

## City of Tacoma | Enzhou Wang, Chief Data Officer



Enzhou Wang serves as the Chief Data Officer for the City of Tacoma, where he plays a pivotal role in leading the city's data and analytics initiatives to success. His responsibilities extend to managing the Geographic Information System (GIS) team along with the web and digital collaboration units. Prior to his tenure at Tacoma, Enzhou accumulated a wealth of experience in various roles, including senior IT manager, enterprise architect, and software developer, with esteemed organizations such as the City of Bellevue, Seattle City Light, Microsoft, and ESRI.

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## City of Seattle | Sarah Carrier, Privacy & Responsible Al Program Manager



Over the past six years, Sarah has been instrumental in developing and enhancing the City of Seattle's Data Privacy & Surveillance Ordinance Compliance Programs. In her role as the City's Data Privacy & Responsible Al Program Manager, she ensures that city departments integrate best practices into their everyday operations and offerings to the public, keeping in line with relevant regulatory and policy guidelines.

Driven by her passion for the convergence of data privacy, ethics, policy, and cutting-edge technology, Sarah has spearheaded the creation of Seattle's Responsible Al Program. At the core of this initiative is a commitment to the transparent and conscientious use of Al tools, aimed at fostering innovation and

elevating public services for the community in Seattle. Sarah holds a master's degree in information management from the University of Washington, with a focus on data science and privacy.

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# Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife | Mubina Raza, Senior Manager of Infrastructure & Operations



Mubina Raza is a pioneering figure in the IT industry, steering varied and interdisciplinary IT groups in both the public and private sectors. Recognized as a leader in digital transformation, she champions the philosophy of engaging in equal partnerships with business units to catalyze change through collective effort and shared innovation. Holding a master's degree in both business administration and information technology, Mubina combines her keen business insight with her technical know-how to address intricate challenges and seize opportunities. Mubina is deeply motivated by the potential of AI and cutting-edge technologies to forge solutions that are not only efficient but also equitable.

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#### Netskope | Forrest McMahon - Global GRC Officer



With over 20 years of experience in the information security industry, Forrest has played a pivotal role in developing and enhancing organizations' security and compliance frameworks, including leading the Governance Risk and Compliance (GRC) programs at Netskope for five years. During his tenure, he has successfully achieved and maintained certifications and compliance with SOC2, ISO 27001, FedRAMP, C5, HIPAA, GDPR, and ENS, while also helping customers utilize Netskope for their GRC needs. Before his current role, Forrest spearheaded a security and compliance services delivery practice at Coalfire Systems, offering compliance audit and advisory services to cloud service providers.

Throughout his career, Forrest has been instrumental in assisting companies to assess, plan, implement, and manage security and GRC programs, developing comprehensive strategies and technical solutions to address compliance, risk management, network architecture, and various information security domains.

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#### Avanade | Aaron Reich - Chief Technology Officer



As Chief Technology Officer, Aaron Reich is responsible for Avanade's technology strategy, driving innovation across the business and incubating emerging technologies to bring them to clients across the globe. He manages Avanade's global R&D function, oversees Avanade's participation in the startup ecosystem and drives our responsible technology approach and digital ethics practice, including for our client work with generative AI.

Aaron joined Avanade in 2012 and most recently served as the company's Emerging Technology Lead. Under Aaron's leadership, Avanade has embraced

and scaled emerging technology capabilities including the reality continuum, 5G, digital twin, open source, robotics, and OpenAI, working closely with multiple product engineering teams at Microsoft. Prior to Avanade, Aaron worked across the high-tech, non-profit and telecommunications industries.

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#### AWS | Natasha Nicolai, Leader, Data+Al



Natasha Nicolai holds the position of Data and Digital Transformation (D2T) leader at Amazon Web Services (AWS). In this role, she collaborates with the AWS teams dedicated to Health and Human Services (HHS) and State and Local Education (SLED), focusing on developing a unified approach towards digital transformation within the cloud environment. Her work prioritizes the creation of a customer data journey that provides significant insights to policymakers by employing advanced technologies, including Generative AI, to enhance interactions with the public. Before joining AWS, Nicolai was the Chief Data Strategist for the California





Department of Social Services (CDSS). She has also contributed her expertise to the Newsom administration by participating in various executive advisory teams and held the position of director for the California Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.

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# IBM | Romelia Flores, Distinguished Engineer (DE) & Master Inventor, Public Market, Client Engineering



Romelia's industry experiences combined with her unique software development and design expertise make her Global Sales' most highly sought-after innovator. She has collaborated with leading clients in the design of Electric Vehicle Fleet Management, Social Services, Airports of the Future and more. She holds 85 U.S. patents and 10 patents pending. In 2021, she received the Dallas Business Journal's Women in Business Award. In 2018, she was the first female ever named to the Dallas Tech Titan Hall of Fame and was the 2016 Lifetime Achievement Award winner from Great Minds in STEM.

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#### Microsoft | Michael Cruz, Director of Data and Al



Michael brings 30 years of extensive experience in the technology industry, having worked in both the private and public sectors to integrate technology into a diverse array of businesses and organizations, including his decade+ experience as the Enterprise Technology Architect at Snohomish County. He has devoted the last 12 years of his career at Microsoft in his role as a Data & Al Specialist, where he has collaborated with State and Local Governments across the country. His most recent endeavors include aiding organizations in modernizing their data estates, leveraging analytics, and positioning them for the upcoming wave of Al advancements.

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