



2019 CONFERENCE GUIDE

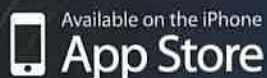
# Big Data and AI Toronto

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THE FUTURE!

June 12-13 2019  
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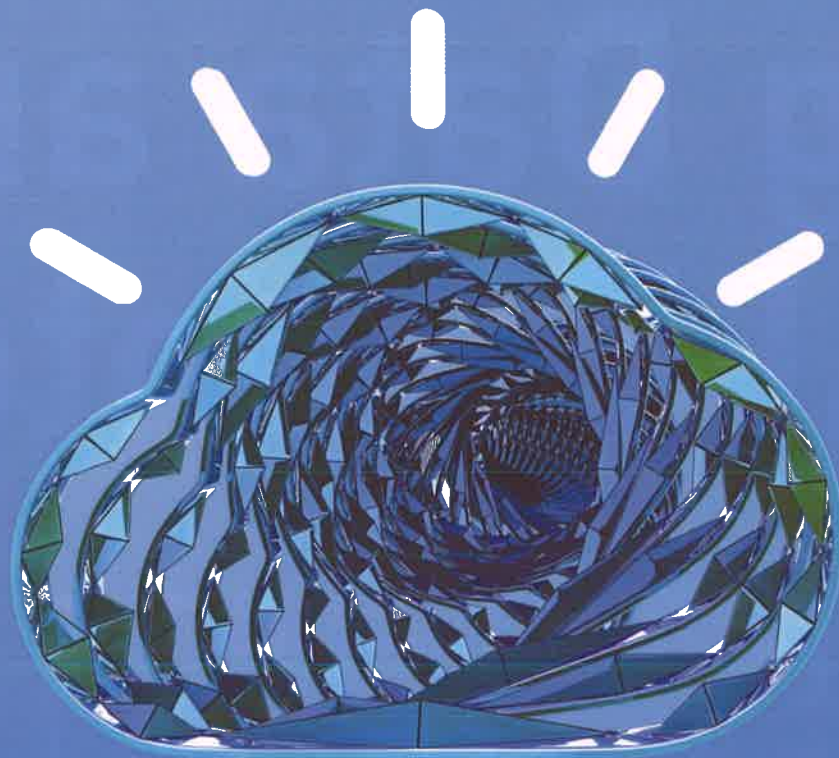


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# Welcome to the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of Big Data & AI Toronto!

**The Big Data Community here in Toronto is unlike anywhere else. We've seen it grow and flourish over the past 4 years, and during that time, something interesting happened; AI began to dominate the conversation.**

Hosting a gathering of this size each year means that inevitably, AI would become a large part of the conversation at **Big Data Toronto**. As a result, **AI Toronto** was born.

Our theme for 2019 is **Accelerate the Future**, reflecting the exponential growth of technological advancements paving the way future generations will live. In short, **the future is fast, and you need to keep up.**

We've engineered a program that has something for everyone - from Big Data fundamentals, to Machine Learning at scale, the diversity of content is one of the things that brings together and benefits our entire community.

The 2019 program is divided between 7 Stages.

In the Expo Hall, you can choose between 75 sessions taking place in 3 public theatres:

- **Main Stage** (Keynotes and Panels)
- **Big Data Theatre** (Big Data solutions and expert advice)
- **AI Theatre** (AI Solutions and innovative demos)

On level 200, there are 4 conference rooms hosting case studies, strategic talks and technical breakout sessions starting at 10:30 AM each morning:

- **Room 203:** Big Data Strategy
- **Room 202:** AI Strategy
- **Room 201F:** Big Data Technical
- **Room 201D:** AI Technical

With all this content under one roof, you have the power to curate your own conference agenda that benefits your unique skills and passions. Learn, network, and develop your career with 5000 of your peers at Big Data & AI Toronto 2019!



**Kimberly Munroe**  
Conference Manager,  
Big Data



**Olivia Kitevski**  
Conference Manager,  
Artificial Intelligence

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**Join the conversation online.**

Tweet us your thoughts using the hashtags **#BigDataTO** and **#AIToronto**

## FAQs

### What time does the event begin?

Registration opens at **7:00 AM** and opening remarks begin at **8:30 AM**. The rest of the Expo and Conference sessions are staggered throughout the day.

### Do I need to reserve my seat in the conference rooms?

All sessions are first come, first served. Make sure you arrive early to the sessions you would like to attend.

### Are there dedicated networking opportunities?

There are two 30-minute networking breaks on each day in the morning and afternoon.

If you booked a 1:1 meeting through our app, head to our dedicated meetings area on the expo floor at your pre-scheduled meeting time.

Finally, join us for a cocktail reception on **June 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:00 PM** right on the Expo Floor with a cash bar.

*\*Conference Pass holders will receive complimentary drink tickets*

### What's for Lunch?

Conference Pass holders will be provided a buffet lunch available in two locations. In **Room 204**, lunch will start at **12:00 PM**. On the **Expo floor** (next to Big Data Theatre), lunch will start at **12:30 PM**. Please note that Conference Pass holders can get their lunch at either location.

### What's your handle? What's your hashtag?

Join the conversation on social media with our hashtag **#BigDataTO** and **#AIToronto**. We'll be tweeting out announcements and news from **@BigDataTO** and **@AITOConf**.

### Is there an Event App?

Search for **Big Data and AI Toronto** in the **App Store** or on **Google Play** and download the app.

### Are presentation slides available?

Available 2 weeks after the event via a private link. Expo pass holders will get access to the Expo Theatres only. Conference Pass holders will get access to all approved presentations.

### What can I access with my Expo Pass?

- All Expo Floor theatres (Main Stage, Big Data Theatre, AI Theatre)
- All exhibitors on Expo Floor
- Entry to cocktail reception on June 12<sup>th</sup>

### What can I access with my Conference Pass?

- All Expo Floor theatres (Main Stage, Big Data Theatre, AI Theatre)
- Big Data and AI conference content in Rooms 203, 202, 201D and 201F
- Drink ticket for cocktail reception on June 12<sup>th</sup>
- Buffet lunch, coffee, and refreshments

### Where can I find First Aid?

We have a nurse stationed behind **Room 204** (down the hallway to the left of registration).



