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WORKTECH is the fastest growing forum for all those involved in the future of work and the workplace as well as real estate, technology and innovation.

You are invited to join over 100 senior professionals for an insightful program of peer-to-peer discussions and thought leadership sessions with workplace visionaries, exploring the changing landscape of work and the purpose of the workplace.

Our agenda will explore transformative shifts in work culture, technology integration, and employee expectations. Join us to gain perspectives from industry leaders and thought pioneers, on the evolving world of work in 2025.

We hope you will be able to join us and we are looking forward to welcoming you to the event on July 15th.

Warmest regards,

Samantha

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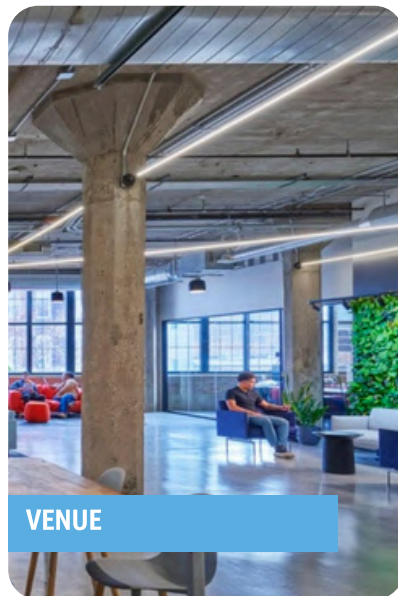
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MEET THE SPEAKERS



WORKTECH25 Chicago will attract some of the biggest and brightest names to debate, discuss, and divulge the latest thinking on the future of work and the workplace.

The conference will feature leading international thinkers from industry and academia. Our speakers represent some of the world's biggest brands and best universities and research departments, alongside radical visionaries from new innovative organisations.

Through interdisciplinary speakers and learning experiences, we focus on bringing cutting edge ideas and inspiration to the workplace community to enhance creativity and move thinking forward. Instead of focusing on peer to peer innovation through imitation, we aim to curate a unique programme, bringing together experts in the fields of people, place and technology and relevant adjacencies to reflect on the future of work and workplace.

Alongside the conference series, the WORKTECH Academy knowledge hub explores the future of work through six key themes: people, place, technology, design, culture and innovation. Creating leading commentary, research and publications that places scientific research at the heart of key business problems. www.worktechacademy.com

Full list of speakers

Moji Akinde
Ariel Bernstein **Accenture**
Mitchell Bobman **Northern Trust**
Olivia Danielson-Veed **HOK**
David Dewane **geniant**
Tucker Dupree **BP**
Ronda Green **Oracle**
Christina Harazin **ezCater**
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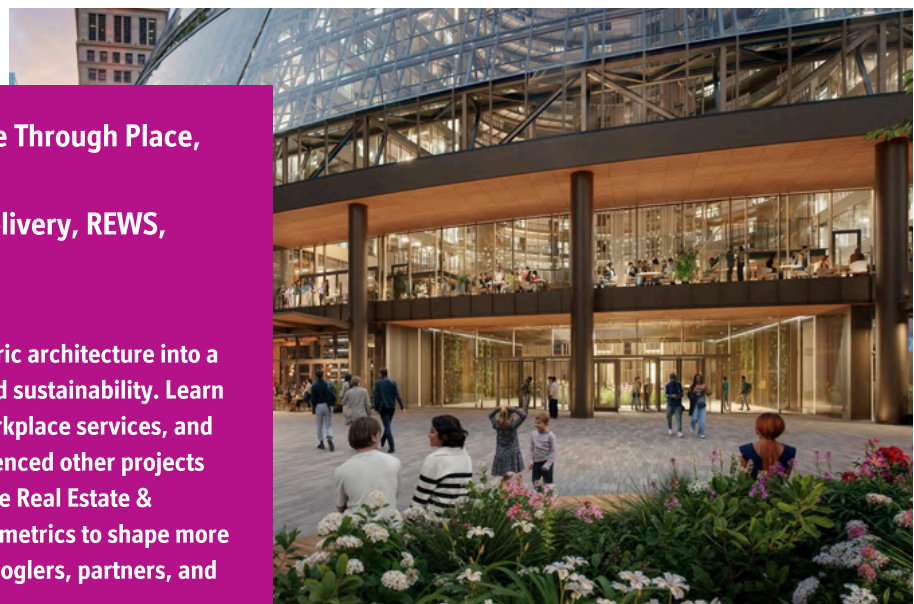
Corinne Rice, tms



