



Welcome

Vancouver BC

Tech Conference Expo

September 18, 2026, 8 am

Speaker Lineup for the Vancouver Tech Conference and Expo

08:00 am Announcement and introduction of all the speakers
08:10 am Keynote speaker
08:45 am Speaker presentations
12:00 pm Lunch
12:30 pm Afternoon keynote
1:05 pm Speaker presentations
4:55 pm Salute to the speakers
5:00 pm Happy Hour and Networking

08:10 am Martha Lucas, MHA, Executive Director, WA State Coalition of African Community Leader
08:45 am Illia Pashkov, Founder & Chief AI Officer SINT
09:10 am Barinderpal Singh, Data Analyst
09:35 am Mahdi Ramezani, VP of Data Analytics, Architecture & AI, Intelx Technologies
10:00 am Dennis Harroche, Founder Green Source Hub
10:25 am Kenny Gochis, Sr project Executive Electrical Construction McKinstry
10:50 am Cameron Doering, Field Service Technologist, Cybertech Electric
11:15 am Dave Sillman, Solar Citizen, Clean Energy Advocate, Enviro Do-Gooder
11:40 am Phoebe Wang, Chief AI Officer, Nuvini (NASDAQ: NVNI)
12:05 pm Prize Pack Give away, special guest
12:00 pm Lunch
12:30 pm Afternoon keynote Keiichi Hirose, Naygoya University, Electrician
1:00 pm Aditya Indoori, AWS AI agents authenticate AI Agents least-privilege access real infrastructure
1:25 pm David I. Stokes, Ph.D, CEO Inventor AI Pioneer Intelligent Systems Expert Systems Smart Energy
1:50 pm Arun Kumar Senior Section Engineer DFCCIL Corporate office
2:15 pm Ray Little, CMA, MCC, MBA, eMobility Specialist, Siemens
2:40 pm Ryan Deyo, LCI CPC, Results-Driven Project Manager Intel Corporation
3:05 pm Paula Williams, FP Transitions
3:30 pm Dawn Purushothaman, Fire and Life Safety, Jacobs
3:55 pm Mehrdad Rostami, Director, Power Systems Studies, E Source
4:20 pm Paul Shmotolokha, CEO, director, New Use Energy
4:45 pm Kaveh Aflaki Energy Industry Executive Driving Infrastructure Modernization Insight Global
4:45 pm Hunter Lovins, President, Natural Capitalism Solutions, Co-CEO COPx, Managing Partner
4:45 pm Prof. Wulf Kaal, Ph D, Professor of Law | University of St. Thomas | 123+ Publications on SSRN
4:45 pm Joe Wolfe, Health Care Lawyer, Hall Render
4:45 pm Haruna Umar, Electrical Engineer | Electric Power Grids | System Operator |Tech Industry
4:45 pm Umesh Kumar (CIR), CEO & Entrepreneur Building Businesses That Scale Technology
4:45 pm Hector Pena, Chief Financial Officer
4:45 pm Carlos DelRio, General Forman, Cherry Electric
4:45 pm Aditya Nalawade, Power Systems, Microcontrollers AISSMS Institute of Information Technology
4:45 pm Dennis Harroche, Founder Green Source Hub
4:45 pm Armstrong Foundjem, Researcher in AI Safety-critical systems
4:45 pm Juan Pablo Reyes Gomez Project Engineer Electrical Design Power Systems Schneider Electric
4:45 pm Sandip (Sonny) Patel, PE, PC
4:45 pm Sandip (Sonny) Patel, PE, PC Founder & CEO, Keentel Engineering
4:45 pm Hassmed Ahmed Chaudhry, Delivering Engineering Certainty. Founder & CEO AWJ Engineering
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4:55 pm Salute to the Speakers, Special Guest
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Martha Lucas

Martha has over 15 years of leadership and management experience in the areas of sales, financial services, nonprofit, team builder, project manager, Grant writer, social media content writer, health care, and education. She is a WA State Insurance Agent in Property/Casualty, Life, & Disability/Health building team of four insurance agents in training and raised nearly \$2M in grants and individual donations for two non-profits in four years. She developed and led the successful completion of over 100 nonprofit grassroots projects/programs in areas such as housing, case management, health/wellness, COVID-19 vaccination, civic engagement, youth, culture& heritage, grant writing, fundraising, and leadership development. She is a member of Puget Sound Grant writers Association and 2020 Puget Sound Sage Community Leadership

Institute Fellow. She was appointed City of Seattle Council Community Involvement Commissioner by Mayor and successfully secured over \$110K in college scholarships and fellowships for self and others and an award-winning customer service and interpersonal skills. She is highly rated interactive presenter and published academic and creative writer.