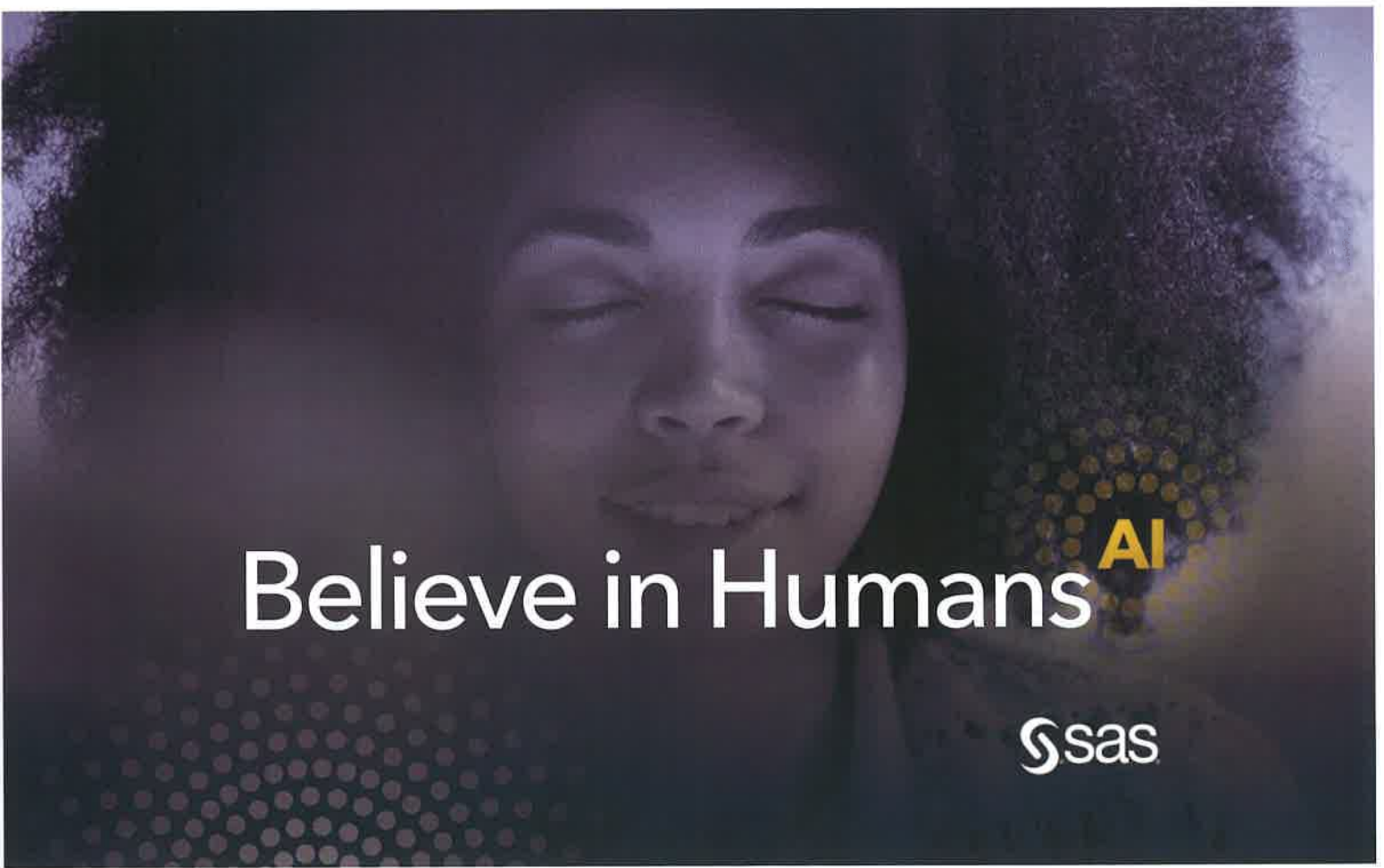
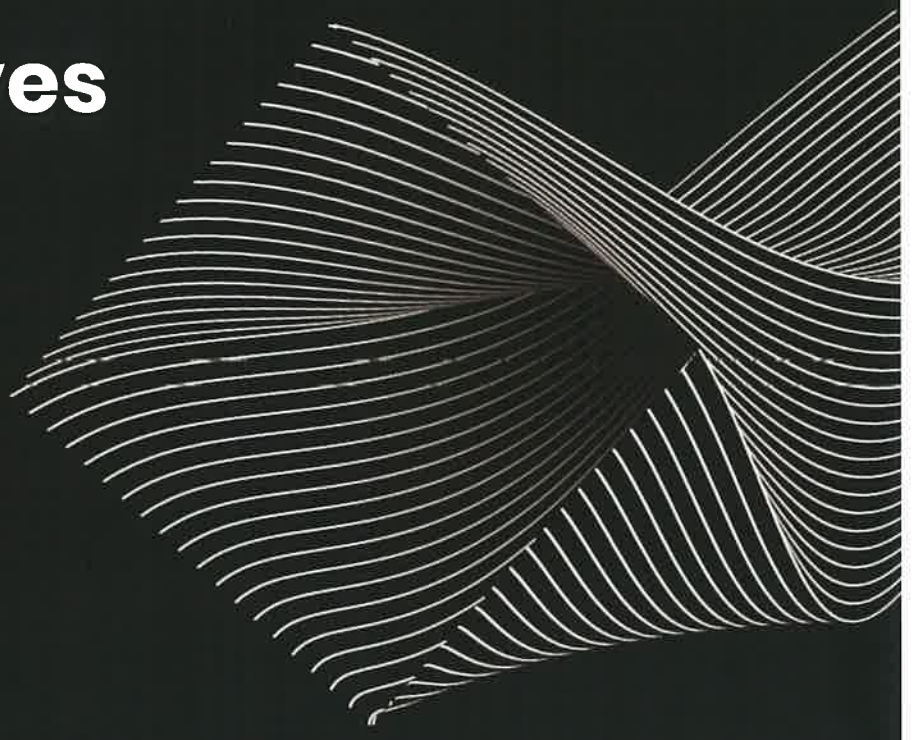
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# EXPO SESSIONS — DAY 1 PROGRAM: JUNE 12

