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**CEO**  
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Candace is an experienced CEO and Director in the technology sector. Known as an evangelist for innovation in the use of ICT, she is passionate about emerging technologies and enabling connectivity for sharing knowledge. She is particularly passionate about getting young women interested in education and careers in technology, science and business from a young age.

Candace was most recently the CEO of Biomatters, a leading global scientific software development Company founded and headquartered in New Zealand with subsidiary offices in the USA. She has also held senior roles at Telecom, SolNet and Biolab Scientific (now ThermoFisher.)

Currently, Candace is an active Director for NZBIO, a membership-based Group representing companies and organisations in the biotechnology sector and on the advisory board of the Massey University School of Business. She was also a director of the NZ Health IT Cluster for nearly three years.

Candace has undergraduate degrees in Anthropology and Political Science from the University of Hawaii, a Post-Graduate qualification in International Business and a Masters in Business Management from Massey University in New Zealand. She has also completed advanced business studies with a focus on Bio-Pharma Enterprise from Rutgers University of New Jersey. Candace is a keen equestrienne and organic gardener, and loves spending holidays in the Pacific islands.