation Programs



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Natasha Kurtova Sr. Mgr. Russian & North Africa Programs



*Michel Ktitareff* Mgr. French Programs



**Bob Christopher** Venture Funding Programs



**Stefano Caccia** Mgr. Italian Programs



*Maria Escarti* Mgr. Spanish Programs



*Ken Singer* Global Entrepreneur Programs



*Melissa Glass* Program Manager, Marketing Director



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#### **USMAC: Recent Mentor Recruits**



#### Howard Steinberg IAC (Match.com, Ask.com, Tinder, Vimeo)



**Kelli Richards** Former Director of Music & Entertainment, Apple Computer



#### **Stefano Natoli** Director of Multichannel retail at Apple, formerly Nike, Toshiba

Ken Singer Serial Entrepreneur, Center for Entrepreneurship at UC Berkeley

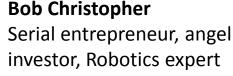


**Geoff Baum** Former Entrepreneur In Residence at Adobe Systems



**Jeff Burton** Co-founder of Electronic Arts







Marvin Liao Partner, 500 Startups



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### **USMAC: Our Global Footprint**



#### **USMAC: Some of Our Program Partners**



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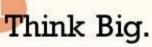
## January 2011: The Birth of Our Flagship Program



- ✓ US Market Entry Program launched in January 2011 Singapore pilot
- Result following interviews with 36+ foreign entrepreneurs living in Silicon Valley
- Lots of office space, networking events, but nothing focused on customer development for foreign entrepreneurs



#### US MAC's Market Entry Process: How does it work?



The 3-day 'Go Global' Boot Camp is conducted in the home country.

Up to 24 startups participate in the boot camp.



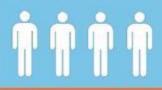
Boot camp consists of morning workshops and one-to-one mentoring in the afternoons. Final day includes a pitch competition, where highest-ranking startups move on to the 'Start Smart' phase.

Companies that demonstrate a high likelihood of success in the US market are selected.

#### Start Smart.

The 8-week 'Market Validation' program is conducted partly in the home country and the remaining two weeks take place in Silicon Valley.

Entrepreneurs focus on customer interviews.



Founders are assigned 2-3 mentors that provide refinement of productmarket fit, business model, pitch, prospect targets and arrangement of B2B meetings

Founders learn from customers about what needs to change in their product strategy and business model in order to succeed in the U.S.

#### Scale Fast.

12-week 'Sales Acceleration' program, conducted in Silicon Valley. Entrepreneurs reside at one of US MAC's office locations to focus on securing new customers and partners.

Focus on signing up early customers.

At this stage, founders are also finalizing their corporate/immigration details with lawyers.

Upon securing initial customers, founders attain a strong understanding about the funding necessary to scale rapidly in the U.S. This is also an ideal time to begin discussions with potential investors.

#### Results since January 2011

312 Number of startups participated in Think Big boot camp

153 Start ups passed through Start Smart program

> US MAC portfolio companies successfully doing business in Silicon Valley today.

98

#### \$250M+

Amount of capital raised by US MAC portfolio companies

#### 37

Number of full programs conducted by US MAC

#### 19

Number of countries that US MAC is currently running programs



## **US MAC Alumni: Recent Successes**

COMPANY NAME	COUNTRY	SECTOR	CAPITAL RAISED	M&A
Opêñ`ERP	Belgium	Enterprise software	\$10.0M	
CO SE	Czech Republic	IT Security		\$40.0M
GRAVITY	Hungary	E-commerce	\$3.0M	
Be-Bound	France	Mobile solutions	\$5.0M	
TEDEMIS	France	Digital media	\$2.6M	\$29.0M
myBlee	France	Education technology K-8	\$2.50M	
	France	Computer hardware	\$1.5M	
EXASOL	Germany	Enterprise software	\$1.0M	
בפרו עבעודוא	Ireland	Enterprise software	\$4.0M	
C ZEPTOR	Japan	Cleantech	\$13.0M	
*ATONARP	Japan	Advanced manufacturing	\$8.0M	
skydoor®	Singapore	Digital media		\$8.0M



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Quarterly Demo Days matching World's Top Startups with Needs of Silicon Valley Corporations





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#### **US MAC: The Entrepreneur's Journey**

We view entrepreneurship as a journey.

 While each entrepreneur's path is different, the path is roughly the same.

