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K Ananth Krishnan is an M. Tech. in Computer Science and an M.Sc in Physics from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. He also has a Bachelor's degree in Physics from Fergusson College, Pune. He joined TCS in February 1988, straight from campus.

Ananth is currently the Chief Technology Officer of TCS and chairs the TCS Corporate Technology Board. He is a member of the TCS Corporate Think-Tank since 1999, and has led several strategic initiatives. He has been a Principal Architect and Lead Consultant in the Architecture and Technology Consulting Practice, and earlier the head of the TCS Systems Management and the Systems Software Group.

He was named in Computerworld's Premier 100 IT Leaders for 2007, and in Infoworld's Top 25 CTOs for 2007. He was named a Distinguished Alumnus of the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi in the year 2009.

He was an invitee to the quarterly management review with the TCS Board (the executive committee of Tata Sons Limited) from April 2000 to March 2004. He has served on several Advisory Boards including Jataayu Software, Symantec and IBM-Rational as well as the National Technology Committee of the Confederation of Indian Industry and the ACM India Council. He has served on the committees of several national and international conferences.

He is a Senior Member of the IEEE and a member of the Computer Society of India as well as a member of the Association of Computing Machinery. He has been an invited faculty in the Department of Management Studies at the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.

Ananth is married, with two children and lives in Chennai. He has formally retired from a successful career in Trivia and Quizzing (which includes the 'Brain of IIT' individual title and two 'Cranium Cup' titles at IIT and several years on the IIT Quiz team), public speaking, crossword puzzle solving and cricket.