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Main Stage Track: Accelerate the Future		Big Data Theatre Track: Innovation and Solutions	AI Theatre Track: Innovation and Solutions
8:45-9:15 AM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH Trust: The Next Frontier for AI</b> Mohak Shah, VP of AI and Machine Learning, <b>LG Electronics</b>		
9:15-10:00 AM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION Attract and Retain the Next Generation of Tech Talent</b> Moderated by: Rob Davidson, Manager of Data Analytics and Research at <b>ICTC</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Jean-Francois Lessard, VP & CDO, <b>Intact Insurance</b> ; Peter Husar, Vice President, Analytics Strategy & Planning, Enterprise Data & Analytics, <b>TD</b> ; Deborah Orzel, Director, Talent Advisory and National Talent Leader, <b>Deloitte Omnia</b>		
9:30-10:00 AM		<b>Best Practices for Agile Analytics in the Cloud</b> John Morrell, Senior Director for Data Science Products, <b>Datameer</b>	<b>Solving for Data Lineage with Pachyderm at RBC</b> Nick Harvey, Lead Developer Advocate, <b>Pachyderm</b>
10:00-10:30 AM	NETWORKING BREAK	<b>Beyond Apps: The Data Collaboration Paradigm</b> Dan Demers, Co-Founder and CEO, <b>Cinchy</b>	<b>How AI is Transforming Customer Experience</b> Ying Chen, Chief Product Officer, <b>Luminoso</b>
10:30-11:00 AM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH IBM: The Next Chapter of Digital Reinvention</b> Steven Astorino, VP Development, Data and AI, Hybrid Data Management and Canada Lab Director <b>IBM</b>	NETWORKING BREAK	
11:00-11:15 AM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH The Light at the End of the Funnel</b> Ketan Gangatirkar, Vice President of Engineering, <b>Indeed</b>		
11:15-11:30 AM		<b>Enabling a Virtuous Circle – Turning Data into Insights via Design Thinking</b> Mick Higgins, Chief Growth Officer, <b>Caddle</b>	<b>Context-Aware Personalized AI Chatbot for Better Customer Communication</b> Azwar Khalid, CTO and Software Architect, <b>247 Labs</b>
11:30-11:45 AM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH Believe in Humans^AI: Together the Possibilities are Exponential</b> Steve Holder, National Strategy Executive, Analytics Ecosystems, <b>SAS</b>		
11:45-12:00 PM		<b>Unlock Hidden Data Treasures using Alteryx Designer</b> Deborah Awe, Commercial Sales Engineer, <b>Alteryx</b>	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by <b>diwo</b>
12:00-12:15 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH		
12:15-12:45 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH		
12:45-1:00 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH		
1:00-1:15 PM	<b>The Art and Science of Data</b> Vish Ramkissoon, VP, Decision Science, <b>Publicis Hawkeye</b> ; Scott Pinkney, VP, ECD, <b>Publicis Hawkeye</b>	<b>Becoming Data Driven in 2019</b> Nick Torelli, Regional Sales Director — Central, <b>Fivetran</b>	<b>Quantum Computing: A Realistic Edge for Machine Learning</b> Prof. Zhepeng (Lionel) Li, Chief Science Officer, <b>Qindom</b>
1:15-1:30 PM		<b>Delivering Qualified Web-based Leads to Online Marketers</b> Brad King, VP Sales & Marketing, <b>Mitaa</b>	<b>Thriving in the Era of Augmented Intelligence with AI</b> Raj Neervannan, CTO, <b>AlphaSense</b>
1:30-1:45 PM	<b>The Intelligence Needed for Autonomous Sidewalk Robots</b> Zhenyu Guo, Director of AI, <b>Postmates X</b>		
1:45-2:00 PM		<b>Building A Center of Excellence (CoE) and Measuring the Business Impact</b> Michael Roberts, Practice Lead, <b>Newcomp Analytics</b>	<b>Turning Unstructured Documents into Structured Data with AI: Real World Lessons in Financial Services</b> Jasper Li, Founder & CEO, <b>SortSpoke</b>
2:00-2:15 PM	<b>The Future of Security</b> Kobi Gulersen, Vice President B2B & Product Marketing, <b>Mastercard Canada</b>		
2:15-2:30 PM		<b>No AI without Trusted Data</b> Aaron Swanson, Vice President, <b>Talend Cloud</b>	<b>AI with the Ultimate in Privacy Protection</b> Monica Holboke, Co-Founder and CEO/CSO, <b>CryptoNumerics</b>
2:30-2:45 PM	<b>Toward Human-Centered Machine Learning</b> Patrick Hall, Senior Director for Data Science Products, <b>H2O.ai</b>		
2:45-3:00 PM		<b>Taming Big Data Devops with Automation</b> Muji Qadri, Senior Solutions Engineer, <b>Unravel Data</b>	<b>Neo4j: Leveraging Graphs for Better AI</b> Jennifer Reif, Developer Relations Engineer, <b>Neo4j</b>
3:00-3:15 PM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH Rise of the Digital Twin</b> Russell Irving, Chief Engineer & Digital Twin General Manager, Retired, <b>GE Research</b>		
3:15-3:30 PM		<b>The New Manager: The Growing Need for Analytics and AI Managers</b> Dr. Stephen W. Thomas, Director, Smith Master of Management of Artificial Intelligence program, <b>Queens University – Smith School Of Business</b>	<b>Purpose, Bias and Ethics in AI: A Discussion</b> Akshay Kalle, Chief Technical Officer, The Pathway Group; CTO, Elastic Care, <b>Pathway Communications</b>
3:30-3:45 PM	NETWORKING BREAK		
3:45-4:00 PM	NETWORKING BREAK		
4:00-4:30 PM	<b>RPA – Robotic Process Automation</b> Paul Moxon, VP of Data Architectures and Chief Evangelist, <b>Denodo</b>	<b>Our Own Cells and What They Will Unlock for the Future of Healthcare</b> Dr. Drew Taylor, PhD, MSc, Co-Founder and CEO, <b>Acorn Biolabs</b>	<b>Industry Session</b> Anand Mahurkar, Founder and Chairman, <b>Findability Sciences</b>
4:30-5:00 PM	<b>Immersive Experience: AR and VR in Healthcare</b> Dr. Suraj Kapa, Director, AR/VR Innovation, <b>Mayo Clinic</b>	<b>From Data to Decisions</b> Patrick Siconolfi, Principal & Co-Founder, <b>Gensquared</b>	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by <b>NextAI</b>
5:00-5:30 PM	<b>Seizing the AI Opportunity Through Purposeful Disruption</b> Alex Grbic, Chief Technology Officer — Omnia AI, <b>Deloitte's Artificial Intelligence Practice</b>		
5:30-7:00 PM	COCKTAIL RECEPTION		

