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Ayesha is CEO and Co-Founder of ADDO AI, an artificial intelligence advisory firm and incubator that helps companies to innovate, optimise and grow. She advises companies and governments on smart cities, future skills, fintech, and other emerging industries.

Ayesha spent more than a decade on Wall Street advising product innovation teams developing large scale trading, risk management and data analytics systems. Previously, she served as CEO of The Keys Global, an innovative education hub that matched students with leading companies to apply their skills in coding, robotics, and 3D printing. Ayesha also served on the Singapore Ministry of Education's Steering Committee on future skills and applied learning, advocating greater integration between academia and industry to drive innovation.

Ayesha was also Co-founder of the Hybrid Reality Institute, a research and advisory group established to analyze the social and economic impact of accelerating technologies. She directed the Future Cities Group at the London School of Economics, and has been a Faculty Advisor at Singularity University.

Ayesha is author of *Straight Through Processing* (2008) and co-author of *Hybrid Reality: Thriving in the Emerging Human-Technology Civilization* (2012). She has been published and quoted on technology, innovation and smart cities in *The New York Times*, *BusinessWeek*, *TIME*, *Newsweek*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *Strategy+Business*, and *Foreign Policy*.

Ayesha has a BA in Economics from Harvard University, an MS in Operations Research from Columbia University and is completing her PhD on smart city infrastructures at the London School of Economics.

She is the Founder of 21C GIRLS, a charity that delivers free coding classes to girls in Singapore. She is on the Board of Advisors for Humanity+ and a Fellow at the Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies.