

Headshot

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100 milliseconds.

That's how fast someone decides if they trust you.

What's your headshot saying?

Your profile photo is the first thing people see.

Before they read your headline. Before they scroll your posts.

And most LinkedIn photos are: ↳ Outdated ↳ Low quality ↳ Not aligned with your brand

Here are 5 AI prompts to create a professional headshot that converts 📈

(I created these with Google Gemini Nano Banana)

1) 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 PROMPT: A polished, international-style professional headshot with a clean, modern, and timeless aesthetic. The subject has a friendly, open expression, suitable for diverse audiences. The background is a neutral, light-toned gradient, possibly with a blurred hint of a cityscape or world map. Use a bright, expansive white window lighting to broad, even and flattering.

2) 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 PROMPT: A professional, high-resolution profile photo, maintaining the contemporary square format with key features of the person in the focal image. The subject is framed from the chest up, with ample headroom and negative space above their head, ensuring the top of their head is not cropped. The subject is looking directly into the camera, and the subject's body is also directly facing the camera. They are styled for a professional photo studio shoot, wearing a sharp, fitted navy blue blazer. The background is a solid 18% neutral gray. Captured with a low camera angle with bright and airy soft, diffused studio lighting, gently illuminating the face and creating a subtle catchlight in the eyes. Captured on an 85mm f/1.8 lens with a shallow depth of field, exquisite focus on the eyes, and beautiful, soft bokeh.

3) 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 PROMPT: A warm, natural-looking headshot with soft, diffused natural-looking light, possibly from a large window. The subject has a relaxed, confident, and engaging expression. They are wearing business casual attire. The background is a warm-toned interior, such as a professional co-working image or a stylish, muted library setting.

4) 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 PROMPT: Relaxed, smart casual portrait, wearing a dark colored sweater. Confident, approachable look, bright, nice warm studio lighting, workplace environment elements in background.

5) 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 PROMPT: Natural outdoor professional headshot of a business professional in blazer, background softly blurred with greenery and natural elements. Captured on a 105mm f/2 lens, golden-hour lighting. Relaxed and genuine, gentle smile, hair slightly wind-tousled, natural skin texture, focus with creamy bokeh.

6 TOP HEADSHOT PROMPTS

Global Connector

Prompt:

A polished, international-style professional headshot with a clean, universally appealing aesthetic. The subject has a friendly, open expression, suitable for diverse audiences. The background is a neutral, light-colored professional setting, possibly with a blurred hint of a contemporary urban landscape or a bright, expansive window view. Lighting is broad, even, and flattering.

Recommended Lens: Sony FE 85mm f/1.4 GM or Tamron SP 85mm f/1.8 Di VC USD. These lenses provide a classic portrait focal length with excellent resolution and beautiful, smooth bokeh, creating a universally appealing image.



Casual Confident

Prompt:

A professional, high-resolution, profile photo, maintaining the exact facial structure, identity, and key features of the person in the input image. The subject is framed from the chest up, with ample headroom and negative space above their head, ensuring the top of their head is not cropped. The person looks directly at the camera, and the subject's body is also directly facing the camera. They are styled for a professional photo studio shoot, wearing a smart casual blazer. The background is a solid '#141414' neutral studio. Shot from a high angle with bright and airy soft, diffused studio lighting, gently illuminating the face and creating a subtle catchlight in the eyes, conveying a sense of clarity. Captured on an 85mm f/1.8 lens with a shallow depth of field, exquisite focus on the eyes, and beautiful, soft bokeh. Observe crisp detail on the fabric texture of the blazer, individual strands of hair, and natural, realistic skin texture. The atmosphere exudes confidence, professionalism, and approachability. Clean and bright cinematic color grading with subtle warmth and balanced tones, ensuring a polished and contemporary feel.



Approachable Expert

Prompt:

A warm, inviting professional headshot with soft, diffused natural-looking light, possibly from a large window. The subject has a relaxed, confident, and engaging expression. They are dressed in business casual attire. The background is a slightly blurred, warm-toned interior, such as a professional co-working lounge or a stylish, muted library setting.



Natural Executive

Prompt:

Natural outdoor professional headshot of a business professional in blazer, background softly blurred with greenery and sunlight bokeh, Fujifilm GFX100 + 110mm f/2 lens, golden-hour lighting, ¾ head and shoulders, gentle smile, hair slightly wind-tousled, natural skin texture, crisp focus with creamy bokeh.



Tech Innovator

Prompt:

Relaxed, smart casual portrait, wearing a dark colored sweater. Confident, approachable look. Bright, natural light. Modern, airy workspace environment (demo-day aesthetic).

Lens: 35mm f/1.4.



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