



GLOBAL INNOVATION FORUM

OCTOBER 5-6, 2022
YEREVAN, ARMENIA

PROGRAM



Global Innovation
Forum Life Altering
Technologies

OCTOBER 5

9:30 - 10:00

Opening Ceremony

André Andonian, Chairman of FAST Board of Trustees, Board Member of ADI and AEM,
Special Advisor-Senior Partner of McKinsey & Company

Prime Minister (tbd)

10:00 - 10:30

Visionary talk

Noubar Afeyan, Co-Founder of FAST, Founder and CEO of Flagship Pioneering,
Co-Founder and Chairman of Moderna Inc.

10:30 - 11:20

Panel - Disruptive influence of AI on Industry

Tigran Avinyan, Chairman of the Board of the Armenia National Interests Fund (ANIF)

Monique Morrow, Distinguished Architect of Emerging Technologies of Syniverse
Technologies

Martin Cotter, Senior Vice President of Industrial and Multi-Markets Business
Group of Analog Devices

Camilio Azzouz, Managing Partner of Amber Capital Investment Management

Moderator: Yervant Zorian, Chief Architect of Synopsys Inc.

11:20 - 11:50

Keynote presentation - Thinking Machines

David Yang, Founder and Board director of ABBYY

11:50 - 12:50

Networking Luncheon

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12:50 - 13:50

Panel - Tectonic changes in investment world: Development Funds

Tigran Khachatryan, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Armenia

Martin Galstyan, Governor of Central Bank of Armenia

Carolyn Geginat, Country Manager of World Bank in Armenia

Andrew Mkrtchyan, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Ameriabank

Moderator: George Akhalkatsi, Associate Director and Head of Armenian branch of European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

13:50 - 14:40

Panel - Tectonic changes in investment world: Venture Funds

Carlos Alzate, Senior AI Advisor and General Manager of AI Fund Colombia

Anushavan Simonian, Managing Partner of Amber Capital Armenia

Irina Seylanyan, Chief Executive Officer of HSBC Bank Armenia CJSC

Moderator: Audra Shallal, Board Member of European Business Angels Network

14:40 - 15:30

Panel - AI transforming workforce

Ashot Hovanesian, Founder & CEO of Synergy International Systems

Armen Martirosyan, Co-Founder and CEO of BluIP

Arto Minasyan, Krisp & IOWeb

Kim Dressendoerfer, Account technical Leader Data & AI of IBM,
Founder of the A Woman of AI Initiative

Moderator: Lara Farrar, Contributor of CNN International

15:30 - 16:30

Networking Break

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16:30 - 18:00

Fishbowl sessions “Life Altering Technologies”

FinTech

Vahe Andonians, Founder of Cognaize

Kevin Bartanian, Founder and CEO of KEVANI

Tigran Simonyan, Deputy CEO on Platforms & Technologies Development of ACBA Bank

EdTech

Mary Papazian, Executive in Residence and Former President of San Jose State University

Aram Pakhchanian, Chairman of the Board of Ayb Foundation

Marie Lou Papazian, Co-founder and CEO of TUMO

Sustainability

Erik Grigoryan, Founder and CEO of Environment Group

Marvin Liao, Partner of Diaspora Ventures

Raj Khosla, Head of Agronomy & Professor of Precision Agriculture of Kansas State University

Moderator: Nerses Yeritsyan, Deputy president of Central Bank of Armenia

19:00 - 22:00

Gala Dinner

OCTOBER 6

9:30 - 10:00

Panel - AI in everyday life

Igor Khalatian, Founder of iris Dating

David Zokhrabyan, Product Manager of WhatsApp

Ahmed Rashad Riad, Senior Director, Strategy and Industry Development of Huawei

Sergey Smbatyan, Founder, Artistic Director, and Principal Conductor of Armenian State Symphony Orchestra

10:00 - 10:50

Keynote presentation I - AI applications

Chuck Mattera, Chair and CEO of II-VI Incorporated

10:50 - 11:20

Keynote presentation - How AI is transforming science and technology

Hovhannes Avoyan, CEO and Founder of Picsart

11:20 - 12:10

Panel - Intelligent Cities

Arnel Paciano Casanova, CEO and Founder of Abram's Cattle

Slava Solonitsyn, CEO and Co-founder of Mighty Buildings

Raslan Ahmad, Senior Vice President of Malaysian Industry Government Group for High Technology

Moderator: Gabrielle Gauthey, CEO High Representative by the EU institutions of TotalEnergies SE

12:10 - 12:40

Technical presentation - Revolutionary impact of Large Language Models in the coming years

Davood Shamsi, Senior Manager, AI and Machine Learning of Apple

12:40 - 13:40

Networking Luncheon

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13:40 - 14:40

Panel - The AI revolution in R&D

Sharlene Thiagarajah, CEO of TM Research & Development

Moderator: **Tonny Omwansa**, CEO of Kenya National Innovation Agency

14:40 - 15:10

Keynote presentation - Breakthrough Innovations and their impact on human life

Armen Orujyan, CEO of FAST

15:10 - 16:00

Panel - Future of Precision Medicine

Harry Glorikian, General Partner of Scientia Ventures

Anahit Avanesyan, Minister of Health of Republic of Armenia

Nikolay Dokholyan, G. Thomas Passananti Professor, Vice Chair for Research in Department of Pharmacology and Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology of Penn State College of Medicine

Lusine Abgaryan, Founder and CEO of Grittgene Therapeutics and Proone Labs

Moderator: **Avak Kahvejian**, Partner of Flagships Pioneering

16:00 - 16:30

Networking Break

16:30 - 17:20

Panel - Innovative Armenia in the making

AI Esaiain, CEO of Cognaze

David Papazian, CEO of Armenian National Interests Fund

Moderator: **Alexander Yesayan**, Chairman of the Board of UATE

17:20 - 18:10

Panel - Propelling AI strategies on global arena (GR)

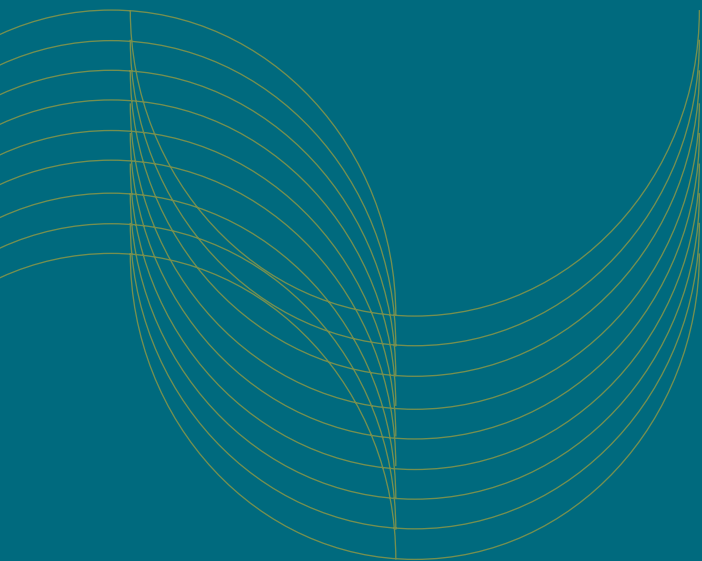
18:10 - 18:30

Closing Ceremony

Ruben Vardanyan, Impact investor, and venture philanthropist

20:00 - 24:00

Impact NightOut



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