



***The Digital Solutions Gallery Virtual Keynote  
December 2, 2021***

***“The Future Of Technology In 2025”***

At the start of the pandemic, enterprises ignited the biggest workforce shift in living memory by sending people home and doubling down on emerging tech solutions to keep them productive. This move has expanded to the point of modern business strategies and technology strategies now becoming inseparable — perhaps even indistinguishable.

Accenture recently reported that 77% of senior executives they surveyed believe the future of industry competition will become a battle between technology architectures. A new era of competition is now clearly dawning, and the technology choices that a company makes could radically alter their resulting value proposition. That raises the question,

***“Are your new technology strategies going to be future-resistant,...or future-adaptive?”***

That future is close at hand, and you need to be ready, as much is on the line.

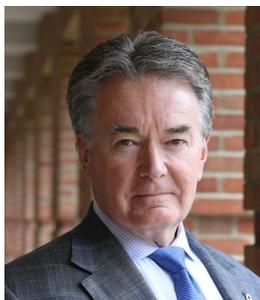
**This critical discussion should not be missed. Please join us in our next 2021 session within this noted series, where in our virtual format you will hear first-hand lessons-learned from top-tier leaders who have been successful in these same revolutionary and disruptive journeys.**

The “***Digital Solutions Gallery™***” series is a nationally acclaimed ongoing forum where senior leaders and their business peers come together in a comfortable setting to share their experiences and insights, as well as collectively and collaboratively attack common issues. Throughout 2021, this series will be conducting a *ten-session series* of informative programs on the theme of “***Gateway To 2025***”, wherein participants will gain a better appreciation of not only what is coming, but also a better appreciation of just how its associated value might be captured.

*There is no cost to invited senior leaders.* Sponsoring opportunities are available for invited technology product and service providers.

***Agenda:***

10:00am            Opening Introduction



**Mr. Bruce Barnes**  
***DSG Program Co-Founder***  
***The Ohio State University***  
***and Co-Host For The Session***

10:10 am

Showcased Keynote Presentations And Expert Panel



**Mr. Thornton May**  
***DSG Program Co-Founder***  
***Internationally Acclaimed IT Futurist***  
***Co-Host For The Session***

Thornton May is a futurist, educator and noted author. He is the Co-Founder of the Digital Solutions Gallery, as well as the Founder of the Digital Value Institute.

His extensive experience researching and consulting on the role and behaviors of “C” level executives in creating value with information technology has won him an unquestioned place on the short list of serious thinkers on this topic.

Thornton combines a scholar’s patience for empirical research, a stand-up comic’s capacity for pattern recognition and a second-to-none gift for storytelling to address the information technology management problems facing executives.

The editors at eWeek honored Thornton, including him on their list of Top “100 Most Influential People in IT”. The editors at Fast Company labeled him ‘one of the top 50 brains in business.



**Mr. Bill Seibel**  
***Serial Entrepreneur***  
***Best Selling Author (FL)***

Forbes magazine has previously described Bill as “unstoppable”. A Pittsburgh native who earned a BS from Penn State and an MBA from Carnegie Mellon, Bill was a founding member and instrumental leader of the legendary Cambridge Technology Partners, a very well-known client-server consulting company that grew from an innovative idea into having an active global presence within nine countries.

Since then, Bill has been envisioning and actively building multiple multi-million dollar successful start-up companies, from the raising of hundreds of millions of dollars in venture funding to the ultimate acquisitions by other organizations like Oracle. He has been the CEO of nine start-up companies, and he has been deeply involved with thirty more.

Bill is a person of superior vision and insight, as well as supreme drive. He truly understands and embodies the meaning of the term, “value proposition”.

He is the author of the best selling book, “***Press Go***”, describing his lessons earned by a serial entrepreneur.



**Mr. Ben Pring**  
***Noted IT Futurist & Author***  
***Former VP; Cognizant***

Ben is a widely acknowledged IT futurist, author and thought leader with a storied track record analyzing the cutting edge of business and technology.

Ben co-founded and led Cognizant's "Center for the Future of Work".

He is a co-author of the best-selling and award winning books, "*What To Do When Machines Do Everything*" (2017) and "*Code Halos; How the Digital Lives of People, Things, and Organizations are Changing the Rules of Business*" (2014).

Ben sits on the advisory board of the Labor and Work Life program at Harvard Law School. In 2018 Ben was a Bilderberg Meeting participant. He was named as one of 30 management thinkers to watch in 2020 by Thinkers 50.

Prior to his work with Cognizant, Ben was a Vice President at Gartner where (*back in the mid-1990's*) he was one of the leading analysts on all things "Cloud". He became well-known in the IT industry for his predictions of the nature and velocity of the change that would impact everyone as the paradigm of Cloud Computing became the foundation for the next wave of competition in global IT.

Ben holds a Bachelors degree in Philosophy from Manchester University (in the UK, where he grew up).



**Dr. Peter A. Warren**  
***Executive Vice President***  
***Physical Sciences Inc.***

Dr. Peter Warren comes to us from Physical Sciences Incorporated, where he develops new technologies with a focus on new materials and manufacturing methods.

Dr. Warren started his technology career at MIT with an education in aerospace engineering. He has worked on NASA's space station, The James Webb Space Telescope and has developed many microsatellite technologies.

However, for the past 25 years Dr. Warren has had a much broader field of view. He and the groups he has led have identified needs and developed technologies ranging from expanding topics like brain surgery stents to explosive meat tenderizing.

He has 14 patents on topics from lightweight telescope mirrors to emergency rescue equipment. He and his teams have designed for environments from the depths of the ocean to the inside of detonating rocket engines. They succeed not only by inventing new materials and manufacturing methods, but by also applying solutions from one field of endeavor to new applications.

11:20am

Session Summary of Key Points/Action Items/Next Steps



**Mr. Dave Cherry**  
*DSG Program Co-Producer*  
*The Ohio State University*  
*and Co-Host For The Session*

11:30am

Adjournment

