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Renu's driving purpose is to help organizations and people leverage emerging technologies to improve the human condition. As a senior business executive and an 'accidental academic', Renu has spent nearly 30 years working for and advising leading global organizations in technology, strategy and innovation in higher education, high-tech communications and consumer electronic sectors.

Renu has held strategic and operation roles at Motorola, Deloitte, AT&T, Sprint, and Verizon at a time of massive growth and change in the industry. Her academic career includes leadership positions at Singularity University (a technology think-and-do tank in Silicon Valley), the University of Chicago and Georgia Institute of Technology.

Renu is actively involved in numerous non-profit and civic organizations whose mission is to advance science and education. Examples include serving as a Board of Regents of Loyola University Chicago, Chair of the Questions Committee of the Economic Club of Chicago, a Judge for the New Venture Business Challenge at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, on the Advisory Board of Illinois Tech's College of Computing, on the Women's Board of the Adler Planetarium and a Board Member for Pilot Light – a food education non-profit.

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