

Biography of

Dr. Eric Schmidt

Eric Schmidt is Founder of Schmidt Futures.

Eric is also Technical Advisor to Alphabet Inc., holding company of Google Inc, where he advises its leaders on technology, business and policy issues.

Eric was Executive Chairman of Alphabet from 2015-2018, and of Google from 2011-2015.

From 2001-2011, Eric served as Google's Chief Executive Officer, overseeing the company's technical and business strategy alongside founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page. Under his leadership, Google dramatically scaled its infrastructure and diversified its product offerings while maintaining a strong culture of innovation, growing from a Silicon Valley startup to a global leader in technology.

Prior to joining Google, Eric was the chairman and CEO of Novell and chief technology officer at Sun Microsystems, Inc. Previously, he served on the research staff at Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), Bell Laboratories and Zilog. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Princeton University as well as a master's degree and Ph.D. in computer science from the University of California, Berkeley.

Eric was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2006 and inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences as a fellow in 2007. Since 2008, he has been a trustee of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey. Since 2012, Eric has been on the board of the Broad Institute and the Mayo Clinic. Eric was a member of the President's Council of Advisors on Science 2009-2017. In 2013, Eric and Jared Cohen co-authored The New York Times bestselling book, *The New Digital Age: Transforming Nations, Businesses, and Our Lives.* In September 2014, Eric published his second New York Times bestseller, *How Google Works*, which he and Jonathan Rosenberg co-authored with Alan Eagle. In April 2019, Eric published his third New York Times bestseller, *Trillion Dollar Coach: The Leadership Playbook of Silicon Valley's Bill Campbell*, which he co-authored with Jonathan Rosenberg and Alan Eagle.

Eric became the Chairman of the Department of Defense's Innovation Board in 2016 and was awarded the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service in January of 2017 by Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter. He is Chairman of the US National Security Commission for Artificial Intelligence. He is a member of NASA's National Space Council User Advisory Group which is chaired by the Vice President. Eric is an MIT Visiting Innovation Fellow, member of the Advisory Board for MIT IQ, member of the MIT Commission on the Work of the Future, member of the MIT CEO Advisory Board, and member of the MIT Schwarzman College of Computing Advisory Council. Eric is founder of Schmidt Futures which helps exceptional people do more for others by applying science and technology thoughtfully and working together across fields.