AI: A Declaration of Autonomy— Exploring Accenture's 2025 Technology Vision

Ariel Bernstein, Lead Futurist, Head of Research & Storytelling – Technology Vision, Accenture

The session will explore Accenture's 2025 Technology Vision. This year's report explores themes around generative AI and agents, and the dimensions of the enterprise that will be most heavily impacted. Through the session we will investigate GenAI's impact on software, customer experience, the physical world, and the workforce.



Google Thompson Center: Redefining the Workplace Through Place, Partnership & Purpose

Joy Park, Project Executive, Real Estate Design & Delivery, REWS, Google

This session will explore Google's vision for reimagining historic architecture into a future-facing workplace that supports innovation, culture, and sustainability. Learn how cross-functional collaboration—spanning real estate, workplace services, and technology— has driven the redevelopment process and influenced other projects across Google's workplace portfolio. Gain insights into how the Real Estate & Workplace Services team ("REWs") leverage data and impact metrics to shape more intelligent, inclusive, and human-centered experiences for Googlers, partners, and the surrounding community.



Human-Centric Data: Shaping IMF's Future Workspaces and Real Estate

Alexis Kim, VP, Senior Workplace Strategist, SmithGroup / Olivia Millar, Section Chief, Space Planning & Management, International Monetary Fund

This session explores IMF's innovative approach to developing a workplace and campus strategy, leveraging data with human and cultural factors. Presenters will share their journey in creating a long-term space strategy, providing insights on using real-time data and qualitative information to align with organizational goals.

08:30 | WORKTECH25 CHICAGO CONFERENCE OPENS

09:00 | CHAIRPERSON'S OPENING REMARKS

Tope Sadiku, **Global Director, Organization Effectiveness Design, McDonald's**
 Maria Stopper, **Senior Director, Consulting, JLL**

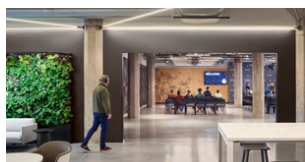
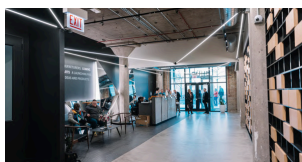


09:15 | WELCOME ADDRESS & INTRODUCTION TO MHUB

Manas Mehandru, **Chief Operating Officer, mHUB**



In this introduction, gain insights into mHUB's unique hyper-resourced environment and ecosystem that is changing the landscape of HardTech development and creating the conditions for physical product innovation to thrive in the modern workplace ecosystem.



mHUB Workplace Tours: Attendees are invited to join tours of this unique center of innovation during the conference breaks.

09:25 | AI: A DECLARATION OF AUTONOMY— EXPLORING ACCENTURE'S 2025 TECHNOLOGY VISION

Ariel Bernstein, **Lead Futurist, Head of Research & Storytelling – Technology Vision, Accenture**



As AI reshapes the modern workplace, Ariel Bernstein—author of Accenture's 2025 Technology Vision—explores how intelligent systems are redefining how we work, collaborate, and innovate. This year's report explores themes around generative AI and agents, and the dimensions of the enterprise that will be most heavily impacted. Through the session we will investigate GenAI's impact on software, customer experience, the physical world, and the workforce. Walk away with a better understanding of GenAI and how its diffusion is already shaping how enterprises operate, decisions leaders can make right now to facilitate the growth and proliferation of AI, and the ways in which AI will shape our relationship with the physical world.

