



## Richard Dasher

Adjunct Professor  
East Asian Languages and Cultures

### Bio

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#### BIO

Richard Dasher has been Director of the US-Asia Technology Management Center (US-ATMC) at Stanford University since 1994. He served concurrently as the Executive Director of the Center for Integrated Systems in Stanford's School of Engineering from 1998 - 2015. His research and teaching focus on the flow of people, knowledge, and capital in innovation systems, on the impact of new technologies on industry value chains, and on open innovation management. Dr. Dasher was the first non-Japanese person ever asked to join the governance of a Japanese national university, serving as a Board Director and member of the Management Council of Tohoku University from 2004 - 2010. He has served on the Program Committee of the \$1.3 billion/year World Premier International Research Center Initiative (WPI) of Japan since its inception in 2007, and he has also served on program and review committees of other national science and technology funding programs, national research institutes, and universities in Canada, Japan, and Thailand. He is a Founding Partner of the Tokyo-based VC firm Global Hands-On Venture Capital (GHOVC), and he is an advisor to start-up companies, business accelerators, venture capital firms, and nonprofits in Silicon Valley, Japan, India, and S. Korea. Dr. Dasher received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Linguistics from Stanford University. Before coming to the US-ATMC, he served as board director of two small companies in Tokyo, developing international business from 1990 - 93. From 1986 - 90, he was Director of the U.S. State Department's Advanced Language and Area Training Centers in Japan and Korea that provide full-time curricula to U.S. and Commonwealth Country diplomats assigned to those countries.

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Adjunct Professor, East Asian Languages and Cultures

#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Director, US-Asia Technology Management Center, (1994- present)
- Executive Director, Center for Integrated Systems, (1998-2015)

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Foreign Minister's Commendation, Government of Japan (2023)

#### BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Program Committee member, World Premier International Research Center Initiative, JSPS, Japan (2007 - present)
- Board Director, World Sustainable Development Forum (2018 - present)
- Board Director, Japan Society of Northern California (2011 - present)
- Board Director, Keizai - Silicon Valley U.S.-Japan Business Forum (2002 - present)
- Senior Advisor, Mitsubishi Research Institute (2016 - present)
- Editorial Board, Journal of Cyber Policy (2017 - present)

- Chair, Steering Committee, Japan - U.S. Innovation Awards (2011 - present)
- Co-Chair, Review Panel, Canada Excellence Research Chairs (2009 - 2017)
- Advisory Board member, Kyushu University Robert Huang Entrepreneurship Center (2011 - present)
- Advisor to the President, Tohoku University (2005 - present)
- Board Director, then Member of Management Council, Tohoku University (2004 - 2010)
- International Advisory Board, Thailand Institute of Scientific and Technological Research (TISTR) (2014 - 2019)
- Global Advisory Board, Kyushu University (2017 - 2019)
- International Advisory Council, Japan Science and Technology Agency (2014 - 2016)

## PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Center for East Asian Studies

## Teaching

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### COURSES

#### 2025-26

- Entrepreneurship in Asian High Tech Industries: EALC 402T, EASTASN 402T, EE 402T (Spr)
- Japanese Business Culture and Systems: JAPAN 151, JAPAN 251 (Win)
- Topics in International Technology Management: EALC 402A, EASTASN 402A, EE 402A (Aut)

#### 2024-25

- Entrepreneurship in Asian High Tech Industries: EALC 402T, EASTASN 402T, EE 402T (Spr)
- Japanese Business Culture and Systems: JAPAN 151, JAPAN 251 (Win)
- Topics in International Technology Management: EALC 402A, EASTASN 402A, EE 402A (Aut)

#### 2023-24

- Entrepreneurship in Asian High Tech Industries: EALC 402T, EASTASN 402T, EE 402T (Spr)
- Japanese Business Culture and Systems: JAPAN 151, JAPAN 251 (Win)
- Topics in International Technology Management: EALC 402A, EASTASN 402A, EE 402A (Aut)

#### 2022-23

- Entrepreneurship in Asian High Tech Industries: EALC 402T, EASTASN 402T, EE 402T (Spr)
- Practicum Internship: CHINA 390 (Win, Spr, Sum)
- Rebalancing Economic Systems in a World Driven by Tech: Quality-of-Life in Socio-Cultural Context: EALC 179, EALC 279, EASTASN 179, EASTASN 279 (Win)
- Topics in International Technology Management: EALC 402A, EASTASN 402A, EE 402A (Aut)

## STANFORD ADVISEES

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## Publications

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### PUBLICATIONS

- **Education for Innovation in Japan and the U.S.: Challenges and Approaches in the University Setting**  
Dasher, R. B.  
Japan Economic Foundation. Tokyo.

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2018 ; Japan SPOTLIGHT (March/April 2018): 22–26

- **After the Storm: the impact of the current economic downturn on the globalization of corporate research and development** *Asia Pacific World*  
Dasher, R. B.  
2010; 1 (1): 57-73
- **Value chain restructuring and R&D portfolio management: the effects of system-on-chip integration on the semiconductor and electronics industries** *INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT*  
Dasher, R. B.  
2002; 23 (7-8): 788-812
- **Regularity in Semantic Change**  
Traugott, E. C., Dasher, R. B.  
Cambridge University Press.2001

## PRESENTATIONS

- Asia Entrepreneurship Update - Venture Capital Roundtable (May 8, 2015)
- Human Resources Development in Japanese IT Industries: Current Challenges and Recommendations for the Future - Information Technology Industries Promotion Agency of Japan (IPA) Global Symposium (May 23, 2013 - May 23, 2013)
- Open Innovation in the Creative Economy: Its Role and Implementation - Preparatory Conference for the Daejeon Global Innovation Forum (September 25, 2013 - September 25, 2013)
- On the Role of Social Entrepreneurship in Economic Vitalization: a View from the U.S. - U.S. Consulate General Osaka, Japan (April 23, 2013 - April 23, 2013)
- Toward a (New) Model for Japanese Innovation: Implications from the U.S. Model - Development Bank of Japan (March 19, 2013 - March 19, 2013)
- Innovation and Value Creation for a Decarbonized Economy - Zero Emissions Technology Summit, Kyoto (March 2, 2013)
- Cloud Computing: When Infrastructure Becomes a Service - IEEE Technology Management Council (Japan) (December 5, 2012 - December 5, 2012)
- Business Globalization and the Importance of Entrepreneurial Innovation - EMC Global Innovation Conference (October 31, 2012 - October 31, 2012)