

# RTIH TOP 100 Retail Technology Influencers List

The latest edition of the RTIH Top 100 Retail Technology Influencers List has arrived! Here are the people who made a splash in 2022 and are set for a barnstorming 2023.

TIH has scoured the retail technology world to find the most influential figures for this comprehensive list of people and trends that shape the industry and help drive it forward.

We're living in unprecedented times.

The Covid-19 outbreak has driven a seismic change in shopping habits, with checkout free stores, automation in the supply chain, rapid delivery services, and the metaverse making waves.

Such disruption requires new ways of problem solving and thought leaders who can both evangelise

and execute on the likes of digital transformation and omnichannel success.

Which is where the RTIH Top 100 Retail Technology Influencers List comes in, presented, we should stress, in no particular order.

We hope you enjoy reading through it and, as always, if you would like to give feedback or believe that there are some glaring omissions, please feel free to get in touch (contact details can be found on page three of this magazine).

Scott Thompson, Editor and Founder, RTIH

#### **ELODIE PERTHUISOT**

Twitter bio: Chief E Commerce, Digital Transformation and Data Officer at Carrefour.

#### **DANIELLE VERMEER**

Vermeer recently left her "dream job" leading resale fashion CX at Amazon for life at a fashion tech startup.

She is now Co-founder and CEO at Teleport, a social commerce app to share and shop outfit videos in a Gen Z driven community (think TikTok and Depop combined).

In a Twitter post, she said: "I believe the future of fashion is where content, community and (re) commerce collide."

"Younger consumers want a "third space" online to express their authentic style and to shop cute clothes from trusted peers. I'm obsessed with making this vision a reality."

Teleport is co-founded by Jon Choi (ex-Ethereum, Dropbox).

Vermeer added: "We believe that fashion is more than just the clothes you wear. It's a way to express your unique style, get inspired and make genuine connections in a niche community."

#### **VALA AFSHAR**

Twitter bio: Chief Digital Evangelist @Salesforce | Columnist: @ZDNet | Show: @DisrupTVShow | Book: http://bit.ly/tposbe

#### **TOBI LUTKE**

Twitter bio: @Shopify CEO by day, Dad in evening, hacker at night. Aspiring comprehensivist. (tweets auto delete) retweet/like=noteworthy share, not endorsement.

#### **GIOVANNI ZACCARIELLO**

LinkedIn bio: SVP Global Visual Experience at Coach.

#### **SHISH SHRIDHAR**

LinkedIn bio: Global Retail Startups Lead | RETHINK Retail Top 100 Retail Influencer 2022 | RTIH Top 100 Retail Technology Influencers | Advisory Board GMU Center for Retail Transformation.

#### **SCOT WINGO**

Twitter bio: @GetSpiffy CEO, Board @ChannelAdvisor, @zverse3d. Podcast on ecomm/retail with @retailgeek http://jasonandscot.com and http://tweenerfund.com.



#### **CAS PATON**

LinkedIn bio: Founder and CEO of OnBuy.com - Where loyalty is rewarded.

#### **GARY NEWBURY**

LinkedIn bio: Award winning Strategic Advisor & Delivery Executive ◊ ◊ ◊ ♦ RAPID Transformation of Disrupted Supply Chain Performance ◊ ◊ ◊ Industrial Strength ◊ ◊ ♦ Field-Tested ◊ ◊ ♦ RAPID Methodology ♦ ♦ ♦ Contact me via RetailAID.ca.

#### **JASON GOLDBERG**

Twitter bio: Chief Commerce Strategy Officer @ PublicisGroupe; Host of Jason & Scot E-commerce Podcast; Digital commerce, retail SME; @Forbes contributor (opinions=mine).

#### **JONATHAN DE MELLO**

Twitter bio: Retail & Retail Property expert. Founder & CEO of JDM Retail. NED. Top 25 Retail Influencer. Providing strategic consulting to retailers & property investors.

#### PATRYK POWIERŻA

LinkedIn bio: Żabka Nano Growth | Autonomous Retail | Newsletter Author.

#### **ANDREY GOLUB**

Twitter bio: #Fashion & #Retail Strategist, #FashionTech & #RetailTech Expert.

#### **OLIVER GUY**

LinkedIn bio: Empowering industry leaders to innovate & compete with greater agility. | Microsoft Retail.

#### KATHARINE MCKEE

LinkedIn bio: Fortune 500 E-commerce Strategist l Startup Advisor l Digital Commerce Expert l Increasing Margins and Growth I Founder of Morphology Consulting® l Forbes Next 1000.