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	Big Data Strategy: Room 203 Track: Internal Transformation	Big Data Technical: Room 201F Track: Big Data Analytics	AI Strategy: Room 202 Track: Research in Practice	AI Technical: Room 201D Track: Cybersecurity
9:00-10:00 AM		MASTERCLASS <b>Spark for Data Science</b> Led by Shaohua Zhang, <b>WeCloudData</b>		
10:00-10:30 AM	NETWORKING BREAK			
10:30-11:00 AM	TRACK KEYNOTE <b>The Future of Work</b> Dr. JT Kostman PhD, Chief Data Scientist   Leader Of Artificial Intelligence And Applied Advanced Technology, <b>Grant Thornton LLP</b>	TRACK KEYNOTE <b>Research Infrastructure at 23andMe</b> Shiva Amiri, Director Research Infrastructure, <b>23andMe</b>	TRACK KEYNOTE <b>Road Mapping your AI Transformation</b> Sami Ahmed, VP, Head of Data, Analytics and AI Transformation, <b>BMO</b>	FIRESIDE CHAT <b>Emerging Threats Through 2020</b> Craig D'Souza, Head of Global Investigations, Intelligence & Protective Intelligence, <b>Facebook</b> ; David Newall, Director of Cybersecurity, <b>Element AI</b>
11:00-11:30 AM	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by <b>Ontario Teachers Pension Plan</b>	<b>Mastercard: Spring-Clean Your Data Closet every Day – How to Leverage Big Data for online Fraud Prevention in Real Time</b> Don Duncan, Director of Business Development, <b>NuData Security, A Mastercard Company</b>	<b>Intelligent Robots: How Grasping Technology Evolved from Simulation to the Real World</b> James Bergstra, Co-Founder, Head of AI Research, <b>Kindred AI</b>	<b>Adapting to Fight Back</b> Nabil Zoldjalali, Senior Cyber Technology Manager, <b>Darktrace</b>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Role of Data in Digital Transformation</b> Nazia Shahrin, Sr. Director, Operations Lead, Business Financial Services Transformation, <b>RBC</b>	PANEL DISCUSSION <b>Driving Analytics Success</b> Angela Van Damme, VP, Global Anti-Money Laundering Transformation, <b>Scotiabank</b> ; Laura Manes, VP Strategy, Innovation & Enterprise Analytics, <b>LCBO</b> ; Sina Shahandeh, VP Data Science, <b>Ecobee</b> ; Susanna Zagar, Chief Strategy and Analytics Officer, <b>WSIB</b>	PANEL DISCUSSION <b>Getting Beyond the Hype</b> Moderated by Sedef Akinli Kocak, Project Manager, <b>Vector Institute</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Carolyn Watters, Chief Digital Research Officer, <b>National Research Council (NRC)</b> ; Inmar Givoni, Senior Autonomy Engineering Manager, <b>Uber ATG</b> ; Naresh Mudunuru, AVP Enterprise Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence, <b>TD</b>	<b>An Actionable Guide to Privacy Culture</b> Helene Beauchemin, Legal Counsel, <b>Stradigi AI</b>
12:00-12:15 PM	<b>Turbocharge AI Initiatives Across your Enterprise with an End-to-End, Kubernetes-powered Analytics Platform</b> Maciej Mazur, Technical Sales Manager, <b>IBM Canada</b>			
12:15-12:30 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH			
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1:00-1:15 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH			PANEL DISCUSSION <b>Privacy and Data Security</b> Moderated by Catherine Chen, Founder & CEO, <b>IG Liaison</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Alyssa Harvey Dawson, General Counsel (Head of Legal, Privacy and Data Governance, <b>Sidewalk Labs</b> ); Dean Dolan, General Counsel and Chief Privacy Officer, <b>Staples</b> ; Charlene Cieslik, Chief Privacy Officer, <b>Coinsquare</b>
1:15-1:30 PM		<b>Analytics Session</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Scaling Machine Intelligence / The Executive Buy-In Talk</b> Christopher Berry, Director, Product Intelligence, <b>CBC</b>	
1:30-1:45 PM	<b>Industry Session</b> Bryan Whitmore, Chief Field Technologist, <b>Vertica</b>			
1:45-2:00 PM		<b>Polaris Intelligence: The Changing Face of Toronto</b> Michelle Fernandes, Senior Vice President, <b>Polaris Intelligence</b>	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by <b>Adastra</b>	<b>Collaborating to Increase Your Cyber Resilience</b> Bob Gordon, Executive Director, <b>Canadian Cyber Threat Exchange (CCTX)</b>
1:30-2:00 PM				
2:00-2:15 PM	<b>Strategy Session</b> Speaker TBD			
2:15-2:30 PM		<b>Big Data on the Edge: Real Time Analytics</b> Irene Zaguskin, Chief Operations and Technology Officer, <b>The Printing House</b>	<b>Applying AI in Vehicle Manufacturing</b> Greta Cutulenco, CEO, <b>Acerta</b>	<b>Opportunities and Challenges with Big Data &amp; Machine Learning in Global Ad Exchanges</b> Brian Hu, Director of Data Engineering & Paul Zovighian, Senior Director, Exchange Optimization, <b>Index Exchange</b>
2:30-2:45 PM	<b>MDM 2.0: A Smarter, Scalable approach to Data Centralization</b> Dan Waldner, Director of Customer Data, <b>Scotiabank</b>			
2:45-3:00 PM		<b>Powering SnapTravel's Data Economy with Snowflake</b> Nehil Jain, Senior Engineer, Data & Infrastructure, <b>SnapTravel</b>	<b>AI-Driven CX</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Finding Fraud Faster</b> Joseph Peter, Vice President, Fraud Risk Management, <b>Sun Life Financial</b>
3:00-3:15 PM	<b>How Not to Build a Data Lake (And Other Tips.)</b> Avishalom Shalit, Head of Data Engineering and Data Science & Marco Albuquerque, Developer III, <b>Kik</b>			
3:15-3:30 PM		NETWORKING BREAK		
3:30-3:45 PM	NETWORKING BREAK			
3:45-4:00 PM		<b>Building Blocks for Advanced Event Routing with Segment</b> Speaker TBD	<b>AI &amp; Finance</b> Yevgeniy Vahlis, Head of AI, <b>BMO</b>	<b>Privatizing / Anonymizing your Data to Work with 3rd Party Vendors</b> Speaker TBD
4:00-4:15 PM	<b>How Large Enterprises (And Everyone Else) Can Future-Proof Their Technology Strategies</b> Daniel Koffler, Chief Digital Architect, <b>Hatch</b>			
4:15-4:30 PM		<b>HR Analytics</b> Nadeem Fazil, Sr. Data Scientist, Enterprise Innovation & Analytics, <b>Morneau Shepell</b>	<b>Explainable AI</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Security for Intelligent Applications</b> Gabriela Nicolescu, CEO, <b>Kybersecurity</b>
4:30-4:45 PM	<b>ASK AN EXPERT Embracing Cultural Change</b> Rob Davidson, Manager, Data Analytics And Research, <b>Information And Communications Technology Council (ICTC)</b>			
4:45-5:00 PM		MASTERCLASS <b>Transforming Big Data from On-Premise to the Cloud</b> Led by Edwin Guo, <b>WeCloudData</b>	<b>Clinical Applications of Artificial Intelligence and the Automation of Healthcare Delivery</b> Dr. Devin Singh, Physician Lead for Clinical AI & Data Science (Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine), <b>SickKids</b>	<b>Responding to a Material Cybersecurity Breach</b> Ruben D. Chacon, VP & CISO, <b>Constellation Brands</b>
5:00-5:15 PM				



