## **Aziz Ahmad Biography**

A thought leader and a Tech Entrepreneur Mr. Ahmad is a co-founder of UTC Associates, CodersTrust and the Managing Director of Grameen Solutions.

- UTC Associates offers integrated portfolio of technology services and Business Strategy and to enable clients to navigate their digital transformation strategy with cybersecurity at core.
- CodersTrust founded with a vision to democratize global access to education via the internet supported by human mentors. CodersTrust dedicated to giving hope to the hopeless. It does so by training the disenfranchised across the developing world to channel their intense passion, hope and energy into contributions to the global economy as programmers, architects, Engineers, artists, etc. Today, after only 4 years, CodersTrust brought over 100,000 bright-eyed dreamers from across Asia's rural villages and cities into the global digital economy.
- Grameen Solutions is the flagship technology company of the Grameen family of organizations founded in 1999 by Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus, Grameen Solutions is dedicated to solving the greatest technological challenges facing the poor and challenged – such as I was growing up.

Mr. Ahmad participates in numerous speaking engagements, keynotes, and panels across the area of technology and social venture initiatives. Panel participation includes, in Guatemala, Davos WEF in 2017 and 2018, 2020 and very recently in Vatican, hosted by Pope Francis, where Mr. Ahmad was a keynote panel speaker for Future of Works, where he discussed the framework architecture of workforce transformation in the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution era. On November 20, 2019 Mr. Ahmad was invited to speak at European Parliament in Brussels for a high-level consultation on Artificial Intelligence and its impact in Europe and beyond.

An accomplished business leader, Aziz was the lead architect of AT&T's 21st century networks. He directed AT&T's Next Generation Internet (NGI) Team/Consortium, which was created to research, develop, and demonstrate next generation broadband access based on IP and Multi-wavelength optical technology. The Consortium's effort delivered both quantum advances and various global successes in late 90s. Aziz's work required AT&T's Sr. management sponsorship and coordination across several hundred technical, academic and management personnel and teams spread across the United States.

Mr. Ahmad holds B.E. and M.E. degrees in Electrical Engineering from The City College of New York (CUNY) and an Executive Management Program from Tuck School of Business of Dartmouth College.