



IIT BAY AREA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2026

SCALING INTELLIGENCE: Engineering Abundance



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Santa Clara Convention Center

October 16-17, 2026



IIT Bay Area Alumni Association (IITBAA)

The primary goal of IITBAA is to educate the alumni through the dissemination of ideas that lead the market and create global technology trends. IITBAA arranges periodic subject matter discussions and organizes an annual conference that empowers the IIT alumni as they retain their edge in the workforce.



The Indian Institute of Technology Bay Area Alumni Association is a 501(c)3 California non-profit public benefit corporation. IITBAA is dedicated to the professional advancement of alumni from all IIT campuses throughout India who call the greater San Francisco Bay Area home.



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We are pivoting from an economy constrained by scarce expertise to one powered by scalable synthetic intelligence. AI is becoming a new industrial force : manufactured in data centers, embedded in products, orchestrated by agents, and applied across every sector of human need. The IIT Bay Area Leadership Conference 2026 theme, **“Scaling Intelligence: Engineering Abundance”** captures this tectonic shift: the idea that abundance in healthcare, education, energy, mobility, manufacturing, and creativity will not simply happen; it must be designed, built, governed, and scaled.

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The day-long conference will capture how the dreamers, technologists, entrepreneurs, VCs, and policy leaders are turning the promise of AI into engineering the real-world abundance for society.

This theme is highly relevant for the IIT alumni community, the 4th largest producer of unicorn startups in the world after Stanford, Harvard, and UC campuses.





About the Leadership Conference

The IIT Bay Area Leadership Conference is an annual gathering of visionary engineers, entrepreneurs, academics, and business leaders committed to turning knowledge into innovation through powerful conversations and actionable insights.

1000+
Attendees



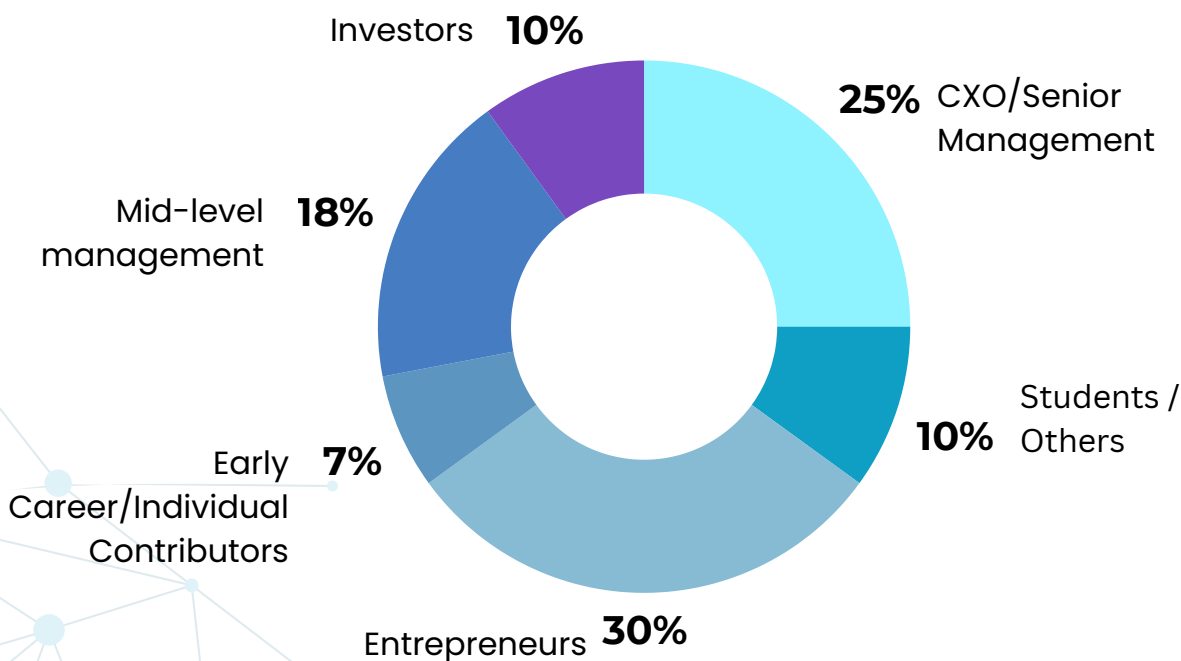
100+
CEOs



50+
Speakers



Past Attendee Breakdown





Conference Highlights

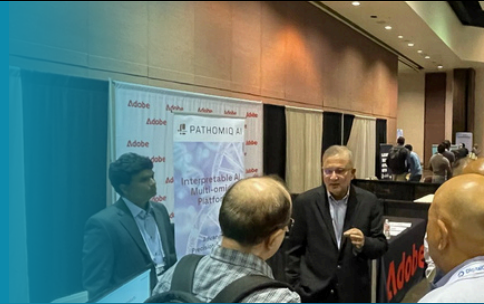


Power-packed Agenda

Inspiring Keynotes, deep-dive tech conversations, startup showcases, and thought-provoking panel discussions — built around information processing, creativity, critical thinking, and synthesizing information into novel solutions . Every session is designed to deliver signal, not noise.

