

# Ola Ahlvarsson

**Entrepreneur. Change Maker.  
International Speaker. Moderator.**

Ola Ahlvarsson is a Swedish entrepreneur and athlete based out of Stockholm. Ola has since the mid 90's been at the cutting edge of digital entrepreneurship as an entrepreneur, investor, thought leader and advisor. He has a deep understanding of how businesses can embrace digital opportunities and technology earning him several international awards and recognitions, such as Wired Magazines top technology thinkers 2015 and Young Global Leader at World Economic Forum.

## **Speaker and Moderator**

Ola is one of Sweden's most popular international speakers and moderator. Ola has been chosen to host and lead discussions in some of the world's most prestigious events, amongst them at the World Economic Forum in Davos, DLD in Munich, World Knowledge Forum in Seoul and Le Web in Paris. Ola is also the co-creator, host and moderator of SIME, a thought leader summit held in Stockholm every year hosting 2000 leaders from the Swedish and the International economy. As a moderator he has interviewed heads of states, global top executives, pop stars, super entrepreneurs, hackers, opinionated kids and brilliant academics. As a speaker, Ola has an amazing ability to engage and combine personal experience with the latest trends and learnings and a unique way of combining in-depth domain expertise with excellent stage performance sprinkled with passionate curiosity.

## ***A history of growth***

Ola has been working with and managing leading internet ventures ever since the early days with Spray, Boxman, Blocket, Letsbuyit, SIME to later ventures like FON, Best Secret, Blocket, Epicenter and many more. As a specialist on innovation and internationalization Ola has been advisor to world leading organizations like Google, Ericsson, Samsung, Microsoft, Schibsted, Deutsche Telecom, Telenor and many more.

## ***A serial entrepreneur***

Being the founder of over 20 companies, his current portfolio exists of international expansion and innovations advisors Result, Swedish media house Keynote Media Group, owning and selling portals, magazines, events and online ventures, Star Stable, the world's largest game for girls passionate for horses, Sellbranch, a leading Nordic advertising technology agency (managing Twitter and Yahoo in Scandinavia), Epicenter, a 30 000 m2 innovation house, and Ahlvar Gallery a fashion brand cousing on timeless elegance and silk

blouses. In addition he holds a portfolio of angel investments select range of companies from psychology clinics to castles.

### ***Three time world champion in three different sports***

Ola has a unique background in martial arts with a World Championship and European Championship gold in Goju Ryu Karate, a bronze in Taekwondo World Championships and a World Championship in Kick-Boxing.

He combines the experience from the martial arts world with his 25 year experience in the field of entrepreneurship fuelled by a relentless passion to create. Ola holds an MBA from the University of Stockholm, has guest lectured at Harvard Business School and was also the course director for the Executive MBA program E-Strategy at the Stockholm School of Economics in Riga.

Ola combines unique hands on experience of building entrepreneurial businesses with a mission to convey knowledge and a belief that every organization can and should be entrepreneurial.

### **Speaker topics**

Having been the founder and CEO of Result, a specialised management consulting firm for over 10 years he has unique industry and subject competence.

Industries with extra deep domain knowledge includes Telcom, media, IT, web, FMCG, adtech and entertainment.

He has deep subject expertise in digital innovation, communication, HR, venture capital, internationalisation, entrepreneurship and digital transformation.

- **Innovation**

- Innovation as a Mindset
- Leading Change in Exponential Times
- Inside the Mind of a Serial Entrepreneur: Lessons from Building 22 companies
- Innovation: Lessons learned from Silicon Valhalla
- The future is already here, it is just unevenly distributed
- Beyond Digital Transformation

- **Internationalisation**

- Going international: Lessons learned from Silicon Valhalla

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