

CHICAGO SEPT 10-11, 2026

Adapting our Enterprises for the AI Age

THURSDAY SEPT 10 AGENDA

8:00 AM – 5:30 PM | MORNING + AFTERNOON

7:00 PM

Wednesday Arrival Dinner
Networking
2024 event pictures



8:00

BREAKFAST

8:30

EXECUTIVE WELCOME
Our Board
Capgemini Hosts



Grant Ecker

Vice President
Enterprise Architecture Ecolab
Founder, Chief Architect Network

9:00

The Intelligent Factory:
Why Manufacturing
Needs a New Op Model



Jeff Winter

Vice President, Commercial Strategy
Belden
TOP 10

9:30

**When Context
Becomes Software**



Michael Carroll

Research Fellow | LNS Research
TOP 10



Randy Potter

VP US Innovation Office & EA Practice
Capgemini

10:00

LEARN AS MUCH AS WE CAN • 30 MINUTE REPEATED BREAKOUT SESSIONS



Scaling Enterprise AI
Chetan Prakash
Head of M&A & EA | Zoetis



AI Culture
Karan Dhawal
Transformation Leader | ZS Associates



Know Your Why Before AI
Linda Finley
Founder | TCBAF | Leadership Advantage
ARCHITECTURE LEADER AMERICAS 2025



AI Enabled Business Transformation
Robert Sheesley
CIO/CISO | Slavic Retirement Services



Agentic Transformation Workshop
Geeta Pyne
Chief Architect | Guiding Possibilities
TOP 10



The Work We Remove Teaches Us
Michael Fulton
Enterprise Architect | Koch Industries
TOP 10

11:30

PANEL: AI AND THE FUTURE OF ARCHITECTURE



Daniel Hebda
Head of AI
Bizzdesign
MODERATOR



Michael Carroll
Research Fellow
LNS Research
TOP 10



Nathan Lasnoski
CTO Microsoft
Americas Practice
IBM



Phillip Finucane
CTO | CareCentrix



Ryan Simpson
CTO | Koch



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12:00 LUNCH & NETWORKING | Table discussion topics

12:45 TABLE TOPICS DEBRIEF & TRIVIA

1:00 EA's No-Regrets
Guide to AI



Charles T. Betz

Vice President, Principal Analyst
Forrester Research
TOP 10

1:30 PANEL: BUILDING RELIABLE AI FOR ARCHITECTURE DECISIONS



Jason Baragry
Chief Enterprise
Architect | Ardoq
MODERATOR



Amy Forsee
Dir. Architecture
State of Missouri
TOP 10



Michael Fulton
Enterprise Architect
Koch Industries
TOP 10



Robert Sheesley
CIO/CISO
Slavic Retirement
Services



Vikas Wali
CIO
Chief Architect

2:00 NETWORKING BREAK

2:30 VISION OF THE FUTURE: INDIVIDUAL PERSPECTIVES

3:00 SHARE INDIVIDUAL VISIONS + SYNTHESIZE IN TEAMS

4:00 LARGE GROUP REPORT OUT | Similarities, differences & BIG ideas

4:45 FRAME UP DAY 2

5:30 DAY 1 CLOSE

6:30 PM BOARDING TIME
Lake Michigan Dinner Cruise
2024 event pictures



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8:00 AM – 3:00 PM | MORNING + EARLY AFTERNOON

8:00 BREAKFAST

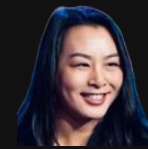
8:30 DAY 2 WELCOME, RECAP & ALIGNMENT ON BREAKOUT TOPICS

9:00
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11:00

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Virtual meeting with our global membership
LinkedIn Public Broadcast SEPT 15th 10-12 EDT

9:00
**CHIEF ARCHITECT
NETWORK**
Our Board Update



Grant Ecker
Brian Chambers
Randy Potter
Whynde Kuehn
Junior Brandt
Wei Manfredi

9:15 The Adaptable Enterprise



Whynde Kuehn
Founder | S2E
Transformation
ARCHITECTURE LEADER OF THE YEAR
EUROPE 2026

9:35 AI Ready Foundation



Wei Manfredi
SVP of AI and Architecture
IHG

9:55 Engineering Cultures of
Continuous Growth



Wendy Walsh
Chief Learning Officer
United States Air Force

10:15 **PANEL: AI ENABLING INDUSTRY**



Grant Ecker
VP EA,
Ecolab
MODERATOR



Damian Ng
VP EA,
Walgreens
TOP 10



Jeff Winter
VP Strategy,
Belden
TOP 10



Praveen Moturu
Global VP,
MARS
TOP 10



Ryan Cahalane
Managing
Director
LNS Research



Matthew Versaggi
Former PIF,
the White House
TOP 10

10:45 **AMERICAS 2026 ARCHITECTURE LEADER OF THE YEAR AWARDS: OUR TOP 10**



Amy Forsee



Charles Betz



Geeta Pyne



Jeff Winter



Matthew
Versaggi



Michael Carroll



Michael Fulton



Praveen Moturu



Paul Kurchina



Rameshwar
Balanagu



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11:00 STRETCH BREAK

11:15 CFO-Recognized Impact
from Your AI Efforts



Nathan Lasnoski
CTO
Microsoft Americas Practice
IBM

11:45 'TAKE YOUR CHOICE' BREAKOUTS • INCLUDES LUNCH

1. Governance Without Killing Innovation



Charles Wiggins
CIO / Founder & CEO
AlterEnable



Matthew Versaggi
Former Presidential
Innovation Fellow, Executive
Office of the White House
TOP 10

2. The Future of Enterprise Architecture



Charles T. Betz
Vice President,
Principal Analyst
Forrester Research
TOP 10



Ryan Simpson
CTO
Koch

3. Proving AI Value



Gokula Mishra
Chief Data & AI Officer
OmniProAI



Martin Bliss
Co-Founder & CTO
Prophetic Solutions

4. Designing the Adaptive Enterprise



Erin Allen
Dir. Enterprise Architect
Bain & Company



Vikas Wali
CIO | Chief Architect

5. Building an Enterprise That Learns Fast



Michael Carroll
Research Fellow
LNS Research
TOP 10



Praveen Moturu
Global VP Digital
Platforms, Chief EA
MARS
TOP 10

6. Enterprise Data in the Age of Agents



Paul Kurchina
SAP Community Evange
Connector & Analyst
EA SAP Community
TOP 10



Neda Parnian
VP of Innovation
Matt3r Technologies

2:00 LARGE GROUP REPORT OUT, DISCUSSION & DEBRIEF

3:00 EVENT CLOSE

3:30 POST EVENT
Navy Pier
2024 event pictures



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