



# H2 Overview



## About

H2 ([h2.co](https://h2.co)) is the premier global leadership network for the technology industry supporting startup ecosystems around the world. Founded in 2010 and headquartered in Silicon Valley, our mission is to connect, educate and support leaders in innovation centers worldwide through our global network, platform and content.

H2 operates as a global nonprofit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the US Internal Revenue Code. Our activities are directly supported through the participation of our member and partner communities across the globe. H2's global leadership [team](#) is comprised of accomplished industry operators and leaders from the startup, corporate, investor and academic communities.

## Membership

H2's membership consists of entrepreneurs, executives and investors from leading regional startups, global companies and early to growth stage funds in major technology centers across the globe. Qualifying criteria for membership consideration are as follows:

- **Founder/CEO:** of Series A+ company backed by leading investor(s) – or –
- **Regional MD or CxO/VP:** of prominent global growth stage MNC or major corporate – or –
- **Investor:** with leading early to growth stage local, regional or global fund – and –
- **Experience:** significant operating experience in leadership roles (8+ years)

Membership with H2 is on a nomination and invitation basis, with both free and contributing annual membership levels offering participation in and connectivity to our global Regions, Chapters and Networks:

- **Regions:** North America (NA), Latin America (LATAM), Europe, Middle East & Africa (EMEA), Asia Pacific (APAC)
- **Chapters:** Bangalore, Barcelona, Beijing, Berlin, Delhi, London, Mumbai, New York, Sao Paulo, Shanghai, Silicon Valley, Singapore, Tel Aviv, Tokyo
- **Networks:** Artificial Intelligence, Augmented Reality, Blockchain, Climate, Communications, Connected Devices, Consumer, Data & Analytics, eCommerce, Education, Enterprise, Financial Services, Health & Fitness, Healthcare, Marketing, Marketplaces, Media & Entertainment, Mobility, On Demand, Productivity, Real Estate, SaaS, Security, Social, Travel

## Platform

H2's [platform](#) initiatives offer its membership engagement opportunities throughout the year at the local, regional and global levels:

- **H2 Communities:** member affiliation and participation in Chapters (local) and sector based Networks (global)
- **H2 Connect:** global advisor platform connecting participating founders and advisors (H2 members)
- **H2 Forums:** local and regional events featuring trusted discussions with innovators and leaders
- **H2 Global Summit:** annual event for entrepreneurs, executives and investors from top innovation centers
- **Online Community Tools:** tools to support community building and connections across H2's network

## Benefits

Membership with any H2 Chapter offers global access to our complete set of platform offerings, providing a range of valuable benefits across career stages and needs:

- **Community:** develop trusted relationships with fellow members at the local, regional and global levels
- **Learning:** engage in idea exchange with industry leaders to accelerate company and career success
- **Support:** foster growth of innovators in top technology hubs via mentoring, advising and investing activity
- **Tools:** utilize online community tools to connect with other members and access member support services
- **Partners:** access exclusive participation opportunities and platform offerings from partner organizations

## Partners

H2's partners represent leading ecosystem organizations operating at the local, regional and global levels that provide support for H2's mission and platform activities:

- **Investors:** institutional and corporate venture funds supporting innovation at the early and growth stages
- **Corporates:** regional category leaders and multinational companies including Global 2000 firms
- **Services:** providers of platforms and services for technology industry companies and executives
- **Ecosystem:** government and independent groups, university affiliated organizations and media

Additional information covering membership opportunities with H2 as well as current and expansion H2 Chapters may be found [online](#).