

Meet the Investor Series: <u>19<sup>th</sup> Talk</u>

# "New Business Models in Education & Healthcare"

by

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Registration through invitation only

## Mr. Dave Richards



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#### About the speaker

Dave Richards is an experienced entrepreneur, executive, and global early-stage investor. Dave has been an early investor in microfinance and other businesses serving lowincome populations.

Since 2005, he has been involved with the Unitus Group, helping to lead efforts to select and invest in entrepreneurs in many developing countries. In 2012, he co-founded Unitus Seed Fund, now the leading venture seed fund supporting startups innovating for the masses in India. Dave led the <u>Unitus Labs</u> incubator for 2 years including the successful research and spinout of two venture firms: <u>Unitus Impact</u> and UnitusSeed Fund. He also led Unitus Investment Management, the General Partner of Unitus Equity Fund, a pioneering microfinance venture fund, was a board member of Unitus Capital, a leading Bangalore-based investment bank, and was on the investment committee for Unitus Impact.

Previously, Dave developed and led multiple high-growth technology businesses at RealNetworks, Sybase and Symantec from startup to multiple hundred million dollar global enterprises. He is currently a partner with Social Venture Partners Seattle is the co-founder of the SVP Fast Pitch startup angel fund. Dave received his Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia.

#### About Unitus Seed Fund:

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