

Maneck Mohan, CEO of Recruit.net, on the Rise of Machines

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([Newswire.net](#) -- March 15, 2019) -- While estimates vary, experts have predicted that robots and other automated processes could replace as many as half of all workers over the next couple of decades. If you are working today, you have an excellent chance of seeing your current job slip away, and that is a terrifying thought.

Whether you are at the start of your career or nearing retirement, you need to take some proactive steps to protect your job and preserve your earning power. You may not be able to stop automation from happening or slow down the artificial intelligence revolution, but you can take action.

[Maneck Mohan](#), the founder, and CEO of Recruit.net is a passionate advocate for using technology to help people find jobs tailored to their needs and abilities. Below, Mr. Mohan shows that there are things you can do to maintain your lifestyle in an increasingly automated workplace.

Be Aware of the Threat

If you want to protect your job and maintain your ability to make a living, awareness is the first step. Denial will not get you anywhere, and sticking your head in the sand could speed your obsolescence in an increasingly automated world.

No matter what you do for a living, do your homework and learn about the threat you face from automation. You probably already know that factory workers face enormous threats from robotics and automation, but what about accountants, legal professionals, and even doctors? These professionals all face threats from automation, and the individuals doing those jobs need to get ready.

Focus on Your Soft Skills

No matter how capable machines get, there are some things they are just not good at. Soft skills have so far proven elusive for robots and artificial intelligence, so focusing on those skills could be an effective way to safeguard your career.

Think about the soft skills you bring to the table every day, from your ability to effectively lead a team to your problem solving and adaptability. These skills are challenging to automate, and having them could keep you safe even as machines take over the workplace.

Invest in Continuing Education

If the last class you took was in college, it might be time to head back to the classroom. The days of static education are nearly over, and the future belongs to those who continue learning and growing throughout their careers.

If you want to survive and thrive in the age of the machines, start by investing in yourself. Whether that means attending a weekend seminar, taking a college class online or attending industry conferences, take advantage of every learning opportunity you can find. Today online learning is easier than ever before. Classes from Harvard University on Data Science and Machine Learning are just a click away: <https://online-learning.harvard.edu/course/data-science-machine-learning?delta=0>

Technological advances are coming faster than ever, and it can be hard to keep up. Even if you consider yourself tech-savvy, there is always more you can do to learn about the next big thing.

The new class of robots may replace the workers on the factory floor, but the factory owner will need people to build robots and keep them running. The more you know about the underlying technology, the easier it will be to make the

switch.

Be Prepared for a Career Change

Despite your best efforts, your current career could be phased out or significantly changed by automation. In the end, a career change may be your best, or even your only option.

Being prepared for a [career change](#) can safeguard your earning power and help you survive in an increasingly uncertain professional landscape. The additional educational investment you made could play a huge role in the transition, positioning you for an even better career down the road.

Futurists and other experts predict that the coming robotic revolution will change the landscape at least as much as the industrial revolution a century ago. That earlier revolution created enormous disruption in the ranks of ordinary workers, eliminating entire classes of jobs and leaving the displaced scrambling to make a living.

The increasing power of automation and artificial intelligence could create an even more significant disruption, one that could eliminate half of the current jobs. If you want to protect yourself for the coming changes, you need to start now. The more prepared you are, the easier it will be to weather the storm and come out whole on the other side.

About Maneck Mohan:

Born in Hong Kong and educated in the United Kingdom and the United States, [Maneck Mohan](#) appreciates the necessity of overcoming adversity and integrating into the global workforce. His experience in the recruitment business and expertise in designing software solutions has helped him build a global service that is now used by millions of visitors a day.

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