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Illia Pashkov

Most AI generates answers and doesn't take responsibility for outcomes. Mr. Pashkov is building the part that does. AI stopped answering and started acting. Agents now run business workflows, move money, drive robots, and enter defense systems. Every one of those actions needs authorization and evidence -- accountable AI, autonomy that carries responsibility. That's what he builds. FOUNDER & CHIEF AI OFFICER, SINT LABS. SINT Protocol — open-source AI governance for physical AI: runtime authorization and evidence logging for agents that control real-world systems. 41 packages, 1,700+ tests. Working paper v1.1: Code: github.com/sint-ai. Aligned with EU AI Act, NIST AI RMF, IEC 62443. SINT Operators — production AI agents running real workflows in wealth/asset management, legal, logistics, construction and professional services. Every action

ledgered. Every critical decision human approved. EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, THE AGENT TIMES. The AI-native newspaper for the agent economy. 100+ confidence-labeled, cryptographically signed stories a day — built to be cited by both humans and frontier models. AI-NATIVE CAPITAL. What an auditable, governance-first autonomous fund looks like when allocators demand a kill switch, not a pitch deck. TRACK RECORD Co-founded Player's Health \$100m+ raised, exited. Twenty years building technology people trust: first through design and product (production for Meta, BMW, Adidas, Verizon; EFFIE Award; patented), then through immersive tech and Web3 at every frontier as it opened, now through Agentic and the governance layer of autonomous AI. SPEAKER: Tech Summit, Consensus, AGI House, Wealth Week Cyprus, World Blockchain Forum, CoinAgenda. PHILANTHROPY: WISE, #WithUkraine. Building in the open. If you're an allocator, operator, or researcher working on AI agents, governance, or physical AI -- message Illia.

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Barinderpal Singh

As an experienced Data Analyst and Production Team Leader, Mr. Singh has a strong background in ad management, data analysis, and production operations. With over 10 years of hands-on experience, he has demonstrated his ability to manage and optimize ad placements, generate insightful reports, and lead teams to significantly enhance operational efficiency. Barinderpal excels at handling high-volume data tasks, reconciling accounts, and ensuring accurate content delivery across multiple platforms. His leadership skills have been honed through coordinating teams, streamlining workflows, and implementing process improvements that optimize overall productivity. With a master's degree in computer science & engineering and extensive experience in data analysis tools, he brings strong problem-solving, analytical, and organizational skills to every project. His commitment to accuracy, attention to detail, and adaptability

in evolving work environments ensures that he consistently delivers results. Mr. Singh thrives in dynamic, fast-paced settings where he can utilize his technical expertise, communication skills, and leadership abilities to drive meaningful change. As a motivational speaker, he is passionate about guiding individuals to elevate their careers and reach new heights.

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Mahdi Ramezani

Mr. Ramezani is a seasoned tech leader with a proven track record in scaling businesses, enhancing customer experiences, and leveraging AI to drive revenue and profitability. AI Product Leadership - Proven ability to develop, launch, and scale AI products by integrating cutting-edge ML and automation. Startup Growth Expertise - Proven experience scaling high-growth startups and advising startups for 6+ years at Creative Destruction Lab on technology strategy and digital transformation. Cross-Functional GTM Strategy - Deep collaboration with Product, Sales, Marketing and Customer Success to align technology with go-to-market strategies. M&A and Due Diligence Leadership - Led technical M&A activities and funding processes, including a successful acquisition of ehsAI by Fortive. Deep AI/ML Expertise - 17+ years in AI/ML, Generative AI, NLP, and Computer Vision. Operational Excellence - Strong background in engineering

process optimization, budget management, cost control, and performance metrics. Strong Patent Portfolio - Multiple patents in AI-driven automation.