09:50 | ENCODING HUMANITY: RETHINKING AI FOR A MULTICULTURAL WORKFORCE

Moji Akinde, **Talent, Culture & Social Impact Strategist**

As organizations embrace AI to enhance the employee experience, there's a growing opportunity to ensure these tools reflect the full spectrum of human experience, communication, and cultural expression. This session explores how thoughtful, inclusive AI design can unlock greater engagement, innovation, and trust; especially within today's multicultural and global workforce. In this session, Moji will share how we can build technology that not only streamlines work, but helps every human flourish.

10:15 | MHUB WORKPLACE TOURS & COFFEE BREAK

11:00 | GOOGLE THOMPSON CENTER: REDEFINING THE WORKPLACE THROUGH PLACE, PARTNERSHIP & PURPOSE

Joy Park, **Project Executive, Real Estate Development, Google**



Join us for an inside look at the redevelopment of Chicago's iconic Thompson Center. This session will explore Google's vision for reimagining historic architecture into a future-facing workplace that supports innovation, culture, and sustainability. Learn how cross-functional collaboration—spanning real estate, workplace services, and technology—has driven the redevelopment process and influenced other projects across Google's workplace portfolio. Gain insights into how the Real Estate & Workplace Services team ("REWs") leverage data and impact metrics to shape more intelligent, inclusive, and human-centered experiences for Googlers, partners, and the surrounding community.

11:30 | EXPERT PANEL: REDEFINING WORKPLACE SUCCESS — MEASURING IMPACT

Tucker Dupree, **Global Workplace Innovation and Technology Lead, BP** / Mitchell Bobman, **Vice President, Workplace Technology, Northern Trust** / Corrine Rice, **Former SVP, Global Talent & Employee Experience, tms** / Moderator: Dan Rooney, **Managing Director, Consulting, JLL**

The workplace is more than just a physical space—it's an interconnected ecosystem that shapes employee experience and business performance. Yet, measuring success across people, culture, space, and technology remains a challenge. With competing priorities and siloed functions, how can organizations align teams and assess true impact? This panel explores cross-functional strategies to break down barriers, leverage data, and establish meaningful metrics beyond traditional KPIs. Industry leaders will share insights, challenges, and innovative approaches to workplace analytics, helping organizations redefine success and optimize employee experience, productivity, and business outcomes.



12:00 | HUMAN-CENTRIC DATA: SHAPING IMF'S FUTURE WORKSPACES AND REAL ESTATE

Olivia Millar, **Section Chief, Space Planning & Management, International Monetary Fund (IMF)** / Alexis Kim, **VP, Senior Workplace Strategist, SmithGroup**

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12:25 | FROM SURVIVE TO THRIVE: NAVIGATING CRE IN TURBULENT TIMES

Phillip Youakim, **VP of Customer Success, Saltmine**

Saltmine

12:35 | INTRODUCING ELEVATED SPACE & AIR

Erin McDannald, **Chief Executive Officer, Elevated**



12:40 | HOW WORKPLACE FOOD TECH IS ELEVATING EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

Christina Harazin, **Manager - Business Development, ezCater**



12:45 | MHUB WORKPLACE TOURS & LUNCH BREAK

13:45 | INTERACTIVE AUDIENCE DISCUSSION



14:00 | MILLION IN MINUTES: ACCELERATING SUCCESS WITH SPEED, SCALE, AND FUTURE-READINESS

Richard Scannell, **CEO, Lambent**



14:10 | PEOPLE ATTRACT PEOPLE: THE NEW SCIENCE OF WORKPLACE MAGNETISM

Justin Kenyon, **Managing Director, Technology Vertical, JLL** / Ronda Green, **Director of Global Workplace Design, Oracle**

Meaningful human interaction drives office attendance more powerfully than amenities alone. This session explores how CRE leaders are designing purpose-driven environments where employees genuinely want to gather. We'll discuss strategies for building a human-centered ecosystem that integrates data, culture, and space to enhance the end-user experience. Discover how leading organizations are measuring workplace impact using both qualitative sentiment and AI-driven analytics for real-time optimization, fostering a people-first destination that drives business results.



