

## **The Nexus: Global Youth Summit on Innovative Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship**

### **Speakers Biographies for the 2011 Summit**

#### **Al-Dabbagh, Noor** Alwaleed Bin Talal Foundation

*Panel: Women and Philanthropy*

Noor Al-Dabbagh heads the Strategic Studies Department at Alwaleed Bin Talal Foundation, managing grants to cultural and educational initiatives that improve cross-cultural understanding around the world. Previously, she managed the Regional Projects Department focusing on projects that empower women and youth in the Middle East. Noor graduated from Harvard in 2006, and completed the Certificate in Business Excellence at Columbia Business School in 2011, with a focus on Non-Profit Management. She loves modern middle eastern art, yoga, and learning how social entrepreneurs are changing the world.

#### **Al Saud, HRH Fahad**

*Speaker at the United Nations*

His Royal Highness Prince Fahad bin Faisal Al Saud is the Saudi Arabian Foreign Ministry's Head of Student Affairs at the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia Consulate's Legal Department in Los Angeles, California. Prince Fahad also serves as the business development and research lead for a Los Angeles-based joint alternative energy project between UCLA and the King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology.

Born July 3, 1983 in Taif, Saudi Arabia, he received a traditional Saudi education before commencing higher studies at Stanford University where he co-founded numerous clubs and organizations including the University's first Islamic Society in 2003. Prior to his 2007 graduation with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and a double minor in Management Science and Middle Eastern Studies, Prince Fahad had already started a number of successful businesses, including a venture capital firm, interior design consultancy, travel agency, and real estate development firm. An active proponent of technology and capacity building for entrepreneurship and innovation in the Kingdom and greater Arab World, in 2008 Prince Fahad became Facebook's Analyst and Head of User Operations-Arabic. His work led to the 2009 launch of Facebook in Arabic, and led to Facebook quickly becoming the most frequently-used website for social and entrepreneurial activities across the Arabic-speaking region. His leadership on the endeavor won him the distinction of being named the Arab Youth Media Forum's 2011 Most Influential International Youth. In addition to his outspoken advocacy of health initiatives and cancer screening and awareness, His Royal Highness is involved in a number of cultural, social and philanthropic activities that promote appreciation and preservation of Saudi Arabian culture.

#### **Al Saud, HRH Maha Bint Abdulaziz** Atheeb Group

*Panel: Philanthropy, Wealth and Generational Influence: Talking to Your Family*

Maha Bint Abdulaziz Al Saud is majoring in applied linguistics at Prince Sultan University in Riyadh, where she has been studying since 2009. She is the founder and a board member of IMPACT-EMR, a Regional Non-Governmental Organization "NGO" that is active in the field of Prevention of Blindness, and has also have been appointed as the Deputy Vice President of Social Development at Atheeb Group and Chair of Sawa'ed Atheeb Volunteering Committee, Saudi Youths volunteer committee and leadership program.

**Al Saud, HRH Reema Bandar** ALFA International

*Panel: Women and Philanthropy*

HRH Princess Reema Bint Bandar Bin Sultan Bin Abdul Al Aziz Al Saud is the President & CEO of ALFA International and AL HAMA LLC, two leading luxury retail corporations based in Saudi Arabia. The groups manage brands including Donna Karan and DKNY in Saudi Arabia, and operate the Harvey Nichols department store in Riyadh. Upon assuming her role in 2007, Princess Reema has fundamentally re-engineered the retail operations, resulting not only revenue gains but also modernizing the corporate culture and philosophy.

Raised and educated in Washington, D.C., she earned her B.A. from George Washington University. From early in her career, she decided to commit herself to building businesses in Saudi Arabia and as an initial project, her Highness partnered in a Women's Day Spa called Yibreen. Yibreen has received several accolades including Arab News, Top 20 Arab Businesswomen 2008 and Top 20 Arabian Companies in both 2007 & 2008. As a lifestyle concept, Yibreen created employment opportunities for many women and provides a sanctuary for its members. Through this work with Yibreen, she has brought awareness to the role of women in business and corporate responsibility in Saudi Arabia.

Princess Reema is a founding member of the Zahra Breast Cancer Foundation, where she has worked effortlessly to not only raise funds for the organization but also build the dialogue between women in business and their voice in charitable ventures. In October 2010, she organized a historic event in the Kingdom by breaking the Guinness World Book of Record for forming the largest human 'Pink Ribbon' in aid of raising breast cancer awareness. Education is also a key directive on her philanthropic agenda and as a member of the Board of Advisors with the Institute of Civil Leadership, a nonprofit organization founded by Kirk Spahn of the the Dwight School in New York whose mission is to inspire and to educate students to be global leaders, she has remained active in this forum and has supported several groups of students on their unique international journey.

**Al Saud, HRH Albandary**

*Panel: Appreciating the Diversity of Young Philanthropy Groups*

Albandary is a medical student who has a goal to excel in fields other than her studying field. She is a part of several charity and volunteer organizations in Saudi Arabia. She is capable of doing the best in what she works in. Her ambition is to be an ambassador of her country in whatever she can reach to.

**Allis, Ryan** iContact

*Panel: Impact Investing -- Moving Money in More Ways for Change*

Ryan Allis is the co-founder and CEO of iContact, a socially responsible purpose-driven company that provides email marketing tools to SMBs and non-profits. iContact has grown from its start in 2003 to more than 70,000 customers, 300 employees, and \$50M in annual sales. Ryan is the author of the book Zero to One Million from McGraw-Hill, the founder of the Humanity Fund which invests in high-growth socially responsible companies in the USA and Africa, and the Board Chairman of the non-profit Nourish.org.

**Amaral, Marina** Instituto Tellus

*Panel: Democracy Reform and Government Transformation: Citizens Driving Large Scale Change*

Marina Amaral is graduated in Business Administration at Funda Getulio Vargas. She also graduated in the Sao Paulo School of Government. During this university period, she had the opportunity to be Project Director at a Junior Enterprise from 2006 to 2008, where she did more than 10 projects for public organizations in Brazil. In 2008, she kept working for Governmental institutions, but as an intern in a Strategic consultancy. Besides that, from 2008 to 2010, Marina was research assistant for Center of Studies on Economic and Politics of the Public Sector at Funda Getulio Vargas. Still during the university period, Marina has international experiences and exchanges that lead her to found an international student organization. In 2010, Marina co-founded Instituto Tellus, a non-profit organization that works with inspiration and innovation in Government. She led projects for the Strategic Secretary of the Brazilian Presidency and the Brazilian version of the initiative 10 Questions and was a TEDx speaker in Brazil. In 2011, Marina was selected to be part of a post graduated program for Latin American at Georgetown University. Today, Marina is director at Instituto Tellus and coordinator of Rede de Transforma Publica (Public change network).

**Amore, Kate** Changing Our World

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Kate Amore currently works as an Associate Director at Changing Our World where she provides support for capital campaigns, feasibility studies, and other fundraising consulting and outsourcing projects. She also serves as a Director of Events for Future Leaders in Philanthropy and is responsible for event coordination and outreach. Kate is passionate about working toward a better, more peaceful world through philanthropy. She is a proud graduate of Fairfield University and a native New Yorker.

**Arnold, Jenna** Press Play Productions

*Panel: Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa and the USA, Women and Philanthropy*  
Jenna likes to think she is in charge at her content creation company, PressPlay Productions. Tasked with developing strategies that make issues 'cool' and 'applicable', Press Play uses the TV, computer, mobile devices and blackboards to reach unsuspecting audiences. Finding unique ways to make people care about something beyond their Facebook page is PressPlay's forte. Before taking such a title, Jenna was an Education & Media Specialist @ the United Nations. She's since created and produced, 'Exiled', a TV series on MTV (airing in 100+ countries) that takes bratty American teens to live with indigenous cultures around the world. Her other on-air content includes 'What's Going On?' (Showtime) and 'Diary of Jay-Z: Water for Life' (MTV). Jenna has a deep understanding on the idea of steering youth toward active citizenship from the many years she spent abroad studying education. She spends a lot of time galavanting the globe advising people and organizations on how to engage potential stakeholders better. She can't spell - but speaks four languages (including ASL), hates writing bios about herself - but really like reading yours and picks up litteroften.

**Atlee, Tom** The Co-Intelligence Institute

*Panel: Intergenerational Partnership*

Tom Atlee is a lifelong activist (born into a lefty activist family), draft resister in the Vietnam War, cross-USA Great Peace March in 1986, etc. For 2 decades he has been researching and promoting collective intelligence and wisdom and how these apply to social change and, particularly, making democracy wiser. He is also interested in the conscious evolution of social systems, evolutionary spirituality, green economics, and alternative visions of money. He believes strongly that philanthropy has a powerful role to play in the evolution of civilization in the 21 century, but that it has to do a lot of evolving, itself -- including seeking the strategic leverage of systems change -- in order to play that role well. He lives in a consensus-based co-op in Eugene, OR.

**Auchincloss, Andrew** Wealth Management Group

*Panel: Philanthropy, Wealth and Generational Influence: Talking to Your Family*

Andrew S. Auchincloss joined Bernstein Global Wealth Management in 2007; a Director in the Wealth Management Group, he focuses primarily on tax and investment planning strategies for offshore individuals and families. Previously, Auchincloss was with the multinational law firm White & Case LLP, where for 18 years he represented international and domestic families, charities and financial institutions in the context of tax, estate planning and fiduciary law. Auchincloss has been listed in the peer-rated publication Best Lawyers in America. He received a BA from Yale College and a JD from the University of Virginia.

**Babikir, Hanane** The Nexus

*Panel: Organizing Young Wealth & Influence in your Country*

Originally from Chad, Hanane is a recent graduate from American University's School of International Service in Washington, DC with a major International Relations degree and a minor in Communications. She is currently an intern at Search For Common Ground, working for the Search USA office. In the Fall, Hanane will be continuing on to the Kent University in Brussels to obtain her Masters in African Studies.

**Balaoing, Michael** Entertainment Industry Foundation

*Panel: Connecting the Dots: Local to Global*

Michael J. Balaoing, Esq. is a twenty-year veteran of global philanthropy and nonprofit leadership. Since 2002, as Senior Vice President at the Entertainment Industry Foundation (EIF), he has leveraged the unique collective resources of the entertainment industry to inspire millions of people to give effectively to nonprofits around the world in support of health, education, the environment, children and youth. Philanthropic clients include celebrated artists (George Clooney, Tom Hanks, Charlize Theron, Black Eyed Peas), major televised campaigns (Stand Up To Cancer, American Idol, Hope for Haiti Now) and global media companies (Time/Warner, NewsCorp/Fox, GE/NBC Universal, Viacom/MTV Networks, Sony, Walt Disney). A public interest attorney committed to social justice, Michael is a trustee of the Philippine Development Foundation (Board Secretary), Council on Foundations (past Board Secretary), the Liberty Hill Foundation (former Board Chair), and California Volunteers (past Chair). He is a published author, frequent public speaker, and advisor to select nongovernmental organizations, including V-DAY, a global movement to end violence against women and girls. Michael earned a B.A. in International Relations from Princeton University and J.D. from UCLA School of Law. The German Marshall Fund of the United States awarded him the American Marshall Memorial Fellowship as an emerging leader under forty.

**Barrero, Camilo** Americas Business Council Foundation

*Panel: Appreciating the Diversity of Young Philanthropy Groups*

Camilo Galvis is the Executive Director of the ABC\* foundation. Prior to joining ABC\*, Mr Galvis worked as Minister Counsellor for Economic Affairs of the Embassy of Colombia in London where he promoted the negotiation and ratification of the Free Trade Agreement between the Community of Andean Nations and the European Union. Before his work in London, Mr Galvis was a Visiting Scholar at Columbia University in New York City, where he conducted research on applied mathematics to finance and economics with the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences and the Columbia Business School.

He is a previous Director of Information of Fortune International, a Florida based Real Estate development and investment firm, and a former Integrated Technology Specialist with IBM.

Camilo holds a BS degree in Economics from the University of Los Andes in Colombia and the University of Sydney in Australia and a MS in Operations Research from Columbia University. He remains a Visiting Scholar at Columbia University, actively contributing to research on applied mathematics to finance and economics.

**Beale, Scott** Atlas Corps

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

Scott Beale is the Founder and CEO of Atlas Corps. He was called "The Nonprofit Entrepreneur" by the Washington Post and "Citizen Diplomat of the Year" by the US Center on Citizen Diplomacy and "DC Nonprofit CEO of the Year" by the Center for Nonprofit for Nonprofit Advancement. Scott is an activist, author, diplomat, speaker, and international social entrepreneur. His organization, Atlas Corps, is building a global network of the world's best nonprofit leaders through an overseas fellowship that brings nonprofit leaders from around the world to volunteer in the U.S.

**Ben Yehuda, Gadi** IBM

*Panel: Social Media for Social Good*

Gadi Ben-Yehuda is the Social Media Director for The Center for the Business of Government. Mr. Ben-Yehuda has worked on the Web since 1994, when he received an email from Maya Angelou through his first Web site. He has an MFA in poetry from American University, has taught writing at Howard University, and has worked in Washington, DC, for nonprofits, lobbying organizations, Fleishman-Hillard Global Communications, and Al Gore's presidential campaign.

