Agents of Change

A speaker series presented by the Master of Software Engineering Professional Programs and the Software Engineering Institute

We are pleased to announce the launch of a new event hosted by the Masters of Software Engineering Professional Programs: The Agents of Change Speaker Series. The series is a yearly celebration of our alumni as seen through the lens of our core mission: to create “agents of change” that can help shape the future of technology. Each year, an alumnus is invited to speak about his or her professional journey, and the role that the MSE played in it. We hope that these talks not only inspire the next generation of software engineers, but cement the bonds that connect us all, as well.

Turning the Titanic: Organizational Change at Scale

9/22 - 10AM, Software Engineering Inst. (4500 Fifth Ave)

Large, complex, multi-year programs have been traditionally executed following structured methodologies and management techniques. Project plans with thousands of lines of code, trying to bring certainty and reduce risk are defined after weeks or months of detailed analysis. Yet these programs are typically late, often do not meet stakeholder expectations, and tend to incur severe budget overruns. And yet, why are IT organizations reticent to use new methods and processes?

Eduardo Frias is an experienced technology leader with 25+ years of experience in Fortune 50 companies such as Johnson & Johnson and Dell, as well as in startups and high growth companies. Mr. Frias will discuss his experiences implementing software development philosophies such as Agile, methodologies such as Scrum and Kanban and modern practices such as lean product management, continuous integration/deployment and automated testing in real-life systems and programs.

Eduardo Frias
2017 Agent of Change Speaker

Former technology leader at: Beachbody, Johnson & Johnson, and Dell

Eduardo is a highly experienced technology executive with a very successful track record in several blue-chip, global leading companies as well as in high-growth and startup environments. Eduardo is leader with relentless focus on the impact of technology decisions on long-term cost, benefits and risks.

Having held leadership positions with companies such as, Johnson & Johnson, Dell, and Accenture, Eduardo has managed the successful implementation of major initiatives throughout the US, Europe and Asia, leveraging software engineering and project management best practices.

Originally from Argentina, Eduardo makes now San Francisco, CA his home. He has earned a BA in system analysis from University of Buenos Aires and an MS in Software Engineering from Carnegie Mellon University.

TO ATTEND, PLEASE RSVP ONLINE

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