

NexStratus Adds AI Luminaries to Advisory Board to Advance Scalable, Human-Centered Intelligence

The addition of recognized AI pioneers Dr. Tony O'Driscoll, Dr. Phaedra Boinodiris, and Dr. Chris Hazard signals Nexstratus's next phase of platform evolution and market leadership.

Cary, N.C. (Sept. 9, 2025) — NexStratus, a leader in AI-based decision intelligence platforms for healthcare, supply chain, and institutional finance, today announced the expansion of its advisory team with three renowned experts: **Dr. Tony O'Driscoll, Dr. Phaedra Boinodiris, and Dr. Chris Hazard.** Together, they bring strategic, ethical, and technical depth to accelerate NexStratus's mission to deliver human-centered AI infrastructure that is trustworthy, accountable, and built to scale.

- **Dr. Tony O'Driscoll**, Adjunct Professor at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business and Pratt School of Engineering, and Research Fellow at Duke Corporate Education, has been instrumental in shaping NexStratus's vision from its earliest days. He brings deep insights into how people-centered transformation drives adoption and sustainable performance. A recognized authority, Dr. O'Driscoll has written for *Harvard Business Review*, *The Financial Times*, *Strategy & Business*, *Dialogue*, and regularly contributes to *Training Magazine*. His books include *Learning in 3D: Adding a New Dimension to Enterprise Learning and Collaboration*, *Achieving Desired Business Performance*, and *Everyday Superhero*, which reimagines organization transformation through a human-first lens.
- **Dr. Phaedra Boinodiris**, Global Lead and co-founder of IBM Consulting's Responsible AI Practice, has been a champion of inclusion in technology since 1999. She was recently appointed to the Governor of North Carolina's AI Leadership Council and is the author of *AI for the Rest of Us*, listed among Constellation Research's most impactful books of 2024. Dr. Boinodiris co-founded the Future World Alliance, a nonprofit dedicated to advancing AI ethics education for K-12 students. Her career has centered on embedding ethics, equity, and human-centered design into emerging technologies—work that has earned her global recognition, including the 2030 Responsible AI Leader of the Year award and the United Nations Woman of Influence in STEM and Inclusivity honor. She is also a fellow of the Royal Society of Arts in London and has been named one of the Top 100 Women in the Games Industry. Her perspective ensures NexStratus's platforms are not only technologically advanced but also transparent, inclusive, and socially responsible..
- **Dr. Chris Hazard**, co-founder and CTO of HowSo, is a recognized leader in explainable and privacy-preserving AI. He earned his PhD in Computer Science from NC State with a focus on AI for trust and reputation systems and has since pioneered applications of AI in defense, healthcare, and finance. Dr. Hazard's work has been published in top-tier journals and

presented at leading conferences on AI, human-machine teaming, and simulation. He holds multiple patents in adaptive AI systems and simulation technologies and is frequently invited as a keynote speaker on building AI systems that are trustworthy, transparent, and operationally viable in high-stakes environments. His contributions ensure NexStratus's platforms rest on a foundation of both technical rigor and practical trust.

"Bringing Tony, Phaedra, and Chris into our advisory board elevates every dimension of our mission," said Grant Kaley, CEO of NexStratus. "Tony aligns our work with people-centric adoption, Phaedra anchors us in ethical leadership, and Chris reinforces our technical trust. Their combined expertise fortify Nexstratus's mission to build AI that performs and earns trust at scale."

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