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Dennis helps commercial and industrial clients democratize access to sustainable solutions. With a technology-agnostic approach, he and his team can deliver high-level feasibility and bankability reports in days. Harroche's team has gained procurement optimization experience to yield 10-60% savings, consulted on peak-demand energy management, GHG monetization tools, strategic partnerships, with full grant/rebate navigation that eliminates heavy upfront risk. Backed by 10+ years across Canada and the U.S., he has secured multiple funding wins (>50% coverage), origination projects, and delivered retrofit + solar + storage + EV projects with faster paybacks and fully bankable outcomes

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Mr. Gochis is an electrical project manager with 9 electrical masters licenses and electrical estimator.

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Cameron Doering

Mr. Doering is an Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering Technology graduate from NAIT and a Power Systems Electrician (PSE) 3rd Year Apprentice with hands-on experience in field service, power systems, and industrial environments. He has worked with organizations including Magna IV Engineering, Cybertech, Zenwire, and Canada Pump & Power, gaining experience in both team-based and independent roles within fast-paced, safety-critical settings. At Magna IV and Cybertech Electric, Cameron developed strong practical skills testing and troubleshooting electrical power systems and equipment, including low, medium, and high voltage assets. His experience includes working with protection relays, switchgear, transformers, and interpreting single-line diagrams, schematics, and wiring drawings in the field. Earlier roles at Zenwire and Canada Pump & Power helped build a solid foundation in troubleshooting, hands-on technical work, and working safely in industrial shop and field environments. Across all roles, safety, attention to detail, and reliability have been key priorities. Alongside his technical experience, Mr. Doering developed leadership and communication skills through volunteering with the International Society of Automation (ISA) NAIT Student Section, where he progressed to vice president. This role reinforced the responsibility, organization, and accountability required to lead effectively. He is interested in technically challenging roles in electrical, instrumentation, or power systems environments where safety, problem-solving, and teamwork are valued.

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Dave is a semi-retired COO and longtime environmental Activist, Advocate, Organizer and decades-long student of climate science and solutions. He is committed to helping drive clean energy deployment in my community and help forge good state and local policy through advocacy & education. Bullish on the clean energy future!

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Ms. Wang is passionate about Sustainability, GenAI, AGI, deeptech, enterprise applications, and education (personal). She enjoys building ideas, developing companies, and tinkering along the way. Phoebe founded one and worked at a handful startups at different capacities (product management, operations, social media marketing, sales, and fundraising), she brings operating experience to her investments.

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12:10 pm Lunch



Keiichi is a power system engineering, microgrid, telecom power, DC power, 380Vdc, mission critical facilities, DC 400V, data center infrastructure, HVDC, DC distribution, ICT system.

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1:00 pm Aditya Indoori Identify for AI agents: How to authenticate AI Agents with least-privilege access to real infrastructure



Aditya Indoori

AI agents are starting to operate real infrastructure, from provisioning cloud resources to building control systems. The hard problem is not the model but the question of who the agent is acting as. The industry has settled on three answers: the agent borrows a person's identity for some time, an identity provider brokers access on the admin's terms, or the agent gets an identity of its own with a named human sponsor. Let's compare all three models before closing with five simple rules before letting an agent near critical systems.

Software engineer with a passion for secure and innovative technologies.

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David I. Stokes

“Powering next-gen systems and scaling legacy, he builds agreement where failure is expensive.” — Dr. Stokes, 2026. Dave is an innovation leader with more than twenty years of operational, academic and technical experience transforming government, corporate, and other regulated industries. He specializes in aligning data infrastructure, cybersecurity governance, and human-interaction patterns with institutional mission, enabling organizations to execute complex modernization initiatives amid stakeholder conflict and elevated reputational risk. He has advised and led cross-functional teams through technology transitions, building operating models and scalable systems that support users across complex, multi-stakeholder environments. His work focuses on translating ambiguity into execution—delivering measurable growth, strengthening data integrity, and ensuring continuity in high-stakes settings. Dave operates across

