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Lew Tucker is the Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Cloud Computing at Cisco, where he is responsible for helping to shape the future of cloud and enterprise software strategies.

Tucker has more than 20 years of experience in the high-tech industry, ranging from distributed systems and artificial intelligence to software development and systems architecture. Prior to joining Cisco, he was the Vice President and Chief Technology Officer for Cloud Computing at Sun Microsystems, where he led the development of its infrastructure-as-a-service offering and the development of Sun Cloud. Other accomplishments in his career include Salesforce.com's AppExchange, the java.com developer community, and the massively parallel Connection Machine.

Tucker's interest in distributed systems stems from his tenure at Thinking Machines, an early leader in supercomputing technology, where large-scale problems could only be addressed by using thousands of individual processors. Today, as the Internet evolves, companies are following a similar trajectory and building out large-scale cloud computing platforms. Transformation of systems into scalable platforms remains a long-term interest.

Tucker holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Cornell University, a master's degree in computer science with a specialization in artificial intelligence from the Polytechnic Institute of New York University, and a doctorate in computer science from the Polytechnic Institute of New York University.