

DATE: 11TH SEPTEMBER 2020

EVENT: Tech Tank Webinar Series: Artificial Intelligence: Technology to Change Humanity

Report:

Artificial intelligence is based on revolutionary technologies around the world. Being regarded as the most influential human innovation, it is an important component of transforming human lives.

Dr.Xaviers Chelladurai is currently a professor of Computer science and engineering at Christ university. He has served and contributed to academia and industry for more than 37 years now. Before becoming a part of Christ university, he was the vice president and global head of Artificial Intelligence In Capgemini, providing consultation in design and artificial intelligence based systems that transformed the business of customers. Under his guidance, 7 Ph.D. scholars have successfully completed their degrees. He has been a Java Practitioner for 25 years and an artificial intelligence and machine learning practitioner for 19 years with industry experience. He was also a member of IT Taskforce, Government of Tamil Nadu, for three consecutive years(1998-2001).

The webinar was conducted through an online platform, WebEx. The event commenced at 5:00 pm and around 118 participants had joined in to attend this event. It began with Mr. Francis, member of tech tank, CAPS, welcoming and briefing the participants about the structure of the event. Which was succeeded by Mr. Daniel D, mentor for Tech Tank, who gave a brief introduction about CAPS. He also briefly talked about Tech tank, its functions and contributions. Further, he introduced Dr. Xavier Chelladurai, which marked the beginning of the session. From there, Dr. Xavier took over and started with the session. A general perception of what AI is and its potential to transform humanity was presented. From talking about how technology evolved to the internalisation of AI in various fields, the session went on. Brief emphasis was laid on the ‘The New Normal’ which referred to the rise of artificial intelligence based systems. Various vast topics were introduced and explained with extreme dedication. It was followed by a fruitful Question and Answer session. The questions were posted in the chat box by the participants, which were answered by Dr.Xaviers. The session concluded with a Vote of Thanks, which was delivered by Mr. Murali Mano. Proceeding, Dr. Xavier was presented with an e-certificate by Dr Daniel. The session ended at 6:20 pm, proceeding which feedback forms were distributed.

Number of Attendees present: **120**

Organizing Team: Tech Tank, CAPS.