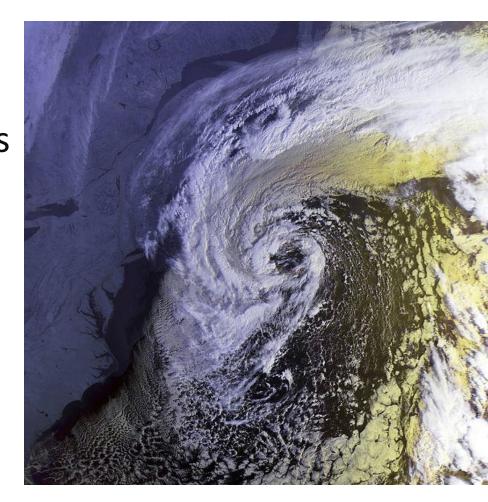


 The USMAC's mission is to accelerate progress while reducing risk on the journey



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A "perfect storm" is an expression that describes an event where a rare combination of circumstances will aggravate a situation drastically.



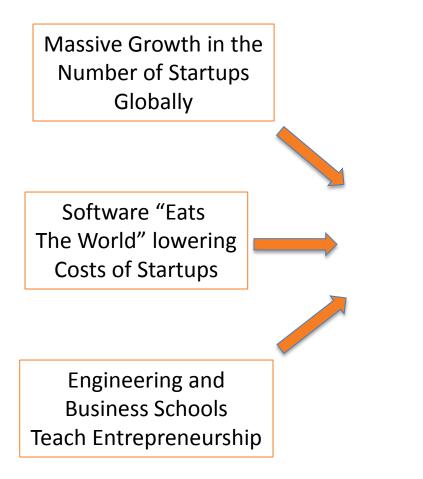


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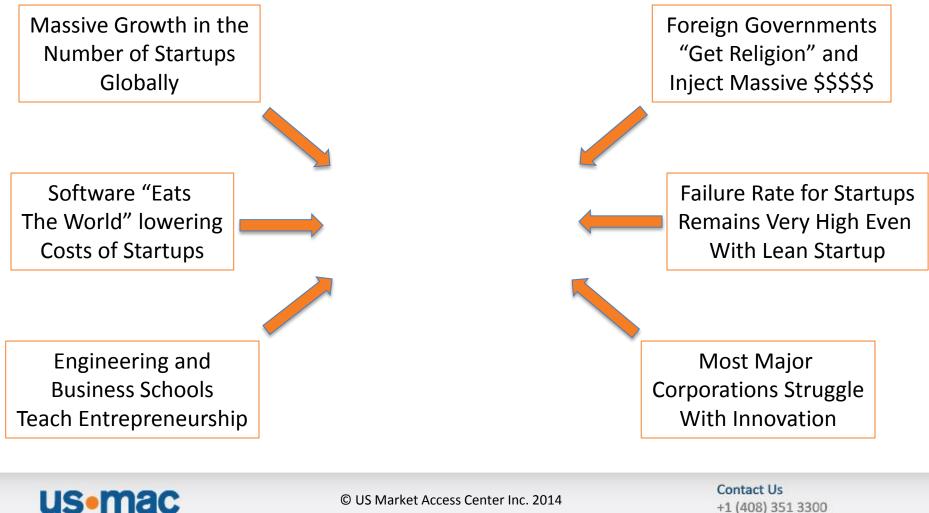
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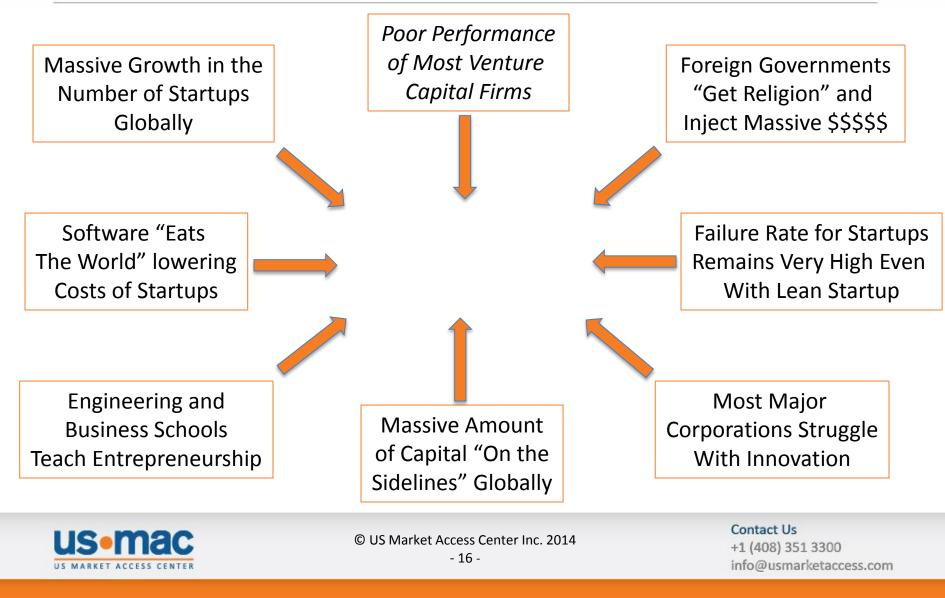


