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He currently serves as a consultant to a score of major corporations, governments, and government agencies, and he regularly conducts programs for executives of major multinational corporations here and abroad. His past clients include Accenture, Aramco, AT&T, BASF, CalPERS, Chevron, Cisco, CEMEX, Dow, Ericsson, GE, UBS, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and the World Bank, among many others. He also teaches in the executive education programs at Dartmouth, Duke, Carnegie Mellon, and Harvard Business School.

Dr. Ghadar is a three-time recipient of the Weyerhaeuser Educator of the Year Award and was recognized by *CIO Magazine's* Global Leaders Award. *BusinessWeek* also named him one of the Top 10 Stars of Finance. In the book *Profiles in Coaching: The 2005 Art and Practice of Leadership Coaching: 50 Top Executive Coaches Reveal Their Secrets*, he was named as one of the top 10 thought leaders and practitioners of strategy coaching.

Most recently, Dr. Ghadar authored an immigration study called *Becoming American: Why Immigration is Good for our Nation's Future*. Published in March 2014, the book is a culmination of two years of in-depth research and interviews with some of the United States' most successful immigrants. Additionally, Dr. Ghadar is the author of 15 books on global economic topics, including the release of *Global Tectonics: What Every Business Needs to Know*, *Financing Growth in Developing Economies*, and *New Information Technology and Its Impact on Global Business Management*, as well as numerous articles. He is currently actively at work updating *Global Tectonics* to more accurately reflect the current and future global business environment.

Dr. Ghadar is frequently quoted in internationally circulated publications, such as the *Harvard Business Review*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Financial Times*, *The Washington Post*, *USA Today*, and the *Christian Science Monitor*. He has also been a featured speaker and interviewee on major television networks as well as on the business broadcasts of *CNN*, *CNBC*, and the *Nightly Business Report*. Dr. Ghadar has testified before the U.S. House Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, as well as on the oil industry. He received his BA and MS in Mechanical Engineering from MIT and his MBA and Doctorate from the Harvard Business School.