



**James E. Heppelmann**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**

James (Jim) Heppelmann is the president and chief executive officer (CEO) of PTC and is responsible for driving PTC's global business strategy and operations. Previous to his appointment as CEO, Mr. Heppelmann served as PTC's president and chief operating officer, responsible for managing the operating business units of the company including R&D, Marketing, Sales, Services, and Maintenance. He also serves on PTC's Board of Directors.

**Experience**

Mr. Heppelmann previously served as executive vice president, software products, and chief product officer at PTC with responsibility for overall product direction, including coordination of PTC product vision and strategy, product design and development, and product marketing and management.

Mr. Heppelmann has worked in the information technology industry since 1985 and has extensive experience developing and deploying large-scale product development systems within the manufacturing marketplace. Prior to joining PTC, Mr. Heppelmann was co-founder and chief technical officer of Windchill Technology, a Minnesota-based company acquired by PTC in 1998. Before co-founding Windchill Technology, Mr. Heppelmann served as chief technical officer at Metaphase Technology. Mr. Heppelmann had worked at Control Data Corporation (now known as Syntegra) for seven years until the company formed Metaphase in 1992.

Mr. Heppelmann travels extensively to customer sites around the globe and speaks regularly at product development and manufacturing industry forums on topics such as the Internet of Things (IoT), PLM, and gaining competitive advantage through product development process improvement. He has also been published and quoted in numerous business and trade media, including *The Boston Globe*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *Bloomberg Television*.

Mr. Heppelmann serves as a member of the national *FIRST* (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) executive advisory board, and is a member of the Dean's advisory board at the University of Minnesota College of Science & Engineering.

**Education**

Mr. Heppelmann attended University of Minnesota, where he earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering with an emphasis on computer-aided design.