Startup Showcase / Expo

The Expo Booths showcase innovative products and ideas from IIT alumni and other startups, providing a unique opportunity to witness cutting-edge technologies and engage with the minds behind them.



Networking and Alumni Connections

The conference offers several opportunities for informal gatherings to bring together alumni from various IIT campuses. Reconnect with former classmates, share experiences, and expand your professional network within the IIT community.

Tech Workshop

Attend meaningful workshops led by industry veterans, startup founders, investors, and alumni. These interactions lead to valuable collaborations, mentorships, and long-term partnerships that extend beyond the event.



Women's Event

This flagship segment highlights the achievements of women leaders in tech, business, and academia. It fosters dialogue, inspiration, and community through keynotes, panels, and networking—all in a festive, empowering setting.



Speaker Engagement

- ✓ Keynote Address
- ✓ Keynote Conversation
- ✓ Fireside Chat
- ✓ Lightning Talk
- ✓ Panel Discussion



Past Speakers Include...



Jensen Huang



Ali Ghodsi



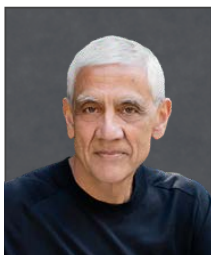
Padmashree
Warrior



Bill Gates



Hemant Taneja



Vinod Khosla



Anima
AnandKumar



Bipul Sinha



Amit Zavery



Jyoti Bansal



Arvind Jain



Tyler Shultz



Smita Hashim



Arun Majumdar



Bratin Saha



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Business Spotlight:
Showcase your business to a vast network of investors, influencers, collaborators, thousands of IITians, and IIT allies.



Amplify Awareness:
Amplify your message and extend your reach to ensure your brand resonates with a wider, highly engaged audience.



Community Involvement:
Give back to a non-profit that aligns with your goals and values.



Talent: Connect with and recruit top-tier tech talent

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Sponsorship Opportunities

IIT Bay Area Alumni Association is a 501(c)3 deductible organization.
All contributions are tax-deductible as per IRS rules and regulations.

	Platinum \$100K	Gold \$50K	Silver \$25K	Bronze \$10K	Iron \$5K
Speaking Opportunity	✓ Keynote	✓ Fireside	✓ Lightning Talk	✓ Panelist	✗
Booth	20x20	10x20	10x10	10x10	10x5
Speaker Introduction	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Event Passes	25	15	10	5	5
Brand Exposure	Premium	High	Standard	Limited	Limited
Video Promotion	2 min	1.5 min	1 min	30 sec	✗
Website Promotion	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Social Media Promotion	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Email Campaign	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗



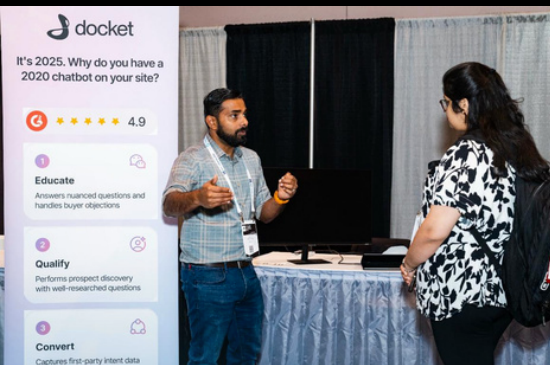
Startup Showcase



- Meet **DISRUPTIVE STARTUPS**
- 20+ select early-stage startups will showcase their products



- ✓ For VCs & Angel Investors: Opportunity to invest, schedule 1-on-1 meetings, or watch product demos and interact with the founders
- ✓ For Job Seekers: Opportunity to learn and join early-stage startups
- ✓ For All Attendees: Collaborate, advise, learn about disruptive technologies, or become early adopters



✓ Qualification Criteria *(all criteria must be met to qualify)*

- Product startups
- Less than \$1M ARR

✓ Pricing

\$1,500 for Startups from Bay Area



Startup Showcase Benefits

for exhibiting startups

- One booth (10X5) at the Leadership Conference
- Two conference tickets
- One consolidated email announcement
- One consolidated social media post
- Presence on the IIT Bay Area website



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CELEBRATING

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