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Rani Borkar

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Rani Borkar is the Microsoft Corporate Vice President for Azure Hardware Systems and Infrastructure and a member of Azure's Senior Leadership Team. In her role, Borkar leads the core organizations building Microsoft's leading cloud computing platform—from silicon, systems, to supply chain.

Throughout her career, Borkar has established herself as a pioneering hardware engineer in the semiconductor industry, a technology executive, product visionary, and trusted leader with decades of experience in the computing industry. She is passionate about delivering end-to-end solutions to empower customers to achieve more.



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Since joining Microsoft, Borkar has been instrumental in strengthening Azure's place as the industry-leading cloud computing platform. Currently, Azure is the global leader in enterprise cloud computing, as it serves more than 95% of the Fortune 500.

As the head of Azure Hardware Systems and Infrastructure, she strengthens Microsoft's deeply integrated Azure cloud services, technology roadmap, research and development efforts, and quantum computing. She is responsible for the vision, strategy, and architecture of silicon development as well as global capacity deployment for Microsoft's cloud data center infrastructure. Under her leadership, Microsoft's brightest engineering minds focus on developing technologies that will solve the world's toughest problems and drive end-to-end business value for Azure's products and solutions.

Before joining Microsoft, Borkar served as the Vice President of OpenPOWER Development at IBM. Prior to IBM, Borkar spent most of her career at Intel. As Corporate Vice President, she led Intel's silicon product development strategy while leading large, complex, and diverse global engineering organizations that developed world-class microprocessors for Intel servers, PCs, phones, tablets, and the Internet of Things.

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Leading with the philosophy of "mission first, people always," Borkar has inspired and transformed organizations by building close-knit communities. To produce great technology, Borkar believes in the power of combining technology assets and engineering talent with the values of collaboration and mentorship to empower teams to achieve more and move the industry forward.

Borkar has keynoted at industry-leading engineering leadership events and conferences that empower women in technical fields. She is a member of the board for the Global Semiconductor Alliance (GSA), member of the board of directors for Applied Materials and she serves as the Chair of the Board of Trustees at Oregon State University to help guide the state's effort to advance economic development and innovation.

Borkar earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree—both in physics—from the University of Mumbai, India. She went on to earn a second master's degree in electrical engineering from the Oregon Graduate Institute. Borkar also holds an Executive Program in Leadership (LEAD) certificate from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business.

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