public, financial, defense-adjacent, media, and Fortune 500 environments, with work spans of four continents. His engagements have included organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and Lockheed Martin, and negotiations with the Washington Post and NPR. He is engaged in high-trust, high-complexity contexts requiring discretion, system thinking, and strategic execution under conditions of scrutiny. Dave’s key outcomes include Led enterprise-wide transformation initiatives resulting in 100% business growth across core operating units. Selected for prestigious fellowships including the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. Designed and implemented governance and data frameworks adopted across large institutional environments. Secured six-figure competitive research funding and directed multi-year innovation programs. Acquired international credentials and presented within an 18-month advanced AI initiative. Earned awards, promotions, and repeat appointments within one of the world’s largest information systems. Dave holds a Ph.D. and master’s degree in I.S. from R1 institutions and has served as Principal Investigator on IRB-approved research. His doctoral work pioneered a framework identifying the behavioral and structural mechanisms governing how agreement forms and fails in complex systems—research applied to large-scale strategy and governance. He brings a disciplined, data-driven approach to innovation, focused on building agreeable systems that remain resilient under pressure.

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Arun Kumar

Results-driven Mechanical Engineer with 33 years of experience in Indian Railways, delivering exceptional transportation and logistics management, project execution, and team leadership. Proven ability to drive efficiency, innovation, and excellence in complex environments. Professional Experience Senior Section Engineer (Mechanical), Indian Railways (Retired) - Managed Rolling Stock depot operations, ensuring seamless passenger and freight train services - Successfully planned, implemented, and monitored maintenance activities, projects, and breakdown management - Coordinated new rolling stock design development, trials, and introduction - Executed strategic projects, including ROH shed commissioning, FM implementation, and OMRS control center development Assistant Manager/Mechanical, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Ltd. - Planned and managed procurement of disaster management equipment and facilities - Developed stabling facilities for 140T Breakdown Cranes and ARTs across

Indian Railways Key Strengths - Strategic Planning and Execution - Project Management - Team Leadership and Development - Transportation and Logistics Management - Disaster Management and Response Career Highlights - 33 years of experience in Indian Railways - Retired on April 30, 2024, with a legacy of excellence and innovation Cross-Industry Experience - Executed turnkey projects in diverse industries, including sugar mills, chemical processing, rubber manufacturing, dairy and milk processing, thermal, and fertilizers Compliance and Standards- Well-versed in international standards and certifications, including: - ISO 9001 (Quality Management)- ISO 14001 (Environmental Management) - OHSAS 18001 (Occupational Health and Safety) - BIS, ASTM, ASME, AWS, JIS, DIN, TEMA, and IBR Technical Expertise - Maintenance of Freight stock of Railway - Planning and Project Management - Team Leadership - Disaster Management.

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Ray Little

Mr. Little brings results to a firm's triple bottom line through 1) improving the planet through decarbonization of the automotive and electricity industries: 2) increasing profit through finance, business development and organizational excellence 3) building consensus with people across the globe. His experience spans high tech, zero emission vehicles as well as electronics and related software through manufacturing, welding and forming steel components. Ray is adept at partnering, developing business and marketing plans as well as financial modeling, design through product delivery, strategic sourcing, employee motivation, leading cross functional teams and cost/benefit analysis. He has counselled companies on finance, helping them minimize cost of capital and growing their business through partnering. He has formally and informally lead business units and have been directly responsible for P & L. Ray's diverse business background including experience with well-known corporations, small entrepreneurial businesses and not-for profit organizations. He has worked with locally focused organizations as well as

multi-divisional, multi-cultural companies with global interests. He has worked extensively with various levels of government and in B2B environments, helping identify market niches and developing new products to serve latent needs or steal away market share from key competitors. He is a graduate of marketing and the proud designate of an MBA. He has all the educational qualifications for the designations CMC, CMA and PMP but does not maintain membership in these organizations. He is active in my community and dedicated to supporting my adult kids and older parents. I deliver measurable results to business as evidenced by a history of impressive KPI's. He is a past chair of CUTA's Business Members where he served as an active volunteer and was a past director of the executive committee.

