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**At work:** Will is the Vice President for Special Projects at Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic, the world's first spaceline. Virgin Galactic is building on the legacy of the ANSARI X PRIZE-winning SpaceShipOne, bringing a fleet of commercial spacecraft into service for private, civil, and scientific passengers. Some of the 'Special Projects' will has worked on are the LauncherOne small satellite launch vehicle and the use of SpaceShipTwo as a research platform, among others.

**In the past:** Will is a graduate of Harvard University, the NASA Academy, and the International Space University. From 2005 - 2011, he worked at the X PRIZE Foundation, the world-leading incentive prize organization. As Senior Director of Space Prizes, he served as the primary author and manager of the \$30 million Google Lunar X PRIZE and the \$2 million Northrop Grumman Lunar Lander X CHALLENGE. He has also worked at Harvard and Brown Universities, the Futron Corporation, and the United Nations, and was the co-founder and Editor in Chief of SpaceAlumni.com.