

Transformative Leadership in the AI Age – In Collaboration with London Business School

Transform your leadership for the AI era with a three-day immersive experience in London—built to elevate strategic foresight, spark innovation, and strengthen agile decision-making in a rapidly evolving landscape.

Engage with leading faculty, provocative keynote dialogues, real-world case studies, interactive workshops, and discovery visits that bring AI-driven transformation to life. Every component is intentionally designed to challenge assumptions and accelerate practical capability and applicability

Step into a forward-looking exploration of what it truly takes to lead in 2040 and beyond. Day 1 invites participants to navigate uncertainty through bold experimentation. The journey continues into the world of ecosystems, moving far beyond traditional partnerships to uncover the dynamics of platforms, double flywheels, and value creation at scale.

COURSE DETAILS

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Festival Details

Open Enrollment Course

- 1 - 3 September, 2026
- Pricing inclusive of snacks, lunches & 1X Gala Dinner
- Location: London, United Kingdom

Who should take this course

Senior professionals in banking and financial services — seasoned leaders with 20+ years of experience across product, strategy, risk, data, and technology — who are shaping organizational direction and driving innovation, and who seek a practical, executive-level understanding of AI's strategic business impact.

Digital Payments Library – Optional - With 900+ Learning Resources, Digital Payments Library is a cost-effective, world-class platform to upskill your entire payments organization

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On Day 2, explore the foundations of predictive and generative AI, gaining clarity on core capabilities and trade-offs, before diving into Agentic AI systems that interpret context, make decisions, and adapt autonomously. Understand value-creating leadership and participate in a discovery session with visiting Fintech, offering a direct look at emerging products and innovative operating models.

On Day 3, you'll learn to view disruption as both a challenge and an opportunity, using low-cost experimentation to validate ideas and build momentum behind new strategic directions. You'll explore how to create the right conditions for innovation and take a focused look at navigating disruptions, shaping strategy, and mobilizing high-performing teams.



Key topics

Day 1: Shaping and winning in the Future

- Navigating Uncertainty through Experimentation
- Group Photo
- The ingredients and rules of ecosystems

Day 2: AI Value Creation in Finance - Future Focus

- Unpacking Artificial Intelligence
- Deep dive into Agentic AI
- Understanding Value creating Leadership
- World Café: With selected guest FinTechs

Day 3: Strategic Innovation and Transformation

- Strategy Innovation and Execution
- Responding to Disruption
- Closing remarks by Visa Leaders
- Graduation Ceremony

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COSTAS MARKIEDES

Professor of Strategy and
Entrepreneurship

Professor Costas Markides is a leading global authority on strategy and innovation, widely recognized for his work on strategic and business model innovation, diversification, and international acquisitions. His research focuses on how established companies can pursue disruptive innovation, compete with multiple business models, and build cultures of continuous innovation, as well as the role managers play in driving these efforts.



NICOS SAVVA

Professor of
Management Science and
Operations

Professor Nicos Savva is an expert in data science, using it to solve operational problems and help large organizations develop data-science capabilities. His research focuses on healthcare management, including hospital operations, regional organization of care, assessing performance, measuring health inequity, and innovation. His work has appeared in leading journals such as Management Science, Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, Production & Operations Management, and Nature Biotechnology. He is a Department Editor of Management Science.



RIK VERA

Guest Speaker

Professor Rik is an author, futurist, business philosopher, and renowned keynote speaker who helps organizations understand how to stay relevant in an increasingly digital future. He challenges companies to differentiate themselves within and beyond their industry, showing how the metaverse, AI, and data can be leveraged to truly future-proof their business. With insights focused on adapting to a changing context rather than chasing trends, he has shared his approach to future-proof management on more than 1,500 stages across 62 countries.