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Ryan Deyo, LCI CPC

Transforming Complex Industrial Construction Through Flow, Field Mentorship, and Measurable Efficiency. With over a decade of leadership in lean construction across the semiconductor and advanced industry manufacturing sectors, Mr. Deyo specializes in turning high-complexity, capital-intensive facility builds into high-velocity, synchronized operations. His approach centers on implementing Optimized Cycle Time Flow (OCF) an operational framework that embeds lean principles directly into project controls to de-risk schedule execution and optimize capital deployment. Operating at the intersection of executive strategy and field operations, I bridge the gap between high-level milestones and daily field commitments. Key Career Highlights & Portfolio Impact: Portfolio Acceleration: Led lean implementation across 30 advanced manufacturing projects, achieving an overall 30% reduction in cycle time and a 50% total cost reduction.

Operational Flow Leadership: Pioneer in applying OCF methodologies to eliminate handoff delays, optimize work-in-progress (WIP), and streamline high-density MEP/process piping installations. Trade & PM Mentorship: Built lasting lean capability by coaching tier-one general contractors, project management teams, and trade foremen to adopt pull-planning, constraint resolution, and proactive risk mitigation. Capital & Owner Stewardship: Trusted partner to project owners, establishing transparent operational metrics that protect capital, improve safety, and accelerate speed-to-market. Core Competencies: Lean Construction Strategy | Optimized Cycle Time Flow (OCF) | Semiconductor Facility Delivery | Cost & Schedule Optimization | Trade & Field Coaching | Last Planner System (LPS) | Pull Planning | Cross-Functional Team Alignment | Risk Mitigation.

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Paula Williams

Ms. Williams is a results-driven professional specializing in executive support, business development, sales enablement and client relationship management. She helps organizations operate more efficiently by coordinating schedules, managing key accounts, and streamlining communication between leadership teams and clients. With a strong background in project management and administrative operations, she brings clarity, structure, and follow-through to every initiative — ensuring goals are met on time and with precision. Beyond day-to-day coordination, she serves as a trusted advisor who enhances client experiences and strengthens brand credibility. Paula combines strategic thinking with hands-on problem-solving to anticipate needs, manage complex tasks, and deliver seamless results under pressure. Her focus is on creating trusted partnerships, maintaining professionalism, and driving both operational and client-facing success.

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Dawn Purushothaman

With over 22 years of experience in Fire and Life Safety and Loss Prevention-including two decades based in the UAE- Mr. Purushothaman has successfully delivered code-compliant, cost-effective fire and life safety solutions across major infrastructure, utilities, energy, industrial, and oil & gas projects throughout the Middle East. As a volunteer member of the International Code Council (ICC) Code Development Committee and a Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS) by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), he brings deep technical expertise and a strong commitment to fire and life safety, regulatory compliance, and innovative design. Dawn's project portfolio includes a wide range of facilities, including rail stations, terminal buildings, pumping stations,

power plants, substations, factories, warehouses, tunnels, high-rise towers, shopping malls, residential buildings, hotels, hospitals, and schools. Core Specializations: - Fire and life safety and Loss Prevention strategy development - Independent code compliance reviews - Fire and life safety and loss prevention gap analyses and audits - Occupancy and hazard classification - Structural fire protection and means of egress- Fire protection system design and evaluation - Emergency systems (detection, lighting, smoke control) he ensures all designs align with international codes, local Civil Defense regulations, and project-specific requirements in a cost-effective manner-without compromising the safety of occupants, operators, or assets.

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Mehrdad has more than 30 years of engineering experience in utilities and industry. He authored or co-authored more than 80 papers/presentations in engineering journals, conferences, and seminars. As a senior member of IEEE and holder of a Ph.D. in electrical engineering, Mehrdad has in-depth knowledge of electrical engineering fundamentals and renewable energy, as well as extensive experience and expertise in high-level power system transient modeling, analysis, and studies. Licensed as a professional engineer in Ontario, Alberta, and Manitoba, Mehrdad has a track record of leading successful teams and delivering high-quality projects globally. Mehrdad serves voluntarily as the IEEE Toronto section, power and energy chapter vice chair.