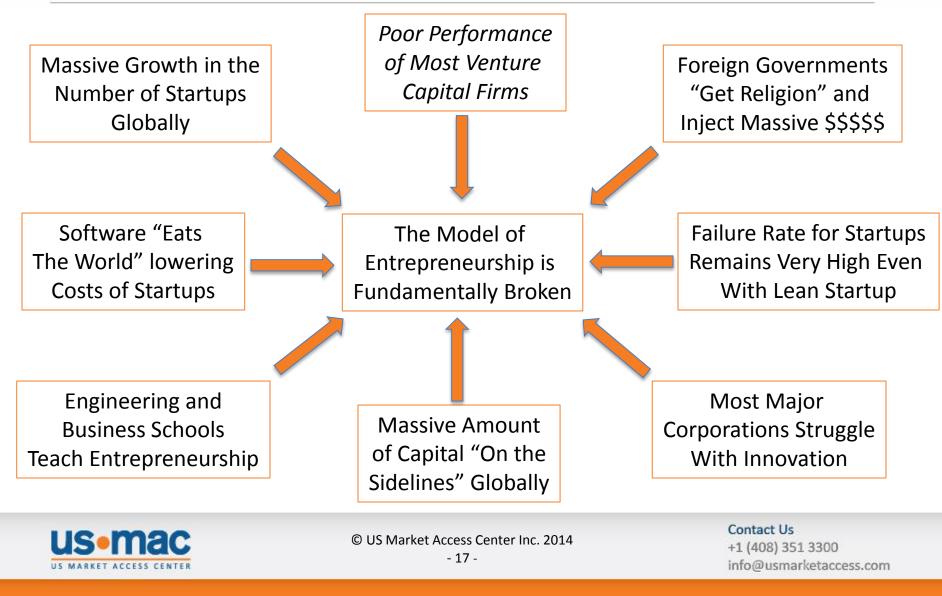
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What We See: An Unacceptable Failure Rate

Even after the "Lean" revolution in entrepreneurship, 95% of startups fail

The very best accelerators such as Y Combinator and TechStars offer better "odds," but the total class size of the best accelerators is VERY, VERY small.



### What We See: The World's 'Got Religion'

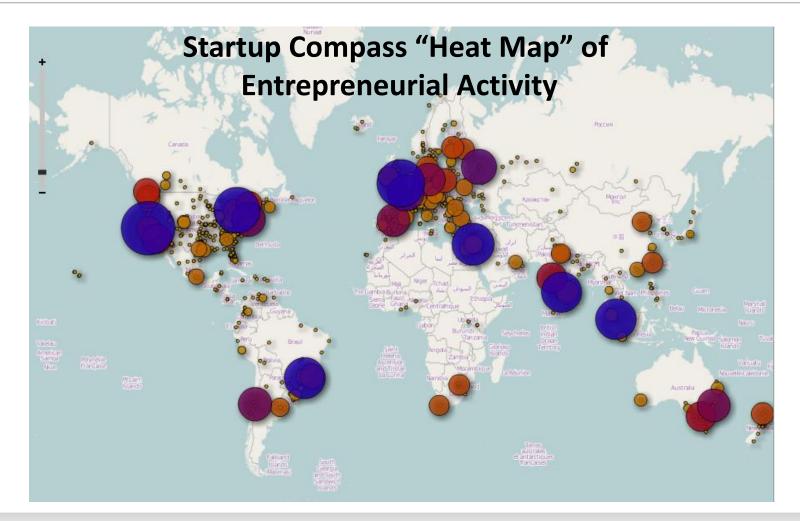
Governments around the world are desperately trying to replicate the success of Silicon Valley and are throwing massive \$\$\$ on this effort.

