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IBM CEO Ginni Rometty honored with the 2019 Edison Achievement Award

NEW YORK, NY - (November 14, 2018) – Now celebrating its 32nd year, the [Edison Awards](#), recognized as the world’s foremost innovation award, announced the 2019 Edison Achievement Award honoree is [Ginni Rometty](#), Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of IBM.

The Edison Achievement Award honors distinguished leaders who have made a significant and lasting contribution to innovation throughout their careers and whose accomplishments serve as an inspiration to every industry and the world at large.

Since becoming CEO in January 2012, Rometty has led IBM through the most significant transformation in its history, and the company has become the world leader in AI and cloud computing for business, underpinned with trust and security. She has worked to ensure that new technologies are developed and deployed in a way that is ethical and enduring, with IBM becoming the first company to publish long-held principles of trust for AI, data responsibility and data transparency.

IBM also led the way on ensuring that society is prepared for this new era of data, equipping workers for “new collar” job roles in emerging technology fields that do not always require a bachelor’s degree. The IBM-created Pathways in Technology (P-TECH) education model is a six-year program that prepares students for career success by combining high school with a community college degree, mentoring and internships; there are more than 120 schools worldwide, bringing technology employment opportunities to more than 100,000 students.

“Ginni exemplifies Thomas Edison’s vision of bringing innovation to life and continues to deliver on her company’s mission of engineering a better tomorrow. On behalf of our Steering Committee, we are honored to present Ginni with our most prestigious award, the 2019 Edison Achievement Award,” said Frank Bonafilia, Executive Director of the Edison Awards. “In addition to being one of the most influential women in business, Ginni is creating an environment where innovative solutions are being developed in order to advance business and make the world a safer and more productive place.”

About the Edison Awards ®

The Edison Award program is presented by Edison Universe, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to recognizing, honoring, and fostering innovation and innovators throughout the world. The 2019 Edison Award nominations are open through November 21, 2018, so nominate today at www.edisonawards.com.