

# Verizon Appoints Santiago “Yago” Tenorio as Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President of Strategy and Technology Enablement

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**With over 25 years of experience in the wireless industry, Tenorio will play a pivotal role in driving Verizon’s technological innovation. He will report directly to Joe Russo, Executive Vice President & President of Global Network and Technology.**

Tenorio joins [Verizon](#) from Vodafone, where he built high-performance teams and gained recognition for his contributions to Vodafone’s Open RAN, Cloud Networking, and Network APIs. He led network technology decisions and developed Vodafone’s technology roadmap for mobile and fixed networks. Previously, Tenorio served as CTO for Vodafone Ireland and Chief Network Officer in the UK, successfully leading Vodafone’s network coverage efforts for the 2012 London Olympics.

Recognized as a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering in the UK, Tenorio’s career achievements highlight his technical contributions to the industry, earning him one of the highest honors in engineering.

In his new role at Verizon, Tenorio will spearhead 5G use case advancements, collaborate with partners on new technological progress, and chart the course for Verizon’s next generation of technologies. The Strategy and Technology Enablement (STE) team will commence operations on October 28, 2024, coinciding with Tenorio’s official start at Verizon.

“As we continue to advance our 5G and 5G-advanced network builds, this is the right time to also look towards the future technology Verizon will enable. As Verizon enters its next chapter, we must position our organization for success and remain focused on our Global Networks & Technology mission: To build and

operate the best, most reliable, highest-performing and most secure networks to power and empower how customers live, work and play.”

– Joe Russo, Executive Vice President & President, Global Network and Technology