

Asia Technology: The future of opportunity

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Transcript

Anita: I always say Asia tech is the future of tech, and people wonder what that means, but for me it's important that tech is connected to people, and Asia is where the people are. That's where we're seeing interesting opportunities, because the western companies that may dominate technology in our minds, or have maybe the best solution, don't necessarily have the best solution for the local market.

Yash: One of the things I'm really excited about right now is pervasive connectivity, which means that everything around you is connected and intelligent. Going forward, there's potential for cloud gaming, which means that you can start playing a game at any point on any device at the click of a button and you're in that game. But you take that further, and concepts such as augmented reality and virtual reality actually can become a reality. Connectivity is a fundamental layer that is going to enable that. 5G is a fundamental infrastructure in order to allow that connectivity, and Asia is actually leading, in terms of developing some of this 5G infrastructure.

Anita: The Internet of Things implies that everything will have a chip in it, or a sensor, and communications capability, and autonomous driving is probably the most advanced example of the Internet of Things. Every car will be a computer — a smartphone on wheels — that communicates simultaneously and instantaneously with every other car on the road and the infrastructure around it, and that capability requires both new network technology and a new architecture of networks, plus sensors, plus computation, plus algorithms. We now are able to figure out things we never thought were possible because we can process all that data now and analyze it.

Yash: I believe we are just in the beginning of making sense of how we use all of this data, and I believe there are a lot of applications that are going to be huge tomorrow, that today are just concepts in a garage that a few people are working on.

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