



# THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

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## Timothy Bhatt, MD-MIS CTO, Moody's Investors Service

By Jim Kelley

**Kim McMillan** introduced Tim Bhatt. Tim is the Chief Technology Officer for Moody's Investors Service (MIS). In this role, he leads global technology services, product management, and digital experience design for MIS.

Tim joined Moody's in 2018, bringing more than 20 years of experience in a broad range of technology functions within financial services. Prior to joining Moody's, Tim served as Chief Technology Officer and Chief Information Security Officer at Ally. Before joining Ally, Tim led strategic technology projects at JP Morgan Chase and Bank of America. Tim received his bachelor's degree in Computer Engineering from Lehigh University in Pennsylvania and a Master's in Software Engineering from Pennsylvania State University-Great Valley Graduate Center.

Tim loves his family, Philadelphia sports teams, and the Charlotte FC. He has recently taken up drumming lessons after seeing 11-year-old – Nandi Bushell out-drum Dave Grohl from the Foo Fighters.

Tim said that Moody's is a global integrated risk assessment firm providing credit rating opinions, analytical solutions, and insights that empower organizations to make better, faster decisions

He continued to say that the Moody's Investors Service (1) has been an independent provider of credit rating opinions and related information for over 100 years, (2) has proven ratings accuracy and deeply experienced analysts, and (3) has expanded sales and marketing activities in its commercial group.

Tim reported that Moody's Analytics (1) is a provider of financial

intelligence and analytical tools which supports their customers' growth, efficiency, and risk management objectives, (2) is a provider of solutions to address diverse needs and customers, and (3) is extending its brand into new markets and deepening customer relationships.

Moody's, a Fortune 500 company, expanded into the Charlotte region in 2019. In early 2022, Moody's opened a brand-new office space. The company occupies four floors in the RailYard South End on South Tryon Street.

Tim said The RailYard South End is the perfect location for their Charlotte office expansion and rapidly growing team. They are grateful to find an expansive office space in a dynamic, amenity-rich district where their employees can experience the best of Charlotte, just steps away from the office. Since 2019, the Charlotte office has grown from 40 to 300 employees.

Tim shared that Moody's going is focused on innovation, collaboration, and agility. They are investing in exciting technologies that will inspire their employees and strengthen; for example, machine learning and computational intelligence to optimize analytical capabilities. They are also bringing people together in person and virtually to realize the power of collaboration. Ultimately, they are driving a culture of agility with a focus on "test-learn-adapt-repeat" so they can meet their customers' and employees' evolving needs by embracing the rapid pace of change and developing next-level products before their customers need them.

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