# EXPO SESSIONS — DAY 2 PROGRAM: JUNE 13

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Main Stage Track: Accelerate the Future		Big Data Theatre Track: Innovation and Solutions	AI Theatre Track: Innovation and Solutions
8:45-9:15 AM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH Big Data and Antitrust</b> Anthony Durocher, Deputy Commissioner, Competition Bureau Canada		
9:15-10:00 AM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION Connected Economy</b> Moderated by: Ryan Lanyon, Manager, Transportation Policy and Innovation, City Of Toronto; <b>Speakers:</b> Jason Falbo, Chief Technology Officer, Mircom Group Of Companies; Abhinav Tiwari, Head of Advanced Planning, Alectra Utilities; Richard Wunderlich, Director of Smart Grid Initiatives, Siemens Canada; Amar Varma, Co-Founder, Autonomic		
9:30-10:00 AM		<b>The Future of BI isn't a BI Tool</b> Zach Aragosa, Data Analyst, Looker	<b>How Can Your Organization Adopt AI?</b> Konrad Konarski, Artificial Intelligence And IOT Practice Head, V-Soft Labs
10:00-10:30 AM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>	<b>Leverage Data Virtualization to Accelerate Advanced Analytics and Data Science in a Hybrid Cloud World</b> Mitesh Shah, Cloud Product Manager, Denodo	<b>QuantHub: Analytics &amp; Business Strategy Alignment - How to Ensure your Killer Tech Delivers Real Value</b> Matt Cowell, CEO, QuantHub
10:30-11:00 AM	<b>Is AI Exploiting your Customers or Building Stronger Relationships with Them?</b> Steve Irvine, Founder & CEO, Integrate.ai	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by MIDATA	<b>Semantic Technologies</b> Speaker TBD
11:00-11:15 AM	<b>Taking the Next Steps in E-Governance</b> Ott Velsberg, Government Chief Data Officer, Government Of Estonia	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>	
11:15-11:30 AM		<b>Accelerating Data Warehousing with Centerprise Data Integrator</b> Mike A. O'Quinn, Chief Technical Officer, Astera	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by diwo
11:30-11:45 AM	<b>AI in Marketing</b> Speaker TBD		
11:45-12:00 PM		<b>You're Not Afraid of Big Data, Neither is R</b> Alex Gold, Solutions Engineer, RStudio	<b>The AI You Don't Hear About Enough: Creative Applications to Inspire the Masses</b> Dario Marrone, Director of Client Transformation, Stradigi AI
12:00-12:15 PM	<b>NETWORKING LUNCH</b>		
12:15-12:45 PM		<b>The Key to Successful Big Data &amp; Analytics Projects</b> Travis Juffinger, Senior Predictive Analytics Specialist, ISM Canada	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by IMRSV Data Labs
12:45-1:00 PM			
1:00-1:15 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION NextGen CX</b> Moderated by: Janet Ilhm, Director of Digital Experience, Ontario Cannabis Store; <b>Speakers:</b> Christian Magsisi, Senior Director, Technology & Digital, MLSE; Dariane Hunt, SVP, Design Director Artificial Intelligence, Bank Of America	<b>NETWORKING LUNCH</b>	
1:15-1:30 PM		<b>Industry Session</b> Led by Vertica	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by Wysdom AI
1:30-1:45 PM			
1:45-2:00 PM	<b>Robots and You</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by Adastra	<b>Natural Language Processing</b> Speaker TBD
2:00-2:15 PM			
2:15-2:30 PM	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH Data for Good</b> Terry Hickey, Chief Analytics Officer, CBC	<b>How Columnar Databases Simplify Ad Hoc, Interactive Analytics</b> Shane Johnson, Senior Director of Product Marketing, MariaDB	<b>Using Text Mining in Business Analytics to Extract Meaningful Information from Unstructured Big Data</b> Led by Provalis Research
2:30-2:45 PM			
2:45-3:00 PM	<b>Cognitive: The Next AI Frontier</b> Speaker TBD	<b>B2C Martech</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Practical Steps to AI Business Transformation</b> Maxime Guilbot, Founder & CEO, Ekohe
3:00-3:15 PM			
3:15-3:30 PM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>	<b>Superhuman Reasoning: How AI Systems May Transform the Practice of Science</b> Dr. Larisa Soldatova, Reader in Data Science Director online MSc Data Science programme, University Of London	<b>How Better Training Data Can Change Your Game in AI?</b> Xiaofeng Lui, Lead Scientist for AI and Research, Fanhan Technologies
3:30-3:45 PM			
3:45-4:00 PM	<b>Deep Fried Data</b> Christian Rodericks, Director of Data Analytics, Recipe Unlimited	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>	
4:00-4:15 PM		<b>Data-Driven Digital Transformation</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Trusted AI</b> Speaker TBA
4:15-4:30 PM	<b>Neural Networks: Pioneering the World</b> Speaker TBD		
4:30-4:45 PM		<b>Big Data in Real Time</b> Speaker TBD	
4:45-5:00 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION The Startup</b> Moderated by: Jeff Dennis, Entrepreneur In Residence, Fasken; <b>Speakers:</b> David Lloyd, CEO, PostBeyond; Ransom Hawley, CEO, Caddle; Rob Catalano, Chief Engagement Officer, WorkTango; Sascha Darius Mojtahedi, CEO, Bunz		
5:00-5:30 PM			



