

Engineering transformation and Al strategy

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Presenter Bios



Irfan Hussain
Chief Information Officer

Irfan joined LSEG as Chief Information Officer in January 2024, bringing a wealth of experience as an engineering leader to the Group. He leads the Engineering team, driving cutting edge innovation in the global financial markets.

Irfan was previously a Partner and Chief Operating & Strategy Officer for Engineering at Goldman Sachs, where he held various roles at the firm including Chief Information Officer for Consumer, Asset and Wealth Management and roles in the Global Banking and Markets in New York, Tokyo and Hong Kong.

He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Horace Mann School, New York and is a member of the University of Texas at Austin Computer Science Advisory Council.



Emily PrinceGroup Head of Analytics & Al

Emily is the Head of AI at LSEG, alongside serving as the Group Head of Analytics and CEO of Yield Book. She leads the execution of LSEG's AI strategy, leveraging trusted data to build differentiated products and enable LSEG's intelligent enterprise.

With over 20 years of experience in financial analytics, Emily has held senior roles at institutions including Lehman Brothers, RBS, Barclays and BlackRock. She has a deep track record of delivering innovative analytics solutions that drive enduring value for customers.

Emily is a member of the Bank of England's AI Consortium and serves on the Board of Finbourne, contributing her expertise to the future of responsible AI and financial innovation.

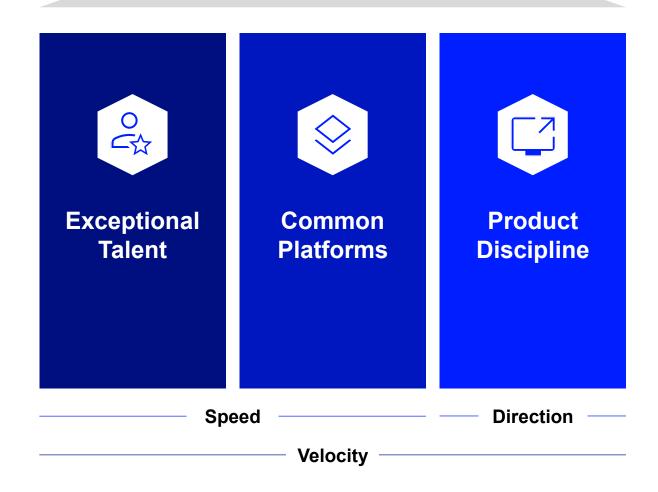
Engineering transformation

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Our engineering strategy is accelerating our product development and enabling our adoption of Al and other technologies

Our engineering strategy has three pillars: Exceptional Talent, Common Platforms, and Product Discipline. These are the **foundational building blocks** that enable us to **capitalise on the opportunities** presented by new technologies



We are attracting, upgrading and developing the best engineering talent



Exceptional Talent

	Jan 2024	Today	
Total staff / % internal employees	17,000 / 40%	14,000 / 58% -> 80%	
Hiring / performance bar	Inconsistent performance and hiring expectations	New Engineering Principles Consistent high technical bar for hiring Independent interviewers	
Career progression	No Individual Contributor path	Individual Contributor path formalised Distinguished Engineers	

Productivity

11% productivity gain with 18% fewer people

Enhancing our platforms and tools to reduce friction, boost productivity and embed risk management



Common Platforms

	Jan 2024	Today		
Code management platform	Duplicate, fragmented, manual	96% of the code on one code repository with common credentials, artifacts, logging systems		
Al platform for developers	No platform for coding acceleration	79% weekly usage Up to 34% productivity gains		
Cloud platform	Fragmented	Multi-cloud platform with converged common capabilities, e.g., identity, cyber and connectivity		

