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Profile

Dipak is a researcher for BTextact Technologies, British Telecommunications world renowned R&D organisation. He specialises in the study and development of 'disruptive technologies', innovation that breaks apart traditional ways of thinking and operating.

An exponent of free thinking approaches to technology in business and society his roles have spanned a diverse number of areas, including "Young Jedi" to BT's Chief Technologist.

Education

1999 - present MSc. Telecommunications Engineering, University of London

1995 - 1998 BSc. Computer Science, (2.2), University of Manchester

1992 - 1995 GCE A Levels, (BBC), Dudley College of Technology

Professional History

Feb 2001 Disruptive Technologies Researcher, BTextact Technologies.

A lead technical role in a team focussed on exploiting value from the BT relationship with MIT Media Lab.

- Actively participated in the efforts to downstream and adapt many technologies into BTextact Research from MIT Media Lab and other university partners.
- Investigated a range of emerging disruptive technologies to discover potential venturing propositions for BTextact.
- Responsible for the management and delivery of a major project in a new research area for BTextact.
- Involved in the creation of exploitation and business plans in order to take research projects to market.
- Lead the development of several concept demonstrators to explore specific technology areas to build the world class reputation of BTextact in the eyes of customers.
- Communication of work to peers and research community through the publication of several papers.
- Filed patents regularly, protecting new intellectual property and strengthening commercial value of research for our stakeholders.
- Became a popular technical resource to a wide variety of customers through regular demonstrations, presentations and workshops.
- Built key relationships between BTextact Researchers and external universities with the supervision of several exchange students.
- Raised the profile of our research with appearances on television programmes and the press.

Nov 2000 Senior Consultant, BTextact.

A consultancy role to provide thought leadership to the UK Government; appointed as an advisor to The Cabinet Office.

- Worked as part of the Performance and Innovation Unit, a cross-departmental government and industry team to deliver a paper and set of recommendations to the Prime Minister on privacy and data sharing issues for the citizen.

Sept 1999 Executive Assistant to Chief Technologist, British Telecommunications plc

Seized the opportunity to undergo an intense period of career and personal development, as EA and technical advisor to Peter Cochrane - BT's Chief Technologist.

- Developed a wider understanding of the impact of technology in a business context through extensive contact with leading thinkers, academics and key industry players around the globe.
- A member of a pioneering consultancy group within BT; responsible for collecting and disseminating information, delivering technical briefings, reports and brainstorming workshops. Our work and ideas resulted in the forming of new area of strategic consultancy for BTextact.
- Gained an understanding of radical new business models by tracking and working with UK and USA 'dotcom' start-ups - culminating in the set up of a \$20Bn venture capital conference.
- A six-week placement at MIT Media Lab, USA to investigate and chart the progress of world leading blue-sky research.
- Logistics experience as a member of the team responsible for the public launch of the BT Disruptive Lab at MIT and the Cambridge MIT institute in Boston.

Publications

Personalised Wireless in Interaction in Public Places - BTTJ Jan 2002 Dipak Patel, Robin Mannings

The Future Home - BTTJ April 2002, Dipak Patel, Ian Pearson

Patents

Reflex, European patent ref: 01306614.7

Generic Information Supply Tool, internal ref: A25512

Intelligent Repeater, internal ref: A30002

Collaborative User Interfaces, internal ref: A30003

Additional Information

I have a range of hobbies, the newest being snowboarding. I enjoy travelling, live music and the cinema.

References

Professor Peter Cochrane OBE, Founder ConceptLabs, petercochrane@conceptlabs.net

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