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His core expertise areas are building high growth companies - especially in health and sports tech space - and financial instrumentation of early and growth stage companies. During past 25 years he has built an extensive network of leading business professionals, VCs, and academic experts in Europe, U.S. (Silicon Valley and Boston) and in Israel.

Prior to SPARK era he served for 15-years in several top management positions and was a founder/co-founder of several companies focusing on health and sports technologies, business development and financial instrumentation. He has been an initiator of two seed funds in Finland.

Alongside with that he has been invited internationally to contribute on several strategic governmental initiatives focusing on economic and financial development. As an example, in 2008-2009 he was appointed by the Finnish Government as a national coordinator of growth venturing and business competence development of 13 industrial clusters, and a coordinator of health and well-being cluster in a national Center of Expertise Program.

Pasi has studied electrical engineering at Oulu University, holds MSc from the University of Jyväskylä (Sports and Health Sciences), Finland. Currently he is a PhD candidate (major strategic management) at the University of Tampere (UTa) and Tampere University of Technology (TUT) focusing on *competent systems of high growth venturing and venture finance*.

