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### What is the MIT GSW?

The MIT GSW is the world's premier workshop dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship, inspiring future innovators, and building entrepreneurial ecosystems globally. Each year, the workshop takes place in a different location, and we bring together over 300 entrepreneurial leaders, executives, students, next generation entrepreneurs, professors, financiers, government agents, and private supporters to build a global support network for entrepreneurship. We bridge boundaries across different sectors to stimulate discussion, generate ideas, and share best entrepreneurial practices. Since 1998, our non-profit, student-run organization has held 16 international workshops, spanning 6 continents, and has attracted participants from over 70 nations.

### What happens at the GSW?

#### High impact and caliber speakers



Fernando Fabre

Bill Aulet

Krisztina "Z" Holly



Bre DiGiammarino



Thomas Andrae

Anika Gupta

# Speakers from previous GSW



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Sam Lessin

Othman Laraki

John Chisholm



Big Data: the New Revolution for Your Business? Doing Well by Doing Good -

Being Profitable While Making Impact New Media: How Companies Create Community Mining, Energy & Natural Resources Technological Innovations in Fashion & Cosmetics Fantastic Women in Entrepreneurship Emerging Entrepreneurship in Africa Funding: How to Connect with Business Angels and VCs

Being Profitable in Emerging Markets Google Spain - An Innovation Success From Entrepreneur to Venture Capitalist Reverse Outsourcing - Cross-Continental Education Keeping Momentum - Founder to CEO Immigant Entrepreneurs

### Hands-on workshops

### IdeaStorm

How to Pitch to VC's and Investors? How to Create a Successful Crowd-Funding Campaign? Entrepreneurial Strategy

#### Also:

Networking Events City Tours Fellowship Program Startup Showcases **Elevator Pitch Competition Business Plan Competition** 









### MIT GSW 2015 in Guatemala City, Guatemala

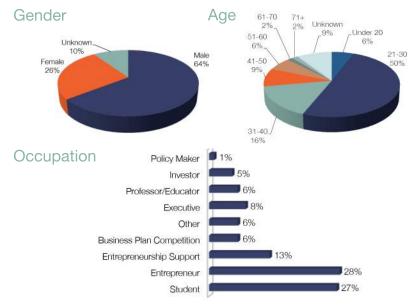
This year, we are proud to partner with Universidad Francisco Marroquín (UFM) to bring the MIT Global Startup Workshop to Guatemala City, Guatemala. The 2015 GSW will be held from March 25 to 27, 2015 at UFM's campus. Guatemala City, a cultural and economic capital of Central America, is located in a mountain valley called Valle de la Ermita. Fast paced and vibrant, the city showcases the confluence of history and modernity with flair, and is poised to become a hub of entrepreneurial activity in the Central American region. As always, we will bring together inspiring speakers, future innovators, and entrepreneurs under one roof for three exhilarating days full of opportunities to build lasting connections with a diverse entrepreneurial network.



### **Countries Represented**







#### Guatemala City, Guatemala Buenos Aires, Argentina MIT GSW 2015 MIT GSW 2006 Marrakesh, Morocco Abu Dhabi, UAE MIT GSW 2014 MIT GSW 2005 Tallinn, Estonia Cambridge, UK MIT GSW 2004 MIT GSW 2013 stanbul, Turkey Beijing, China MIT GSW 2012 MIT GSW 2003 Seoul, South Korea Bologona, Italy **MIT GSW 2002 MIT GSW 2011** Reykjavik, Iceland elbourne, Australia MIT GSW 2010 MIT GSW 2001 Cape Town, South Africa Seville, Spain MIT GSW 2000 MIT GSW 2009 Madrid, Spain Singapore National University MIT GSW 1999 MIT GSW 2008 Trondheim, Norway Cambridge, MA, USA MIT GSW 1998 **MIT GSW 2007**

## **Testimonials**

91% of attendees said that panels and speakers were very engaging and relevant, 90% said that conference activities met or exceeded expectations, 89% said that they would recommend the conference to a friend of colleague.

"I will never forget this event! I was exposed to a lot of inspiring ideas and got the chance to meet some of the greatest world entrepreneurs." – Attendee

"Stimulating and very worthwhile."

 Peter Hill, Chairman of the Board at Triangle Petroleum (keynote speaker)

"I must say that it was indeed beyond all expectations...the ideas brought out gave a totally new perspective to many of the things I do."

- Kazi Zulkader Siddiqui, Founder of Techcorp Group (panelist)

"I was blown away at how great this conference was...(would) LOVE to participate again!" – Paul Ford, VP Community Development at Softlayer Technologies (panelist)

"The quality of most of the talks was very high. There were some real heavyweights there." – Attendee