

Career Blueprint

Dave Burton

Enterprise Strategy Executive | Business Transformation | Technology & AI Leadership

Executive Leadership Profile

Enterprise executive with 20+ years of experience leading business transformation, enterprise technology strategy, and global organizations across Fortune 500 technology, SaaS, financial services, and semiconductor industries. Trusted advisor to executive leadership, aligning technology investments, AI adoption, organizational design, and operating models with corporate strategy to accelerate growth, improve operational performance, and create long-term enterprise value.

Known for leading organizations through complex transformation initiatives, building high-performing leadership teams, and delivering measurable business outcomes through strategic execution and innovation.

Executive Leadership Impact

Throughout his career, Dave has partnered with executive leadership to solve complex business and technology challenges by:

- Shaping enterprise technology and AI strategy
- Leading global modernization and transformation initiatives
- Designing scalable operating models and governance frameworks
- Building high-performing global engineering organizations
- Developing future leaders through mentoring and succession planning
- Aligning technology investments with long-term business objectives

Strategic Leadership

Dave has consistently guided enterprise initiatives that strengthened business performance and organizational capability, including:

- Modernizing revenue-critical platforms through cloud-native architectures that reduced technology risk and enabled future innovation.
- Serving as one of seven senior technology executives responsible for enterprise strategy, portfolio governance, and modernization investments.
- Establishing enterprise AI strategies that accelerated engineering productivity and innovation.
- Leading post-acquisition technology and organizational integrations that improved alignment and accelerated value realization.

- Implementing executive governance frameworks using strategic planning, OKRs, KPIs, and portfolio management to improve organizational execution.
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Career Business Impact

Dave's leadership has delivered measurable results across multiple organizations:

- Reduced quality engineering costs by **more than 50%**
 - Improved platform performance by **up to 10×**
 - Improved latency by **5×**
 - Increased platform throughput by **36%**
 - Reduced code complexity by **37%**
 - Increased platform capacity by **66%**
 - Delivered strategic modernization initiatives **two months ahead of schedule**
 - Directed technology risk mitigation across **1,000+ production systems**
 - Built and led global engineering organizations across North America, Europe, and Asia
 - Developed leadership pipelines resulting in multiple management and executive promotions
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Leadership Philosophy

Dave believes technology creates lasting business value only when aligned with strategy, organizational design, and strong leadership. His approach emphasizes disciplined execution, measurable outcomes, empowered teams, and continuous innovation to improve customer value, operational excellence, and enterprise growth.

Executive Differentiators

- More than 20 years leading enterprise technology and business transformation
- Expertise spanning enterprise strategy, AI, governance, modernization, and organizational design
- Executive leadership across Fortune 500 technology, SaaS, financial services, and semiconductor organizations
- Inventor on **two U.S. patents** in advanced software engineering and database technologies
- Graduate with distinction from the **FICO Leadership Academy**
- Advisory Board Member, **Kodi Connect**
- Six-time **International Obfuscated C Code Contest** Champion
- **National Skydiving Champion** and holder of **three Fédération Aéronautique Internationale world records**