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Lisa O'Connor is a visionary leader who understands both the opportunities and risks of emerging technologies for the business. Focused on delivering value to the business, she works with leading businesses to create innovation value at scale and speed. Recently retired from her first career of 37 years in cybersecurity, she is the CEO of her own company, Decoded Futures. She is a sought-out thought leader on the future of security and emerging technology risk by the C-level, CISOs and Boards of Directors. She serves as an advisor to cybersecurity and data science start-ups and academic programs.

In her role as Global Leader of Security Research and Development, she looked over the horizon to contextualize emerging technologies—decoding the hype and understanding the potential transformative impacts to the technology industry and the business. Her applied global research programs have led the industry by three to five years and have included Securing Generative AI, Quantum Security, Metaverse Security, Intelligent Secure Data Mesh, CyberBioSecurity and Superhuman Connections.

Lisa was with Accenture for twelve years, building Accenture into the largest global Security services provider. Prior to Accenture, she worked for over 16 years serving the financial services sector as an active member of the Financial Services Sharing and Analysis Center (FS-ISAC) and the Financial Services Sector Coordinating Council. Her experience includes being CISO at Fannie Mae, leading national security consulting practices at Predictive Systems (INS), Guardent (Verisign) and PriceWaterhouseCoopers and nine years the National Security Agency, including special assignments to the White House Communications Agency and to the Surveys and Investigations Staff of the House Appropriations Committee.

Lisa holds a Masters of Engineering Administration from George Washington University and a Bachelor of Science of Electrical Engineering from Lehigh University. She was the Co-host and Chair of the Accenture Cybersecurity Forum, a forum for Chief Information Security Officers and Board members. Lisa is also a dedicated coach and mentor to rising leaders and has advocated for women's health through her past Board of Directors service for HERA Foundation. She is an avid rock climber and is passionate about preserving wild places, ecosystems and biodiversity.

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