Session Title: Need for Speed - Building a Global Culture of Innovation

Innovation is the implementation of new ideas that create value in the shortest period of time. In the constant battle of "survival of the fittest", every business must constantly re-evaluate its processes to improve on its results. As Will Rogers once said, *"Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there."*

This high powered session will have teams attempting to "make the impossible, possible" and learning how to make innovation accessible to all in the company.

- What is Business Excellence innovation and how to keep global leaders engaged after 1, 5 or 10+ years
- What are the traits of great business innovators
- How to effectively crowdsource innovation to create value
- Examples of Business Excellence innovations in critical human infrastructure projects

About Business Excellence (BEx):

BEx combines disciplined innovation methods with elements of venture capitalism and collaborative leadership to deliver rapid and sustainable improvements and innovations in any industry.

Its track record of innovation, leadership development and value creation for over a decade has won multiple industry awards and global accolades including the Global Award of Excellence in Engineering and Construction (by Rice Global Forum) and the 2016 Top US Private Company for Leaders (by Chief Executive Magazine).







About the Speaker:



Hyleme George serves as Business Excellence Leader for Black & Veatch where he leads projects, mentors professionals, and consults for senior leaders in the delivery of critical business improvements and innovations that add value to Black & Veatch, its business partners, and clients.

Prior to his current role, George held business excellence leadership positions in large, global companies in financial services (Capital One, UMB Bank), industrial equipment (Caterpillar), and management consulting (Accenture). He holds a Bachelor in Business Administration from the University of Kansas.

About Black & Veatch:

Black & Veatch is an employee-owned, global leader in building critical human infrastructure in Oil & Gas, Power, Water, Telecommunications and Government Services. Since 1915, we have helped our clients improve the lives of people in over 100 countries through consulting, engineering, construction, operations and program management. Our revenues in 2015 were US$3 billion. We have 7,000+ active Oil & Gas, Power, Water and Telecom projects globally.