



Ida Kymmer

TECH INNOVATOR

Frontier technology now arrives faster than corporate strategy, regulatory frameworks, or supply chains can absorb it. Boards face decisions about immersive platforms, defence-adjacent tools, and contested AI applications with no precedent to draw on. The cost of waiting is ceded ground. The cost of moving without judgement is reputational and ethical exposure that does not unwind.

Ida Kymmer advises boards and leadership teams on emerging technology decisions where commercial opportunity, defence implications, and ethical exposure intersect.

Ida Kymmer's 2026 Biography

Why organisations work with Ida Kymmer

- Brings a working knowledge of how the same technologies are deployed in commercial, defence, and peacebuilding contexts, so leaders see the full surface area of a decision rather than one face of it.
- Founder of House of PeaceTech, the ecosystem platform connecting investors, startups, governments, and NGOs working on conflict prevention and recovery technology, which gives clients access to a network most strategy advisors cannot reach.
- Has shaped immersive technology programmes for BMW, H&M, Clinique, and Shiseido during her tenure at Journee, so the perspective is built on real brand deployment, not theory.
- Active across MENA, Korea, and the Nordics through Infinite Reality, Hub71, and Vinnova, giving organisations a read on emerging technology adoption beyond the usual US and Western European frame.
- Publishes *Tech for War and Peace* weekly, so the analysis a client receives is built from continuous primary research, not refreshed every booking cycle.

Biography highlights

- Director of Business, MENA at Infinite Reality
- Founder of House of PeaceTech, the ecosystem platform for technology in conflict prevention and recovery
- Former Director of Global Affairs at Journee, working with BMW, H&M, Clinique, and Shiseido
- Author of *Tech for War and Peace*, a weekly newsletter on defence, conflict, and peacebuilding technology
- Master of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies
- Startup judge for Vinnova (Sweden) and Hub71 (Abu Dhabi); speaking record at World Economic Forum, SXSW, Gitex, TechBBQ, and Deloitte

AVAILABLE FOR

- Panel Participation
- Speaking

IDA'S SPEAKING THEMES

- Artificial Intelligence & Generative AI
- Climate Action and Sustainability
- Customer Experience & Marketing
- Entrepreneurship
- Future of Technology
- Geopolitics
- Innovation & Disruption

LANGUAGES: English

Biography

Emerging technology rarely arrives with a clean use case. The same systems that power immersive retail can be repurposed for surveillance, defence, or disinformation. Most advisors look at one face of that surface. Few look at all of them.

Ida Kymmer's work sits across the commercial, defence, and peacebuilding applications of the same technologies. She holds a Master of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies and founded House of PeaceTech, an ecosystem platform connecting investors, startups, governments, and NGOs working on conflict prevention and recovery. Her weekly newsletter, *Tech for War and Peace*, tracks how defence-adjacent technologies move between sectors.

Her commercial credibility is built on deployment, not theory. As Director of Global Affairs at Journee from 2021 to 2023, she shaped immersive technology programmes for BMW, H&M, Clinique, and Shiseido. She now serves as Director of Business, MENA at Infinite Reality, and judges startups for Sweden's Vinnova and Abu Dhabi's Hub71.

The geographic and linguistic range matters here. She has lived in nine countries, speaks five languages, and reads emerging technology adoption from Seoul, the Gulf, and the Nordics as fluently as from Silicon Valley. Boards in any of those markets get a perspective that the usual American or Western European advisory pool does not provide.

Key speaking topics

- Emerging technology and innovation strategy
- Defence and peace technology
- Immersive technology and commerce
- Disinformation and information integrity
- Sustainability and the green transition
- Korean innovation systems and soft power
- MENA technology ecosystems

Ideal for

- Boards and executive teams making frontier technology investment or deployment decisions
- Chief innovation, strategy, and digital officers in consumer brands, automotive, and luxury
- Government, defence, and policy audiences engaging with dual-use technology
- Sustainability and ESG leads scrutinising green-transition supply chains

Audience outcomes

- A clearer map of how a single technology operates across commercial, defence, and humanitarian use cases
- Specific examples of immersive technology deployment from named global brands
- A working view of innovation ecosystems in Korea, MENA, and the Nordics
- Sharper questions to put to internal teams on dual-use exposure, supply chain ethics, and emerging technology partnerships

Ida Kymmer's 2026 talks & topics

The Green Transition Paradox: How Green is Really Your EV?

A working analysis of battery mineral extraction, mining emissions, and what major automotive companies are doing about both.

Key takeaways:

- The scale of mining emissions relative to global greenhouse gas output and what that means for net-zero claims
 - Where current battery supply chains expose corporate sustainability narratives
 - Concrete responses underway inside major automotive manufacturers
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Tech for War and Peace

A field report on how AI, drones, and automated systems are reshaping contemporary conflicts and the peacebuilding response.

