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Knowledge Networks on the Ground: RegulatingAI & CAIO Connect Podcasts, Live from San Jose

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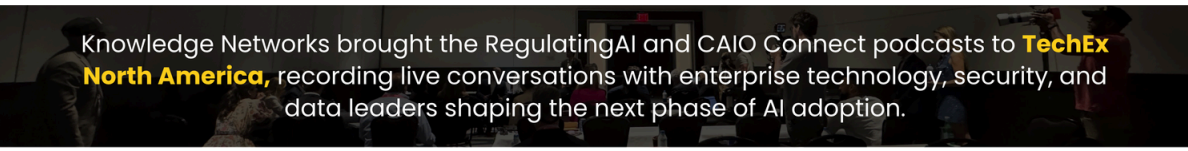
ABOUT

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TechEx North America is a leading enterprise technology showcase held annually in Silicon Valley, bringing together seven co-located events: AI & Big Data, Cyber Security & Cloud, IoT, Digital Transformation, Data Centers, Intelligent Automation, and Edge Computing. Designed for CIOs, CTOs, Chief Architects, and AI and security leaders, the event prioritizes practitioner-led sessions & real-world case studies over theory, drawing technology decision-makers from organizations including Microsoft, TikTok, LinkedIn, Nvidia, UPS, U.S. Bank, and Ford Motor Company.

8,000+	250+	07	250+
Professionals	Speakers	Co-located Events	Solution Providers



Knowledge Networks brought the RegulatingAI and CAIO Connect podcasts to **TechEx North America,** recording live conversations with enterprise technology, security, and data leaders shaping the next phase of AI adoption.

Knowledge Networks at TechEx

Knowledge Networks, led by Founder & Chairman Sanjay Puri, brought the RegulatingAI and CAIO Connect podcasts inside the San Jose McEnery Convention Center, recording live conversations with Chief AI Officers, CISOs, data leaders, and policy researchers navigating enterprise AI governance, cybersecurity, and workforce transformation.

Eight guests joined Sanjay Puri across both podcast series, with conversations distributed live to a global YouTube audience spanning more than a dozen countries.

"TechEx North America showed us that the enterprise AI conversation has matured. The leaders we sat down with weren't asking whether to adopt AI anymore. They were asking how to govern it responsibly while moving fast. That shift, from curiosity to accountability, is exactly what RegulatingAI and CAIO Connect exist to capture."

Sanjay Puri · Founder & Chairman
Knowledge Networks



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PODCAST SERIES	GUESTS FEATURED	PRESS ROOM

Podcasts: CAIO Connect Series

Chief AI Officers and enterprise leaders, live from TechEx North America

CAIO Connect brought together AI, data, and security leaders from across enterprise sectors: retail, manufacturing, financial services, aerospace, and industrial technology, for candid conversations on what it actually takes to operationalize AI at scale.



Anjali Arora Mehra

Director, AI Strategy & Transformation, eBay

A conversation on how one of e-commerce's most established platforms is rethinking AI strategy at scale, balancing rapid experimentation with the governance rigor a global marketplace demands.

YouTube Press Release

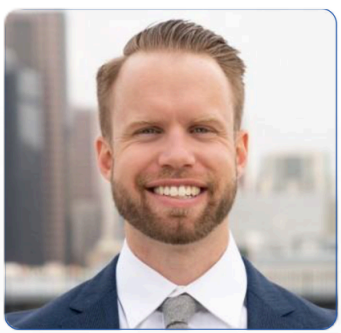


GS Jha

Global CIO & CISO, QuantumScape

Jha told CAIO Connect that AI will reshape civilization itself, even as security and governance remain the critical guardrails. Author of "Securing the Enterprise," he brought a practitioner's view on aligning cybersecurity strategy with AI-driven transformation.

YouTube Press Release



Robbie Beyer

Director, Data Science & AI, RSM US LLP

Beyer argued that AI success depends less on the technology itself and more on change management, governance, and genuine employee adoption: the unglamorous work that determines whether AI initiatives actually stick.