Prior to his current position, Gadi was was a Web Strategist for the District of Columbia's Office of the chief Technology Officer (OCTO). Additionally, Gadi has taught creative, expository, and Web writing for more than 10 years to university students, private-sector professionals, and soldiers, including Marines at the Barracks at 8th and I in Washington, DC. (The lattermost by far the most disciplined.)

**Bergman, Eddie** Innovative Development Services

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

Eddie Bergman: President of Innovative Development Services Inc. (IDS), a full-service consulting company serving international clients in New York and around the world who work to effect social change; Executive Director, Africa Travel Association; Co-founder and Executive Director of Miracle Corners of the World and Co-CEO of E & E Grill House.

**Berkowitz, Avraham** Chabad Lubavitch Headquarters

*Panel: Sacred Activism*

Rabbi Avraham Berkowitz serves as the Director of the Global Chabad Development fund (MIDF) which provides supplemental support for religious, educational and humanitarian programs to member communities in 74 countries and 3,000 cities around the world. Rabbi Berkowitz regularly lectures and engages groups around the world as a goodwill ambassador of the Jewish people and inspiring others in our collective responsibility to improve the state of the world. For the last decade Rabbi Berkowitz served in Moscow, Russia as the Executive Director of the Federation of Jewish Communities of the Former Soviet Union, rebuilding Jewish life after seventy years of communism and religious intolerance. Recently he also worked to restore the Chabad center in Mumbai, India after the terrorist attack there in November 2008. A native of Southfield, Michigan, Rabbi Berkowitz now lives with his wife Leah and their four children in New York and is fluent in five languages. Engaging social media for Global change Rabbi Berkowitz can be followed on Twitter @globalrabbi

**Biegel, Suzanne** Investors' Circle

*Panel: Impact Investing -- Moving Money in More Ways for Change*

Suzanne is a true "Catalyst at Large", working at the intersection of impact investing, entrepreneurship, and systems change oriented philanthropy. She has been a successful entrepreneur, investor, board member, and committed philanthropist over the course of her career, and speaks frequently about all of the above.

**Biel, Justin** Make the Difference Network

*Panel: Fame for Social Change: Organizing Hollywood*

Justin Biel grew in beautiful Boulder, CO and attended Loyola Marymount University, LA. Since graduating, he has worked with numerous philanthropic organizations and for entrepreneurial startup companies. His passions are philanthropy, giving, travel, and good tequila. Justin is currently managing the West Coast operations for 901 Silver Tequila.

**Bogachev, Victor** PFC Energy

*Panel: Venture Philanthropy: Where Markets End and Philanthropy Begins*

Victor Bogachev was born in Moscow. He is the son of Nikolai Bogachev, an oil entrepreneur of the newly developing market economy of Russia. Victor grew up learning the traits of the energy business, as well as politics. In 2002, along with his twin sister, at his father's request Victor chose to attend a New England boarding school in United States. Observing from afar the political and economic state centralization in Russia, Victor found political beliefs develop and change to align with the US Republican party. Since then Victor has advocated for personal social responsibility among the wealthy, small government, free market and civil as well as human rights. Victor is currently a student at The George Washington University where he is the Director of Political Affairs for the College Republicans and is working closely with his father on a new economic concept they plan to adapt globally. Victor's mother is an author, wellness & spa consultant and a philanthropist. Victor has two sisters and a brother, and is currently working at PFC Energy.

**Bonner, Teresa** Family Philanthropy Advisors

*Panel: Creating a Tradition of Family Philanthropy*

Teresa Bonner is a Principal in Family Philanthropy Advisors with more than twenty years' experience in philanthropy, foundation and nonprofit management. Prior to joining FPA, Teresa served as the director of the U.S. Bancorp Foundation, the Piper Jaffray Foundation, and two nonprofit organizations. As director of the U.S. Bancorp Foundation, Teresa managed \$20 million in Foundation grantmaking annually and led the company's community relations activities. She also served as Senior Vice President and head of Business Development and Charitable Services for U.S. Bank's Private Client Group.

Teresa graduated magna cum laude from the University of North Dakota with a degree in journalism. After completing Law School at the University of Minnesota, she served as a judicial clerk for the Hon. Gerald Heaney of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

**Bose, Ruma** Sprayology

*Panel: Investing in Peace*

Ruma Bose is an author, entrepreneur, and philanthropist who has recently published her first book, *Mother Teresa, CEO: Unexpected Principles for Practical Leadership* (July 5, 2011 / Berrett-Koehler). She is also currently the President and co-CEO of Sprayology, a homeopathic and vitamin wellness company.

**Bradley, Melissa** Tides

*Panel: Impact Investing -- Moving Money in More Ways for Change*

Melissa L. Bradley, CEO of Tides, has a strong track record of creative and innovative leadership and a background as a social entrepreneur. Prior to Tides, Melissa founded and served as managing director of New Capitalist, an organization that leverages human, financial and social capital to create economically profitable and sustainable individuals, businesses, and communities. In this role, she facilitated over \$20 million in venture capital transactions for seed stage companies. Melissa is the founder and former President of Reentry Strategies Institute – the only national criminal justice intermediary explicitly focused on reentry. She founded The Entrepreneurial Development Institute, an international, non-governmental organization, serving youth and their families; and she founded Positive Impact – a collaborative initiative to promote diverse voices and visions within independent media. She has served as a Senior Adviser to the Center for American Progress, as a regular consultant to the W.K. Kellogg Foundation on Family Economic Security and Civic Engagement, and as a Senior Strategist for Green For All. Her prior work experience also includes serving as Vice President at UBS in the Private Client Group and as a Financial Regulatory Affairs Fellow with the US Department of Treasury.

**Braun, Adam** Pencils of Promise

*Panel: Youth Movements: Transformational Change*

Adam is the Founder & Executive Director of Pencils of Promise, one of the world's most impactful new nonprofits as recognized by Nobel peace prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Barbara Walters, Katie Couric, and active supporter Justin Bieber. Pencils of Promise was founded in October 2008 with just \$25 in hopes of building one school in Laos by engaging other people who believed in these same principles, in particular youth. Reactions from others to the PoP approach of nonprofit idealism and for-profit business accountability soon became so encouraging, Adam left his job at Bain & Company to work exclusively on realizing the PoP dream, which has now expanded to more than 20 schools in Laos, Nicaragua and Guatemala.

Adam graduated magna cum laude and played varsity basketball for Brown University, previously worked at leading consulting firm Bain & Company, and now spends half the year traveling on behalf of PoP and half the year at our global headquarters in New York City.

**Bronfman , Ben** Global Thermostat

*Panel: Eco-Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy & Online Movements, RCP: Global Best Idea Exchange*

Ben Bronfman is an environmental entrepreneur, progressive thinker and musician. In 2007 he co-founded Global Thermostat, a revolutionary carbon capture firm that separates CO2 directly from the air. Global Thermostat's technology was developed by professor Graciela Chichilnisky and renowned physicist Peter Eisenberger. The firm recently completed construction of its first pilot plant at SRI (Stanford Research Institute). Recently Bronfman became a principal in Algae Systems LLC, a third-generation bio-fuel company that takes waste water from cities and (using CO2 captured by GT) generates Jet-Fuel and Diesel fuel. Bronfman is also the founder of Green Owl, an environmentally conscious record label & apparel brand. Bronfman recently released the single "Gold" from his new group Teachers, and worked with Kanye West on his recent single "Monster" featuring Jay-Z, Nicki Minaj, Rick Ross and Bon Iver.

**Budak , Alex** StartSomeGood.com

*Panel: Social Media for Social Good*

Alex Budak is a social entrepreneur and travel writer, and is currently the co-founder of StartSomeGood.com, a platform for empowering social innovators. He recently completed a Masters in Public Policy at Georgetown University, focusing on the intersection of technology and social entrepreneurship. His econometrics-based thesis, "Facebook, Twitter and Barack Obama: New Media and the 2008 Presidential election," is the first such paper to quantify how new media informed the national elections in 2008. He's visited 25 countries and lived for longer periods in Germany and India, and his travel writing has been featured in numerous publications including Lonely Planet and Huffington Post.

He graduated from UCLA with degrees in Geography and Political Science and was the recipient of the Distinguished Senior Award, received college honors and the Chancellor's Service Award. Before launching StartSomeGood in 2011, he worked with a number of socially-minded technology startups, including PICnet, Ashoka, Hypercities.com, Change.org, The Extraordinaries and iCivics.

**Bush, Sophia** Actress

*Panel: Youth Movements: Transformational Change*

Actress Sophia Bush has captured film and television audiences alike with her range of roles and diverse characters. Now in its 8th season, Bush portrays 'Brooke Davis' on The CW's hit drama "One Tree Hill." Her character has evolved from a trouble-making vixen to a fiercely loyal friend, and is a huge fan favorite. Born and raised in Pasadena, California, Sophia developed a passion for performing while in high school. When she is not in front of the camera, Sophia is a passionate philanthropist whose causes focus on the celebration of arts as well as the environment. Bush is an advocate of the Maasai Wilderness Conservation Trust, a foundation committed to the preservation of biodiversity within the Maasai tribal lands of East Africa. Funds support conservation, education and health services within the Maasai community as well as a host of programs designed to conserve Africa's legendary wildlife. She also contributes her time and talents to the art of Art of Elysium, a non-profit that enriches the lives of children battling serious medical conditions by bringing together artists to share their time and talent.

Currently living in Wilmington, North Carolina, where One Tree Hill films, Bush enjoys reading, photography and spending time with her friends.

**Castle , Samantha** Step-Up 4 Life

*Panel: The Power of Collective Giving and Broad Based Engagement, The Power and Influence of Youth*

Samantha Castle, is a South African Cape Townian woman who has overcome her own disadvantaged youth and is a passionate believer in the importance of social upliftment through voluntarism and giving.

She has conceptualized and ran a successful youth in philanthropy programme in the past while working for Inyathelo- The South African Institute for Advancement. Central to Inyathelo's mandate is the promotion of philanthropy in South Africa.

Her fervent enthusiasm, and years of work in the fields of social upliftment, and youth development, has inspired her to establish the Step-Up 4 Life Trust in 2009 as a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of social responsibility amongst young people. She is presently completing her BA degree with Political Science and Sociology as her majors, at the University of the Western Cape. She has a Computer Management Diploma; Certificate in Short Video Film Production; Diploma in Conference and Event Management; PRISA Public Relations Certificate; and a Certificate in Professional Event Co-ordination.

**Chan, Celso Bruno Yok** Mozambique Fundraising Network

*Panel: Organizing Young Wealth & Influence in your Country*

Celso Yok Chan, 29-years-old, is the Co-Founder and Manager of Oppenheim and Yok Chan Consultants, Limited as well as the Mozambican Fundraising Network. In 2011, Celso Yok Chan and Beth Oppenheim-Chan created the nonprofit organization, Mozambique Fundraising Network. This organization's goal is to create an integrated bridge of ideas and resources between Mozambican organizations and United States counterparts. This not only serves to fundraise money for local organizations, but also to raise awareness of the work being done in Mozambique by Mozambicans.

Through Oppenheim and Yok Chan Consultants, Limited, Celso Yok Chan, is working with for-profit Mozambican companies, creating a new culture of mindfulness regarding investments and involvement in social issues in Mozambique. He helps companies to make sure that social investment is part of the Mission and Vision of each company. In addition, the consulting company serves as a resource for smaller companies doing business in Mozambique, whose financial resources are limited compared to their multi-national counterparts.

Through pursuing his masters degree in Urban Affairs, as well as working in 2009 with the Washington, DC-based nonprofit Search for Common Ground, Celso became more aware of the importance of community involvement and creating a stronger civil society, including getting the more fortunate involved. Celso Yok Chan is pursuing a Masters in Environmental Management at the University of Maryland.

**Chou, Jerri** All-Day Buffet, The Feast, TBD, Lovely DAY

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

Jerri is a Boston University graduate of 2005. She has obtained B.S. degree in Communication (Advertising). She is a founder and a managing partner of Lovely Day since 2009. She helps high-impact entrepreneurs scale and corporations to participate in emerging new era of business and society through collaborative process of social business innovation, incubation and development, creating bridges between emerging social entrepreneurs and global business. As founding partner of All Day Buffet and The Feast Social Innovation Conference, and social entrepreneur herself, Jerri has a deep understanding of and network in the social innovation space. Through her work, she has gained extensive knowledge of innovation, business strategy, new model research and integration, branding, communications and partnership development.

Her past work includes marketing and advertising experience working with major brands and development with a host of New York based startups. She is an advisor to The NYU Reynolds Program and Ashoka as well as a writer for the Huffington Post, USA Networks, and Social Earth.