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Mr. Shmotolokha has more than 25-years international and domestic executive experience leading high-performance teams, strategy, operations, sales, marketing, business development and government relations in technology, telecommunications and renewable energy market segments. Entrepreneurial, multi-lingual, high energy and flexible management skills resulting in a successful track record in creating and growing businesses, creating new markets and managing profitability. Unique understanding of global business practices and markets, global business and government networking, multiple consumer cultures and diverse operating environments gained from working in or marketing to over 100 countries on all continents.

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Kaveh Aflaki

Mr. Aflaki is an energy and utilities business executive. Natural leader with a proven track record of growing businesses exponentially in challenging international and diverse environments, responsible for a \$0.3B Energy business portfolio, including energy for data centers. Extensive experience and strong leadership skills to develop GTM strategy and motivate and lead teams for sustainable execution of the strategy for profitable growth.

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Hunter Lovins

Hunter is President and founder of Natural Capitalism Solutions and co-creator of the “Natural Capitalism” concept. She serves as Managing Director of NOW Partners. She now serves as the Steward of COPx, a global movement empowering people everywhere to implement climate solutions in their own communities in their own ways. Named Millennium TIME Magazine Hero of the Planet, Hunter Lovins was awarded the Right Livelihood award, the Sustainability Pioneer Prize by the European financial community for her 30 years of work framing the sustainability movement, setting forth the business case for energy efficiency, renewable energy and resource productivity and climate protection and a dozen other awards. A social entrepreneur, she mentors for the Unreasonable Institute, and consults large corporations, small businesses, communities, and dozens of nations around the world. She served as Chief of Impact at Change

Finance, which created the first truly fossil free ETF, until its exit, and on the board of SimpliPhi Power, until its exit. A founding professor of Sustainable Management at Bard MBA and several other graduate programs, she was called by Newsweek Magazine the “green business icon.” Previously, she co-founded Tree People, serving as its Assistant Director for 6 years, and Rocky Mountain Institute, which she led for 20 years as CEO. Author of hundreds of papers and 17 books, including the best-selling, Natural Capitalism. Her book, The Way Out: Kickstarting Capitalism to Save Our Economic Ass, won the Atlas Award. Her book, creating a Lean and Green Business System, won the Shingo Prize. Her most recent book, A Finer Future: Creating an Economy in Service to Life won a Nautilus Award. Ms. Lovins travels the world, lecturing at the World Economic Forum, the UN, WOBI, TED and many others. Her private and public sector clients have included Unilever, World Business Council for Sustainable Development, Wal-Mart, Royal Dutch/Shell, the International Finance Corporation, and the governments of Afghanistan, Australia, Bhutan, Canada, Honduras, Jamaica, Germany, New Zealand, Sweden, the US and many more. Hunter is one of the creators of the field of regenerative economics and helped frame the new discipline of Regenerative Value Creation. A Colorado rancher, she won the Humongous Fungus award for the highest concentration of mycorrhizal fungi. For many years, she was a firefighter and EMT, she now rides for the Boulder County Sheriff's Mounted Search and Rescue Patrol and was named member of the year in 2024.

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Wulf Kaal Ph D

Wulf A. Kaal is one of the most prolific scholars working at the intersection of blockchain governance, artificial intelligence, and institutional design. With 123 peer-reviewed publications on SSRN, his body of work represents one of the largest and most concentrated research programs in decentralized systems, AI regulation, and dynamic governance anywhere in the world. A tenured Professor of Law at the University of St. Thomas School of Law, Kaal's research has defined key concepts now central to the field — including distributed jurisdiction, dynamic regulation, and validation pool mechanisms for decentralized coordination. His co-authored book *Decentralization: Technology's Impact on Organizational and Societal Structure* (with Craig Calcaterra) remains a foundational text on how blockchain-based systems reshape governance, organizational structure, and legal enforceability across borders. Kaal's current work focuses on the governance challenges created by autonomous AI agents, multi-agent coordination protocols, and the convergence of AI and decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs). His research addresses the structural gap between the pace of technological innovation and the capacity of existing regulatory frameworks — what he has termed the pacing problem — and proposes adaptive, technology-native solutions grounded in reputation systems, tokenized incentive design, and algorithmic governance. His research spans AI alignment through institutional design, post-scarcity economics, securities regulation of digital assets, corporate governance innovation, and the ethical architecture of intelligent systems. Kaal's scholarship has shaped policy conversations on responsible AI governance and the regulatory treatment of decentralized technologies at the global level.