YouTube Press Release

Podcasts: CAIO Connect Series

Security, manufacturing, and infrastructure leaders, continued



Michael Calderin

CISO, Banzai Aerospace

Calderin told Sanjay Puri that AI will reward problem-solvers rather than replace them, describing the modern CISO as a "chief trust officer." His view: AI-powered vulnerability discovery is only half the job. The real opportunity is using AI to repair issues, not just find them

YouTube Press Release



William Hankla

VP of Transformation, The Hershey Company

Hankla discussed AI-led manufacturing transformation at one of the world's most recognizable consumer brands, covering ROI, governance, agentic AI, and the change management required to embed AI into how every function operates.

YouTube Press Release

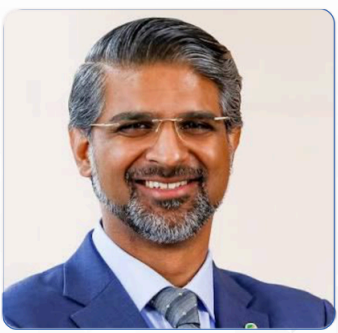


David H. Holtzman

Chairman, Naoris

Holtzman warned that "Q-Day," the point at which quantum computing breaks modern encryption, is closer than most enterprises realize, urging organizations to begin quantum-safe security preparations now rather than after the fact.

YouTube Press Release



Simon Ninan

SVP, Global Head of Strategy, Hitachi Vantara

Ninan argued that AI's long-term success depends on industry-wide standards and humancentered design, not just rapid deployment. Drawing on Hitachi's partnerships with OpenAI, Anthropic, Microsoft, Google, and Nvidia, he made the case for collaboration over competition in the AI ecosystem.

YouTube Press Release

Podcasts: RegulatingAI Series

Live from TechEx North America, San Jose

RegulatingAI's single TechEx conversation brought a global policy research lens to the Silicon Valley floor, a reminder that enterprise AI adoption and AI governance are inseparable questions, wherever in the world they're being asked.



Pierre-Alexandre Balland

Chief Data Scientist, CEPS · Visiting Professor, Harvard Growth Lab

Recorded live at TechEx, Balland joined Sanjay Puri for a conversation spanning AI governance, regulation, innovation, and the future of responsible AI from a global research vantage point. He told RegulatingAI that AI sovereignty and open-source models are critical to how nations and enterprises alike will compete and govern in the years ahead, framing the debate not as regulation versus innovation, but as a question of who gets to shape the rules early enough to matter.