**Cohen, Yael** Fuck Cancer

*Panel: Youth Movements: Transformational Change*

Yael founded Fuck Cancer in 2009 after her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer. Determined to make a real impact within the cancer space, Yael created an organization that activates Generation Y to engage with their parents about early detection, and teaches supporters how to look for cancer instead of just find it. Over the last year, Yael has grown Fuck Cancer into an inspirational and influential player in the charity space. She has attracted a host of A-list celebrities that are lined up to participate in the movement and use their influence to help garner support from the public. Fuck Cancer's message has also begun to get the attention of some very noteworthy groups; Yael was honoured to be invited to and attend the Next Generation Leadership discussions at the White House. She was also amongst the audience at the Clinton Global Initiative and TEDWomen 2010, and shortly before that, had the unique opportunity to share her inspiring message in person as a speaker at TEDx Vancouver 2010. Through Fuck Cancer, Yael has earned the respect and admiration of those who truly have the power to effect change.

**Coleman, Monique** UN Youth Champion

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Monique Coleman was raised in Columbia, South Carolina and began her acting career in theatre and television at an early age. Monique attended Heathwood Hall Episcopal School and studied her craft at Workshop Theatre School of Dramatic Arts where she performed in several productions. When she was 12, she landed her first lead as Dofimae in an independent film entitled Mother of the River. By the age of 15, Monique not only wrote but also directed and starred in a one-woman show entitled Voices From Within. Then at 16, Monique appeared in the Family Channel Movie Presentation The Ditchdigger's Daughters as Young Donna and through her efforts was nominated for a Young Artists Award. Monique currently resides in Los Angeles, California and to date is most recognized as Taylor McKessie from the High School Musical Franchise. She was also the last woman standing and placed 4th on Season 3 of ABC's Dancing with the Stars. Prior to HSM, Monique appeared alongside James Earl Jones in the Hallmark Movie The Reading Room and received a CAMIE Award for her role. You may have also seen her guest starring on such shows as Boston Public, Malcolm in the Middle, Veronica Mars, and Bones. She also had a recurring role on The Suite Life of Zack and Cody, voiced the character Fontasia on the Fox animated series Cleveland, and recently guest-starred on the PBS show The Electric Company. She has co-hosted The View, hosted 3-minute game show on the Disney Channel, and has appeared on such shows as TRL, Rachel Ray, Good Morning America, Regis and Kelly, The Today Show, Ellen and The Tyra Banks Show. She has received two Teen Choice Awards, a Billboard Award for High School Musical and has presented at The American Music Awards and The NAACP Image Awards.

**Combs, Justin** Iona Prep

*Panel: Creating a Tradition of Family Philanthropy*

Justin Combs is a student at Iona Prep in New York City and the son of music producer Sean Combs. He is also a cornerback with a promising future in college football.

**Cooper, MacDella** MacDella Cooper Foundation

*Speaker at the United Nations*

MacDella "Mackie" Cooper, a fashion model turned philanthropist, is the founding Chairman and President of the Board of Directors of the MacDella Cooper Foundation (MCF) Inc., a not-for-profit charity that provides educational opportunities and basic necessities for abandoned children in her native Liberia.

Ms. Cooper has extensive business, political and diplomatic relationships in Africa, Europe and the United States. She sits on the board of directors of several charities and private foundations, including the Segal Family Foundation, and the Red Cross Tiffany Circle. She has received several awards for her philanthropic efforts, including the Victor E. Ward Humanitarian Award for community service and the Momentum Women's award. A graduate of The College of New Jersey, Ms. Cooper lives in Manhattan. To learn more about MacDella Cooper and her foundation, you may visit [www.macdellacooper.org](http://www.macdellacooper.org)

**Coppel, Carolina** Documental Ambulante AC

*Panel: Film, Activism and Social Change*

Carolina Coppel of Documental Ambulante manages a program that aims to train new filmmakers from all over Latin America that have limited access to the necessary tools that would allow their stories to find new and widespread avenues of expression. She has committed her professional life to contribute to change poverty and inequality, and she believes that inequality has to do not only with the lack of resources and capabilities, but also with how power is distributed in a society. She has worked with the W. K. Kellogg Foundation program in Latin America and the Caribbean. She is from Mexico and has degrees from the ITESM in Mexico, the European Graduate School in Switzerland, and the Institute of Social Studies in the Netherlands.



**Corriero, Jennifer** TakingITGlobal

*Keynote*

Jennifer Corriero is co-founder and Executive Director of TakingITGlobal, a non-profit organization with the aim of fostering cross-cultural dialogue, strengthening the capacity of youth as leaders and increasing awareness and involvement in global issues through the use of technology. In 2005, Jennifer was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum and in 2007, as one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women by the Women's Executive Network and as a York University Bryden Alumni Award winner. In 2007, TakingITGlobal was recognized by the Tech Museum Awards as the Education award winner. In 2003, Jennifer was a member of the Official Canadian Government Delegation to the World Summit on the Information Society. She has presented and supported civil society engagement at events including the World Urban Forum, International AIDS Conference, World Summit on Sustainable Development, Youth Employment Summit and Global Knowledge Partnership International Forum. Jennifer has a Masters in Environmental Studies from York University, and has been a youth engagement strategy consultant for a range of organizations including Microsoft, TD Bank, VanCity Credit Union, Ontario Science Centre and the Canadian Government.

**Davis, Shannon Sedgwick** Bridgeway Foundation

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Shannon Sedgwick Davis is a partner at Bridgeway Foundation, the charitable giving arm of Bridgeway Capital Management, Inc. The Houston-based investment firm commits one-half of its annual profits towards philanthropic endeavors that focus on eliminating genocide as well as the promotion of peace, reconciliation, and human rights around the world. Shannon has been a passionate advocate for social justice and international human rights her entire professional career. She previously served as vice-president of Geneva Global, an organization that invests in Third World communities, and as Director of Public Affairs at International Justice Mission, a human-rights organization in Washington, D.C. that focuses on ending slavery, forced prostitution, and illegal land seizures in the developing world. During her tenure at International Justice Mission, Shannon organized the 2002 Olympics' Sex Trafficking Briefing. Shannon's work was featured in the Emmy award winning Dateline segment, "Children for sale." Shannon has spent a significant amount of time traveling abroad working to fight human trafficking and mass atrocities. Shannon is on the advisory board for The Elders, a collective group of world leaders assembled to contribute their wisdom, independent leadership and integrity to tackling some of the world's toughest problems. The Elders include, Nelson Mandela, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, President Jimmy Carter and Kofi Annan among others. Shannon was in Darfur in October with the Elders focusing efforts on ending the nearly 5 year genocide raging in that area. Shannon also serves on the board of Humanity United, a foundation committed to building a world where modern-day slavery and mass atrocities are no longer possible. Shannon is a member of a number of non-profit boards working both within the US and abroad. An attorney, Shannon is an honors graduate of McMurry University and Baylor Law School. She currently resides in her hometown of San Antonio, Texas with her husband and 2 sons.

**Dlamini, Cedza** Ubuntu Institute

*Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa and the USA*

Cedza Dlamini is an impassioned humanitarian, social entrepreneur and visionary. He founded the Ubuntu Institute for Young Social Entrepreneurs, which arms young African leaders with the leadership and professional skills they need to achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in their communities. Since June 2004, he has also served as a youth activist and spokesperson for the MDGs, the UN's eight-point strategy for eradicating poverty, hunger and disease in Africa and around the world within the next two decades. As a spokesman, he addresses audiences of all ages, especially youth on how they can be involved in the fight against poverty, HIV/AIDS, and illiteracy. In October 2003, Cedza was also appointed Co-chair for the World Youth Peace Summit (WYPS) in Africa, which aims to assemble youth leaders from across the globe to further this goal. In addition Cedza serves on the strategic development team of the Global Action Youth Network (GYAN) in New York City, which is an international collaboration of youth and youth serving organizations in almost 200 countries facilitating intergenerational partnership in global decision-making. Cedza's vision is to create a unified global order by establishing global networks of empowered young leaders who can work collectively to address current world problems, such as HIV/AIDS, poverty and hunger, environmental decay, and illiteracy. Since 2001, Cedza has conducted a speaking circuit throughout the U.S. that promotes global forgiveness, compassion, and the use of dialogue -instead of violence- as a powerful tool for conflict resolution. Drawing on the powerful, historical example of the transition of South Africa in the early 1990s, Cedza relates how South African leaders such Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Nelson Mandela (his grandfather), and many others turned to the African concept of "ubuntu" when negotiating the peaceful transition of South Africa from apartheid to democracy in 1994, avoiding what was predicted to be a "bloodbath". Cedza was born in the Kingdom of Swaziland, where he was raised and completed his primary and high school education. Recently, he completed his bachelor's degree in International Relations from Tufts University in Boston, Massachusetts and is looking forward to graduate studies.

**Dossal , Amir** Global Partnerships Forum

*Panel: Democracy Reform and Government Transformation: Citizens driving large scale change*

Amir Dossal is Founder and Chairman of the Global Partnerships Forum, an international platform working to address economic and social challenges, through the creation of innovative partnerships, [www.globalpf.org](http://www.globalpf.org). He is also the Co-Initiator of the Pearl Initiative, a CEO-led program, promoting transparency and accountability in the Gulf Region. [www.pearlinitiative.org](http://www.pearlinitiative.org). Amir is Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union for Global Partnerships [www.itu.int](http://www.itu.int) and also serves as Commissioner of the Broadband Commission: [www.broadbandcommission.org](http://www.broadbandcommission.org). In December 2010, His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco, and Peace and Sport President and Founder, Mr. Joel Bouzou, appointed him as Ambassador for Peace and Sport, [www.peace-sport.org](http://www.peace-sport.org). In October 2010, he received the Humanitarian Award from the United Nations Association of New York, for his accomplishments in Partnerships to End Poverty and World Hunger. [www.unanyc.org](http://www.unanyc.org). In February 2011, Amir was appointed Special Envoy to the World Youth Peace Summit. Prior to creating the Global Partnerships Forum and the Pearl Initiative, Amir was the UN's Chief Liaison for Partnerships. As Executive Director of this Office, he forged strategic alliances with governments, corporations, foundations and philanthropists while uniting these partners to a common purpose: to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. In 1999, Amir was appointed to manage the \$1 billion gift by media mogul Ted Turner to the United Nations. As the primary interface for the UN Foundation, [www.unfoundation.org](http://www.unfoundation.org) Amir successfully attracted new investments of over \$560 million from various donors, which supported 450 international projects for women and children's health, climate change and bio-diversity. He has developed numerous partnerships and secured sizable social investments from such major names as the American Red Cross, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Coca-Cola, the Rockefeller Foundation, and Rotary International. Amir also oversaw management of the UN Democracy Fund, which he established in 2005 as an instrument to strengthen democratic institutions and enhance governance in new and restored democracies. [www.un.org/democracyfund](http://www.un.org/democracyfund).

**Dubowski , Sandi** Films That Change the World

*Panel: Film, Activism and Social Change*

Sandi DuBowski is the Director/Producer of Trembling Before G-d, Producer of A Jihad for Love, and Co-Producer of Budrus. His award-winning work has screened at Sundance, Berlin, Toronto and over 200 festivals, had theatrical release in over 150 cities, aired on BBC, The Sundance Channel, ZDF-Arte, and been funded by over 60 foundations including The Creative Capital Foundation, The Sundance Institute Documentary Film Program, The Steven Spielberg Righteous Persons Foundation, and Cinereach. DuBowski conducted 800 live events with Trembling Before G-d and it has been seen by over 9 million people. He is Outreach Director for The Good Pitch, a partnership of The Sundance Institute Documentary Film Program and Channel 4 BRITDOC Foundation last convened at The Ford Foundation, which has leveraged over \$3M for documentaries and campaigns. He was a media strategist with The Sundance Institute DFP at The 2010 Skoll World Forum, attended TEDIndia, and was a 2010 Mentor at BAVC Producer's Institute. He speaks, consults, and leads workshops on turning movies into movements at Sundance, Toronto, Berlin, Sheffield, Silverdocs, IFP, and Docaviv, and launched Films That Change the World [www.filmsthatchangetheworld.com](http://www.filmsthatchangetheworld.com) to engage people through global events. He is in production on a new film about a 21st century spiritual innovator, Amichai Lau-Lavie.

**Ebrahimi, Farhad** The Chorus Foundation

*Panel: Eco-Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy & Online Movements*

Farhad Ebrahimi is a musician and occasional recording engineer who lives in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts. He was given a significant amount of wealth by his entrepreneurial father while still in his teens, and with it came both the privilege and the responsibility to become philanthropically active. With this in mind, Farhad created the Chorus Foundation in his late twenties to help consumers — both individual and institutional — make the best possible choices to reduce their environmental footprints. Farhad graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in Mathematics with Computer Science.

**Smith, Maya Enista** Mobilize.org

*Panel: Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa and the USA*

Maya Enista Smith joined the Mobilize.org team in July 2005 as Chief Operating Officer. Today, she is the Chief Executive Officer of a growing and innovative Millennial organization whose mission is to improve democracy by investing in Millennial-driven solutions. At 27 years old, Maya is a veteran in the public service sector, beginning her non-profit career 8 years ago. Focused on voter empowerment and youth civic engagement, Maya began her career as the East Coast Coordinator for Rock the Vote at age 17, a position in which she registered over 30,000 young people.