Release velocity vs incidents

Velocity is up 25% increase while incidents are down by 55%

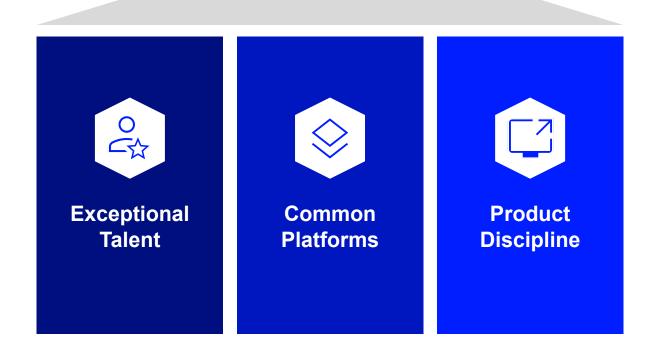
Enhancing product-led culture to deliver world class products



Product Discipline

	Jan 2024	Today Product-led (ongoing)		
Operating model	Fragmented			
Product ownership	Fragmented customer experience	Dedicated teams to own the end-to-end customer experience (ongoing)		
Data driven	Inconsistent use of telemetry and leading metrics	Disciplined use of leading and lagging metrics to drive product outcomes (ongoing)		
Capital allocation	Funded projects not products	Multi-year product funding with the help of Zero-Based Budgeting		

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Al

Digital assets

Cloud

Automation

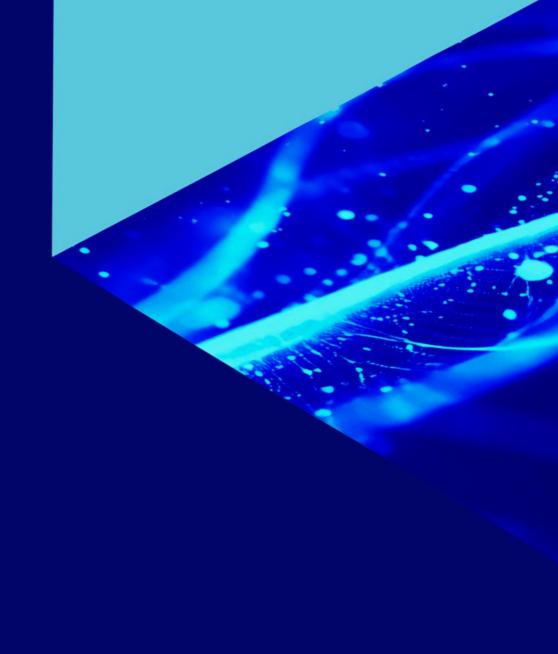
Quality

Resilience

Security

Al strategy

Emily Prince, Head of Al Irfan Hussain, Chief Information Officer



The three pillars of LSEG's Al strategy

Artificial intelligence is transforming financial markets. With our unmatched data, infrastructure, and partnerships, LSEG is uniquely positioned at the forefront of this change

Trusted Data

Curation of trusted, high-quality data to scale AI in financial **services** through our open, LLMagnostic, and infrastructure-oriented partnership approach

Transformative Products

Reimagining how financial services professionals work, with Al-enabled products that bring speed, simplicity and conviction to our customers' workflows and decision-making

Intelligent Enterprise

Deploying AI across our own business, so we can innovate faster and serve our customers better, with the same commitment to trust and reliability that we bring to our customers