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	Big Data Strategy: Room 203 Track: Big Data Leadership	Big Data Technical: Room 201F Track: Tools & Platforms	AI Strategy: Room 202 Track: Canadian Innovation	AI Technical: Room 201D Track: Models & Methods
9:15-10:00 AM		<b>MASTERCLASS</b> <b>Machine Learning from Experimentation to Production</b> Led by Jolay Zhang, <b>WeCloudData</b>		
10:00-10:30 AM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>			
10:30-11:00 AM	<b>TRACK KEYNOTE</b> <b>Beyond Big Data</b> Noelly Tamez, Program Director, e-City Programs, <b>City of Toronto</b>	<b>TRACK KEYNOTE</b> <b>Augmented Analytics</b> Sahar Nezami, Senior Director, Advanced Analytics and Data Management, <b>CIBC</b>	<b>TRACK KEYNOTE</b> <b>Democratizing Financial Advice with AI</b> Andrew Graham, Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Borrowell</b>	<b>TRACK KEYNOTE</b> <b>Using Distributed Computing to Do ML Inference in the Home Edge</b> Iqbal Mohamed, PhD, Director, Samsung AI Centre Toronto, <b>Samsung AI Research</b>
11:00-11:30 AM	<b>Industry Session with CAPS</b> Constantine Karbaliotis, Director, Leader Managed Privacy Services, <b>PWC</b> ; Neil Beaton, VP Corporate Development, <b>CAPS Group</b>	<b>The NextGen of Big Data Platforms</b> Reza Shiftehfar, Engineering Manager, Hadoop Platform Team, <b>Uber</b>	<b>AI Globally</b> Speaker TBD	<b>IBM Data Science and AI Capabilities</b> Nadine Boucher, Data, Analytics and AI Lead IBM Canada, <b>IBM Canada</b>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> <b>Experimenting with Big Data</b> Moderated by: Christopher Janca, Project Manager Advanced Technologies, <b>Parker Hannifin</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Anthony Hooper, AVP Software and Big Data, <b>AT&amp;T</b> ; Dr. Eugene Wen, VP Group Advanced Analytics, <b>Manulife</b> ; Selwyn Collaço, Chief Data Officer, <b>TMX Group</b> ; Brian Cline, Chief Technology Officer, <b>Caddle</b>	<b>Industry Session</b> Led by <b>Neo4j</b>	<b>Machine Intelligence in Alberta</b> Anna Koop, Senior Scientific Advisor, <b>Alberta Machine Intelligence Institute</b>	<b>Consumer Airfare Prediction</b> Patrick Surry, Chief Data Scientist, <b>Hopper</b>
12:00-12:15 PM	Dr. Eugene Wen, VP Group Advanced Analytics, <b>Manulife</b> ; Selwyn Collaço, Chief Data Officer, <b>TMX Group</b> ; Brian Cline, Chief Technology Officer, <b>Caddle</b>	<b>Data Science Automation</b> Ikjyot Singh Kohli, Senior Manager, Data Science & Analytics, <b>Cineplex</b>	<b>Innovating with Startups</b> Tamara Zimmerman, AVP Innovation, <b>BDC</b>	<b>Insights &amp; Actions</b> Josh Lessig, Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Root.ai</b>
12:15-12:30 PM	<b>NETWORKING LUNCH</b>			
12:30-12:45 PM				
12:45-1:00 PM				
1:00-1:15 PM				
1:15-1:30 PM	<b>Agile Methodologies</b> Dominic Fortin, Sr. Director, Business Intelligence & Advanced Analytics, <b>The Cooperators</b>	<b>Win Back Your Day: Stronger, Better, Faster Data Insights with Self-Service Analytics</b> Dr. John Tullis, Data Analyst, <b>University Of Edinburgh</b>	<b>Autonomous Vehicle &amp; Mobility Innovation in Canada</b> Vik Pant, Resident AI Advisor, <b>MaRS</b>	<b>Interpreting Machine Learning Models with SAS</b> Alexander Terado, Solutions Specialist, Customer Advisory Data Sciences & Dr. Lorne Rothman, Principal Data Scientist, <b>SAS</b>
1:30-1:45 PM	<b>Industry Session</b> Speaker TBD	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> <b>Shifting Towards a Python Environment</b> Moderated by: Ashish Gupta, Manager MIS Projects, <b>Scotiabank</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Saad Rais, Lead Data Scientist, <b>Ontario Ministry Of Health And Long-Term Care</b> ; Andi Moshirvaziri, Director, Data Quality Agile Labs, <b>Scotiabank</b> ; Shaohua Zhang, Co-founder, <b>WeCloudData</b>	<b>Canadian Case Study</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Containerizing Reinforcement-Learning Systems to Make Online Business Decisions as Micro-Services</b> Kevin Ferreira, Ph.D. Senior Manager, AI Labs, <b>Bell Canada</b>
1:45-2:00 PM		<b>Applied Approaches to Solving the Cold-Start Problem</b> Parinaz Sobhani, Director of Machine Learning, <b>Georgian Partners</b>	<b>Explainable, Repeatable, Scalable Data Science with Pachyderm</b> John Karabaic, Senior Sales Engineer, <b>Pachyderm</b>	
2:00-2:15 PM		<b>Kubernetes: The Latest in the Ecosystem</b> Anthony Hooper, AVP Software and Big Data, <b>AT&amp;T</b>	<b>NextAI</b> Dr. Hossein Rahnema, Director of Innovation & Research, <b>DMZ</b>	<b>Artificial Intelligence and Autonomy in Space</b> Rohaan Ahmed, Mission Systems and Project Engineer, <b>MDA Corporation</b>
2:15-2:30 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> <b>Intelligent Decision-Making</b> Moderated by: H.K. Brar, Advisor, Strategic Technology Operations, <b>FedEx</b> ; <b>Speakers:</b> Sarah Sun, Chief Data Strategist, <b>Goldspot Discoveries Inc.</b> ; Andrew Ricchetti, Head of Analytics, <b>407etr</b>			
2:30-2:45 PM				
2:45-3:00 PM				
3:00-3:15 PM				
3:15-3:30 PM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>			
3:30-3:45 PM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK</b>			
3:45-4:00 PM	<b>Data Engineers; The New Kids on the Block</b> Jeff Zakrzewski, VP Platform Engineering, <b>Ritual Co.</b>	<b>Enhancing Data Quality: Principles, Approaches, and Best Practices</b> Carl Anderson, Director of Data Science, <b>WW</b>	<b>Revolutionize Biomedical Product Search</b> David Chen, Co-founder, CTO, and Director of AI, <b>BenchSci</b>	<b>Networking Break</b>
4:00-4:15 PM				<b>Taking a Peek Under the Hood: Interpreting Black Box Models</b> Jennifer Nguyen, Lead Data Scientist, <b>Sun Life Financial</b>
4:15-4:30 PM	<b>The Rise of the Data Curator</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Big Data and Mobile Ecommerce</b> Yuli Ye, Head of Machine Learning, <b>Wish</b>	<b>Canadian Case Study</b> Speaker TBD	<b>Quantum Computing + Artificial Intelligence</b> Christian Weedbrook, Founder & CEO, <b>Xanadu</b>
4:30-4:45 PM				
4:45-5:00 PM	<b>Practical Applications for Data Visualization</b> Mathieu Laporte, Assistant Director, Communication and Dissemination Branch, <b>Statistic Canada</b>	<b>Scatteract: Automated Extraction of Data from Scatter Plots</b> Mathieu Cliché, Data Scientist, <b>Bloomberg LP</b>	<b>Responsible AI Case Study</b> Speaker TBD	
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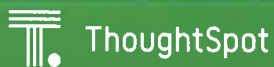