She continued her voter registration work when she accepted the position of National Field Director for the Hip Hop Civic Engagement Project. Maya organized a 13 state campaign that registered over 300,000 new voters in the "hip hop generation." In addition to her work with Mobilize.org, Maya serves on the Advisory Board for CIRCLE, the Working Group for the Civic Health Index of the National Conference on Citizenship, and the Board of Directors for BoardSource. Maya, very proud of her Jersey roots, grew up in Maplewood, New Jersey and attended Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ. She currently resides in Washington DC with her husband.

**Esco, Lina**

*Panel: Film, Activism and Social Change*

Lina has graced magazines throughout the world as well as billboards in Times Square, New York. But that's her past life. Her first acting gig was in 2005 in the acclaimed indie film, *London*, starring Jessica Biel and Jason Statham. Then she played Jimmy Smits' daughter in the short-lived CBS series *Cane* (2007), then *Kingshighway* (2010). She recently finished a coming-of-age film edited, *LOL*, starring alongside Miley Cyrus and Demi Moore, scheduled for release sometime in late 2011. She is currently working w/Ethan Hawke & Tom Sizemore (pilot directed by Antoine Fuqua) in the much-anticipated Fox-TV series, *Exit Strategy*, scheduled for the Fox lineup of new shows this fall.

She is, however, much more than an actress. She is currently working on a number of scripts, and looking forward to directing a mockumentary about sexual repression in America. Lina produced a PSA for the Academy Award winning Best Documentary of 2009, *The Cove*, entitled, *My Friend is...to bring awareness to the annual killing of dolphins in Taiji, Japan.*

**Firmage, Joseph** Digital Universe

*Panel: World Changing Ideas*

Joseph Firmage is an American Internet entrepreneur. He founded several business ventures prior to and during the dot-com boom and currently is involved with two closely linked organizations: ManyOne Networks of which he is CEO, and the Digital Universe Foundation of which he is a co-founder and member of the Board of Directors.

**Fitzgerald, Jaime** Fitzgerald Analytics

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

The Founder and President of Fitzgerald Analytics, Jaime has developed a distinctively quantitative, fact-based, and transparent approach to solving high stakes problems and improving results. He is equally passionate about the "human side of the equation," and is known for his ability to link the human and the quantitative, both of which are needed to achieve optimal results. The firm has a longstanding commitment to supporting the social sector, and has helped a variety of non-profits and social entrepreneurs enhance and scale results via their use of technology, measurement, and analysis. Jaime's wife, Naoko Fitzgerald, co-founded Fitzgerald Analytics and is an activist, fundraiser, and organizer focused on child welfare, education, disaster relief and reconstruction, and international cooperation.

**Forall, Soryu** Center for Mindful Learning

*Panel: Case Studies of Systemic Change: Drug Policy Reform and New Education Models*

Soryu left his home to train at a Japanese Buddhist monastery when he was 19. As a child, he saw people create deep suffering in the world and felt unable to accept it. He wanted to face the problem directly, and upon learning that monasteries are built for that purpose, he immediately began to search. After visiting teachers for some time, he found a true Zen Master, Shodo Harada Roshi, with whom he was fortunate to train for four years, and under whom he was ordained. He also trained, and served as head monk, at Sariputta Boudh Vihar, an Ambedkar Buddhist monastery in southern India, where he worked for the rights of those born into the lower castes and helped to raise thirty boys with the understanding that we are all inconceivably valuable, regardless of family circumstances. He led peaceful protests and organized community efforts to overcome the injustice of the caste system. He further trained at Hemis Gompa, a Kagyud Tibetan monastery in the far north of India where he maintained an extremely rigorous meditation practice, and Xue Feng Si, an ancient Ch'an monastery in eastern China. Since returning to the United States, he has had the honor of participating in several Native American ceremonies, including the Sun Dance and a four-year cycle of Vision Quests.

He currently living in Burlington, Vermont, near the house where he began meditation practice when he was 16. He is now 35, and over the past 19 years, he has practiced formal meditation, sometimes joyful and sometimes painful but always exciting, for more than 20,000 hours. He teaches meditation techniques at residential retreats around the US and internationally, one-on-one in Vermont, over the phone and the Internet and through text messages, and in local schools and at King Street Center with youth. He wanders around Chittenden County for the warmer half the year in the traditional Buddhist mendicant style. It is a blessing for him to provide meditation guidance as a fulltime job.

**Fortsgate, Victoria** Restless Development

*Panel: Speaker at the United Nations*

Christie Garton is curator of USA TODAY's new philanthropy community, Kindness: New Ways We Give and Volunteer and an award-winning social-entrepreneur.

Garton launched her first non-profit at age 19. She is a writer and founder of an online community focused on collegiate trends. From innovative takes on philanthropy to unsung community heroes, Garton delivers a daily dose of inspired giving. Christie is a founder of University Chic Media. In addition to launching a strategic partnership with the Collegiate Licensing Company, the nation's leading collegiate trademark licensing and marketing company, Garton also serves as a college life guest expert for Seventeen.com, USNews.com, Unigo.com (partner of the WSJ.com), CampusCalm.com, and TeenVogue.com. Garton has also launched U Chic Prep , a speaking series geared towards helping young women in high school and college find success in school and in life.

**Foster , Geoff** United Teen Equality Center

*Panel: The Power and Influence of Youth*

Geoff foster has completed over 3,400 service hours through two years of AmeriCorps, as well as worked to coordinate youth-led campaigns for lowering the voting age in Lowell, MA. He has worked as a lead coordinator for a Massachusetts statewide coalition of youth working to create lasting change through policy-making and helped teens facilitate and host their bi-annual youth-led city council candidate forum, biggest forum in our municipal elections (which is led entirely by teens)

**Franklin, Jason** Bolder Giving

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Jason brings to his work with Bolder Giving a background in philanthropy education, nonprofit strategy and leadership, and urban policy and education advocacy. He is also a Lecturer on Public Administration and Doctoral Candidate at New York University's Wagner School of Public Service. His research at NYU focuses on the role of charitable foundations in the policy making process and he teaches courses on nonprofit management, public policy, and philanthropy.

He is an experienced national donor educator and leader with over a decade of volunteer, professional and scholarly experience in philanthropic and social change work. He serves on the boards of Resource Generation, North Star Fund, Proteus Fund, 21st Century School Fund, and Social Justice Philanthropy Collaborative and on the advisory boards of Wealth for the Common Good and Chartered Advisors in Philanthropy program. He comes to the Bolder Giving team from the 21st Century School Fund where he most recently worked as Deputy Director. Previously, he coordinated the Rockefeller Foundation's Next Generation Leadership Network.

**Garton, Christie** USA Today

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Christie Garton is curator of USA TODAY's new philanthropy community, Kindness: New Ways We Give and Volunteer ([kindness.usatoday.com](http://kindness.usatoday.com)).

Garton launched her first non-profit at age 19. She is a writer and founder of an online community focused on collegiate trends. From innovative takes on philanthropy to unsung community heroes, Garton delivers a daily dose of inspired giving. For other stories on philanthropy, go to [sharing.usatoday.com](http://sharing.usatoday.com).

**Gemmil, Helen** Women Donors Network

*Panel: Eco-Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy & Online Movements*

Helen is pursuing graduate work at the University in International Water Policy. She is also a board member of the Global Greengrants Fund, the White House Project, the Community Foundation Serving Boulder County (where she served as Chair until April 2010) and incoming Chair of the Women Donors Network Board. She enjoys road biking, running, hiking. She is a graduate of Middlebury College and is married and lives in Boulder, CO.

**Gerrol, Rachel Cohen** The Nexus

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

Rachel Cohen Gerrol is Founder and Executive Director of OLAM Service Adventures, a non-profit offering Jewish & interfaith voluntourism adventure trips for young adults to countries recovering from Genocide. Rachel previously served as Special Assistant to Ambassador Nancy Rubin, U.S. Representative to the UN Commission on Human Rights, and as Director of Young Adult Initiatives for the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation. A firm believer in green technologies, Rachel is a shareholder in CODA Automotive, a California based electric car and battery company.

Rachel was recently named "Jewish Girl of the Year" for 2011 by GathertheJews.com. She chairs the Birthright Israel Advisory Committee and has testified before the Israeli Knesset (congress) on renewing their investment in the Birthright Israel program. She is a member of the Speakers Bureau of the Jewish Federations of North America and has spoken alongside Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu and human rights activist Natan Sharansky on engaging the millennial generation and embracing interfaith families. She is the 2011 Presidential Appointee to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, where she chairs the Young Leadership Board. Rachel also serves on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Outreach Institute and the Auxiliary Board of the Washington Jesuit Academy, a tuition-free middle school for at-risk boys.

**Gershon, Gail** Gap, Inc.

*Speaker at the United Nations*

The Gap Foundation is the community investment vehicle for all Gap Inc. brands (Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Piperlime, and Athleta). In current role, Gail leads Gap Foundation's global employee engagement programs, which are designed to leverage the time and professional expertise of Gap Inc.'s 135,000 employees around the world. Gap Inc.'s target causes are underserved youth ages 12-18, with a focus on career exploration and job readiness (in the developed world); and women's advancement (in the developing world). Gail also manages a grantmaking portfolio that includes nonprofit organizations in NYC, that are national in scope, and that are based in the UK, France, and Japan. She leads This Way Ahead, Gap Inc.'s signature program for youth. Before joining the Gap Foundation, Gail worked at the Florence V. Burden Foundation (a small family foundation that focuses on youth in the northeastern U.S.), the Metropolitan Life Foundation, and the New York Regional Association of Grantmakers.

**Goldseker, Sharna** 21/64

*Panel: Organizing Young Wealth & Influence in your Country*

Sharna Goldseker has fourteen years of experience in the non-profit sector including eleven in the philanthropic field as a grantmaker and as a consultant to families, foundations and federations on next generation and multigenerational philanthropy. Sharna is currently Vice President of the Andrea and Charles Bronfman Philanthropies where she directs 21/64, a non-profit consulting division specializing in next generation and multigenerational strategic philanthropy. In that capacity, Sharna facilitates Grand Street, a network of seventy 18-28 year olds who are or will be involved in their family's philanthropy; manages Slingshot, a funding collaborative for Jewish funders in their 20s and 30s; speaks and consults on generational transitions using 21/64's uniquely developed tools such as the Grandparent Legacy Project; and, trains other grantmakers and consultants on 21/64's approach to multigenerational philanthropy.

Sharna graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Pennsylvania with majors in Urban Studies and Religious Studies. She has a Masters in Public Administration in Non-Profit Management from New York University's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service where she was the inaugural Charles H. Tenney Fellow. She also has training in organizational development and group dynamics. Sharna currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Goldseker Foundation and the Council on Foundations, the Advisory Board of Strategic Philanthropy Ltd., and is also Chair of the Council's 2011 Family Philanthropy Conference.

**Goren, Gilad** Group IST

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

Born in Jerusalem and raised in New York City, Gilad Goren has been exposed to the travel industry since he could get past the fact that IST does not make Iced Tea beverages (an excusable 3 year old's mistake). Following graduation at Brandeis University with a BA/MA in Comparative history, He spent the next four years travelling, backpacking, and living through South America, Europe and Israel. It was during this period when he first came to realize the ameliorative power in volunteer work, for both sides of the donor-beneficiary relationship. As a volunteer teacher at a half-way home of children in Tel Aviv, raising awareness and much needed funds was a simple matter of organizing charity roof-top parties and setting up partnerships with local businesses. Yet experience proves that those who would become most involved were the ones who came in personal contact with the organization, its staff and the kids. In his current position as manager of product development at Group IST, Gilad has sought to create a unique model of 'voluntourism' based on his personal experience- a model that focuses on the bond between traveler, non-profit organization and the local population involved. Brand ET African Journeys, a partnership with Ethiopian Airlines, was launched in 2010 with the goal of promoting travel throughout East Africa. Group IST is currently working with Non Profit Organizations throughout the region in order to implement voluntourism within their unique models of development.

**Grammatis, Kosta** AHUMANRIGHT

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

Kosta is the founder and CEO of AHUMANRIGHT.org. Previously Kosta was a researcher at the MIT Media Labs where he helped develop NETRA- a vision test for developing countries. The project was awarded 1st Prize for Vodaphones Wireless Innovation Project, winner of the MIT Global Challenge, and a Google Innovation grant. He is best known for his work on "The Eyeborg Project" - a video camera enabled bionic eye that was awarded TIME Magazine's best inventions of 2009. Kosta is an active blogger on the Huffington Post and has spoken at events including: TEDx, Satellite 2011 Conference, and the National Space Societies Space Development Conference. His passion for space and telecommunications started with his career at SpaceX where he led the design of a satellite that is currently in orbit. He started AHUMANRIGHT.org because he believes "the Internet is a tool that can help people to help themselves."