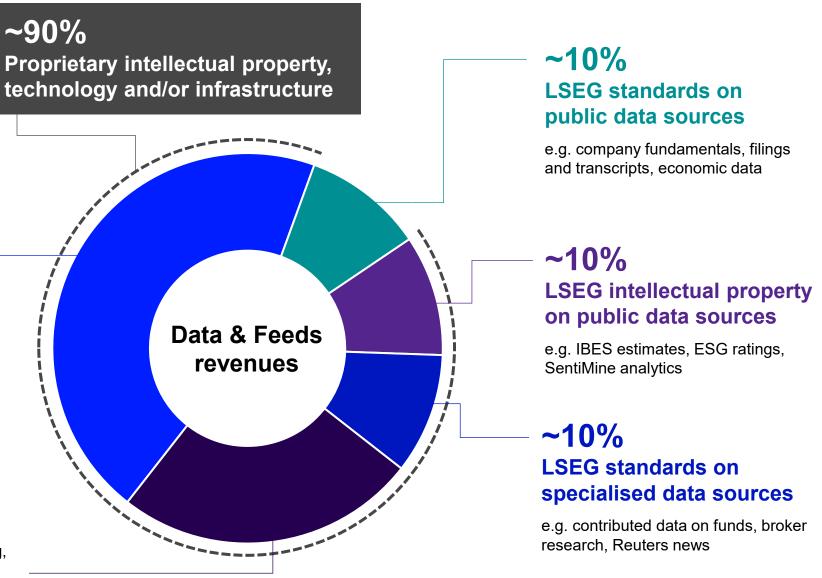
LSEG's trusted and differentiated data

~45% Global #1 in real-time data

- Extensive, global private network with nearly double the physical venue connectivity of the #2 player
- Data standardised according to our proprietary structures e.g. RICs

~25% **LSEG** intellectual property on specialised data sources

e.g. deals league tables, FI evaluated pricing, publications (IFR, LPC), news analytics



Achieving trust in Al is based on having trust first in the underlying data

We provide accurate, auditable, trusted data enhanced with our intellectual property

This is consumed by the world's largest banks and asset managers, establishing industry standard approaches

These customers deploy our data at massive scale, powering highly regulated and business-critical activities

Data undergoes extensive curation by LSEG before it can be used by our customers

Sourcing

Decades of data, incl. 40,000+ contributors across financial services and internal data generation

Data quality

Extensive cleansing and validation, ensuring accuracy, timeliness, completeness

Normalising & mastering

Establishing a single, authoritative dataset consistent over time and from security to security

Concordance & tagging

Addition of extensive metadata, connecting datasets and making them navigable e.g. RIC, PermID

Distribution

Delivering consistent data regardless of channel or format

LSEG's Al ready content and agents

With growing use of trusted content via AI, LSEG is preparing its 33+ PB of trusted content to be AI ready enabling LSEG to reach new customer segments but also finding greater usage of its data which previously might have been hard for customers to access

Data accessibility

Expanding reach of LSEG's content

by making it 'model' accessible

Use of LSEG's MCP server across breadth of LSEG content

> Supporting creation of **Trusted** agents

Data quality

Decades of differentiated and trusted LSEG data

Reliance on LSEG's data semantics to support high quality model data retrieval

Data control

Enforcement of LSEG licensing standards and controls

Metered capture of client content usage requirements



LSEG Everywhere | Reaching customers across their Al needs

LSEG's reach to new and broader customer segments has expanded alongside the increasingly democratised adoption of Al

	LSEG-led Experience		mer-led rience	Partner-led Experience	
Consumption Layer	LSEG UI Solution e.g., Workspace	Customer Proprietary Solutions		Partners e.g., Databricks, Microsoft, Rogo	End user led licensing
Diatribution Lavor	Multi-cloud Distribution			Usage and	
Distribution Layer	LSEG AI ready Content	APIs	Agents	Feeds	content end customer licensing
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Content	LSEG Trusted Data, Analytics, Indexes, Expertise and Documentation				

LSEG Everywhere: the partner of choice for financial markets data

Strong delivery of partnerships in H2; advancing LSEG **Everywhere strategy**

Expect further partnerships; aligning with our open approach and making LSEG the partner of choice for financial markets data



23 September

Powering customers to rapidly deploy Al agents on LSEG data



13 October

Seamless integration of LSEG data in Al agents using Copilot Studio

rogo

20 August

Real-time access to LSEG data in Rogo's Al models and agents



2 October

Integrating LSEG's high-quality trusted data with Snowflake's Cortex Al agents



27 October

Seamless integration of LSEG data in Claude's conversational Al experience

Fireside chat

Conversation between Irfan Hussain and Matthew Kerner



Matthew Kerner
Chief Technology Officer, WSS
Microsoft

As CTO of Microsoft's Worldwide Sales and Solutions team, Matthew is responsible for driving technological innovation and growth with customers and partners, while defining, advancing, and implementing Microsoft's AI transformation across the business.

