

Ayesha Khanna

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Technology, Innovation & Future Smart Cities



A woman with her eye on our intelligent future

Professional experience

- Ayesha Khanna is an artificial intelligence and technology expert advising companies and governments on smart cities, future skills, fintech, and other emerging industries. She spent more than a decade on Wall Street advising product innovation teams developing large scale trading, risk management and data analytics systems.
- Ayesha is CEO and Co-Founder of ADDO AI, an artificial intelligence advisory firm and incubator that helps companies to innovate, optimize and grow.
- Previously, she served as CEO of The Keys Global, an innovative education hub that matched students with leading companies to apply their skills in coding, robotics, and 3D printing. She served on the Singapore Ministry of Education's Steering Committee on future skills and applied learning (2014)
- She was formerly CEO of Urban Intel, and CEO of Technology Quotient. She was also the Senior Editor of Look Ahead, a series on global innovation trends in The Economist. Ayesha founded the Hybrid Reality Institute, a research and advisory group focused on emerging technologies and their implications for society, business and government. She has also directed the Future Cities Group at the London School of Economics and is a Faculty Advisor at Singularity University.

Books, Published papers, Media

- Ayesha has been widely published and quoted on technology, innovation and smart cities.
- Regularly contributing to the *New York Times*, *BusinessWeek*, *TIME*, *Newsweek*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *Strategy+Business*, *Foreign Policy*, *Straits Times* and *BigThink*.
- She is the author of *Straight Through Processing for Financial Services* (2008) and co-author of *Hybrid Reality: Thriving in the Emerging Human-Technology Civilization* (2012).

Sample presentation topics

- *Hybrid Reality* – how emerging technologies will disrupt and transform society, business and government.
- *Smart Cities*: how technology will recreate the urban environment, changing the way we live, work and innovate.
- *Future of Jobs and Skills*: what are the key industries and jobs of the future and how will workers compete against automation and robots?
- *Education in the 21st Century*: which skills will we need to empower ourselves to succeed in the future and where are how will we acquire them?

Ayesha Khanna - Personal bio-data

- Board of Advisors for Humanity+
- Fellow at the Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies
- In 2010, co-chaired the Innovation Advisory Board with leading US entrepreneurs for the New York City congressional campaign of Reshma Saujani
- Ayesha was also the Founder and Editor-in-Chief of EGO Magazine (2004-2011)
- One of the first arts & culture magazines for the South Asian diaspora in New York
- Completing a PhD on urban information infrastructures - London School of Economics
- MS in Operations Research from Columbia University
- BA (Honors) in Economics from Harvard University