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14:35 | EXPERT PANEL: UNLOCKING THE FUTURE OF SMART ACCESS & SEAMLESS EXPERIENCE

Troy Johnston, **Director Strategic Alliances, Americas, HID** / Liz Ingerson, **Mobile Client Advisor, North American, HID** / Paul Torpey, **Vertical Specialist, HID** / Thru Shivakumar, **CEO, Cohesion**



Join industry experts as they explore how smart workplace access, mobile entry, and visitor management are transforming the modern work environment. From mobile credentials to connected visitor experiences, this panel dives into the technologies shaping frictionless, secure, and employee-centric environments. Discover how integrating smart access solutions drives productivity, enhances security, and contributes to a seamless digital experience. As hybrid work evolves, learn how to build a future-ready ecosystem that prioritizes ease of use, collaboration, and user satisfaction—turning every entry point into a touchpoint for better employee engagement.

15:10 | COFFEE BREAK

15:40 | +2 OFFICE: KEY METRICS AND MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES FOR FLOURISHING IN THE WORKPLACE

David Dewane, **Chief Experience Officer, Physical Space, geniant**



This talk takes a deep dive into metrics developed at geniant (or rather stolen from Jim Collins) that create a basis for a data-driven approach to creating high-performance working environments. It also expands the conversation—reframing the workplace not just as a site of productivity, but as a space for genuine human flourishing. Drawing on behavioral science, sociological research, and real-world beta testing, the session introduces quantifiable insights that measure belonging, creativity, engagement, and well-being. Attendees will learn how these metrics, paired with a practical tracking system, can help shape more adaptive, human-centered workplaces that support both individual vitality and collective success.

16:00 | PANEL DISCUSSION - BEYOND DEI: BRINGING INCLUSIVE VALUES TO LIFE IN THE WORKPLACE

David Kamen, **Vice President, Global Real Estate & Facilities, Cigna** / Olivia Danielson-Veed, **Senior Project Interior Designer, HOK** / Lisette Smyrniotis, **Corporate Services & Sustainability – Managing Director, Global Workplace and Environment Sustainability Operations Lead, Accenture** / Moderator: Michael Korcek, **Marketing Director, MartLifting**

Moving beyond policies, this discussion explores practical ways organizations can embed inclusion into everyday workplace culture—ensuring all employees feel valued, heard, and empowered. Panellists will highlight how thoughtful, inclusive workplace design can support the full spectrum of diversity and cognitive needs, foster a greater sense of belonging, and enhance the overall ecosystem of the workplace. The session will share real-world strategies for translating DEI commitments into meaningful actions that drive engagement, innovation, and long-term impact in the built environment.




16:30 | KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE: INSIGHTS, REFLECTIONS AND FORWARD THINKING

Moderated by Amanda Schneider, **Founder & President, ThinkLab**



As the day concludes, join us to reflect on key themes, insights, and takeaways from the conference. This interactive session will distill key learnings, spark discussion, and explore how the ideas presented can drive future action. Share your thoughts, gain fresh perspectives, and leave inspired to turn insights into impact.

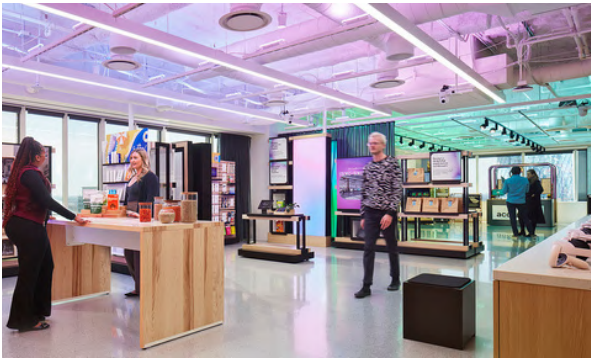
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17:00 | CONFERENCE CLOSES

