



# Chris Mazzei, Retired Partner, EY (Ernst & Young LLP)

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Transformational Business Strategist • Global Business Leader • Board & C-Suite Advisor

Chris Mazzei is a global business leader with a proven track record for strategy and corporate development, innovation, operational P&L responsibilities, and data analytics. As a senior leader for over 23 years at Ernst & Young LLP (EY), a \$45B+ organization operating in 150 countries, Chris has a legacy of creating enterprise value through building and standing up successful businesses; leading growth strategy with EY's senior leaders; developing and overseeing plans for complex business and digital transformations; and providing strategic, practical business advice on emerging technologies. With his grounding in data analytics and significant experience across M&A, AI, cyber and strategy, Chris asks the right questions to help organizations unlock value. Chris's depth and breadth of expertise and global network of connections positions him to immediately contribute to board oversight roles with clear and strategic insights.

## EXPERTISE

Strategy Development & Execution  
Emerging technologies (including AI)  
Data & Analytics  
Digital Transformation  
Innovation  
M&A  
P&L Management  
Portfolio Management  
Capital Allocation  
Enterprise Risk Management  
Regulatory Matters

## SECTORS

Business Services  
Technology – Software  
Retail, including eCommerce  
Consumer Products  
Logistics - Distribution

## BOARD EXPERIENCE

Director, Girls Inc.  
Advisory Board Member, Engineering School at Cornell University and School of Operations Research

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

World 50 Innovation Network  
Gartner Corporate Strategy Board

## EDUCATION

BS in Engineering – Operations Research, Cornell University  
MBA, NYU

## PERSONAL

Married with three daughters and resides in Port Washington, NY.

## LEADERSHIP AND VALUE CREATION

**Employer of Choice.** As a founder and leader of several of EY's practices, Chris directly contributed to the transformation and growth of EY into a \$45B professional services firm recognized on Fortune's Great Places to Work list for 25 consecutive years.

**Global Leadership in Mature and Emerging Markets.** Executes business internationally; travels extensively to Europe, Asia, Australia and South America. Develops cross-cultural and inclusive teams utilizing collaborative approach that promotes individual and collective high performance.

**C-Suite Leadership.** Track record of success building and managing market-leading businesses.

- **Global Chief Strategy Officer** (2019 – *retiring June 2023*): report to EY's global CEO and board to advise on enterprise and business unit level strategy and execution matters.
  - Led development of EY's global strategy, NextWave, re-defining the firm's purpose and ambition resulting in greater trust and confidence in the capital markets and in economies around the world.
  - Led market intelligence function focused on identifying key competitive, market, economic, technology, regulatory and other trends creating opportunity and risk for EY.
  - Architect of "Everest" transaction designed to separate EY into two distinct purpose-led businesses and create significant value for all stakeholders.
- **Chief Data and Analytics Officer** (2014 – 2019): early pioneer of building a new consulting business becoming EY's first Chief Analytics Officer.
  - Responsible for global P&L which grew from \$100M+ to \$2B+, including through 15+ acquisitions, while growing practice to over 7000 professionals.
  - Developed and implemented market strategy, building high-performing teams around the world, interfacing with market analysts and the media, developing new partnerships and building strong client relationships.
  - Worked with all EY's businesses to develop plans to embed data and analytics in the delivery of many of EY's core services such as audit, tax, transaction diligence and risk. These efforts were central to a service transformation that enhanced customer experience, improved quality and lowered costs.
  - Efforts resulted in EY being recognized as a market leader by a wide variety of analysts and winning many distinctive market awards.
- **Global Innovation Technology Leader** (2016 – 2019): captured new market opportunities and mitigated disruptive risk with emerging technology including AI, blockchain and robotics process automation.
  - Identified and developed new partnerships positioning EY advantageously in the emerging technology ecosystem. Efforts led to the creation of an AI advisory business that is approaching \$500M and a blockchain business that is approximately \$100M.
  - Responsible for recruiting and developing many technology experts who became EY's core leadership team in these areas.

## GOVERNANCE EXPERIENCE

**Corporate Governance.** Advisor to CEOs and senior management teams on strategy, business model design, technology, data analytics and partnerships. Worked with EY global and US board for 15+ years. Serves as a Director at Girls Inc. and Advisory Board Member for the Engineering School at Cornell University and School of Operations Research gaining valuable experience on program development, financial matters and governance issues.