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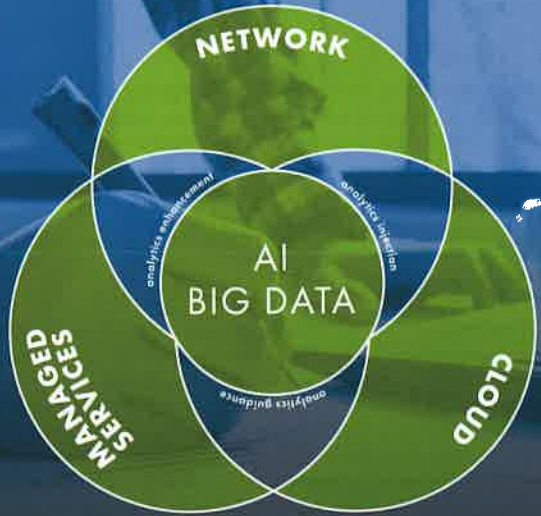
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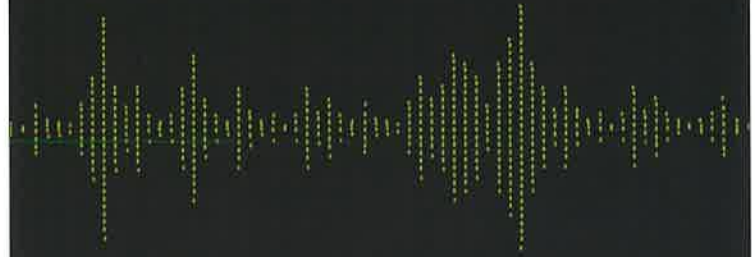
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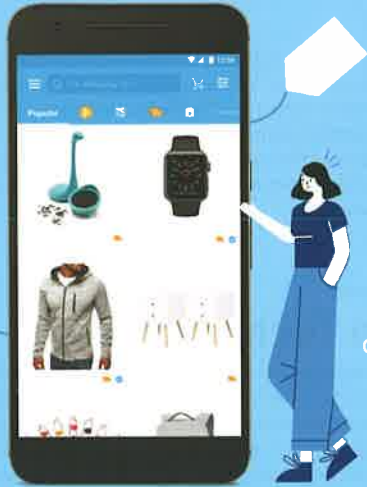
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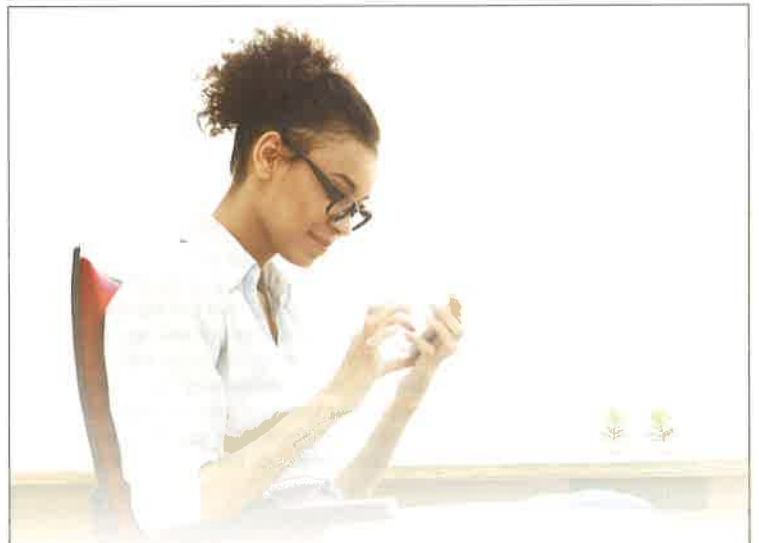
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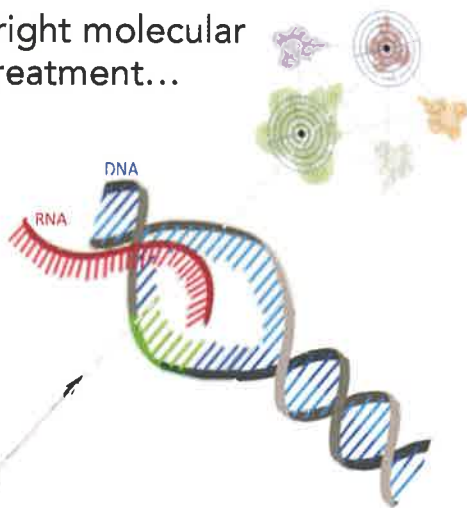
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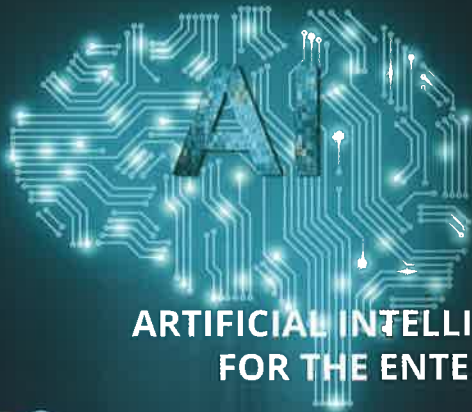
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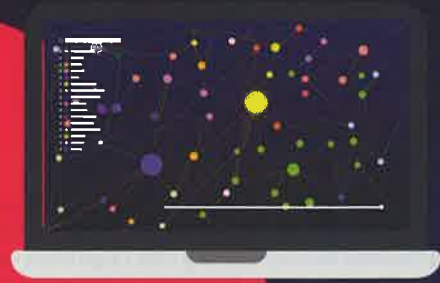


