

Out of the Box and Into the Wild: The AI Innovation conundrum



Overview

Innovation isn't just a buzzword—it's a mindset, a process, and often, a puzzle that challenges even the most visionary leaders. In this keynote, Sharmin Ali dives deep into the complexities of **AI-driven innovation**, sharing real-world insights on what it truly takes to break out of conventional thinking and navigate the evolving landscape of artificial intelligence. She introduces the **Innovate Framework**, a proven model designed to help individuals and organizations harness AI-driven creativity, solve complex problems, and transform bold ideas into impactful results. This talk will challenge the audience to embrace the chaos of AI innovation and emerge with actionable strategies to drive change and growth.

Who This Serves

This keynote is perfect for leaders, teams, and organizations looking to integrate AI into their innovation strategies or struggling to break free from traditional thinking in an AI-driven world. It's designed for those ready to embrace disruption, unlock their creative potential with AI, and build cultures that thrive on ingenuity and technological advancements.

The Audience Will Leave With

- A proven model for fostering creativity and driving AI-powered innovation through the **Innovate Framework**.
- Practical strategies to tackle complex AI-driven challenges and think differently in an era of automation.
- The confidence to embrace AI's transformative potential, take bold risks, and integrate AI-driven ideas into meaningful outcomes.
- A sense of excitement to leverage AI as a tool for growth, both professionally and personally.

Rewriting the Script, Women's Voices in the Tech Industry



Overview

The tech industry is an arena of groundbreaking advancements, yet women's voices often remain underrepresented and undervalued. In this keynote, Sharmin Ali addresses the systemic challenges women face in tech, offering empowering strategies to break barriers, amplify voices, and inspire meaningful change. Through compelling personal stories and data-driven insights, she paints a vision of a more inclusive industry while providing actionable tools to help women rewrite the script of leadership, innovation, and collaboration.

Who This Serves

This keynote is tailored for leaders, diversity advocates, and organizations looking to build a more inclusive culture in tech and beyond. It's also for women professionals aiming to navigate and thrive in male-dominated spaces while driving meaningful impact.

The Audience Will Leave With

- Inspiration and strategies to amplify women's voices and foster a more inclusive tech ecosystem.
- Actionable tools to overcome systemic challenges and break the glass ceiling.
- Renewed confidence in building diverse teams and leading with empathy, strength, and authenticity.
- A deeper understanding of the value and necessity of equity in innovation and leadership.

Minds Over Matter, Mental Health in the Age of High-Stakes Leadership



Overview

Leadership is demanding, exhilarating—and often, silently overwhelming. In this heartfelt and transformative keynote, Sharmin Ali shares her personal journey of surviving stress-induced cardiac arrest and rebuilding her life with resilience and purpose. She unpacks the hidden costs of leadership and entrepreneurship on mental health, breaking the stigma around seeking help and prioritizing well-being. With practical strategies and emotional resonance, Sharmin empowers leaders to embrace vulnerability, take control of their mental health, and foster environments where well-being becomes a priority for everyone.

Who This Serves

This keynote is for executives, entrepreneurs, and high-performing teams who often find themselves overwhelmed by the pressure to deliver results at all costs. It's especially impactful for organizations seeking to prioritize mental health as part of their culture.

The Audience Will Leave With

- Proven strategies to manage stress, build resilience, and prioritize mental well-being in high-pressure environments.
- The courage to embrace vulnerability as a strength and foster open conversations about mental health.
- A toolkit for creating healthier workplaces and sustainable leadership practices.
- A profound sense of empowerment to balance ambition with self-care and lead with authenticity and humanity.