**Graves, Richard** Fired Up Media/ Louise Shellem Family Fund

*Panel: Eco-Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy & Online Movements*

Richard Graves is an award-winning social entrepreneur, environmental journalist, and new media strategist. He has worked for national and global campaigns as a new media campaigner, helped launch a number of civil society organizations, and has trained hundreds of young people in how to use new media for social change. He is currently participating in the Center for Progressive Leadership's Executive Fellowship and the NextGen Fellowship in Mission-Related Investment with Resource Generation.

**Hermoza, Andrea Torres** Un Techno Para Mi Pais

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Andrea Torres Hermoza is a Director of International Development - Western Hemisphere in a non-profit "Un Techo para mi pais" in Chile. Un Techo para mi Pais is a Latin American NGO of youth volunteers and young professionals that work together with impoverished families in 19 regional countries through the construction of transitional housing and the implementation of Social Inclusion Programs. UTPMP focuses on social inclusion that allows the families to develop into sustainable communities. The organization also seeks to generate a higher social consciousness in today's youth, the leaders of the future. Andrea has been working in this organization for one year. Before that she worked as a Program Assistant- Latin America for Freedom House, a non-profit dedicated to promoting free institutions worldwide. Has also interned for OAS and Ford Family Program at the University of Notre Dame and worked as Research Assistant for UNDP, doing comparative gender public policy research in Spanish-speaking countries in Latin America. She graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 2009.

**Ho, Andrew** Council on Foundations

*Panel: Connecting the Dots: Local to Global*

Andrew serves as manager for global philanthropy at the Council on Foundations. He is a 2010 Independent Sector NGen Fellow, and a contributing writer to Asian American Giving. Andrew holds both an MBA and a Master of Public Policy from Georgetown University, where he was a Waldemar A. Nielsen Philanthropy Fellow.

**Hull, Courtney** Stay in the Light Co.

*Keynote*

Courtney Hull currently runs her own eco-friendly accessories company, Stay in the Light Co. Before the headband business, Courtney spent many years working in the non-profit, political, and philanthropic sectors. She is the former Political Director of Green for All, a national organization working to build an inclusive green economy strong enough to lift people out of poverty. She has held leadership positions within numerous youth-oriented initiatives including the Energy Action Coalition and the League of Young Voters. Courtney has lived life on the campaign trail across the country, working for progressive candidates on multiple levels, from City Council to the US Senate, specializing in election transparency and access to the ballot, as well as communications and community involvement. Courtney continues to be committed to understanding the role of money in social change, having graduated from Brown University where she successfully organized the creation of a Social Choice Fund, giving donors the option to have their contribution socially responsibly invested. For the last decade, Courtney has served on the board of directors of her family foundation, which is one of the first in the US with an endowment that is 100% mission related invested. She currently lives in LA, but goes to Nicaragua whenever she can to surf, and continue collaboration on this community center in the fishing village of Gigante. She is quite passionate about sustainable packaging.

**Hylton-Brim, Misa** Madison Star

*Panel: Creating a Tradition of Family Philanthropy*

Misa Hylton-Brim was raised in the suburbs of Mount Vernon New York to a black father and a Japanese and Jamaican mother. She is a successful fashion designer and stylist. With her former partner Sean "P. Diddy" Combs', she is the mother of Justin Combs.

**Jackson, John** MTV

*Speaker at the United Nations*

John Jackson is Vice President of Social Responsibility for MTV Networks International, developing partnerships and strategy across MTV's channels worldwide. He began working at MTV in 2005, coordinating the Global Media AIDS Initiative during MTV's chairmanship of the UN-backed project.

During his career, Jackson has directed major international campaigns on a variety of issues that include human rights, economic justice, antipersonnel landmines, HIV/AIDS and sustainability. Jackson was a founding member and director of the Burma Campaign UK and helped to establish a European Network on Burma advocacy. He has worked in a number of conflict areas in Asia with refugees and survivors of military conflict. Jackson is Co-author of *Small Acts of Resistance: How Courage, Tenacity and Ingenuity Can Change the World* and is a regular contributor to the Huffington Post.

**Jain, Ankur** Kairos Society

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Ankur Jain is the Founder and Chairman of the Kairos Society, the world's leading organization working to develop the next "billion dollar" businesses that solve some of our world's greatest challenges. To achieve this, the Kairos Society's invitation only member base consists of some of the top collegiate entrepreneurs from across the world and brings them together with some of today's most impactful leaders. Jain founded the organization under the belief that entrepreneurship between entrepreneurs of different nations, disciplines, and generations will not only drive economic growth, but lead to long-term, innovative solutions to world problems. In early 2011, Kairos hosted its 3rd annual global summit at the United Nations, New York Stock Exchange, and Rockefeller Estate where 350 young entrepreneurs joined 150 leading CEOs to create new high-growth ventures to tackle challenges such as Education, Clean-Tech, Urbanization, and more. The summit also showcased 50 of the most innovative ventures launched by its fellows that year. In April, 2011 the Kairos Society hosted its Europe Summit in the Hague, Netherlands in partnership with the inaugural World Foresight Forum to once again look at how the private sector can solve some of the grand challenges we will face in the future.

Jain has been frequently featured in various media including CNN, Wall Street Journal, Forbes, and Inc. He is as an advisor to the US Chamber of Commerce on the new Center for Entrepreneurship and is a speaker at various global conferences. Jain was born and raised in Seattle, WA USA and graduated from the Wharton School of Business in May, 2011

**Johannpeter Smith , Julia** Gerdau

*Panel: Philanthropy, Wealth and Generational Influence: Talking to Your Family*

Julia, 26, graduated in Business Administration with emphasis in Marketing. Her final thesis was about Sustainability in Business Management, in which she analyzed the case of the Gerdau Group, a company of her family. Her desire to make a better world began during her childhood, and took greater shape after this study. Her next step is to learn and exchange experiences and to become an agent to transform society.

**Johnson , Jamie**

*Panel: Film, Activism and Social Change*

Jamie Johnson attended New York University where he studied history as well as filmmaking. He is an Emmy-nominated director whose documentary films "Born Rich" and "The One Percent" have both premiered on the HBO network. In addition to making films, Jamie contributes to various publications, including vanityfair.com. He currently resides in Manhattan.

**Jones, Alexis** I Am That Girl

*Panel: Fame for Social Change: Organizing Hollywood*

Alexis Jones is an internationally recognized speaker, entrepreneur, author and TV personality. She is an All American, southern bell Texas tomboy with an affinity for college football. Whether it's hiking Mt. Everest, hosting a TV show on the red carpet, Surviving 33 of 39 days on the hit CBS show Survivor, working for ESPN Game Day, winning the Price is Right or founding and running her dream company, Alexis has traveled around the world speaking about what it really takes to be a young, social entrepreneur pursuing their passion. With her avant-guard approach to business and life she inspires people to discover their passion, to dream fearlessly, and to build a sustainable business model that allows them to make money doing what they love while also making a difference in the world.

**Kaag, Sigrid** Partnerships Bureau of the United Nations Development Programme

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Sigrid Kaag is an Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Partnerships Bureau of the United Nations Development Programme. Prior to her current position, Kaag served with Unicef, as regional director for the Middle East and North

Africa, based in Jordan and as chief of staff of the executive director and as deputy director of programs in New York. She also served as senior United Nations adviser in the Office of the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Khartoum, Sudan. She was the chief of donor relations with the International Organization for Migration from 1998 to 2004 and senior program manager with the External Relations Office of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, based in Jerusalem. Before joining the United Nations system, Kaag served the Netherlands in its Ministry of Foreign Affairs and as deputy head of sector in its United Nations Political Affairs Department in The Hague. She holds a master of philosophy in international relations of the Middle East from Exeter University, and a master's degree in international relations from St. Antony's College at Oxford University.



**Karpantschof , Daniel** Genco Pura

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

Serial-entrepreneur, strategist, idealist.

Daniel co-created numerous companies, including Europe's first supplier of 100% clean and sustainable energy, a cell phone service provider for social good, an international consulting house focusing on executive talent management and gender equality, as well as been member of numerous company and organization boards, such as the board of directors of the Copenhagen Institute for Futures Studies and The College of Education.

Daniel Karpantschof has, as an independent consultant, worked with business development strategies for various organizations and corporations over the last decade, and as a member of various cabinet level committees in the Danish government (including the Council on European Policies and the Board of Education), contributed to several pieces of legislation as well as acted as Danish representative to the UNESCO. Summer 2010 he moved to Washington, DC and founded Genco Pura, a new presence on the consulting market in the States, selling consigliere services. At the Nexus: Global Youth Summit on Innovative Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship, he works as conference producer, in charge of visions, development, production and execution.

**Kaufman, Daniel** One Percent Foundation

*Panel: The Power of Collective Giving and Broad Based Engagement*

Daniel Kaufman is the Co-Founder of the One Percent Foundation, an organization building a broad-based movement of next generation philanthropists by making giving accessible, engaging, and meaningful. He is also the Co-Founder of Third Plateau Social Impact Strategies, LLC, a consulting firm that specializes in designing and implementing innovative next generation philanthropic engagement opportunities for individuals, non-profits, foundations, and businesses. Prior to starting OPF and Third Plateau, Daniel worked as the General Counsel for Revolution Prep, an educational services and products company, and as an associate at Heller Ehrman, LLP in San Francisco. Previously, Daniel served as a Legislative Assistant for the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism and the Interfaith Alliance, working on issues ranging from campaign finance reform to foreign policy. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Tutorpedia Foundation and as a representative on the Council on Foundations Next Gen Task Force. Daniel has a J.D. from UCLA School of Law and a B.A. from Stanford University. He lives in Sacramento, CA with his wife, Talia, and daughter, Mia.

**Kessler, Eric** Arabella

*Panel: Philanthropy, Wealth and Generational Influence: Talking to Your Family*

As founder and Managing Director of Arabella Advisors, Eric Kessler has built a social venture firm dedicated to making philanthropy more effective. His client work at Arabella includes philanthropy strategy, evaluation, foundation management and project execution. Eric has spearheaded evaluations of many of the world's most significant nonprofits and served as executive director of numerous foundations through the Arabella Foundation Management platform. He also recently helped build and lead strategy development for a donor collaborative supporting passage of the 2010 Child Nutrition Act. His insights on civil society and effective philanthropy are often quoted by the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Washington Post, and National Public Radio's "Marketplace".

**Kleinfeld, Rachel** Truman National Security Project

*Panel: World Changing Ideas*

Dr. Rachel Kleinfeld is the co-founder and CEO of the Truman National Security Project, an organization dedicated to recruiting, training, and positioning the next generation of progressives to lead on national security. Previously, as a Senior Consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton, Rachel worked on terrorism, homeland security, trade and security, and energy security issues. As a consultant at CSIS, she has written on citizen preparedness for bioterrorism. Rachel's passion lies in issues at the interstices of national security, human security, and development. She has consulted for the World Bank, government agencies, and private organizations on building the rule of law in weak states, work that she continues as a non-resident Associate of the Carnegie Endowment. She has worked in human rights and economic development in India, Israel, Eastern Europe, and has served as an elections monitor in Pakistan and Bangladesh.

A Rhodes Scholar and Truman Scholar, Rachel has served on the Rhodes Selection Committee and on the Board of Trustees for the Blue Fund, a mutual fund. She has been named an Oxfam Sisters on the Plant Ambassador, and was awarded the New Leaders Council 40 under 40 Award in 2008. She received her BA from Yale University and her M. Phil and D.Phil in International Relations from St. Antony's College, Oxford. Rachel was born and raised in a log house on a dirt road in her beloved Fairbanks, Alaska.

**Kluge, John** Eirene

*Panel: Investing in Peace, Speaker at the United Nations*

John Kluge is Co-Founder of Eirene, a group building purpose driven, radically scalable businesses in the education, water, food, and base of pyramid sectors. John also directs the Digital Safety and Citizenship program at the EastWest Institute, an international, non-partisan, non-profit policy organization, whose mission is to devise innovative solutions to pressing security concerns and mobilize networks of individuals, institutions and nations to implement these solutions. Though his focus has been primarily on cybersecurity, climate and energy resilience, and international space policy, he is also working on integrating gaming, social networks, and music as alternative solutions to peacemaking. Prior to joining EWI, John was the Projects Coordinator and Legislative Liaison for Rock and Wrap It Up, an anti-poverty think tank, where he piloted a federal food recovery program at the Library of Congress, and spearheaded the drafting and lobbying efforts of the Federal Food Donation Act of 2008. John served as an advisor to the Ambassador of the Central African Republic before joining the EastWest Institute in December of 2008. A graduate of Columbia University, he holds a B.A. in American Studies. John serves on UNICEF's Next Generation Steering Committee and recently joined the Board of Advisors of award-winning special effects and animation company Digital Domain. He is the author of the book *John Kluge: Stories*, published by Columbia University Press and is currently producing two documentary feature-length films, *The Power of Peace*, about the futility of war in the 21st century, starring His Holiness the Dalai Lama & Columbia University professor Robert Thurman.

