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Educated and trained in Silicon Valley, Sonia lived in Northern California for 20 years. After completing her MBA, she worked in the Valley for Fortune 100 companies (Sun Microsystems & Oracle), startups & in the financial district.

Sonia is currently the Managing Director for Microsoft Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Laos. Vice Chairman and Co Founder of D Money (Fin-Tech start up), Vice Chairperson of United Nations Governing Council Technology Bank for Least Developed Countries, Vice Chairman of Syntec, Vice President and Co-Founder of Bangladesh Women in Technology (BWIT). Sonia is also the Founder President of TiE Dhaka (www.tie.org) and has served in the Boards of the American International School, Dhaka, Bangladesh Employers Federation, Bangladesh Cricket Board (Women's Wing), Abahani Women's Games Development Committee and Women Entrepreneurs Association.

Sonia has been recognized as 2017 SDG pioneer by the UN Global Compact and is the recipient of 2016 Founders Award by Bill Gates.

Besides co-founding IT firms Syntec D Money in Bangladesh, Sonia has served as the Country Director of Dell Bangladesh, Director Business Development for South East Asia, New Emerging Markets in Microsoft and Chief Operating Officer for Aamra Technologies Ltd.

Sonia currently serves in the Advisory Boards of the School of Business and the School of Computer Science of North South University and in the School of Business Advisory Board of Independent University Bangladesh. She has served as a Board Member of Bangladesh Association of Software and Information Services (BASIS).

Sonia was a national athlete; she played for Abahani Women's Volleyball and Cricket team and continued playing for Bangladesh National Volleyball team and Bangladesh National Cricket team.