Don Tapscott is one of the world’s leading authorities on innovation, media and the economic and social impact of technology. He is CEO of The Tapscott Group, and was founder and chairman of the international think tank New Paradigm before it’s acquisition. He is also Vice Chair of Spencer Trask Collaborative Innovations, a new company building a portfolio of companies in the collaboration and social media space.

Don has given more than 400 keynote speeches and presentations over the past five years, including opening TED Global in Edinburgh in 2012. His clients include top executives of many of the world’s largest corporations and government leaders from many countries. In 2013, Thinkers50 awarded Don the Global Solutions Award for launching and leading the Global Solution Networks program based at the Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto. Thinkers50, the Definitive List of the Top 50 Business Thinkers in the World, listed Don as the 4th most influential living management thinkers. Over the last two decades Don has appeared on many such lists.

Don has authored or co-authored 15 widely read books about information technology in business and society. His most recent book, *Radical Openness: Four Unexpected Principles for Success* (co-authored with Anthony D Williams) was published in 2013 by TED Books and is based on the principles of Don’s prolific TED Talk. *Macrowikinomics: New Solutions for a Connected Planet* (Revised Paperback, 2012), co-authored by Anthony D. Williams, was originally released in September 2010 to tremendous acclaim from business executives and the media and was a runner up for The Best Business Book of the Last Two Years. *Macrowikinomics* is the follow-up to *Wikinomics: How Mass Collaboration Changes Everything* (2006), also co-authored by Anthony D. Williams. *Wikinomics* was an international bestseller, #1 on the 2007 management book charts, and on *The New York Times* and *Businessweek* bestseller lists. Translated into 20 languages, *Wikinomics* was a finalist for the prestigious *Financial Times/Goldman Sachs* Best Business Book award and was chosen as one of the best books of the year by a number of publications, including *The Economist*. The 20th Anniversary Edition of *The Digital Economy: Rethinking Promise and Peril in the Age of Networked Intelligence*, Don’s international bestseller which changed
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