



## Katie Prescott

### MEDIA PERSONALITY

Boards are asked to commit capital to AI before the returns are visible, and to do so while regulators, sovereign governments and a small group of US infrastructure companies redraw the rules around them. Most leadership teams do not have an internal source who covers all three at once. The gap shows up as exposure: investments made on vendor narratives, strategy decks built on last quarter's headlines, and a quiet sense that the people in the room do not actually know who controls what.

Katie Prescott is Technology Business Editor at The Times and helps leadership teams read the technology sector the way an investor and a regulator would, at the same time.

## Katie Prescott's 2026 Biography

### Why organisations work with Katie Prescott

- She covers the AI infrastructure, capital and policy story as her day job for The Times, which means clients get a current read rather than a recycled keynote deck.
- Her book on Mike Lynch and the Autonomy sale to Hewlett-Packard is a working case study in how technology valuations, governance and cross-border legal exposure actually collide; few speakers can talk through that material with original reporting behind it.
- A decade at the BBC, including business news on Radio 4's Today programme, gives her a rare ability to host and interview senior executives on stage without scripted stiffness.
- Tech Commentator of the Year at the 2024 UK Tech Awards confirms what bookers already use her for: trusted, named commentary at the level a board will quote back internally.
- She co-hosts The Times Tech Podcast with Danny Fortson, which keeps her sourced inside both London and Silicon Valley rather than reliant on second-hand briefings.

### Biography highlights

- Technology Business Editor, The Times, and weekly business columnist.
- Co-host, The Times Tech Podcast, with Danny Fortson, Sunday Times West Coast Correspondent.
- Author, The Curious Case of Mike Lynch (Macmillan Business, 2025); named a Times and Sunday Times Best Book of 2025.
- Tech Commentator of the Year, UK Tech Awards, 2024.
- Approximately a decade at the BBC, including presenting business news on Radio 4's Today programme and reporting from the BBC New York

### AVAILABLE FOR

- Event Hosting
- Moderating and Emcee
- Speaking

### KATIE'S SPEAKING THEMES

- Artificial Intelligence & Generative AI
- Digital Transformation
- Economic Trends & Global Markets
- Entrepreneurship
- Future of Technology
- Storytelling & Business Communication

### LANGUAGES: English

Bureau.

- Degree in Modern Languages, University of Oxford.

## **Biography**

The 2011 sale of Autonomy to Hewlett-Packard for more than 11 billion pounds turned into a thirteen-year legal fight, two transatlantic trials and, in August 2024, the sinking of the Bayesian yacht off Sicily. The Curious Case of Mike Lynch, published by Macmillan Business in 2025, is the most detailed account of that story to date, and Katie Prescott reported and wrote it while running The Times' technology business desk.

That dual role is the point. Prescott covers AI capital flows, hyperscaler infrastructure, government and Big Tech relations, and UK technology policy as her standing brief, with a weekly column and The Times Tech Podcast co-hosted with the paper's West Coast correspondent Danny Fortson. The reporting is current. It is also sourced; she is on the phone to founders, investors and regulators in the week she walks on stage.

Before The Times, she spent roughly a decade at the BBC, presenting business on Radio 4's Today programme and reporting from the corporation's New York Bureau. That background shows on stage. She moderates senior panels, interviews chief executives in front of their own customers, and chairs board-level discussions with the timing of a working broadcaster rather than a guest speaker.

The 2024 UK Tech Awards named her Tech Commentator of the Year, and her Mike Lynch book was selected as a Times and Sunday Times Best Book of 2025. The combined record is what serious organisations are buying: a working journalist with the access to call the technology story accurately, and the platform to be quoted doing it.

## **Key speaking topics**

- Artificial intelligence, capital and infrastructure
- The technology business in 2026
- Founders, fraud and governance lessons from the Autonomy case
- Government, regulators and Big Tech
- The UK and European technology sector
- Hosting, moderation and on-stage interviews

## **Ideal for**

- Boards and executive teams setting AI investment and vendor strategy
- CTOs, CIOs and chief digital officers needing an outside read on the sector
- Investor days, partner summits and customer conferences requiring a credible interviewer
- Communications and policy leadership preparing for greater regulatory and media scrutiny

## **Audience outcomes**

- A clearer view of where AI capital is actually flowing and which infrastructure dependencies matter
- A working sense of how technology valuations, governance and litigation interact, drawn from the Autonomy and Hewlett-Packard case
- Named, current examples from The Times' technology coverage rather than recycled trend material

- For hosted formats, executive interviews that get past prepared answers without becoming hostile

## Katie Prescott's 2026 talks & topics

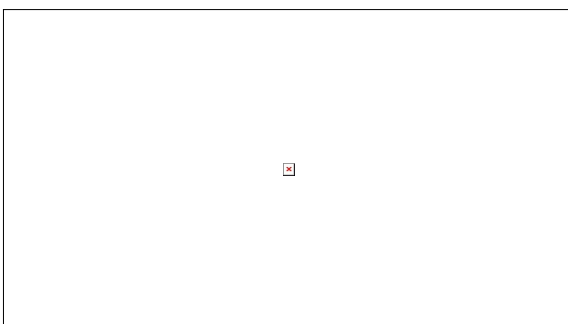
### Harnessing AI for Business

A working journalist's read on how artificial intelligence is reshaping white-collar work and corporate strategy, drawn from current Times reporting.