YouTube **Press Release**

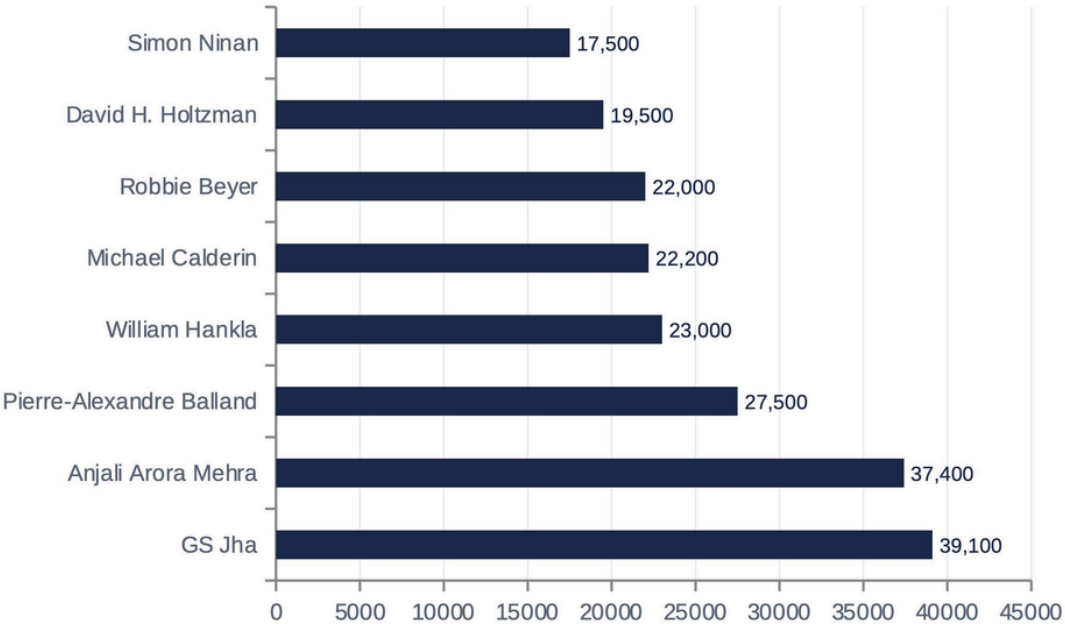


YouTube Impact: TechEx North America

Combined RegulatingAI + CAIO Connect performance, 8 episodes

208,200	145,600	10	03
Total Views	Unique Viewers	Likes	Comments

Views by Episode



Reach Highlights

- GS Jha's episode led the slate with 39,100 views and the highest click-through rate of either eMerge or TechEx: 4.1%, more than double the average.
- Anjali Arora Mehra's episode drove the strongest impression volume of any single episode across both conferences, at 33,300.
- Combined average click-through rate across all 8 TechEx episodes was 2.31%, modestly ahead of eMerge's 2.06%.
- Geographic reach skewed toward India, Brazil, and Ukraine, a distinct audience profile from eMerge's South Asia/Africa/Latin America concentration.

Global Reach

Audience footprint for TechEx North America episodes

India

99% audience share: Anjali Arora Mehra episode

Ukraine

92% audience share: William Hankla episode

Mexico

89% audience share: Pierre-Alexandre Balland episode

Brazil

97% audience share: Robbie Beyer & Michael Calderin EP

Ukraine

48% audience share: David H. Holtzman episode

India

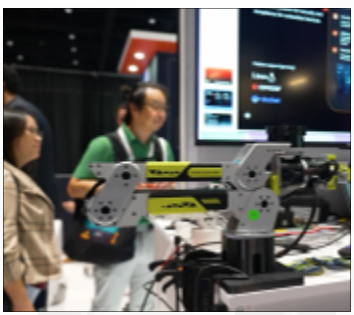
96% audience share: GS Jha episode

TechEx North America episodes reached a distinct audience profile from eMerge Americas, concentrated in India, Ukraine, Brazil, and Mexico, reflecting CAIO Connect's growing footprint among enterprise AI and cybersecurity audiences outside the United States.

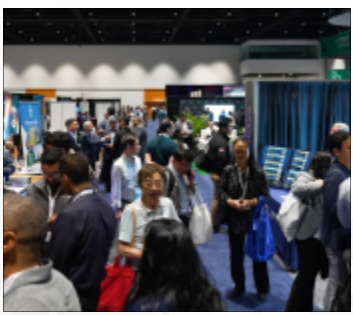
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Press & Media Distribution

Extending the conversation beyond the convention floor

Knowledge Networks' TechEx North America episodes did not stay confined to YouTube. Press releases covering the CAIO Connect and RegulatingAI conversations, including features on Anjali Arora Mehra, GS Jha, Robbie Beyer, Michael Calderin, William Hankla, David H. Holtzman, Simon Ninan, and Pierre-Alexandre Balland, were distributed across 110+ media houses, extending each guest's insights to a wider enterprise, security, and policy readership well beyond the convention floor.

110+	08	08
Media Houses Reached	Guest Press Releases	Podcast Series Covered

Each press release was syndicated through wire and media-house networks covering enterprise technology, cybersecurity, and policy verticals, reinforcing CAIO Connect and RegulatingAI's position as a credible bridge between enterprise AI leaders and the press.

Major Newswires Covered

Google News

AP

District of Columbia Newswire

United States Newswire

United Kingdom Newswire

Search Engines & AI Databases Covered

Google

ChatGPT

yahoo!

Bing

News Databases Covered

Available on the Bloomberg Terminal®

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Moody's Analytics

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Summary of Contributions

Activity	Details
CAIO Connect Podcast	7 episodes: Anjali Arora Mehra, GS Jha, Robbie Beyer, Michael Calderin, William Hankla, David H. Holtzman, Simon Ninan
RegulatingAI Podcast	1 episode: Pierre-Alexandre Balland
Recording Location	San Jose McEnery Convention Center · May 18–19, 2026
YouTube Reach	208,200 total views · 145,600 unique viewers · 64,300 impressions across 8 episodes
ress & Media Distribution	Guest press releases distributed across 110+ media houses

Thank You

To every guest who joined us at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center, the TechEx team for hosting another rigorous gathering of enterprise technology leaders, and the global audience who tuned in across 8 episodes, thank you for being part of these conversations.

Knowledge Networks remains committed to bringing the AI governance conversation to where it matters most: on the ground, in real time, with the people shaping its future.

Sanjay Puri · Founder & Chairman, Knowledge Networks

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