#### **STEVE DENNIS**

Twitter bio: Strategy consultant. Keynote speaker. Top #retail influencer. Best-selling author of "Remarkable Retail: How to Win & Keep Customers in the Age of Disruption."

#### **JUSTINE MOORE**

Twitter bio: Consumer partner @a16z (or a plausible-sounding bot ) | Author of Accelerated | Twin of @omooretweets.

#### LIZA AMLANI

Twitter bio: Go To Expert in Retail Merchandising, Product Creation & Speed to Market | Board Member | RETHINK Retail Top Influencer.

#### **MICHAEL GABAY**

LinkedIn bio: Co-Founder and CEO at Trigo.

#### **DEANN CAMPBELL**

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#### STACEY WIDLITZ

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#### **MICHELLE GRANT**

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#### **MARSHALL KAY**

LinkedIn bio: Strategic Advisor to retailers, global brands, investors and others connected to Retail. Speaker. Writer on Retail topics for Forbes. One of 2022's most influential Thought Leaders (as awarded by RETHINK Retail).



#### **LUKE JENSEN**

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#### MICHAEL LEBLANC

LinkedIn bio: Founder | Strategic Advisor | Keynote Speaker | Podcaster | Top Global Retail Influencer | YouTube BBO Show Producer & Host.

#### **BEN ZETTLER**

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#### JEFF ROSTER

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#### **MATT PAVICH**

LinkedIn bio: Sr. Director, Retail Innovation at Revionics, an Aptos Company Leading Industry Expert on Retail Pricing Best Practices.

#### **MATT TAYLOR**

Matt is a partner and the technology transformation practice lead for CPR at EY.

He previously led large scale complex global IT transformation, e-commerce, delivery and recoveries for over 20 years at Accenture. He is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute for IT, and a member of the RTIH Innovation Awards judging panel.

#### **STEVE COLLINGE**

Steve has been a consultant within the retail industry for ten years, with a growing list of clients including eBay, ManoMano and others and boasting over 27,000 followers for his content on LinkedIn.

#### **PAUL DO FORNO**

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#### **ANDREW BUSBY**

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#### **RON THURSTON**

LinkedIn bio: Best Selling Author of RETAIL PRIDE, Host of the RETAIL IN AMERICA Podcast, ReTHINK Retail 100 Most Influential People, Live Full Time in an Airstream.

#### **DAVID POLINCHOCK**

LinkedIn bio: Helping retailers and brands understand the emerging tech impacting the physical space, including AR & the metaverse. 30 years' experience in VR.



#### **SEBASTIAN SIEMIATKOWSKI**

Twitter bio: Co-founder and CEO of @Klarna. Smoooth shopping! Trying my best to be the nightmare of the bank establishment worldwide! Do all I can so customers will love us.

#### **RICH CORBRIDGE**

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#### **VIV CRASKE**

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#### **MATT BRADLEY**

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#### **CATHERINE SHUTTLEWORTH**

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#### **MARTIN NEWMAN**

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#### **GREG DEACON**

Twitter bio: VP Groups & Business Development @ SnappyShopperUK | Retail Solutions | Retail Media | Brand Builder | Delivery | Tech | LFC.

#### **MEGAN LUDLOW**

LinkedIn bio: RTIH Top 100 Retail Tech Influencer On the search for innovative businesses to help turbocharge M&S's digital transformation.

#### **TREVOR SUMNER**

Twitter bio: Head of Al @tryraydiant, reinventing #retail, founder of LocalVox, tech exec, #NYC native, amateur chef & global #scuba diver. Contributor for @Inc and @Forbes.

#### **BRYAN ROBERTS**

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#### **NICK LANSLEY**

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#### **BRITTAIN LADD**

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#### **JENNIFER STEPHENS**

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#### **CHRISTINE RUSSO**

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#### RICHARD HAMMOND

Twitter bio: Author of Friction/Reward and Smart Retail; sold globally in 22 languages. Created the friction versus reward metric (FvR), loves retail and customers.

#### **SUCHARITA KODALI**

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#### **STEVE LISTER**

LinkedIn bio: Sustainability Director - Global Brands & Retailers at HH Global RETHINK Retail - Top Retail Influencer 2023 - Retail Expert.

