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Microsoft Canada's policy-and-standards lead on how to scale innovation while keeping security, governance, and economic outcomes in view.

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John Weigelt leads Microsoft Canada's strategic policy and technology efforts. He helps individuals and organizations across Canada innovate with technology while avoiding the unintended consequences that might arise.

John has contributed to many technological efforts that established the foundation for the electronic services we take for granted today and he continues to lead efforts to evolve technology standards and policy. His extensive experience in technology, business and policy provides him with a unique perspective of our technology enabled economy.

When he's not thinking about what's next in technology, you'll either find John tending his bees, boiling maple syrup or brewing cider at his home or travelling the globe in search of his next culinary adventure.

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SIGNATURE KEYNOTES**Pioneering Prosperity: How Technology and Innovation Forge Canada's Economic Future.**

Canada is at a defining crossroads. The choices we make today about technology and innovation will shape not just our industries — but our national prosperity for decades to come.

In this keynote, John Weigelt, Chief Technology Officer at Microsoft Canada, brings a uniquely insider perspective on how emerging technologies are transforming the way we work, build, and compete on the global stage. Drawing on real-time case studies from both the private and public sectors, John breaks down how artificial intelligence, data strategies, cybersecurity, and sustainable innovation are creating entirely new pathways for growth — and what's required to fully unlock them.

But this isn't just a tech talk. It's a call to action for leaders across sectors to build the policies, talent pipelines, and digital cultures needed to seize this moment. With Canada's economic resilience on the line, John shares tangible steps organizations and policymakers can take today to ensure we don't just keep up — we lead.

Whether you're shaping strategy for a multinational, building local infrastructure, or navigating the shifting regulatory landscape, this session will challenge and equip you to think bigger, act faster, and position Canada as a powerhouse of innovation in the years ahead.

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