#### Key takeaways:

- Where AI investment is concentrating, and which infrastructure and energy dependencies sit underneath it
- How the relationship between governments and the largest technology companies is changing the operating environment for buyers
- What boards should be asking their executive teams, and their vendors, before signing the next set of AI commitments

## Katie Prescott's Videos



## What Katie Prescott's clients say

Professional, enthusiastic and insightful, Katie was an invaluable contributor to our annual industry report launch event. She navigated the complex subject matter at hand with ease, chairing a panel of expert speakers to ensure everyone contributed fully, the discussion moved fluidly through multiple themes and the audience stayed engaged and responsive.

**Dania El-Kadi**

*Head of Marketing, Sonovate*

Thank you Katie for speaking with such authority and knowledge at the Haysmacintyre seminar on AI this evening. It was great to have your perspective as such a senior journalist covering the sector. It was particularly interesting to hear from you which companies are addressing the AI challenge well. Hope to work with you again before long.

**Zaki Cooper**

*Integra Group*

Katie was superb and very interesting – she’s clearly well-placed and knowledgeable on the space

**Alex Croft**

*Founding Partner, Croft & Co*

Katie was wonderful on stage at London Tech Week and a pleasure off stage. She was just fantastic!

**Elsbeth Garratt**

*Informa*

Katie did a fabulous job of chairing a handful of fireside chats organised for our investors, interviewing numerous founders and partners about a wide range of tech and finance topics. Her meticulous preparation in the lead up to the event brought out the best from all speakers involved, ensuring the discussions hit the perfect tone for our audience.

**Anne Glover**

*CEO, Amadeus*

Our panel required deft chairing. It was a job Katie did with great aplomb, setting the context for the discussions, bringing in the speakers at the right moments for them to make useful contributions. Her experience as a broadcast journalist was certainly brought to bear, as she adeptly kept the conversation flowing, while ensuring it also remained focused and engaging. Katie was a consummate professional, a pleasure to work with, and someone we would love to work with again in the future.

**Jack Neill-Hall**

*The CityUK*

Your contribution and insights were invaluable, and we are very grateful that you were able to take time out of your busy schedule to be with us.

**Shevaun Haviland**

*Director-General, British Chambers of Commerce*

We were delighted to have Katie as our host and would love to have her back again.

She immediately brought energy to the room and clearly worked hard to make the script her own and engage with the audience - couldn't have asked for more so please pass on my thanks to her.

**Ellen Vester**

*Electrical Safety First*

Katie, your authoritative and knowledgeable chairing of our discussion delivered a thought-provoking conversation with the panelists and the audience and resulted in a thoroughly enjoyable evening. We are delighted that you were able to compere this event for us and would love to work with you again in the future!

**Hayaatun Sillem**

*CEO, Royal Academy of Engineering*

Katie, thank you very much for attending the dinner last night and for setting the scene so well with your speech - it was very informative and we were all appreciative of your insights, which definitely sparked lively conversations throughout the evening.

**Tania Williams**

*RPC*

Katie, we're so grateful you made the time to host both the roundtable and panel - which were expertly chaired. We have had lots of brilliant feedback from guests, and we're grateful that you could play such a key role in our event. We hope that you will come and visit us again at some point soon and would like you to come back for future events if they fit with your schedule.

**Gavin Poole**  
CEO, HereEast

Katie dazzled as Day 1 Chair on our main stage, Headliners, at The AI Summit London 2024. From opening remarks to closing thoughts, Katie masterfully guided the audience through a packed agenda. Her meticulous preparation, adaptability, and natural charm created an electric atmosphere. Whether introducing panels, leading fireside chats, or fielding unexpected changes, Katie's expertise shone through. Her exceptional performance as Chair was instrumental in making our event a resounding success.

**Evelina Kurmakaeva**  
Lead Producer, The AI Summit London

## Katie Prescott'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
<b>Home Country</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>Asia Pacific</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>Europe</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>Middle East &amp; Africa</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>South America</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>United Kingdom</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>US East Coast</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>US West Coast</b>	€12000 to €40000	£10,001 - £35,000	\$15000 - \$50000
<b>Virtual</b>	Under €12000	Under £10,000	Under \$15000