#### **MARY PORTAS**

Queen of Shops and co-chair of the Better Business Act, Mary Portas, has been confirmed as a keynote speaker at Retail Technology Show

Portas will join over 100+ retail thought leaders taking to the stage at the event

Speaking on the Headline Stage on day two, moderated this year by retail broadcaster and 'Customer Whisperer' Kate Hardcastle, she will discuss the role of human connectivity and the Kindness Economy in the future of retail.

Portas will explore what this new value system, where businesses must understand the fundamental role they play in the fabric of people's lives, means for retailers – and their omnichannel technology roadmaps – as they look ahead to 2023 and beyond.



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#### **NEIRA JONES**

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#### **JO HICKSON**

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#### **FRANK BEARD**

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Twitter bio: Helping retailers transform operating models. Coach & consultant. Podcast host of the Retail Transformation Show.

#### **PAUL WILKINSON**

Twitter bio: Product Manager, Groceries at Deliveroo - formerly at Alexa Shopping and "an unlikely Tesco employee" according to Wired. Own opinions.

#### **STEVE DRESSER**

Twitter bio: Insight and advisory for retail execs worldwide. "The man supermarket CEO's turn to (BBC) "Let's make retail great again", #10. SEN Tribunal vet.

#### **REBEKAH KONDRAT**

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#### **OLGA KOTSUR**

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#### **NADINE NEATROUR**

Nadine is Marketing Manager at Selfridges and a member of the RTIH Innovation Awards judging panel.

#### **BOB PHIBBS**

Twitter bio: Bob Phibbs, the Retail Doctor. Professional speaker on retail sales, training and marketing. Author, blogger, business makeover specialist, retail influencer.



#### **NIKKI BAIRD**

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#### **MIYA KNIGHTS**

Miya is co-author of Omnichannel Retail and Amazon: How the World's Most Relentless Retailer Will Continue to Revolutionise Commerce, as well as a regular media commentator and events speaker.

#### **IMRAN ANSANI**

With over 20 years' experience in Fortune 100 omnichannel retailers/stakeholders such as Walmart, Dell and FedEx, Imran is a sought after contributor and speaker at leading retail conferences, having worked across all stops on retail customers' and operators' journeys - both in physical stores as well as online.

In his current role as head of retail edge computing solutions at Dell, he's developing solutions to help modernise retail IT infrastructure and set up retailers for successful digital transformation using emerging technologies such as AI/ML, AR/VR, robotics/automation, cloud/edge computing etc.

#### **WIZZ SELVEY**

Wizz is former Head of Buying at Selfridges and Director at Cowshed Beauty and Soho Home.

She is a champion for change in the retail industry, has an instinct for trends, how to build a disruptive brand and is an expert on customer behaviour.

As well as speaking internationally she is a regular contributor to trade and mainstream media, being featured in the likes of WGSN, Beauty Independent, Metro, Daily Mail, NatWest Business, and City AM.

She is also a member of the RTIH Innovation Awards judging panel.

#### **GEOFFREY BARRACLOUGH**

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#### **WARREN RICHMOND**

LinkedIn bio: CEO & Founder, Situ Live & Revium Group | Chair, Retail Marketing Group.

#### **DANNY RAPPAPORT**

Danny joined PMC as Director of Consulting in October 2021. He came onboard from Capgemini, where he was a Vice President in the UK, operating across verticals including finance and retail.

He brings a wealth of experience in providing technology and business services to the retail, finance and CPG sectors, having worked in senior executive level positions in the UK, the Netherlands and India.

In 2022, he chaired a 'state of the retail sector' panel discussion, attended by leading retailers, tech suppliers, analysts and consultants, at the RTIH Innovation Awards.

#### **GREGG LONDON**

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#### **SIMEON SIEGEL**

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#### **IAN SHEPHERD**

LinkedIn bio: Chairman, Bensons for Beds, and regular writer on retail & consumer topics.

#### **RICHARD LIM**

LinkedIn bio: Chief Executive at Retail Economics.

#### **OSKAR JAKOBSSON**

LinkedIn bio: Chief Product Officer (CPO), Retail influencer, speaker and Innovator. Board member and senior advisor.

#### **IAN SCOTT**

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#### **HOW DO WE IDENTIFY THE TOP 100?**

We use a variety of sources to select our top 100, including feedback from industry observers, research within our own networks, direct or third-party nominations via our website, and social media tools.

In addition to social presence, we also take into account award winners, event speakers, books published, media appearances, and people building innovative companies, solutions etc in the retail space.

Uncrowd's Richard Hammond (pictured left).