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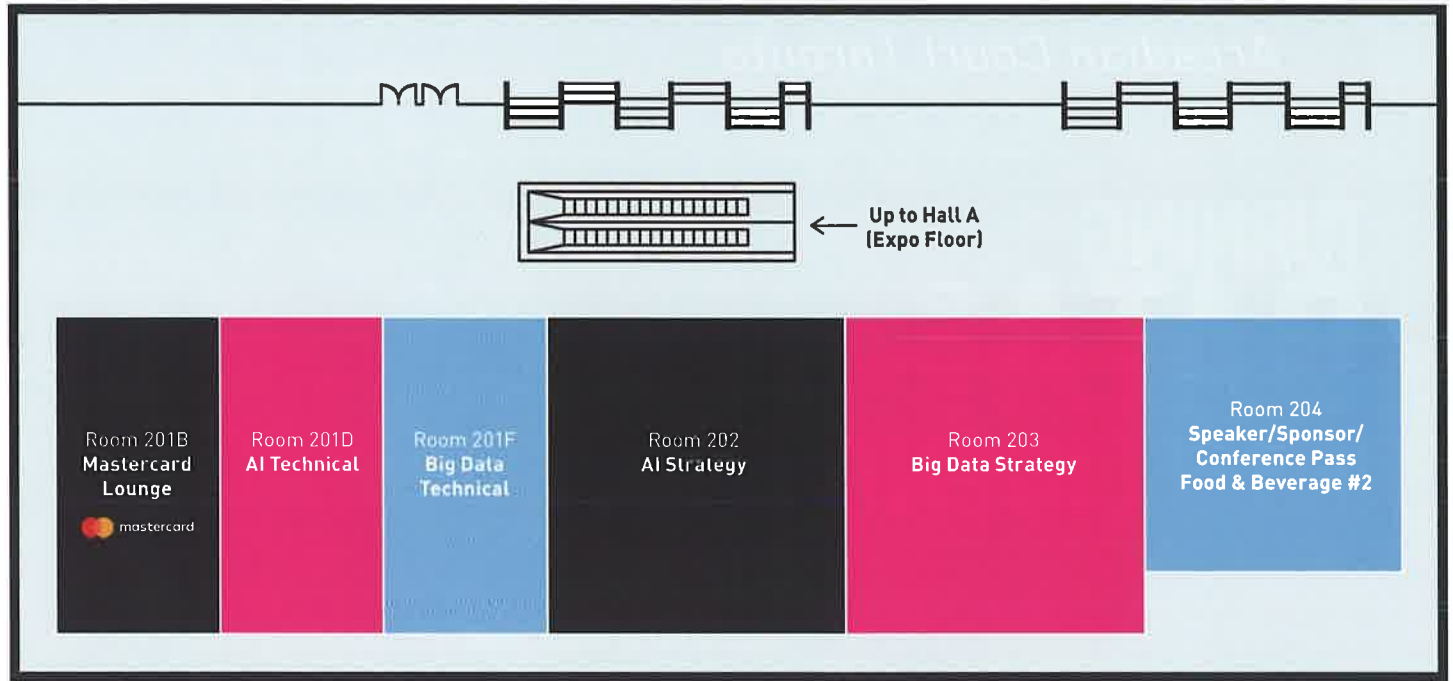
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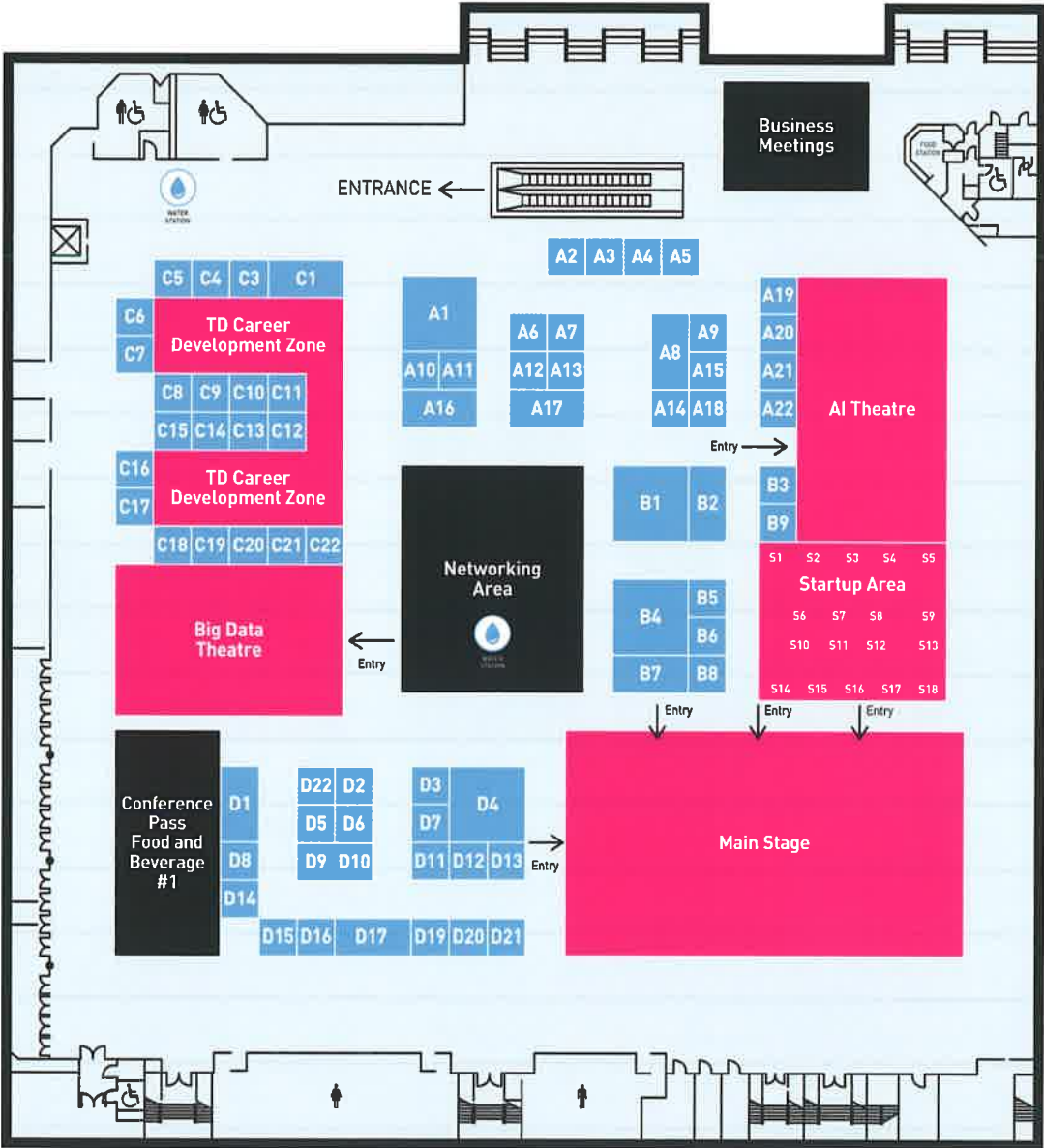


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