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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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Harnessing the Power of Spatial Data Science

As data science and analytics become increasingly important tools in every decision maker's toolkit, what role should spatial play? How do we, as the GIS community, step up and make sure that decision makers are using a geographic approach to solving problems?

Dr. Lauren Bennett leads the Spatial Analysis and Data Science product engineering team at Esri. In her role, she oversees the R&D of the ArcGIS geoprocessing framework, which includes spatial and spatiotemporal statistics, raster and multidimensional analysis, machine learning and big data analytics. Lauren is passionate about the power of spatial data science to make an impact on our world, from racial equity and social justice to public health to climate change. Lauren received a BA in Geography from McGill University, an MS in Geographic and Cartographic Science from George Mason University, and her PhD in Information Systems and Technology from Claremont Graduate University.



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