



Founding Director's Term Extended as Leader of Nonprofit Credential Engine

Scott Cheney appointed to two-year term as CEO of Credential Engine by Board of Directors

Washington, D.C. (SEPTEMBER 9, 2020) -- The Board of Directors for Credential Engine, the pioneering nonprofit dedicated to expanding credential and competency transparency, today announced that current executive director, Scott Cheney, has agreed to serve an additional two years as the organization's CEO. Building on over three years at the helm of the organization as its founding executive director, Cheney will lead the organization's continued growth and expansion over a two-year term.

"At a time of unprecedented labor market uncertainty, it's never been more urgent for us to bring greater transparency to the maze of more than 730,000 unique credentials," said Credential Engine board chair Eleni Papadakis. "Scott's tireless efforts and ambitious vision have been the driving force behind our efforts, and we're already seeing significant progress as more states, institutions, employers, and policymakers rally to this cause. We are proud to continue this work with Scott, whose leadership has been essential and will help guide us into a new chapter of growth and impact."

"This work is more critical than ever, and long overdue. But today's unemployment crisis and a wave of economic displacement is making it clear how urgent it is to increase transparency around the labor market value of credentials," Cheney said. "I'm thankful to the Board for their deep commitment to credential transparency and look forward to helping our team achieve an even greater impact in more states and communities—at a time when learners, workers, and employers need it most."

Nineteen states and regions are now working with Credential Engine and its suite of open-source technologies to improve transparency of credentials, competencies, pathways, and quality indicators. Earlier this year, Credential Engine, cited as one of the most ambitious and visionary initiatives in education and training, [launched](#) the State Policy Partnership to continue growing state initiatives over the coming years and ensure that workers, learners, employers, educators, and others can always have open access to credential and competency information.

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About Credential Engine

[Credential Engine](#) is a nonprofit organization that develops and maintains the technology infrastructure to enable a transparent and connected credential marketplace. The [Credential Registry](#), started in 2016, currently houses nearly 20,000 credentials and competency frameworks from more than 450 providers -- including close to 2,500 healthcare credentials -- and includes everything from apprenticeships and certificates to certifications and degrees. Credential Engine receives funding from Lumina Foundation, JPMorgan Chase & Co., Walmart, Google, Northrop Grumman Foundation, Microsoft Philanthropies, the Siegel Family Endowment, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the ECMC Foundation.



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