

Ravé Mehta

Ravé Mehta is the CEO of MEHTA Group, a 30-year family office with mainline businesses in Engineering & Construction, Technology & Finance, and Media & Entertainment. Recognized as the engineer and serial entrepreneur who pioneered the experiential learning technology approach originally used for DoD simulation and training, Mr. Mehta is a business/creative hybrid with a strong background in engineering and construction, technology and finance, and international cultural affairs as well as a practicing visual artist, music composer, and writer.



Prior to his role as CEO of MEHTA Group, Mr. Mehta founded SUN LLC, a boutique investment banking and private equity firm that specializes in the finance and development of high-growth companies and technology commercialization. With significant experience at both ends of the capital formation and company creation process, Mr. Mehta raised over \$100MM for early stage companies and developed a specialty in recognizing voids in future and upcoming markets. Consequentially, Mr. Mehta held several interim senior management positions, the most recent as the interim CEO for Princeton Software, a New Jersey based 500 person multi-national software firm with offices in U.S., India, Dubai, Singapore, and London leading a successful 8-month turn-around and company sale.

Prior to his forming SUN, Mr. Mehta was a principal and executive of Modis Technologies, a virtual reality software company specialized in creating the next generation of virtual learning environments. Mr. Mehta worked with the Department of Defense (DoD) in pioneering a system that integrated the Internet, artificial intelligence and virtual reality into a mass-deployable training solution for the Army that successfully used experiential based learning methods coupled with gaming technology to bring down training time and costs while driving higher retention rates.

In addition to serving on the Board of Advisors for the Center for Advanced Entrepreneurship, Mr. Mehta sits on several other institutional boards. He was appointed to the Space Florida Board of Directors by Florida Governor Crist and serves as Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Space Florida oversees all 'space' related activities across the state (i.e. NASA, Kennedy Space Center, commercial space, aerospace industry, etc.) and is recognized as the world's largest space cluster. He was also appointed to the board of PRIDE Enterprises (Prisoner Rehabilitative Industries Diversified Enterprises) by former Florida Governor Bush in 2005. He is also a member of the Mayor's High-Tech Advisory Board for the City of Orlando, and Chairman of the Digital Infrastructure Committee for Central Florida.

Mr. Mehta holds a BS and MS in Civil Engineering from the University of Central Florida and an Executive MBA in Finance & Marketing from the Crummer Graduate School of Business. Mr. Mehta has also been recognized in numerous local and national media outlets including 100 Most Influential People in Central Florida published by the Orlando Business Journal in 2001 and the 2003 Businessmen of the Year list published in the Wall Street Journal.