- Horizon 2020 in Europe \$120B over 7 years
- ✓Korea new \$4B initiative
- Brazil / Chile / Argentina just starting to figure it out

Look at the following heat map



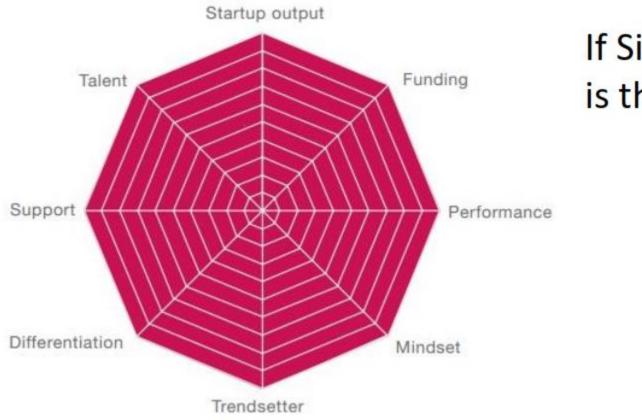
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## If Silicon Valley is the baseline...

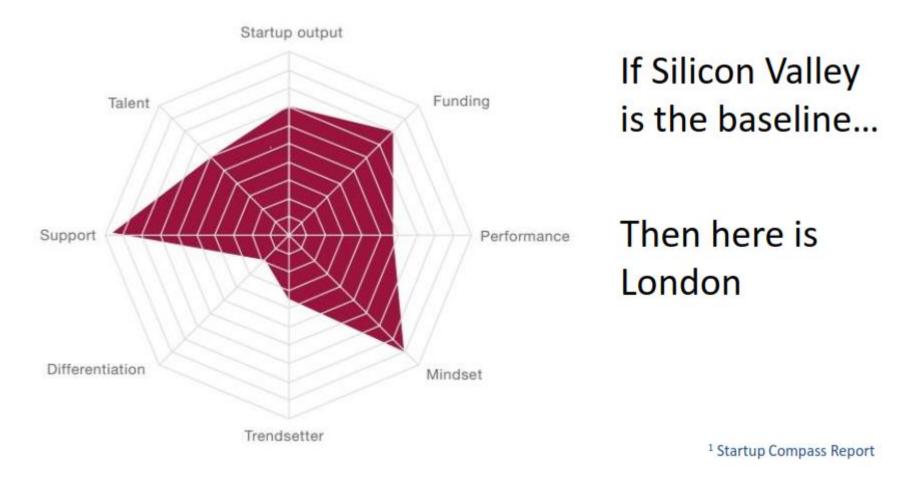
<sup>1</sup> Startup Compass Report



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## What We See: Path to Global Scale is Changing

## ✓ Today

- Build in local ecosystem
- Move to Silicon Valley / Scale from There

## Near Future

- Build in local ecosystem with a global team from the start
- Silicon Valley offers "triangulation" to find early adopters
- Look for opportunistic markets to scale into



### An Example: Estonia

A Estonian startup's path to global markets

- Build in Tallinn with a Pan-European team
- Begin visiting Silicon Valley for <u>validation</u> and access to <u>early adopters</u>
- Begin building customer base in Sweden
- Move on to London
- Finally scale into the United States

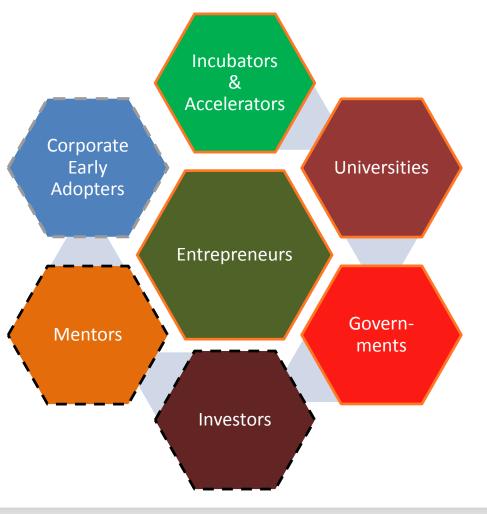


### What We See: Where we think the world is going

- We believe that the nature of entrepreneurship is changing to become far more global than in the past
- We see a world emerging that is a "mesh" topology with high degrees of interconnection that bypass Silicon Valley
- Collaboration tools, social media and the mobility of students and the vast diasporas of the BRIC nations is fueling this change



#### Silicon Valley: Model for the Perfect Ecosystem



Entrepreneurial ecosystems today are "islands" with very little interconnection.

At best, Silicon Valley acts as a "hub"

We intend to change that.



## **Our Vision: To Support the Global Ecosystem**

## What if every entrepreneur in the world had access to the

- Knowledge and training
- Mentorship
- Financial and Human Capital
- Market knowledge and access to local networks

Anywhere in the world?



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