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Ellen Wagner is an award-winning learning technology professional who has worked as a tenured professor and academic affairs administrator, a senior executive, in commercial software companies, as an entrepreneur, as a consultant, and as a Board Member. She has more than 30 years of success in education, ed tech, software, public policy, higher education, and with nonprofit organizations. Her broad areas of expertise include change management; emerging technologies; instructional systems design; learning engineering; curriculum development and learning management; online and e-learning; knowledge management; and leadership development and team building;

Ellen currently consults with higher educational and corporate clients to making better strategic use of emerging technologies using data analytics. She supports the IEEE IC Industry Consortium on Learning Engineering, and is a member of the Affiliate Faculty, Learning Technology Division, George Mason University. She recently completed a two-year post-acquisition appointment as Vice President, Research of Hobsons, an educational software company. Before that she had co-founded the Predictive Analytics Reporting (PAR) Framework, and served as chief strategy officer from PAR's inception to its acquisition by Hobsons in 2016. Prior to PAR Framework, she was Vice-President, Technology, of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, which included serving as Executive Director of WICHE's Cooperative for Educational Technologies. Ellen is the former senior director of worldwide eLearning, Adobe Systems, Inc. and was senior director of worldwide education solutions for Macromedia, Inc. at the time of its acquisition by Adobe. As Chief Learning Officer at both Informania, Inc. and Viviance new Education, AG, she supervised the developments of corporate education and learning content and course development, including learning management and competency management efforts, featuring the development of the Novell, Inc. certification programs and 12 of the original CBE programs offered by Western Governors University.

Before joining the private sector, Ellen was a tenured professor and chair of the Educational Technology program at the University of Northern Colorado, where she held a number of administrative posts, including Director of the Western Institute for Distance Education and Coordinator of Campus Instructional and Research Technologies, Academic Affairs.

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