

## **Draper University's Tim Draper Hosts YouNoodle Live Featuring Student Entrepreneurs From Around The World**

*Conducted entirely online, YouNoodle's virtual 'demo day' featuring Tim Draper encourages global sourcing of innovation and investment in the collegiate startup ecosystem*

**San Francisco, CA – December 3, 2014** – Draper University ([www.draperveruniversity.com](http://www.draperveruniversity.com)), an entrepreneurship program for the world's most innovative and creative people, is partnering with YouNoodle ([www.younoodle.com](http://www.younoodle.com)), a startup competition platform, for the next YouNoodle Live. Draper University's founder, Tim Draper, will be on hand to evaluate and give feedback to students from around the world that will have the chance to present their ideas during the virtual event, which will be MCed by Torsten Kolind, Co-Founder and CEO of YouNoodle. As part of the ongoing YouNoodle 1K campaign, YouNoodle Live gives startups from YouNoodle 1K the opportunity to pitch virtually to technology luminaries. The event will take place on December 9th at 9 AM PT and registration is open now at [www.younoodle.com/live](http://www.younoodle.com/live).

"As a vocal advocate for young entrepreneurs I am very excited to be a part of YouNoodle Live," said Tim. "We are constantly recruiting young founders for Draper University and are proud to have one of the best networks for innovators looking to launch their ideas into the marketplace. This is a great opportunity for us to see what is out there in terms of new and unique ideas."

"Our first YouNoodle Live was a great success and exposed the presenting startups to a global network of venture capitalists, corporate innovation managers, and seasoned entrepreneurs," said Torsten. "Draper University and Tim Draper add a level of credibility that is unprecedented. The presenting startups will benefit not only from the global online exposure, but also Tim's years of knowledge evaluating and educating young entrepreneurs."

YouNoodle 1K focuses on the top 1,000 entrepreneurs and ideas selected from over 28,000 startups coming through more than 400 YouNoodle-driven startup competitions worldwide in the past 12 months. It uses judging and evaluation data from competitions to paint a picture of the global startup ecosystem. The program offers members in the YouNoodle 1K network opportunities to gain access to experts, investors and business development opportunities from all over the world.

### **About Draper University**

Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, Draper University is the brainchild of venture capitalist Tim Draper, and co-founder of Draper Fisher Jurvetson Venture Fund. Draper University is an innovative program for entrepreneurs, offering both residential entrepreneurship programs and an online program for the brightest entrepreneurs from around the world. Students experience Silicon Valley via a cutting edge, hands on curriculum taught by the most successful entrepreneurs in the Valley. For more information about the program, visit [www.draperveruniversity.com](http://www.draperveruniversity.com) or contact us [info@draperuniversity.com](mailto:info@draperuniversity.com).

**About YouNoodle**

YouNoodle ([www.younoodle.com](http://www.younoodle.com)) is a data-driven startup recruitment engine and customized end-to-end platform for the creation, management, and judging of startup competitions. Top universities, corporations, accelerators, as well as governments use YouNoodle's tools to host challenges and judging processes, recruit high-potential entrepreneurs, and grow their startup ecosystems. Having facilitated more than 400 international competitions across 100 countries, YouNoodle has created a global talent network of 50,000 startups and has become a premier resource for expanding access to the best ideas and brightest talent across the globe. Based in Silicon Valley with a team comprised of 10 different nationalities who speak 18 different languages, YouNoodle creates a local and global opportunity network that expands the borders of the startup landscape and equalizes opportunities for entrepreneurs worldwide.