



Vani Kola is a serial entrepreneur and visionary known for identifying emerging markets and building successful market-driven software companies. For the last 10 years she has focused on founding and building her various companies. She was founder and CEO of Certus Software, a leader in the Financial Compliance Market with over 70 customers worldwide. Vani's personal commitment to excellence and integrity influences her approach to building companies, developing products and empowering people.

Prior to establishing Certus, Vani was the founder and chief executive officer of RightWorks, a successful e-procurement company that was acquired by ICG and subsequently by i2.

Before founding RightWorks, Vani held management and engineering positions at Consilium and Control Data Corporation. She holds M.S. and B.S degrees in electrical engineering. Vani is profiled in numerous books and has been identified as one of the top 10 entrepreneurs in Silicon Valley. Outside of enjoying building high growth companies, her interests lie in raising her two daughters and musing about finding the perfect balance between work and family. She is involved in various organizations focused on fostering entrepreneurship and women leadership.