

Name:

Irfan Ali

Position/Department/Division/Institution/Organization:

Senior Vice-President Strategic Development & CIO

ARC Clean Energy, Inc.

Country:

United States

Career History:

With an extensive record in the field of technology commercialization, Mr. Ali offers a unique combination of executive management, technical and marketing skills. A professed technologist, he has a passion for bringing new, innovative technology to the market in the form of products and solutions that address complex, contemporary problems. Mr. Ali prides himself on his ability to bring together diverse, talented individuals into a single, focused, effective team with a common purpose. He has a proven track record of building global businesses and organizations, involving a number of innovative, emerging technologies.

Prior to joining ARC, Mr. Ali was President and CEO of Lambda OpticalSystems, a late-stage, venture-backed startup building high-end optical networking equipment. The company successfully raised funds in three rounds of venture financing, had contracts with the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Department of Energy, and at its peak employed over 75 engineers.

Before Lambda, Mr. Ali was President of CommWorks Corporation, a 3Com company. At CommWorks, Mr. Ali had complete responsibility for all aspects of the business, growing its revenues to \$770 million per year, improving profitability from a loss to 20% net operating margin, and expanding the organization to over 1,700 employees globally.

Mr. Ali received an MS in Electrical Engineering and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. He was also a founding member of the ATM Forum.

Areas of Expertise:

Nuclear Energy, Clean Technology, Energy Markets, Climate Change, Telecommunications, High-Performance Computing & Networking, Software Development, Information Management and Technology.