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Joe Wolfe

Mr. Wolfe has nearly 20 years of experience guiding our health care clients through complex regulatory and compliance challenges and opportunities. As Chair of Hall Render's Health Care Regulatory Practice Group and a practicing attorney, he aims to deliver practical, business-focused counsel on Stark Law and Anti-Kickback compliance, provider compensation, value-based arrangements, and fraud and abuse risk. He is deeply engaged in the health care industry. Joe currently serves on the Florida Bar's Health Law Section Executive Committee and co-chair its monthly "Eat & Educate" series. As a longtime leader with the American Health Law Association and a Chamber's USA and Best Lawyers recognized health care attorney, he is a frequent presenter and an active contributor to dialogue across the industry, sharing timely regulatory analysis and practical guidance with health care legal and compliance professionals nationally and globally.

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Haruna Umar

As an Electrical Engineer(Professional), Power System Engineer, and System Operator at The Nigerian Independent System Operator (NISO), Mr. Umar has over six years of experience in planning, developing, managing, and operating the electric power grid. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) in Electrical Engineering from the Federal University of Technology, Minna, Nigeria, he is a certified Smart Grid Professional and a Science and Technology Scholar with a professional certificate in Power Systems Engineering from TU Delft. His core competencies include system engineering and equipment application, wide area monitoring, protection, automation, and control, grid control, system operation, and digital transformation. He uses various software tools and programming languages, such as MATLAB, Power Factory, PSSE, Power BI, Python, Git, Scrum, and DevOps, to design, model, analyze, and optimize the power system performance

and reliability. I am also an AI/ML, data, and analytics enthusiast, passionate about applying cutting-edge technologies that are technically efficient, economically viable, and environmentally sustainable. Haruna's mission is to proffer sustainable solutions to the power and energy challenges of modern civilization and economy. An Economics and Development enthusiast.

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Umesh Kumar

Mr. Kumar is CEO and delivery leader at 1st-Recruit LLC. With 15+ years of experience in recruitment, staffing, business operations, business development, and sales, he has built his career around one core objective: turning opportunities into sustainable business growth. As the CEO and delivery leader of 1st-Recruit LLC, Umesh oversees and drives multiple aspects of the business—from day-to-day operations and strategic planning to business development, sales, client relationships, talent delivery, and workforce solutions. His experience has given him a complete understanding of what it takes to build and scale a business. He has been involved in identifying new markets, developing client partnerships, generating business opportunities, negotiating engagements, building delivery teams, managing operations, and creating long-term relationships with clients and partners. Mr. Kumar believes business growth is not simply about winning clients—

it is about building trust, delivering consistently, understanding the client's business, and creating relationships that generate long-term value. Through 1st Recruit, his vision is to help small and growing businesses compete at a larger scale by giving them access to the right talent, recruiting capabilities, and workforce solutions without the complexity and cost typically associated with large organizations. From Small Business to Big Business, he is passionate about helping entrepreneurs and small businesses make the transition from small operations to scalable, professionally driven organizations. He doesn't just focus on recruitment. He focuses on the entire business journey—Operations → Sales → Business Development → Talent → Delivery → Growth. His philosophy is simple: Find the opportunity. Build the relationship. Build the team and deliver results. Scale the business. His mission is to help businesses think bigger, operate smarter, grow faster, and build the foundation to become tomorrow's successful enterprises.

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Hector Pena

Mr. Pena is a financial executive with over 24 years of experience working in various organizations, including start-ups, companies undergoing turnarounds, rapidly expanding businesses, and large corporations. Expertise encompasses mergers and acquisitions, capital raising strategies, corporate structure analysis, project finance, portfolio value creation, asset performance management, cash flow management, financial statement preparation and analysis, budget development and analysis, as well as internal control systems. Areas of specialty include: ∞ Finance – Experienced in leading complex financing transactions and managing capital market relationships, including credit facilities, project/portfolio debt financing, public financing, private equity, and tax equity, and taking ownership of financing models, including HLBV models.

