

BIO

Michael E. Thompson, Ph.D.

Dr. Thompson is Managing Director & CEO of First Analytics, a firm he co-owns, along with noted thought leader Tom Davenport, author of "Competing on Analytics" and "Keeping Up with the Quants". First Analytics helps organizations with practical applications of advanced analytics, including data visualization, predictive modeling, data mining, text mining, forecasting, and optimization. Mike will discuss what it means to compete on analytics, strategies for getting started and specific case examples, including fuel price optimization and industrial safety analysis.

Prior to co-founding First Analytics, Mike was a Partner with Ernst & Young, LLP. He has also held executive positions with Fortune 500 companies in analytics, IT, and supply chain management and has served as Senior Advisor to the CEO of a major non-profit research organization. He holds degrees from the Pardee RAND Graduate School, George Washington University, and Cornell University, and has had executive training at Stanford's Graduate School of Business. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the U.S. Coast Guard in 2003 for his pro bono work on homeland security risks.

While he now is based in the Research Triangle area of North Carolina, Mike was born and raised in Texas and his roots trace back to a group of Cherokee Indians and Scots-irish traders who crossed the Red River into Spanish Texas about two years before Stephen Austin established his colony.

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