

STARTUPS AND PROGRAMMERS IN SPAIN

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I read a few days ago the extraordinary article by **David Bonilla** in his blog entitled "[The fallacy of the lost programmer](#)", a [response to a previous article by Enrique Dans](#). In my opinion, [the article by David Bonilla and the debate generated afterwards \(read the comments\) constitutes the best review I have read in recent years about the "world of Spanish startups"](#).

It is difficult to add anything more when arguing about David Bonilla, with whom I totally identify. Perhaps I should point out that there are also entrepreneurs with a much more up-to-date vision and that they do value programmers. If only because once we were too.

I think your review of the sad reality of the creation of technology companies in Spain (so-called startups) is brilliant, demystifying many supposed industry gurus who constantly draw a non-existent reality, that of a country with few projects and little committed professionals. In Spain there are very good ideas and highly qualified professionals. **What is missing is precisely the other party: investors and the market.** This means that there is obviously no capital, and without capital it is difficult to create good teams and transform these ideas into good projects. In case anyone has any doubts, let's ask ourselves a simple question: what does Spain export? Good professionals or investors?

The conclusion is that the technological entrepreneur and the programmer are actually in the same boat, in the same career, and either of them feels quite mistreated in Spain, especially in recent years. Everything that had been improved in the last fifteen years has been lost in just two. This does not mean that there are a few projects that survive as part of a museum of rare species, of heroes.

Congratulations to David Bonilla and some of the people who have contributed exceptional comments to his article.

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