∞ M&A – Experienced in acquisitions and disposition of projects and entities (including portfolios of both) in various industries of diverse complexities and sizes. ∞ FP&A – Experienced with several accounting systems, including the implementation or improvement of accounting systems. Many years of experience preparing consolidated financials for multi-entity companies, including annual audits by major third-party audit firms. ∞ Value Creation – Experienced in managing asset portfolios, collaborating with operations teams to drive performance improvements and revenue growth, and implementing cost-saving strategies to reduce operational expenses. ∞ Administrative – Experienced in setting up companies from the ground up, scaling up to the next level, and operating in any environment. His experience includes establishing, improving, and correcting pension and benefits, developing company policies, and standard operating procedures.

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Mr. DelRio is a general Foreman in the IBEW. His favorite quote is "We don't build buildings, we build people, the buildings happen". He tries to carry that same attitude into every project and continues to grow. He implements lean practices while training the next generation of leaders.

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Aditya Nalawade

Mr. Nalawade is a B. Tech Electrical Engineering student with a strong interest in practical learning and real-world engineering applications. He is passionate about understanding how electrical systems work beyond textbooks, especially in areas such as power systems, electrical machines, wiring design, microcontrollers, and safety in electrical installations. Aditya enjoys working on technical projects, learning through experiments, and improving my problem-solving skills through hands-on experience. He is also interested in exploring site engineering, electrical design, and embedded system-based applications. Mr. Nalawade believes in continuous learning, discipline, and building a strong technical foundation that can help him grow as an engineer. Currently, he is focused on improving his technical knowledge, project work, and industry readiness. Open to learning, collaboration, internships, and engineering opportunities.

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Armstrong Foundjem

Mr. Foundjem is an interdisciplinary researcher working at the intersections of AI trustworthiness of safety-critical systems, AI-based cybersecurity & cyber-physical systems, software ecosystems sustainability, and affective computing. His research examines how complex AI systems behave in real-world conditions and how their safety and reliability can be strengthened in practice. He studies threat modeling, vulnerability prediction, and socio-technical mitigation strategies to make AI ecosystems more secure and accountable. Drawing on code-intelligence techniques such as AIWare, AgentWare, and advanced graph neural networks, he examines the evolving attack surfaces that appear throughout the machine-learning lifecycle and explore methods to build adaptive, resilient defenses. Much of my current work contributes to AI assurance, benchmark reliability, and the design of cyber-resilient infrastructures, aiming to create frameworks that make intelligent systems more interpretable, governable, and sustainable. As a core contributor to MLCommons, the DEEL project, and recently, Cohere Labs, Armstrong continues to promote inclusive, transparent, and globally aligned AI innovation.

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With more than six years of professional experience, Mr. Chaudhry specializes in mechanical engineering, focusing on design for manufacturing (DFM), computational fluid dynamics (CFD), and finite element analysis (FEA). He is dedicated to developing innovative and efficient engineering solutions that align with the client's goals to achieve breakthrough. Leveraging his expertise in CAD tools such as SOLIDWORKS, he aims to contribute to projects that drive operational success and foster a predictive environment. Hassmed has contributed to engineering projects by utilizing advanced computational and design tools to enhance manufacturing processes. His proficiency in ANSYS (Mechanical, Fluent, CFX, and ADPL), COMSOL and MATLAB enables him to tackle complex challenges with precision. By applying his skills in geometric dimensioning, tolerancing, and CAD systems, Mr. Chaudhry collaborates with clients to deliver impactful results and continuous improvements in mechanical systems.

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Mr. Patel has been powering the grid for over 31 years from nuclear control rooms to 9 GW of renewables and mission-critical data centers. He is a licensed professional engineer (FL, NY, CA, MN, OH, TX) and CEO of Keentel Engineering, where he has lead a team of senior directors and managers overseeing our 51 engineer organization — delivering substation design (primary & secondary), power system studies (PSS®E, PSCAD, ETAP), SCADA engineering, transmission line engineering, data center design, testing and commissioning, field support, and NERC compliance services for utilities, developers, and industrial clients nationwide. His career spans nearly every corner of the power industry. 16 years at Exelon / Commonwealth Edison across transmission,

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