

GURURAJ DESHPANDE

Senior Vice President, Head – Infosys Bangalore Center & Chief Operating Officer, EdgeVerve systems (an Infosys company)



A global IT leader with over 25 years of experience, Guru is currently involved with charting the transformation course for enterprises to adopt Automation and AI using the AI enabled products, platforms and Business Applications from EdgeVerve.

Guru's responsibilities include defining the product roadmap and strategy, leading the Engineering and product teams as well as manage the overall P&L for the organization across its product lines. The EdgeVerve suite of products include - AssistEdge (Robotic Process Automation product to offload work to Digital workers), the AI platform Infosys Nia™, as well as Business Applications (powered by the NIA AI platform). These products enable clients to gain quick competitive advantage through deterministic automation as well as quickly move into predictive and cognitive transformation using the power of data and machine learning. In his earlier roles, Guru has handled the Global delivery of large scale IT services portfolios across USA, Europe, Asia and Australia.

Guru also heads the Bangalore Development Center of Infosys (over 30,000 people). His key responsibilities as a center head include – Handling day to day operations at the center, managing Disaster recovery and Business Continuity procedures, Employee engagement and satisfaction, Client and delegation visits, overall growth of the center, Branding and external liaison as well as Corporate Social Responsibility.

Across his various roles at Infosys, Guru has lived and worked in many other countries across the globe for many years – like Australia, Singapore, Switzerland and Korea.

Guru also serves as a member of the governing body at International Institute of Information Technology – Bangalore and is also associated with few other educational institutions in an advisory capacity.

Guru is an ardent follower of Indian classical music and loves going to concerts while also dabbling in some singing, karaoke and playing the Indian percussion instrument (Tabla). Guru's other interests include people, world business, gadgets, writing/reading, travelling and community service. Guru (with his wife Vidya, daughter Diya and son Dhruv) calls Bangalore his home.