



# Rodney Brooks

World-renowned Robotist & Entrepreneur



## CSA CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

Rodney Brooks, the former director of MIT's Computer Science and AI LAB, came to fame when he successfully founded iRobot. He has now cofounded Robust.AI, a robotics start-up which aims to build the world's first industrial-grade cognitive platform for robots.

**"One of the leading pioneers in robotics technology"**

### In detail

Rodney received a Ph.D. in Computer Science from Stanford. He joined MIT as a Professor of Robotics and co-founded iRobot in 1990. At iRobot, he held various roles, including CTO, Chairman and board member. He also served as the founding Director of MIT's Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory. In 2008, Rodney left MIT to found Rethink Robotics and as their Chairman and CTO, he focused on advanced robotic intelligence in manufacturing for the next 10 years. Since 2019 he is the co-founder and CTO of Robust.AI. Rodney has received multiple awards for his contributions to robotics and AI, including the IEEE Robotics and Automation Award, the IEEE Founders Medal and the Computer History Museum Fellow Award.

### What he offers you

Rodney's keynotes reflect extensive knowledge in automation. He shares his valuable insights on the most innovative robotics projects as well as how artificial intelligence is likely to change the world. Rodney's compelling facts and data are essential for businesses trying to succeed in this extraordinary tech world of today.

### How he presents

Rodney Brook knows exactly how to captivate his audiences with his down-to-earth style and plenty of humour in his highly impactful presentations.

### Topics

Robots in the Workplace  
Artificial Intelligence & Robotics and the Future – How Will They Change the World?  
Creativity, Innovation and Advanced Technology  
Smart, Collaborative Robots (Cobots)

### Languages

He presents in English.

### Want to know more?

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### How to book him?

Simply phone or e-mail us.

### Publications

#### 2003

Flesh and Machines: How Robots Will Change Us

#### 1999

Cambrian Intelligence: The Early History of the New AI

Smart, Collaborative Robots (Cobots)