

'Original Shark' Kevin Harrington Selects Ten Visionary, Trailblazing Founders

Kevin Harrington has backed many visionary and trailblazing entrepreneurs throughout his career. In this selection, he highlights ten standout founders who are redefining their industries.

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Karim Sekkat

[Oxford Engineering Ltd](#), led by Chairman Karim Sekkat, blends precision, innovation, and a deep-rooted culture of accountability to tackle the high-stakes demands of nuclear manufacturing. Drawing on Karim's skydiving background, with over 220 jumps, including high-risk never jumped before paratrooper dives, the company operates with a mindset where failure is not an option. Oxford Engineering has delivered a key nuclear assembly prototype — a complex, mission-critical component — before competitors with years of head start and customer experience even made it to the first delivery.

Renowned for its meticulous attention to detail, the company leverages bespoke scheduling tools and machine readiness evaluations to eliminate delays and ensure every component is right the first time. With over 20 years of refinement, Oxford's streamlined systems have earned recognition, including two Siemens awards for operational excellence. The firm continues to invest in state-of-the-art equipment and data-driven maintenance strategies, ensuring long-term performance.
