

Cloud Giants: Meeting Todd Mckinnon, CEO and co-founder of Okta

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On Cloud Giants, a podcast brought to you by Bessemer Venture Partners (BVP), Byron Deeter interviews entrepreneurs, founders, and great leaders who have built world-changing cloud companies.

In this episode, Byron talks to Todd Mckinnon, one of the founders and current CEO of Okta a well-known cloud identity management service for businesses.

Listeners will hear about:

- Todd's background working at Salesforce and the decision to quit the job, bitten by the entrepreneurial bug.
- The challenges in finding his Co-Founder, Frederic Kerrest and the importance of building the right leadership team.
- The toughest point in Okta's history during the summer of 2011, where the company wasn't quite hitting its targets and it was too early in its history to have had the time to build enough functionality into the platform.
- Reasons why Okta's market capitalisation eclipsed from \$2.0-2.5 billion USD to \$25 billion USD.

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