

John Spence Introduction:

I am pleased to introduce John Spence, the 2026 Thinkers360 Thought Leader of the Year and a recognized authority in leadership and building high-performance organizations.

At just 26, John was named CEO of an international Rockefeller Foundation, leading projects in more than 20 countries. Since then, he has been named one of the Top 100 Business Thought Leaders in the world, and the American Management Association honored him as one of America's Top 50 Leaders to Watch—alongside Sergey Brin and Larry Page of Google, and Jeff Bezos of Amazon.

John has served as CEO of four companies and as a trusted advisor to organizations around the globe, from startups to the Fortune 10.

He has shared his insights at more than 50 universities, including Stanford, Princeton, Cornell, and the Wharton School of Business.

Please join me in welcoming John Spence.

John Spence Short Intro or Sound Bite:

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John Spence By-Line:

John Spence is a recognized authority in leadership and building high-performance organizations, and the 2026 Thinkers360 Thought Leader of the Year. As a speaker, coach, and advisor to organizations around the globe, from startups to the Fortune 10, John is dedicated to helping people and businesses be more successful by "Making the Very Complex... Awesomely Simple." For more information visit JohnSpence.com.