

Biography - Professor Lynne Cadenhead

A serial entrepreneur, Lynne has over 20 years' investment experience, investing in, mentoring and nurturing a range of early stage technology and retail companies throughout the UK. She has worked with a wide portfolio of technology companies – from pharmaceuticals and polymers, to prosthetics and optics – and has also managed two early stage technology venture capital funds, served on over 30 boards and started up her own games company.

Lynne served as a member of the Scottish Executive Scottish Industrial Development Advisory Board (SIDAB) for eight years and was previously Chairman of Connect, the Scottish technology networking organisation. She was also an early investor and first Chairman of Touch Bionics, the world-leading upper limb prosthetics company, recently sold for £27.5 million.

Currently Lynne is involved with several early stage technology companies as director and angel investor, mainly in the fields of cyber security and artificial intelligence. She recently started a new personal branding company, whilst continuing with her pioneering work in leadership in board governance. In 2017 Lynne was awarded the title of Visiting Professor in Governance and Enterprise at Edinburgh Napier University.

She is also a long-standing member of two Edinburgh Napier University Boards (Campaign Advisory Board and the Business School Board), Chair of UNICEF Scotland Advisory Board and Chair of Women's Enterprise Scotland, the community investment company which works to unlock the economic potential of women in business.