Key takeaways:

- How the same technology stacks are deployed for conflict and for conflict prevention
 - What corporate leaders need to understand about dual-use exposure in their supply chains
 - The emerging PeaceTech ecosystem and where commercial actors fit
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K-Pop, Semiconductors, and Coffee

An account of Korea's emergence as a technological and cultural power, and what other economies can take from it.

Key takeaways:

- The institutional and political conditions behind Korea's innovation system
 - How soft power and hard technology reinforce one another in the Korean model
 - What the Korean playbook offers organisations operating across Asia
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Creating Wonder in an Automated World

A working argument for aesthetic and human craft as differentiators in a world of frontier technology.

Key takeaways:

- Where automation hits a ceiling in consumer, brand, and entertainment contexts
- How leading brands are using immersive technology without losing human texture
- The strategic role of craft and design in technology-saturated markets

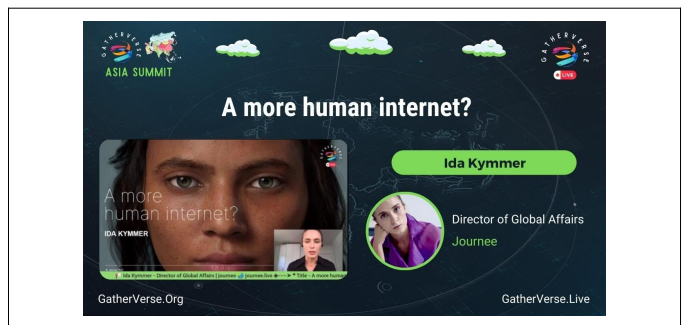
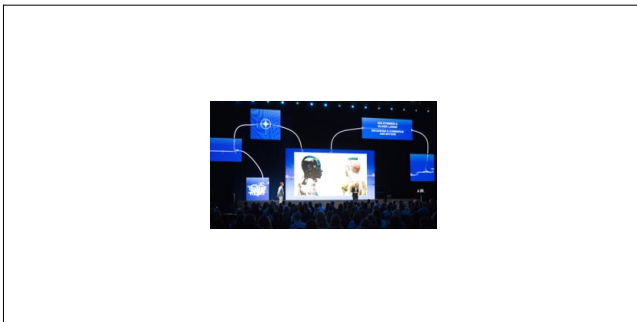
Made by Africa

A read on African startup ecosystems and what global investors and corporates are missing.

Key takeaways:

- Where fintech, mobile commerce, and infrastructure plays are concentrating across Nigeria, Kenya, South Africa, and Egypt
- The structural advantages African ecosystems hold over more mature markets
- How to enter, partner, and invest without importing assumptions that do not fit

Ida Kymmer's Videos



What Ida Kymmer's clients say

Ida is an eloquent speaker and the most authentic speaker I've come across. Her passion for making an impact is intentional and comes from the heart, which is hard to come by with speakers these days. Ida is a leader in frontier technology and innovation and always hits points that are unique and riveting.

Dan Burgar

CEO, Frontier Collective

From the moment she takes the stage, Ida's knowledge and passion for sharing ideas immediately excite the audience. Ida shares her creative business acumen, leaving the audience both educated and inspired.

Amy Peck

Founder & CEO, EndeavorXR

I highly recommend Ida Kymmer as a speaker. Her knowledge in the field of spatial and immersive experiences shows a deep understanding of the relationship between technology, society, consumption and art. At the Nordic Metaverse Summit, her ability to clearly and effectively discuss complex topics made a significant impact. Ida is a knowledgeable and engaging speaker, well-suited for discussions on future technologies.

Bugge Holm Hansen

Head of Program, Nordic AI & Metaverse Summit

Ida Kymmer's presentation at the SplitX Summit was nothing short of inspiring. Her deep understanding of systems change and her ability to weave complex ideas into actionable insights left our audience both enlightened and energized. As a valued member of the SplitX community, Ida consistently brings a unique blend of strategic thinking and human-centered approach that sparks meaningful conversations and drives innovative thinking. We're fortunate to have her as a key contributor to our community, where her insights continue to make a lasting impact.

Armando Matijević

Founder & CEO, SplitX

When Ida speaks, you can hear a pin drop in the room! She has an incredible way of taking complex technical topics and making them relatable to everyone. I've had the pleasure of sharing the stage with her at both big conferences and intimate gatherings, and each time, she leaves the audience buzzing with new ideas. Her multidisciplinary background and passion for international relations provide a holistic, 360-degree view on innovation that we don't often see in the tech world that both inspires and challenges her listeners.

Enara Nazarova

Founder, Armoar

Ida Kymmer's 2026 speaking fees

Specific fees fall within the ranges shown. These are presented as a guide only and are subject to change without notice.

	EUR	GBP	USD
Home Country	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
Asia Pacific	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
Europe	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
Middle East & Africa	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
South America	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
United Kingdom	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
US East Coast	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
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