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RISING STARS - MIGUEL LUINA



## Cover story

*Venture Capital Journal's debut ranking of the 40 Rising Stars under 40 in the global venture community shows the up and comers are a diverse lot.*

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When the editorial team of *Venture Capital Journal* decided last fall to find the up and comers of the venture community under the age of 40, we feared we'd generate a sparse list.

Our readers let us know how silly that notion was. Turns out, the number of candidates overwhelmed us. More than 120 nominees were submitted for our inaugural Rising Stars 2020. It wasn't easy honing it to 40; a lot of quality people were left off the final tally.

Based on the exuberance of those who submitted, we look forward to making this an annual thing and formulating another list of young guns next year. Be on the lookout for our call for submissions in October 2020.

In the meantime, we wanted to explain how we drew up this year's Rising Stars.

First, we sought nominations, asking readers to submit names and supporting material, which we supplemented with the editorial team's own

understanding of the market.

By their nature, the Rising Stars don't have a ton of performance data to judge objectively. Our selection criteria were based on such factors as the deals they are involved in, industry accolades, obstacles they overcame, how fast they are rising in title and stature, what responsibilities they oversee, and how they contribute to thought leadership.

### Under the radar

We also considered how under-the-radar they are. To be fair, the VC community is filled with noteworthy people, many of whom have already made names for themselves while still being considered Rising Stars. We felt



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some did not fit the spirit of being under-the-radar Rising Stars. Thus, many VC standouts and accomplished investors did not make the cut.

However, this isn't a typical list of principals and junior partners from top-tier firms. We included firm founders, since we believe many senior people simply could not be overlooked.

We looked at VCs and the broader venture community of LPs, bankers, attorneys and other service providers, as well. We were impressed at the diversity. Some of the Rising Stars joined their employers as interns.

We also looked at their international expertise, and we're happy to say the final Rising Stars 2020 list includes folks active in the US, Canada, Asia and Europe. We plan to expand it to include more global representation next year.

We congratulate those on the pages that follow as well as all the candidates we didn't select. Our overall conclusion is that the venture community appears to be in safe hands, thanks to these Rising Stars.



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