



The Global AI Index

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Ajay Bhalla of Mastercard, joins the Advisory Board.

Tortoise is delighted to announce that Ajay Bhalla, President of Cyber & Intelligence at Mastercard, will be joining the Advisory Board for The Global AI Index. The index, first released by Tortoise in December 2019, analyses how countries across the world are driving the development of AI across three core pillars: investment, innovation and implementation.

Ajay has been at the forefront of introducing new AI and machine learning solutions, which have been embedded across Mastercard and help to secure up to one billion transactions a day. Ajay's global insights will help enhance Tortoise's approach to measuring AI innovation on an international scale.

Ajay strongly believes that technological advancements must be designed to deliver positive social impact. And through his various roles -- as CEME Senior Fellow at Fletcher, The Graduate School of Global Affairs at Tufts University, Connection Science Fellow at MIT and key supporter of the Teens In AI initiative -- Ajay is helping to build a future of digital inclusion, digital literacy and AI for good. In this context, Ajay will help guide Tortoise on key considerations around the responsible application of AI.

On December 3rd, Tortoise released the second edition of The Global AI Index marked by its [Global AI Summit](#); Ajay will be a part of critiquing the index methodology, and lending his voice to the conversations taking place in our events throughout the coming year.