

# Atlanta CIO Executive Summit

The Westin Atlanta Perimeter North

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November 7, 2023

6:00pm - 8:30pm **Governing Body Welcome Reception**

November 8, 2023

7:45am - 8:30am **Registration & Breakfast**

8:30am - 9:15am **Executive Presence for Lasting Leadership**

Chris Ulrich, Body Language Expert & Political Consultant,  
Guest Speaker

9:15am - 9:40am **Networking Break**

9:40am - 10:25am **Delivering the Differentiated Experience — Creating New Value  
with Existing Resources**

Kayla Broussard, U.S. CTO Consumer & Travel, Distinguished  
Engineer, Kyndryl

9:40am - 10:25am **Weaving Innovation into the Core of Everything**

Harold Shannon, VP, Technology and CIO, CoreCivic  
Raj Velmurugan, VP of IT (CIO), Harley-Davidson  
Satya Kar, Business Unit CIO - Building & Construction  
Systems, Arconic

9:40am - 10:25am **Tackling Talent in the Age of AI**

Janine Moreno, CIO Advisor, Office of the CIO, Zoom  
Kevin Kerrigan, CIO, Fulton County, GA

10:25am - 11:00am **Networking Break**

**10:30am - 10:55am Peer-to-Peer Meetings**

**11:00am - 11:45am All About Strategy — How to be an Effective CIO**

Harold Shannon, VP, Technology and CIO, CoreCivic

**11:00am - 11:45am Leading with Digital Sustainability — A Strategy Led by Technology**

Daniel Christopher, Senior Chrome Enterprise Customer Engineer, Google Chrome Enterprise

**11:00am - 11:45am Enabling Business Success Through AI, Data, and Analytics**

Heath Thompson, President and General Manager, Information & Systems Management, Quest Software  
Dustin Johnson, Head of IT, US, UCB  
Raj Vuchatu, Chief Information Officer, Georgia Tech Research Institute

**11:00am - 11:45am Leading Cybersecurity — Going Beyond Checking the Box**

Arun Kandel, CIO, Southern Poverty Law Center  
Steven Ferguson, CIO, Technical College System of Georgia  
Irene Thong, Senior Director, IT and Project Management - CIO/CISO, Printpack

**11:45am - 12:30pm Lunch Service**

**12:30pm - 1:05pm Generative AI — Moving Beyond Hype and Hysteria**

Bill Franks, Director, Center For Data Science & Analytics, Kennesaw State University

**1:05pm - 1:30pm Break**

**1:30pm - 2:15pm Acting on AI — Competitive Advantage Now and in the Future**

Curtis Carver Jr., Vice President and CIO, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Robert Howard, Associate VP & Deputy Chief Information Officer, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Brian Rivers, Chief Technology Officer, University of Alabama  
at Birmingham

**1:30pm - 2:15pm**      **Driving a Digital Enterprise — A Strategic Mindset Shift**

Paula Wagner, Chief Information Officer, Mansfield Energy  
John Adamson, SVP & CIO, Floor & Decor

**1:30pm - 2:15pm**      **Vetting Your Applications and Infrastructure Technology  
Strategy**

Sandesh Shetty, CTO, Koch Industries  
Steve Cox, VP, Chief Information Officer, Wayne-Sanderson  
Farms  
Sharon Heard-Brown, Deputy CIO, Aviation Services,  
Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

**1:30pm - 2:15pm**      **AI Governance — Safeguarding Innovation**

Ben Pivar, SVP, CIO, Carter's  
Marcia Calleja-Matsko, Chief Information Officer, OneDigital  
Health & Benefits  
Daniel Stuart, Senior VP, Information Technology Services,  
Southwire

**2:15pm - 2:50pm**      **Networking Break**

**2:20pm - 2:45pm**      **Peer-to-Peer Meetings**

**2:50pm - 3:25pm**      **Shifting Executive Mindset to Embrace Volatility and Change**

De'Onn Griffin, Vice President, Team Manager CIO Executive  
Development, Gartner

**3:25pm - 3:50pm**      **Reception**