

W. Alexander Holmes, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer



Alex Holmes is the Chairman and CEO of MoneyGram International, one of the world's leading brands that powers cross-border money transfers, having served more than 150 million people over the past five years. Under his leadership, MoneyGram has successfully executed its digital transformation and rapidly evolved its business model to deliver innovative financial solutions that connect the world's communities.

Today, Alex is leading the next iteration of the MoneyGram journey to leverage its modern, mobile and API-driven platform with a specific focus on building the digital business model of the future. An award-winning champion of innovation, Alex has spearheaded industry-leading efforts to utilize crypto and blockchain technology to change the way money moves across borders.

Alex is an established thought leader on global payments and is regularly featured on the world's leading media platforms, including the Wall Street Journal, Forbes and the Washington Post. He also has made appearances on live broadcast media, including CNN, CNBC, Bloomberg and Fox Business. With frequent international travel, Alex regularly contributes to regional news media and engages with world leaders, government officials, regulators and leading multinational business executives to advise on relevant global events.

An advocate of social impact, Alex has been instrumental in leading company initiatives focused on empowering others through education and financial inclusion, as well as cultivating a company culture of diversity. Alex also serves on the University of Colorado Leeds School of Business Board-Emeritus and is on the board of Vogel Alcove, a nonprofit organization with a mission to help young children overcome the lasting and traumatic effects of homelessness. He is also a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Innovation Advisory Council and part of the Global One chapter of the Young Presidents Organization.

Alex joined MoneyGram in 2009 and previously served as both CFO and COO before being named CEO in January 2016. Prior to MoneyGram, Alex spent almost nine years at First Data Corporation where he held a variety of positions, including Chief of Staff to the CEO, Head of Investor Relations, Senior Vice President of Global Sourcing & Strategic Initiatives, and Regional Director of the Benelux for Western Union.