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# **TECH CUNNECT**

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## **Conference** Agenda

May 3, 2023

8:00 am Arrivals/Expo Opens

8:30 am Welcome by Jeff Tollefson, President & CEO, Minnesota Technology Association

## Morning Keynote

"Technological Disruption: A Futurist's Perspective" Matt Versaggi

### 9:30 am Break

### 9:50 am Choice of Breakouts - 50 minutes each

Using Zero Distance and Product Tools to Innnovate in Healthcare - A Case Study Presented by: Creg Schumann, Nathan Koering, & Jim Christy - Turnberry Solutions

**The Land O'Lakes Journey From Project-Centric IT to an Agile Operating Model** Presented by: Rich Bellefeuille - Land O'Lakes

Scope Creep: Damned If I Do, Damned if I Don't Presented by: Justin Grammens - Lab651

FinOps at Target Presented by: Kim Wier, Ron Tatro - Target

**Exploring OpenAI: Practical Applications for Real-World Problem Solving** Presented by: Nick Kwiecien, Ph.D. - **Microsoft** 

Hidden Data Assets: Unlocking the Monetary Value of Your Data Presented by: Asim Mohammad & Meredith Murphy - Grant Thornton

#### 10:40 am Break

#### 11:00 am Choice of Breakouts - 50 minutes each

Powering Our People With Digital Workforce Technology Presented by: Steve Burk, Theresa Dolezal, Jason Brown, Anna Pohmer, Thomas Panikkar - Xcel Energy

Productize Undifferentiated Engineering Presented by: Andy Domeier - SPS Commerce

## De"Mist"ifying Al

Presented by: Gene Sawyer - Juniper Networks

The Art of Personalization with AI/ML: Optimizing Conversion by Showing Customers What They Want

Presented by: Matt Yates & Max Lindquist - Launch by NTT Data

Turn Your Big Ideas into Apps with High-Performance Low-Code Presented by: Sean Mee - OutSystems

The Era of Generative AI Presented by: Bill Wong - Info-Tech

11:50 am Lunch

12:20 pm	Mid-day Keynote
	"Empowering Our Future Through Science"
	Dr. Jayshree Seth - Chief Science Advocate & Corporate Scientist - 3M
1:00 pm	Break
1:15 pm	Choice of Breakouts - 50 minutes each
	Cybersecurity State of the Union: 2023+ Presented by: Aaron Warner - Procircular
	Taking a Trip to the Optometrist - User Lens vs the IT Lens Presented by: Dale Henninger - CHS, Inc.
	"Simplified, Easy, No Problem": Lessons From a Real-World Cloud Data Migration Project Presented by: Brian Seebacher - Hargrove & Associates, Inc.
	Thawing the Frozen Middle: Helping Middle Managers Adopt a Product Model Presented by: Barb Johnson, Jill Ronk, Steve Bauer, Laura Carlson - Thrivent
	Expanding Enterprise Value Through IT Assessments Presented by: Michael Matthews - CREO
	Accelerate your Organization's Data and Analytics Journey: Data Literacy Program Pillars and Best Practices Presented by: Edmund Tran - Qlik
2:05 pm	Break
2:15 pm	Choice of Breakouts - 50 minutes each
	How Analytics is Disrupting Every Industry - Including Yours Presented by: Alex Cook & Jett Robinson - Inspire11
	User Centered Design (UCD) - Insights for Innovative Technologies Presented by: Emmanuel Letsu-Dake, PhD - U.S. Bank
	The Future Fit Digital Organization: What Does the Data Say? Presented by: Charles Betz - Forrester Research
	Give Up and Go Home - The Impossibility of Managing Hybrid Cloud Presented by: Michael Downs - Evolving Solutions
	Prepare for Disruptions with Strategic Foresight Presented by: Lisa Abendroth, PhD - University of St. Thomas
3:05 pm	Break
3:15 pm	Leadership Panel
	Steve Arsenault - Chief Information Officer at APi Group David Bingenheimer - Chief Information Officer at Ecolab

David Black - Chief Information Officer at CHS Chris Chapman - Chief Information Officer (Commercial) at Thrivent Julie Durham - Chief Technology Officer at United Healthcare Facilitated by Jeff Tollefson - President & CEO at the Minnesota Technology Association

- 4:00 pm Happy Hour & Networking
- 5:00 pm Conference Concludes