**Koh, Sean** Koherent

*Speaker at the United Nations*

The founder of the media and entertainment concentration at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, Sean Koh has compiled extensive business development experience in the fields of philanthropy, media and entertainment, not-for-profit, financial services, consumer product goods, luxury brands, clean energy, mobile technology, arts institutions, specialty coatings, real estate, fashion, and government contracting to develop sustainable business models for a number of successful organizations, ranging from start-ups to Fortune 100 companies. Some organizations that have benefited from Sean's involvement include Verizon, Boeing, LVMH, The Philadelphia Orchestra, Sotheby's, Babcock & Wilcox, Research In Motion, PacifiCorp, and a number of global small-to-mid-size million-dollar businesses. The Koh Family Office has a number of holdings in the Middle East, Central Asia, South Asian, and East Asia and continues to grow its US portfolio which includes Manhattan Woods Golf Club and other trophy assets.

**Kosba, May** National Conference on Citizenship

*Panel: The Power and Influence of Youth*

May Kosba is NCoC's Civic Health Fellow. She is from Cairo, Egypt, and is serving with NCoC as part of the Atlas Service Corps program.

May has over four years of experience in the nonprofit sector and has worked in various capacities as fundraising consultant, grant proposal writer, trainer, and translator for a diverse list of organizations, including Da'am for Information Technology, Etijah, United Group Attorneys at Law & Human Rights Advocates, and several human rights agencies. May graduated from Ain Shams University with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and received diplomas in Written Translation and NGO Institutions from the American University in Cairo. May has represented Egyptian youth in the U.S. on many occasions and has met with international officials including Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. As part of a Freedom House and USAID fellowship program in Spring 2009, she delivered a speech at the International Solidarity Committee and was featured on the Voice of Americas website. May previously volunteered at Al Waref Institute in Washington, D.C. as the Egypt Coordinator. As a human rights activist and freelance writer, she writes about youth activism for changing behaviors and social norms. She was also featured on C-Span in March 2011.

**Kovacevic, Milorad** UNDP - Human Development Report Office

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

Milorad S. Kovacevic is Head of the Statistical Unit in Human Development Report Office. Before joining this unit, he was working as a methodologist at Statistics Canada as chief of Data Analysis Methods Research at the Methodology Branch. He also worked for the Federal Statistical Office of Yugoslavia and was teaching statistics at the University of Belgrade, Serbia, and the University of Iowa, Iowa City, United States.

Milorad holds a Ph.D. in statistics from the University of Belgrade, a Masters in Statistics from the University of Zagreb, and a Bachelor's in mathematics from the University of Belgrade

**Kuhn, Eric** United Talent Agency

*Panel: Social Media for Social Good*

Eric Kuhn is an agent at the United Talent Agency, focusing on social media. Before joining UTA, Eric was the audience interaction producer for CNN. He has also helped build the digital and social strategy for the NBA and CBS News.

**Lairsen, Wade** Gen Next

*Panel: Appreciating the Diversity of Young Philanthropy Groups*

Wade serves as Senior Director of Gen Next, an exclusive organization of successful individuals dedicated to learning about and becoming engaged with the most pressing challenges facing future generations.

**Lester, Darryl** HindSight Consulting, Inc.

*Panel: The Power of Collective Giving and Broad Based Engagement*

Darryl Lester is the Founder and President of HindSight Consulting, Inc. and The Community Investment Network. HindSight Consulting, Inc was founded by Darryl and his wife Dionne in 2001 to assist individuals and organizations to give their time, talent, and treasure to improve the social conditions in the communities and neighborhoods where they live and work. Much of HindSight's work is bridging community philanthropy (giving) and institutional philanthropy (giving) to affirm and provide more strategic focus to giving in communities. In 2004, HindSight Consulting, Inc launched the Community Investment Network ([www.thecommunityinvestment.org](http://www.thecommunityinvestment.org)) to provide strategic donor education for African Americans and other donors of color as well as to provide technical assistance for community philanthropists engaged in collective giving and volunteerism through giving circles. Presently there are nine giving circles that have been organized and connected to the Community Investment Network. Darryl's civic and community involvement include, board member of the New Voices School for children with severe mental and physical challenges; board member of the Center for Community Philanthropy at The Clinton School; Founder and member of the Next Generation of African American Philanthropists; African American Symposium Presenter at North Carolina State University; and former Trustee for the Warner Foundation.

**Lindenmayer, Michael** Caregiver Relief Fund

*Panel: Investing in Peace*

Michael is social entrepreneur. He was an early adopter of the Grameen Bank and Room to Read. He commenced his career in investment banking and worked at Morgan Stanley in New York and London. He is a partner in Eirene which builds endeavors which address issues facing 1 billion or more individuals.

**Lopez-Berestein, Gabriel** MD Anderson

*Panel: Venture Philanthropy: Where Markets End and Philanthropy Begins*

Dr. Gabriel Lopez-Berestein, is currently Professor and Chief, Immunobiology and Drug Carriers Section in the Department of Bioimmunotherapy. He also serves as Director of the Bioimmunotherapy Fellowship Training Program. Dr. Lopez-Berestein completed his Premedical degree at the University of Puerto Rico, and his medical studies at the University of Navarro in Spain. He completed his Internal Medicine Residency at the San Juan City Hospital at the Puerto Rico Medical Center and his fellowship in Developmental Therapeutics at UT M.D. Anderson Cancer Center 1979-1981. In 1981 he joined the UT M.D. Anderson staff. Dr. Lopez-Berestein is also the Director of the M.D. Anderson CancerTherapeutics Discovery Program (CTDP). The CTDP seeks to promote independence, creativity and collaboration by organizing and conducting a variety of educational events, such as retreats and focus groups. Dr. Lopez-Berestein is a cell biologist, interested in the mechanisms of monocyte, macrophage cell growth and differentiation. His work also focused on the development of lipid cancer based antifungals and antisense compounds. Dr. Lopez-Berestein developed liposomal-amphotericin B (now commercially available as ABELCET) from bench to clinic. During the last 15 years he has introduced more than 7 different antitumor agents from discovery to clinical implementation. At present his major efforts are in signal transduction signaling and molecular targeting. He is also involved in graduate and post graduate education. He has trained more than 40 Ph.D., postdoctoral fellows and M.D.s. He is a member of the Division of Cancer Medicine fellowship Training Program and PI and Director of the Training Grant in Bioimmunotherapy. Dr. Lopez-Berestein lectures in pharmacology, Immunobiology and cancer biology courses.

**Magali, Moses** NYC Center for Economic Opportunity

*Panel: Connecting the Dots: Local to Global*

Moe Magali is an advisor at the NYC Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO), Mayor Bloomberg's poverty laboratory. In this role, Moe manages four anti-poverty initiatives designed to engage the City's disconnected youth population. He also oversees the Center's data and performance reporting, and the architecture of CEO's performance management system. Moe joined CEO in 2008 after receiving his BA in Government & Politics from St. John's University. A self-proclaimed outdoors man, Moe is an avid surfer, biker, kayaker and climber. He is also a Young Patron with Lincoln Center and a mentor with iMentor. Moe is a proud resident in Queens, NY.

**Mahan, Matt** Causes (Facebook)

*Panel: Social Media for Social Good*

For the last three years Matt Mahan has managed Causes' strategy for empowering activists, nonprofits, and others who want to use online organizing tools to change the world. Matt joined Causes after two years teaching middle school through Teach for America and a one-year Rockefeller Fellowship in Bolivia. Matt graduated from Harvard College, where he served as student body president, and is a native of Watsonville, California.

**Mayo, Justin** Red Eye

*Panel: Appreciating the Diversity of Young Philanthropy Groups*

Justin Mayo is the Executive Director of the non-profit, Red Eye.

In the summer of '99, 17-year-old Justin Mayo dreamt of a resolute Hollywood alternative, a place where those involved in the arts, entertainment industry and "culture creators" were valued as individuals, not for their last name or a connection to be used. This dream became a reality as 'Red Eye' began to offer its services as a non-profit in October 2006. Deriving its name from its members' tireless effort to provide a common ground, Red Eye has become a haven for people to develop their talents and help those less fortunate in LA, NYC and LINK chapters in SYDNEY, LONDON and Paris.

**Mezgebe, Yohannes** African Youth Corps

*Panel: Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa & the US*

Yohannes Mezgebe is Vice President of the Pan African Youth Union (PYU), which is the pan-African platform of youth organizations to work in the fields of national youth policies and youth work development that is clearly set in the African Youth Charter and He is Founding Director of the African Youth Corps which is a non profit making public interest organisation working with and among the young people from academic institutions and the wider community within the continent in empowering them to develop a vision for transformation of society and creating a better Africa.

In partnership with academic community and government institutions and agencies, Yohannes helps youth develop a passion to transform their societies and create a healthier and more productive continent for the benefit of the people of Africa and for the world in general. He assists in empowering the youth with skills and resources to make their vision a reality. Yohannes has planned, developed, and facilitated events, conferences and other forums with the Africa Union, the United Nations, the Council of Europe, country embassies, international organizations and other entities.

**Mehta, Nipun** CharityFocus.org

*Panel: World Changing Ideas*

Nipun Mehta is the founder of CharityFocus.org, a fully volunteer-run organization that has delivered millions of dollars of web-related services to the nonprofit world for free. The recipient of the Jefferson Award for Public Service, the President's Volunteer Service Award and an honor from the world's most famous clown, his work creatively leverages web technologies for collaborative and transformational giving, lending him insight into service, leadership, organizational design, and spirituality. He serves on the advisory boards of the Seva Foundation, Dalai Lama Foundation, and Airline Ambassadors.

Nipun's high-school goal was to either become a tennis-pro or a Himalayan Yogi. However, by the third year of his Computer Science and Philosophy degree at UC Berkeley, he started his software career at Sun Microsystems. Dissatisfied by the dot-com greed of the late 90s, Nipun went to a homeless shelter with three friends to "give with absolutely no agendas." They ended up creating a website, and also an organization named CharityFocus. Today, CharityFocus's 300 thousand members incubate compassionate action in a multitude of ways and its inspiration portals get 100 million hits a year. In 2001, at the age of 25, Nipun quit his job to become a "full time volunteer." He didn't have a plan of survival beyond six months, but so far, so good.

In January 2005, Nipun and Guri, his wife of six months, dropped everything to embark on an open-ended, unscripted walking pilgrimage in India to "use our hands to do random acts of kindness, use our heads to profile inspiring people, and use our hearts to cultivate truth." Living on dollar a day, eating wherever food is offered, sleeping wherever a flat surface is found, the couple walked 1000 kilometers before ending up at a monastery where they meditated for three months. Today, both Nipun and Guri live in Berkeley, do small acts of service with great love, and run CharityFocus. The journey continues.

Nipun's mission statement in life reads: "Bring smiles in the world and stillness in my heart."

**Mellinger, Doug** Foundation Source

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

Doug is an entrepreneur and philanthropist who founded Foundation Source to revolutionize the world of family philanthropy. Foundation Source is the leading provider of support services and technology for private foundations serving over 1000 today. Doug has sat on numerous board for private companies, not for profit and government entities with a focus on youth, education and economic development.

**Menschel, David** Vital Projects Fund

*Panel: Film, Activism and Social Change*

David Menschel is a lawyer and a director of the Vital Projects Fund, a charitable foundation located in New York City with an interest in human rights and criminal justice reform. Formerly, Menschel was an attorney and the Arthur Liman Fellow at the Innocence Project in New York and the legal director of the Innocence Project of Florida where he helped to free wrongfully convicted individuals some of whom had spent decades in prison for crimes they did not commit. He is the author of *Abolition Without Deliverance: The Law of Connecticut Slavery, 1784-1848*, published in the *Yale Law Journal*. He is also the executive producer of Sundance and SXSW award-winning documentary films that advance progressive messages. The films include: *No Impact Man* (2009), the chronicle of a New York City family's year-long experiment in carbon-neutral living; *The Oath* (2010), a humanizing portrait of a cab-driving Yemeni jihadist and his Guantanamo-imprisoned brother-in-law; and *War Don Don* (2010), a probing examination of international efforts to try and punish an alleged war criminal in post-conflict Sierra Leone. Before attending law school, Menschel taught American history to high school students. He received a B.A. from Princeton University ('93) and a J.D. from Yale Law School ('02). He lives in Brooklyn, NY.

**Meredith, Will** MFI Foundation

*Keynote*

WILL MEREDITH is a project manager in real estate development and community service work in Austin Texas. He is a founding principal and director of his family's real estate development business M.F.I. Real Estate, as well as a member of the board of directors of his family's Foundation M.F.I. Foundation. Will specializes in community development, government relations, and marketing. He received a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from The University of California, Santa Barbara in 2004, where he was also a member of the national ranked Division 1 Men's Soccer Program. Currently he is pursuing his Master of Science in Project Management from St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas.