Matthew joined the Windows Core OS team in 2001 as a university hire and moved to Azure in 2009 where he spent 10 years driving platform innovation and market expansion. Most recently he led the Cloud for Industry team delivering industry vertical solutions together with key industry partners like PTC, Robert Bosch, SLB, and LSEG.

Matthew has a master's degree in computer science from the University of Washington and a bachelor's degree in computer science from Yale University.



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Intelligent Enterprise | **Enterprise-wide innovation &** impact at scale

We are **deploying Al** across our business, so we can **innovate faster** and serve our customers better

We are transforming our data and customer operations

We are providing our employees with tools to boost productivity



We are transforming data onboarding and customer operations with Al

Combining latest technology with our subject matter expertise

Humans-In-The-Loop are critical to source, denoise, extract, validate and enrich data

QAS combines **technical product information** with history of **real-life responses**

Benefits

Speed

- 9x faster content extraction: from 45 to 5 mins
- Webcast transcriptions turnaround: from 8 hrs to 10 mins
- Resolving >50% of customer queries in under an hour

Efficiency

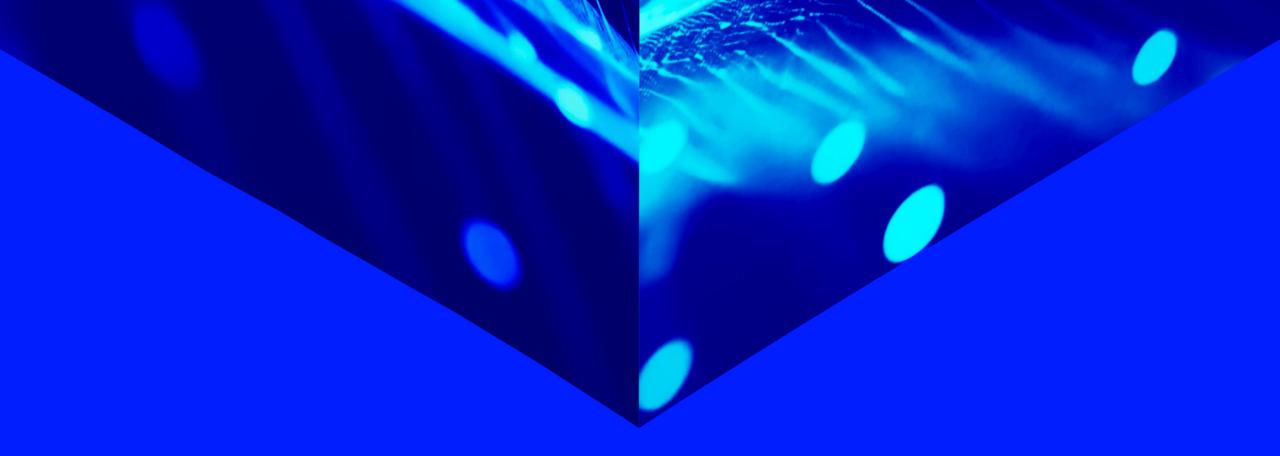
- 51% FTE reduction in central sourcing team
- Cloud cost for crawling/scraping reduced by 66%
- 40% reduction in overall time to resolve customer queries

Accuracy

- Data quality issues from customers down 52% on content volumes up 45% since beginning of 2022
- Content sourcing success rate increased to 98%

Volume

- Exchange Traded Fund holdings data increased 400%
- 47% increase in ESG coverage
- Al used in 22,000 customer queries/month



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