

A portrait of Holly Ransom, a woman with long brown hair, smiling. She is wearing a dark blazer over a white and blue patterned top. The background is a blurred indoor setting with large windows.

# HOLLY RANSOM

CONTACT

A specialist in disruptive strategy, a private company director and advocate for social and economic inclusion, Holly Ransom is recognized globally for her super-human ability to synthesize and simplify complex issues, and create engaging, thought-provoking conversation.

An in-demand keynote speaker, Holly breaks open obscure technical language and ambiguous challenges to ignite inclusive debate and drive pragmatic responses. Having presented over 500 sessions across six continents in the past three years to corporate, public and not-for-profit audiences, Holly brings high energy and a strong new voice to the topics of leadership, culture and innovation.

As founder and CEO of renowned consulting firm Emergent, Holly has partnered with clients such as P&G, Microsoft, Virgin, Cisco and across all levels of government to catalyse new strategic thinking, build innovative workplace cultures and to help leaders prepare for the employment, consumer and community challenges created by the rapid evolution of both technology and society. A 2019 Fulbright Scholar and Harvard Kennedy School Class of '21 fellow, Holly is currently undertaking a Master of Public Policy with a focus on how we drive better decision-making when it comes to technology's impact on humanity.

Named one of Australia's 100 Most Influential Women by the Australian Financial Review, Holly has delivered a Peace Charter to the Dalai Lama, interviewed Barack Obama on stage and was Sir Richard Branson's nominee for Wired Magazine's 'Smart List' of Future Game Changers to watch in 2017. In 2019 she was awarded the US Embassy's Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Leadership Excellence.

Identified early as a dynamic leader by the Australian Prime Minister, Holly was asked to Chair the G20 Youth Summit in 2014, the United Nations Coalition of Young Women Entrepreneurs in 2016, and is the youngest Director to have been appointed to an Australian Football Club Board. Holly attributes her intense curiosity and bias for pragmatism to a childhood in which answers always warranted further questions!