WILL also serves on the Board of Directors of Open Door Preschools, a non-profit organization in Austin which serves over 200 children with a diversity of socio-economic and developmental needs. Additionally Will takes great pride in his work as a Director of the Board of the Austin Film Society, which works to cultivate the film and creative media sector of Central Texas through their operation of the Austin Studios and an array of artist and education services. Will also serves on the Advisory Council for Sustainable Food Center, which promotes access to healthy foods through farmers markets, community gardening, and education programs.

WILL lives in downtown Austin with his girlfriend Natalie Kothe, who is a first grade teacher; along with their two dogs Champ and Lady, who are Hungarian Vizslas. He can best be connected to through his profile "Will Meredith" on LinkedIn, on Twitter @WBMATX, or on email with Will@mfiatx.com.

**Moss, Dave** National Youth Rights Association

*Panel: The Power and Influence of Youth*

Dave Moss is the Director of Development and Operations at the National Youth Rights Association. In that capacity he has broken numerous organizational fundraising records while leading many successful campaigns for youth rights. Dave is a member of the Grand Street Network, a group of 18-28 year olds who are in a position of responsibility with their family's philanthropy. He also serves on the board of directors of the Slingshot Fund, which makes over \$300,000 in grants each year to innovative Jewish organizations with funds raised by young Jews. Prior to joining NYRA, Dave was the Development Associate at The SEED Foundation in Washington, DC. He has also worked a fundraiser with Conservation International, The Greenwood School and Progressive Majority. He serves on the board of advisors for Interfaithfamily.com, the development committee for love.futbol and as vicechair of the production committee for *Becoming Calvin*.

**Mukherjee, Sudeshna** GlobalGiving Foundation

*Panel: The Power and Influence of Youth*

Sudeshna has almost 6 years of experience in program management and resource mobilization functions across national and international NGOs. She began her career in monitoring and evaluation at GIVE India and gradually transitioned to implementing effective fundraising and donor stewardship strategies for audiences that included corporations, new media and high net-worth individuals. In her last assignment with Oxfam India, she focused on fundraising from Corporations especially for disaster relief and rehabilitation projects. Recently she was selected as a Spring Fellow by Atlas Services Corps to serve at GlobalGiving Foundation in Washington, D.C. Sudeshna holds a Masters in Social Work from Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and a Masters Certificate in Resource Mobilization and Management from S.P. Jain Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai in India.

**Muraresku, Brian** Inter-American Development Bank

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

Muraresku's passion for human rights and development was sparked in 2003 while working with Sudanese refugees at the Middle East/North Africa headquarters of the UNHCR in Cairo, Egypt. While still a law student, he argued and won political asylum for a Guinean woman in federal immigration court. Muraresku then went on to successfully secure the permanent residence of a Colombian mother and her three daughters under the Violence Against Women Act, later assisting the repatriation of a Panamanian girl under the International Child Abduction Convention.

From 2005 to 2009, Muraresku practiced corporate and project finance law in the New York and London offices of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP. He received a bachelor's in Classics (Phi Beta Kappa) from Brown University and a law degree from Georgetown University. He is currently an attorney at the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington, D.C., where he promotes novel approaches to poverty eradication with the Opportunities for the Majority. He is also the co-founder of the Global Well-Being Initiative. Muraresku is fluent in Spanish and proficient in Arabic, Latin, Greek and Sanskrit. He is admitted to the New York State Bar.

**Mzyk, Karolina** UN Development Programme

*Panel: Connecting the Dots: Local to Global*

Ms Karolina Mzyk works at the UN Development Programme Partnerships Bureau on collaboration between UNDP and foundations and the private sector. Before that she worked at UNDP Regional Centre in Europe and the CIS and before that she worked in private sector and NGO in Poland.

**Nascimento Fainberg, Daniela** Instituto Geracao

*Panels: Organizing Young Wealth & Influence in your Country, Democracy Reform and Government Transformation: Citizens Driving Large Scale Change*

Daniela Nascimento Fainberg is 36 years old and founded Instituto Geração in Brazil in 2007. In 2005 she created the New Generation Pro gram to foment privileged youth with philanthropy and social engagement. From 2001 to 2004 she managed the Family Philanthropy Program at IDIS, advising families in structuring their social investments. From 1997 to 2000 she worked at Kellogg Foundation for Latin America in Sao Paulo. She holds a degree in Social Sciences from São Paulo University. She is on the Board of Akatu Institute for conscious consumption and is a Fellow of Americas Business Council Foundation. She often speaks at international workshops on the role of the next generation in social change.

**Nicolaidis, Eric** Wildcat Venture Management

*Panel: Venture Philanthropy: Where Markets End and Philanthropy Begins*

Mr. Nicolaidis is the founder of Wildcat Venture Management. Mr. Nicolaidis previous technology transfer experience includes collaboration with Harvard University Medical School, the University of California, the University of Utah and several other major universities. As a consultant to both university technology transfer offices and private investors, he has been involved with commercialization work on a broad range of medical devices, diagnostics and therapeutics. Specifically, he has worked on organ regeneration platforms (MGH/Harvard), HIV diagnostics (now Daktari Diagnostics), toxicology testing platforms for pharmaceutical development (MGH/Harvard), heart failure therapies (now FourthWest) and immuno-therapeutics (now Tacavax). He has also worked with several technology startups including Bio Molecular Switches, Inc., a Seattle-area drug delivery company founded by two University of Washington Engineering professors (now PhaseRX), and Houston-based Interlok, LLC, a private digital security technology company. Prior to his work in healthcare, Mr. Nicolaidis founded and ran Internet Development Associates, Inc., a web development firm, and launched Meristo.com, a web-based supply chain management solution targeted at the airline industry. Mr. Nicolaidis is a frequent guest speaker on technology commercialization issues and is a member of the Industry Advisory Group for the Cornell Center for Technology Enterprise and Commercialization. Mr. Nicolaidis holds a B.A. in Economics from Northwestern University and is pursuing an M.D. degree at the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University.

**O'Donnell, Mackenzie** The Nexus

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

Mackenzie O'Donnell is the production coordinator for the Nexus: Global Youth Summit. She is originally from San Francisco and graduated in 2009 from Washington DC's American University. Her aspirations in life revolve around sustainable development and environmental education. Her work with environmental activism and youth empowerment have propelled her to the Nexus.

**Okoro, Kenneth** The World Bank's Youth Dev. & Peace Net

*Panel: Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa & the US*

Kenneth is the Country coordinator of the World Bank's Youth Development and Peace Network - an initiative of the World Bank at the global level aimed at fast tracking development and policy issues relating to youth development world wide. He received his Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Benin in 2003 and later started "Uros construction and logistics services limited" an oil and gas service provider to Chevron operations in Nigeria. At the policy level, he has been involved with various multilateral organizations as well as his government in research and policy formulation aimed at helping to fast track the Millennium Development Goals of the UN. These organizations include The World Bank and The African Union Commission. ([www.africayouth.dk](http://www.africayouth.dk)). During the spring meeting of the World Bank and IMF in Washington, DC where he hosted a session on youth entrepreneurship as the key to global economic recovery, an entrepreneurial fund for youth was launched and it is being funded at the moment by himself, although he is in talks with possible partners.

**Ono, Kyokey** TMRC

*Keynote*

Yasutaka-Kyokey Ono is the first son of Bunko Ono, the founder and the head director of TMRC, a Japanese based international social development organization. TMRC has been constructing schools and water wells in Southeast Asian countries for years. Now in Cambodia, TMRC has begun putting solar panels on the roofs of schools to make them self sustainable. On March 11, 2011, 2:46pm, a large earthquake hit the east coast of Japan, that led to a deeper, more miserable disaster with a tsunami and finally the explosion of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear plant. 10 days after the disaster, Kyokey joined a trip to the Northeast International clinic near the site to distribute medicine, and other basic necessities to the evacuation shelters in multiple cities in Iwate and Miyagi prefectures. Since it is such historic event, the stories of his relief work and the progress of the reconstruction work, led by young folks and local non-profits attracted global attention. Prior to working with TMRC, Kyokey spent the last 3 years in Zurich, Switzerland, working at a hedge fund and another 3 years in Frankfurt, Germany, working for a consulting firm. With his knowledge and experiences in financial sector in Europe, the conversations and the networks at the summit will enhance his professional life more.

**Orvananos de Rovzar, Marcela** Qualitas For Life Foundation

*Panel: Creating a Tradition of Family Philanthropy*

Marcela Orvananos de Rovzar is a recognized and respected international leader. A Mexican philanthropist, she has founded several successful nonprofit human service and community development organizations in Mexico and New York City, and served as director of public relations for the presidential campaign of Mexican President Felipe Calderón. A distinguished expert on fundraising and developing resources for nonprofit organizations, Rovzar is improving philanthropy in Mexico and abroad. She founded Procura A.C. in 1995, a training institute that gives fundraisers and other nonprofit professionals the skills needed to increase their organizations' impact, efficiency and effectiveness. She recently founded the Qualitas of Life Foundation, a financial literacy educational organization that seeks to enhance the quality of life of Mexican immigrants living in New York City, and the Fondo de Estrategia Social A.C. (Strategic Social Fund, FES), an organization created with the goal of investing private economic resources from the Mexico City community in social causes.

**Pakade, Zodwa** Absa Capital

*Panels: Investing in Social Entrepreneurs: Experiences from Africa and the USA, Women and Philanthropy*

As Head of Marketing and Corporate Communications, Zodwa is responsible for the development and implementation of an integrated Absa Capital and Absa Wealth Marketing and Corporate Communications strategy. She is also responsible for positioning and brand management, public, investor and media relations, digital marketing, corporate and business unit events as well as business transition. Zodwa holds an MBA from the University of Witwatersrand and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Swaziland.

**Palevsky, Matt** Social Movement Entrepreneur

*Panel: Case Studies of Systemic Change: Drug Policy Reform and New Education Models*

Matthew Palevsky has leveraged the tools of large-scale civic engagement as both a journalist and an activist. As the editor of citizen journalism at the Huffington Post, he developed new platforms and modes of mass communication that allowed tens of thousands of people to collaborate in the production of discrete pieces of in depth journalism that were read by millions and featured on news programs like Rachel Maddow and Anderson Cooper 360. As an activists, he has led a student movement to end the failed war on drugs. He has founded two drug policy reform organization, both in Rhode Island, which won increased funding for treatment instead of incarceration and successfully passed legislation making medical marijuana legal. Most recently he led Students for Sensible Drug Policy, with activists on over 150 college campuses in the US and dozens more in countries around the globe, and he continues to advise movement leaders on how best to create successful mass movements. Over the years he has learned -- and is still learning -- to become a conscious steward of wealth as a member of the Threshold Foundation, where he sits on the board.

**Perry, James** Panahpur

*Panel: Impact Investing -- Moving Money in More Ways for Change*

James, with his brother, has spent the last 11 years building their social hearted business, ([www.cookfood.net](http://www.cookfood.net)). It now employs around 400 people and is rolling out nationally in the UK. Since 2004 he has been working with Panahpur, a pioneering foundation exploring the potential of a capital revolution where money can be invested for positive social outcomes.

**Pew, Weston** Sacred Door Trail

*Panel: Sacred Activism*

Weston Pew hails from a family steeped in the tradition of Philanthropy. His Great Grand Father was one of the four founding members of the Pew Charitable Trust (PCT) established in 1948. The PCT applies a rigorous, analytical approach to improve public policy, inform the public and stimulate civic life.

Weston was raised in Bozeman Montana where he now resides. He is currently creating a 165-mile interfaith pilgrimage trail in the mountains of western Montana called the Sacred Door Trail (SDT). The SDT is dedicated to spiritual unity peace and our connection to Earth and each other. The opening ceremonies for the trail will occur in July of 2012. They will involve three days of dedication ceremonies and blessings for the land given by representatives of all the different faiths and indigenous cultures who support the project. The purpose of the blessings will be to establish the land and trail as a shared sacred space. The trail serves to reconnect people back to our original church, our original temple – Mother Earth. It recognizes our rich spiritual diversity as humans, but more importantly, it honors the spirit that unifies all things, thereby turning the many into One.

**Popli, Karishma** One Million Lights

*Panel: Alternative Ways of Giving*

OneMillionLights is a non-profit organization based in Palo Alto, Ca. which brings solar lanterns to children and families in kerosene-dependent regions in the developing world. OneMillionLights is committed to keeping students in school by facilitating their ability to study at night more effectively.

Karishma has served as a Global Ambassador representative of OneMillionLights for the past two years. As a high school sophomore she won a school wide grant competition on science and social responsibility where she proposed to provide students at a rural village school in Tasing, Rajasthan with 50 solar lamps to study more effectively at night. Through the OML Ambassador Program she was able to donate 150 solar lamps and establish a library check out system so that all 350 students at the school could use the solar lamps regularly. Karishma taught the students, teachers and administrators the importance of harnessing the power of the sun and the need for renewable, sustainable alternative energy resources like solar lamps and lanterns. This year, she progressed to organizing a second distribution with her second high school grant award for a school in the Mathare Valley slum of Nairobi, Kenya.



