James "J.J" Stranko – Communications advisor and Entrepreneur



BIOGRAPHY

James Stranko is a multilingual, globally-minded communications advisor and entrepreneur with deep expertise in the tech and venture sectors. For nearly 15 years, James has worked alongside companies at pivotal moments in their life cycle, including scaling through investment rounds, M&A, founder transitions, and crisis situations. He is passionate about how organizations manage people through moments of profound change. Before becoming an independent advisor, James led Client Development for several of McKinsey's New Ventures, including Cyber Solutions and Fast Growth Tech (now Fuel). He also worked on a number of client teams to bring communications expertise to major transformations and crisis management engagements. Prior to this, he worked at Brunswick Group in London and New York.

A keen writer, James has had his original writing published in a number of leading news outlets, including The Washington Post, the Boston Globe, TechCrunch, VentureBeat, and the Irish Independent among other titles.

James holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Columbia University, and a master's degree in International economics from Johns Hopkins - School of International Studies.