

New Directory Ranks America's Top 20 CEO Coaches

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A new directory, Top CEO Coaches, has launched to publicly rank and profile the 20 most sought-after executive coaches in the United States. The CEO directory is now live.

The roster includes names familiar to anyone who follows leadership literature, including Marshall Goldsmith, Ram Charan, Patrick Lencioni, and Kim Scott, alongside specialists like Glenn Gow, who focuses on technology CEOs, and Dr. Michael Gervais, known for his work on high-performance mindset. The coaches featured bring an average of 20 years of executive coaching experience, often combined with deep expertise in psychology, organizational behavior, and C-suite leadership.

The directory distinguishes itself with an organizing framework that categorizes each coach into one of four archetypes, designed to help leaders quickly identify expertise that matches their current challenges. These include Executive Operators, who are former C-suite leaders coaching from direct operational experience, and Strategic Scalars, specialists in hypergrowth, organizational complexity, and scaling leadership teams. The framework also features Mindset Masters, experts in psychology, performance optimization, and resilience under pressure, as well as Culture Architects, who focus on team dynamics, values alignment, and organizational design.

"A CEO's time is their scarcest resource, and the wrong coaching match costs more than money. It costs momentum," said Alex Gambino, founder of Top CEO Coaches. "We built this directory because leaders shouldn't have to rely on luck and loose referrals to find someone who can actually move the needle on how they think, decide, and lead."

Inclusion in the Top CEO Coaches directory is based on seven rigorous criteria emphasizing both credibility and measurable impact. Coaches must demonstrate a proven track record of coaching CEOs at companies with at least \$100 million in annual revenue and a minimum of 10 years dedicated to executive coaching. Professional certifications or equivalent industry recognition are required, along with published thought leadership contributing to the broader conversation on executive performance. Additional criteria include documented client results, specialized expertise in CEO-specific challenges such as board relations and

investor management, and commitment to ongoing professional development.

The directory also accepts nominations from boards, investors, and CHROs, with plans to refresh the rankings periodically to reflect emerging talent and evolving executive needs.

Research cited on the platform indicates that CEOs who engage with professional coaches often realize measurable gains in decision quality, employee engagement, and financial performance compared to peers without coaching support. Elite coaches consistently deliver an objective perspective on strategic challenges, a confidential sounding board for high-stakes decisions, direct behavioral feedback, practical strategic frameworks, accountability for leadership goals, and access to valuable executive networks.

"The best CEOs aren't looking for advice. They're looking for a thinking partner who will challenge their assumptions and sharpen their judgment," Gambino added. "That's a specific skill set, and this directory helps leaders find it faster."

Top CEO Coaches is America's definitive digital directory of elite CEO and executive coaches. For more information, visit <https://thetopceocoaches.com>.

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