



## Udemy Hires Veteran Product Leader and Adds Key Member to its Board of Directors

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SAN FRANCISCO – January 22, 2020 – [Udemy](#), the largest global marketplace for learning and teaching online, announced the appointment of Prasad Gune as Senior Vice President of Product where he will lead the company's product management, design, and UX research teams. As Udemy continues to scale around the world, the company also announced the appointment of Lydia Ventura Paterson to its Board of Directors.

"At Udemy, we're focused on improving lives through learning and helping learners realize their ambitions," said Gregg Coccari, CEO Udemy. "To do that, it's crucial to build a team that is diverse in thinking and experience. I'd like to extend a warm welcome to both Prasad and Lydia, who will help us navigate Udemy as we grow in 2020 and beyond."

Prasad brings strategic product leadership skills and a wealth of knowledge and experience on marketplace and enterprise offerings. While SVP of Product at OpenTable, Prasad drove product vision and strategy and led a 70-person product and design team that delivered numerous product improvements to delight diners and restaurants. Prior to OpenTable, he led product management for Recruiter, LinkedIn's flagship monetization product within the multi-billion dollar Talent Solutions portfolio, establishing it as the industry standard for talent sourcing. Prasad holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and a Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley.

Lydia Ventura Paterson is the Chief Financial Officer for OLX Group, the online classifieds business of Prosus, a global consumer internet group and one of the largest technology investors in the world. Lydia brings with her over 20 years of corporate and operational finance experience formed at high-growth global consumer technology companies, including PayPal and eBay. Lydia was a Board of Directors member for the eBay Foundation, and in addition has served on other BODs in the US, South America, Europe, and Russia.

### **About Udemy**

With a mission to improve lives through learning, Udemy is the largest online learning destination that helps students, businesses, and governments gain the skills they need to compete in today's economy. More than 50 million students are mastering new skills from expert instructors teaching over 150,000 [online courses](#) in topics from [programming](#) and [data science](#) to [leadership](#) and [team building](#). For companies, Udemy for Business offers an [employee training](#) and development platform with subscription access to 4,000+ courses, learning analytics, as well as the ability to host and distribute their own content. Udemy for Government is designed to upskill workers and prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow. Udemy is privately owned and headquartered in San Francisco with offices in Denver, Brazil, India, Ireland, and Turkey.