

# Cal-IPGCA CHANGE CHALLENGE FORUMS

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**Thursday, February 4, 2021**

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (Panel Only) **VIRTUAL TRAINING**

## ACCELERATING GOVERNMENT INNOVATION THROUGH DIGITAL UPSKILLING

*Digital upskilling is the bridge that connects culture with people experience. It is about effecting a shared growth conviction that transcends from individuals to teams, to entire organizations and then out to society.*

COVID 19 has exponentially accelerated a shift of social norms and our work practices across society. One example - in March of 2020, the State of California moved most of its workforce to tele-working. Early reporting is demonstrating that productivity is meeting or exceeding work-based employment environments. Post-COVID, it is inevitable that many agencies and departments can and will choose to remain remote. The degree to which is yet unknown, as is the magnitude of reducing costs, increasing efficiency, while significantly reducing our carbon footprint on our world. There are many revelations that COVID and racial injustice are exposing—our process of discovery is turbulent and real time. What we are seeing is a change of our collective mindset on a massive scale that will amplify and supercharge the adoption of digital technologies.

For the State of California to become the employer of choice, technological prowess is key. But the pandemic has rendered evident that it is impossible to build tomorrow's world on yesterday's technology. Human systems are the engine that drives the creation of ideas, change and innovation, but technology is the source of fuel that keeps the engine running. The relationship between the two is inseparable! How will technology fuel, connect and advance the connectivity of the new world that is emerging?

Join this panel as it explores the pandemic of change that is reordering government and the digital upskilling of society in dramatic ways!

### Panel



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