

David Constantine, Founder and COO, MassChallenge

David Constantine is the Founder and COO of MassChallenge, a startup competition designed to catalyze a startup renaissance by attracting, strengthening and enabling funding for the highest-potential new businesses from around the world. The first competition will launch in late Spring 2010 and has already received commitments for funding and support from a number of experienced and influential leaders, including Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick, MIT President Susan Hockfield, UMASS President Jack Wilson, Desh Deshpande, Josh Boger, the Kauffman Foundation and the Microsoft New England Research and Development Center.

Prior to launching MassChallenge, David Constantine worked in the medical device industry as a biomedical engineer since 2004. He has experience in both multinational firms and startups developing products and procedures in the arthroscopic and endovascular treatment spaces. David found his passion for the entrepreneurial environment through his work in the startup medical device firm of OmniSonics Medical Technologies, where he was developing a product for the vastly under-treated patient population of ischemic stroke. David grew up in Andover, MA, where he graduated from Phillips Academy before completing his undergraduate degree at Trinity College in Hartford, CT, where he majored in Biomedical Engineering, minored in Russian Language, and was a multi-sport athlete.