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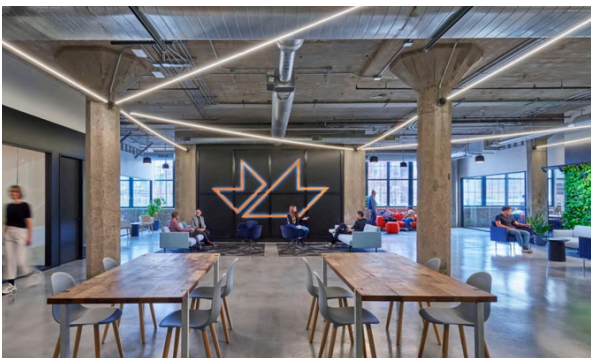


ACCENTURE TOWER | MONDAY, JULY 14TH



Discover Chicago's premier vertical campus at Accenture Tower—an innovative, amenity-rich workplace designed to foster collaboration, flexibility, and wellbeing in the heart of the city, hosted by Accenture and ArtLifting.

Explore how inclusive artwork, created by artists who have experienced homelessness and disabilities, is being integrated into corporate environments at companies like Google, Amazon, and LinkedIn.



MHUB INNOVATION CENTER | TUESDAY, JULY 15TH

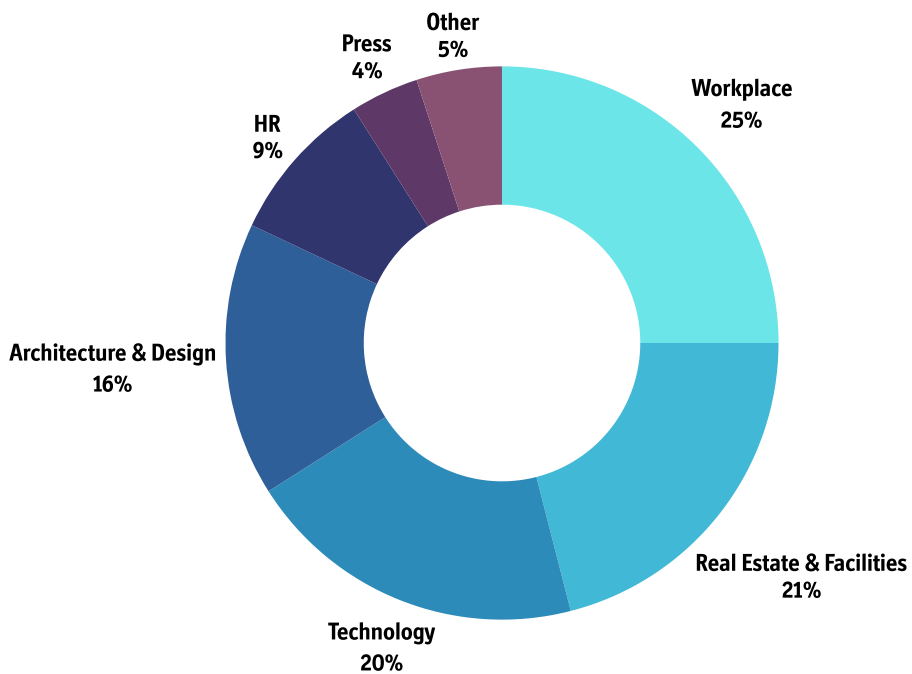


This guided tour offers a behind-the-scenes look at how mHUB supports over 270 start-ups through its robust ecosystem of fabrication resources, corporate partnerships, and innovation programs.

Learn how this nonprofit hub is fueling the next generation of manufacturing breakthroughs in energy, healthcare, sustainability, and beyond.

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Attracting senior level professionals from Workplace, CRE, IT, HR and Architecture & Design



A well-spoken and experienced group of presenters providing leading edge subjects current topics and statistics. A great place to learn about new ideas.

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We're looking for people that love the future of work and the workplace and social media. People who are willing to become part of our team and help spread the word to the masses. There will be a free event ticket available to successful applicants. Apply here: <https://bit.ly/3lj8AsA>

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