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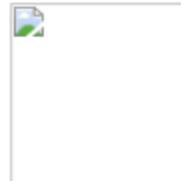
**Thurs 28th Sept, 7pm, Emmanuel Centre**

**Speaker**

**Satya Nadella** is one of the world's most inspirational business leaders, as much a humanist as a technologist and executive. On September 28th, he comes to the Intelligence Squared stage to discuss his personal journey from a childhood in India to becoming CEO of Microsoft, the culture change that he has driven inside his legendary technology company, and the transformation that is coming to all our lives as we face the most disruptive wave of technology humankind has experienced: artificial intelligence, mixed reality, and quantum computing.

While many people worry about the negative impact of exponential digital growth – from automation taking over our jobs to the increasing power that algorithms are having over our lives – Nadella will proffer his optimistic vision of the future, which he sets out in his forthcoming book *Hit Refresh*. Joined in conversation by the BBC economics editor, **Kamal Ahmed**, he will argue that as technology upends the status quo, the very human quality of empathy will become increasingly valuable. And he will explain how people, organisations and societies must transform in their quest for new energy, new ideas, relevance and renewal.

Whether you are a digital optimist or pessimist, [join us](#) and have your chance to put your challenge to one of the tech trailblazers of our times.

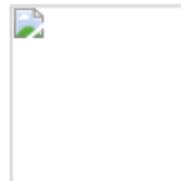


**Satya Nadella**

Chief executive officer of Microsoft since 2014 – the third in the company's 40-year history. He joined Microsoft in 1992 and held leadership roles in both enterprise and consumer businesses across the company. Originally from Hyderabad, India, Nadella now lives in Bellevue, Washington. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Mangalore University, a master's degree in computer science from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Chicago. Nadella describes his life as a journey of learning deep empathy for other people, which he endeavours to bring to all he does personally and professionally. In his spare time, he reads poetry and follows cricket, a sport he played in

school.

**Chair**



**Kamal Ahmed**

Economics editor at the BBC. He was formerly the BBC's business editor and political editor at The Observer. Kamal was also Director of Communications at the Equality and Human Rights Commission from 2007-2009 – the regulator charged with upholding and enforcing equality and human rights legislation in Britain.



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