**Pritchard, David** New Philanthropy Capital

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

David is head of the measurement team at NPC, helping charities and funders assess the impact of their work. He has 20 years of experience conducting economic analyses and measuring, evaluating, and improving the organisational performance of not-for-profit and public sector organisations in the UK and the US. He has authored numerous reports evaluating the effectiveness of government programmes.

Prior to joining NPC David worked for the Matrix Knowledge Group, PricewaterhouseCoopers / IBM in Washington DC, and the New York City Economic Development Corporation. He also spent several years early in his career working in the community relations sector in Northern Ireland. David has an MBA from Yale University and an MA in International Peace Studies.

**Radparvar, Michael** Holstee

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

Michael co-founded Holstee with his brother David during the heat of the recession. Today Holstee is home to kickass designs, sustainably made with social impacts. The products though are really the by product, and the purpose is to share the importance of an economy of values rather than just value.

**Rawlings, Laura** World Bank

*Panel: Innovative Metrics for Strategic Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship*

Laura B. Rawlings is a Lead Specialist for the World Banks Human Development Network. Lauras core responsibilities include coordinating the World Banks impact evaluations of social sector programs and leading the Strategy and Results team for the Social Protection and Labor unit. Previously, she worked as Sector Leader for Human Development on Central America for the World Bank where she was responsible for coordinating the World Banks health, education and social protection portfolio in the region. She has also worked in the World Banks Development Research Group on the evaluation of social programs and as a member of the Social Protection team in the Latin American and Caribbean region where she was responsible for several research initiatives and projects in the areas of conditional cash transfers, social funds and social protection systems. Prior to joining the World Bank she worked for the Overseas Development Council. An economist by training, she has published books and articles in the fields of evaluation and human development.

**Reyes, Robin** Móvil México

*Panel: Impact Investing -- Moving Money in More Ways for Change*

Founder of Móvil México, an organization devoted to financial education and inclusion via mobile devices, Robin Reyes has also served as Advisor to Mexico's Finance Minister, Ernesto Cordero, where he focused on policies against money laundering, helped design the message for the 2011 budget, and pushed the ministry to devote greater attention to incorporating technology to reach the country's poor. Mr. Reyes recently organized a summit called "Emprende tu México" with the inventor of the Ipad, Jon Rubinstein, Silverlake and former Chairman of the Board of Hi-5, Karen Richardson, Singer Meatloaf, George P. Bush of the Barbara Bush Foundation for Literacy, Mexico's Finance Minister and Undersecretary of Finance, among other wonderful panelists that made up an all star cast to discuss the role of innovation and technology in building Mexico's future. This Summit was very unique in that it was completely open to the public via live web-stream across the country. Before all that, Robin has worked with Felipe Calderón at the Foundation for Human Sustainable Development in 2005, generating awareness of cross-border issues and has a background in Banking and Finance. Reyes is a candidate for a masters degree in International Relations at Harvard University.

**Riddle, Jeff** Riddle & Company

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

Jeff is a former baseball player, turned professional musician, turned entrepreneur, turned dreamer. His life's work is about restoring humanity to our lives, and he is driving this conversation in the business community as a speaker and soon to be author. In addition, Riddle & Company is helping profit, social venture, and non-profit businesses focus on deepening their relationships, giving without expectation, and building sustainable businesses in partnership with clients, resources, and themselves.

**Roosevelt, Ted** GoldenTree Asset Management

*Keynote*

Theodore Roosevelt serves on the board of ecoAmerica. He joined Golden Tree Asset Management as Director in 2010. Prior to that, he served as a Senior Vice President in Barclays Capital's Leverage Finance Group. Previously, he worked as a management consultant at Accenture, and as a high yield analyst at Lehman Brothers. He is currently a board member of the New York League of Conservation Voters. Ted appeared in "In The Blood" a documentary which argues that safari hunting helps preserve African Wildlife. He graduated with an AB from Princeton in 1998. He is also the great-great-grandson of President Theodore Roosevelt.

**Roy, Reeta** Mastercard Foundation

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Reeta Roy is the President and the CEO of the MasterCard Foundation. She has joined The MasterCard Foundation in 2008. Previously, she was Divisional Vice President of Global Citizenship and Policy at Abbott, a broad-based global health care company, and Vice President of the Abbott Fund, its corporate foundation. She also worked at Bristol-Myers Squibb for 11 years in a number of positions of increasing responsibility related to public policy, public affairs and strategic planning. Before joining the private sector, Reeta worked at the United Nations. Reeta grew up in Malaysia, has lived in China and worked in Africa, Asia and other developing countries to build philanthropic programs related to global health, education and other issues. Reeta received a Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, and a Bachelor of Arts from St. Andrews Presbyterian College.

**Rudat, Stephanie** {think}CONSORTIUM

*Panel: Democracy Reform and Government Transformation: Citizens Driving Large Scale Change*

Stephanie is a partner at Absot Marketing, a global firm that generates, strategically implements, and maintains the digital presence of businesses, causes, and individuals in conjunction with traditional marketing efforts to achieve their client's objectives. Work is not a job to Stephanie. She's discovered the rewarding balance of blending digital tactics often innovated on the cause front to sustain digital platforms in the for-profit sector while applying business tactics to transform causes into effective, scalable and sustainable movements. Clients benefit from cutting-edge innovation and she relishes in the world of activism.

She is launching {think}CONSORTIUM in 2011 to empower influential leaders in technology, media, private and public sectors with some of the world's most promising activists to promote tolerance, strengthen networks, provide trainings, and develop lasting partnerships. Stephanie is a vocal advocate of nonviolent activism and has been acknowledged on The Huffington Post as one of the 11 Twitter Activists You Should Be Following. Later, she joined the team of bloggers on Huffington Post and can be found crawling the globe speaking, advising and working hands-on with the people she accredits for bringing meaning to her life.

**Saade, Christian** Olive Branch Center

*Panel: Sacred Activism*

Chris Saade is the co-director of The Olive Branch Center with his wife, Jessie Thompson, where he teaches courses on engaged spirituality and the mysticism of inclusion. ([www.TheOliveBranchCenter.net](http://www.TheOliveBranchCenter.net)) Chris also spearheads the Institute for Life-Leadership and Coaching, and is the senior trainer for the ILC's heart-centered psychological and spiritual-leadership programs. ([www.theilc.org](http://www.theilc.org)) In addition, he is a practicing Coach for individuals and couples, and has lead & taught more than 170 psychological and spiritual retreats. Chris was born into a Christian family in Lebanon where he held leadership positions in non-profit organizations working for nonviolence, peace and humanitarian relief. He experienced the devastation of the Lebanese war for 7 years and continued his peacemaking work during those very difficult years.

Chris has written training manuals on Intentional and Heart-Centered Living which have been published in-house for the ILC. He is currently writing a series of books on the spirituality of the heart. Chris is also putting together a book of quotes on engaged spirituality and mysticism. [www.theolivebranchcenter.net](http://www.theolivebranchcenter.net)

**Scarpelini, João Felipe** Change Mob + UNICEF Zambia

*Panel: Youth Movements: Transformational Change*

Joao is a 25-year-old Brazilian-Italian activist and social entrepreneur that has been advocating for a more meaningful engagement of young people in decision-making processes and as partners in development efforts worldwide for 12 years. He has worked developing a range of youth-led projects to empower young people and their communities in over 40 different countries in all corners of the world. For 5 years Joao acted as the Institutional Development Manager at Peace Child International headquarters in the UK, a youth-run international organisation that champions the concept of youth-led development in over 150 countries.

Currently Joao is finishing his degree in Community Regeneration at Middlesex University in London and is engaged in a national movement in Brazil called #euvotodistrital that is pushing for Political Reform. He recently launched Change Mob, a startup that combines media, technology and creativity to foster youth-led action on different issues, and is part of a team developing youth engagement strategies for Rio+20, UN Earth Summit.

**Senna Lalli, Paula** Ayrton Senna Institute

*Panel: Fame for Social Change: Organizing Hollywood*

Paula graduated from the University of São Paulo in Social Sciences with emphasis in anthropology of art. She is currently studying music and computer graphics, and creating in both areas based on her knowledge of Anthropology, with a humanist approach. She is also part of the Ayrton Senna Foundation Board, and helps to establish the next strategical steps to the foundation's future.

**Sherer, Steph** Americans for Safe Access

*Panel: Case Studies of Systemic Change: Drug Policy Reform and New Education Models*

As the founder of Americans for Safe Access, Executive Director Steph Sherer has become the foremost international leader and expert on medical cannabis patient advocacy. Her highly acclaimed strategic skill in keeping patients needs at the forefront of the medical marijuana debate has brought safe and legal access to medical cannabis to millions of Americans. Steph is a medical cannabis patient with over fourteen years of experience servicing and managing non-profit businesses and community organizations. She is an experienced strategist, trainer, fundraiser, and organizer. During her career, she has worked with community development, education, social justice, human rights, labor, peace, social change, and youth programs. She is a forceful advocate, a skilled spokesperson, and an energetic initiator of campaigns.

Steph is an international leader and expert in medical cannabis advocacy who aids in drafting legislation and advising governments around the globe on medical cannabis policy. She is a guest lecturer at University of California, Berkeley and George Washington University, DC.

**Silva, Jason** Hybrid Realities Institute

*Panel: World Changing Ideas*

Founding Host and producer for AL Gore's Current TV. Documentary Filmmaker. Fellow at Hybrid Realities Institute looking at Human/tech co-evolution. Thinker, storyteller, philosopher.

**Sniderman, Zach** Mashable.com

*Panel: Social Media for Social Good*

Zachary Sniderman joined Mashable in 2010 as an Assistant Features Editor. An arts and culture writer, Zack previously wrote for Greenshoelace.com, Maclean's Magazine, and a ton of Columbia websites. Zack graduated with an M.S. from the Columbia School of Journalism and his B.A. from Harvard University. He now lives in New York City and misses pond hockey.

**Spector, Jesse** Resource Generation

*Panel: Appreciating the Diversity of Young Philanthropy Groups*

Jessie Spector has been working at Resource Generation since she graduated from Wesleyan University in 2008. Over the past few years, Jessie has played a variety of roles at RG, from office management to helping coordinate the 2010 Creating Change Through Family Philanthropy retreat. Jessie also organized over thirty RG members to participate in the RG delegation to the 2010 U.S. Social Forum in Detroit, MI. Jessie is a member of the Criminal Justice Initiative, a circle of donors and activists that collectively fund the transformation of the criminal justice system in the U.S., and is an active donor to a variety of organizations and communities working for justice. Jessie is constantly inspired by the power of organizing her own community to leverage wealth and privilege. You can often find Jessie buried in a New York Times crossword puzzle, taking long bike rides in Massachusetts, perusing the farmer's market, or trying to stay awake late enough to go out dancing.

**Steiner, John** Steiner King Foundation

*Panels: Case Studies of Systemic Change: Drug Policy Reform and New Education Models, Political Bridge-Building*  
John Steiner, Harvard class of '65, and son of a Cincinnati toy family (Kenner Products Co. that was sold to General Mills in 1966) is a networker, creative consultant, organizer, convener, philanthropist, and occasional venture capital investor. He brings together people, projects, ideas, money, and spirit around common themes—serving “the pattern that connects.”

He co-founded the National Commons, a predecessor to the United States Consensus Council, to bring multistakeholder, collaborative problem solving tools to the national level. He now works closely with Rob Fersh and Convergence, -- [cnvg.org/](http://cnvg.org/) -- a successor to the US Consensus Council. Convergence is a national, DC based organization that forges wise and enduring, not otherwise possible solutions to key national issues through trust building dialogues of diverse people and organizations leading to action. The U.S. Muslim Engagement Project, chaired by Madeleine Albright and former Congressman, Vin Weber, has been their biggest success. He was a founding board member of Search for Common Ground (transforming adversarial conflict into cooperative action); a founding member and early leader of the Threshold Foundation; and a founding member of the Social Venture Network. He is a former board former chair of CDR Associates (Center for Dispute Resolution). Currently he is a partner with the Washington, DC based Transpartisan Center, formerly Reuniting America, which he cofounded. He works closely with Dr. Robert Fuller, former Oberlin College President, and the Dignity movement to end rankism and build a dignitarian society.

In the last two and a half years, he and his wife, Margo King, have become deeply engaged with and emissaries for Great Freedom/Balanced View ([www.greatfreedom.org/](http://www.greatfreedom.org/)[www.balancedview.org](http://www.balancedview.org/)), a reappearance and simplification of the perennial/timeless wisdom teachings (the nature of mind and reality) in a direct, modern, easy to understand, scalable form, whose mission is awareness (“clarity”/“open intelligence”) for the benefit of all.

The purpose of Great Freedom is wisdom in action by providing a lean, flexible understanding of the definition of “human” (we are naturally endowed with compassion, spontaneous altruism, natural ethics, mental and emotional stability and skillful means) as well as to allow for its greatest potential to be of benefit to all during this period of rapid transition and open-ended knowledge creation. John lives outside Boulder, Colorado, where he and Margo serve with their two grown children as trustees of the Steiner King Foundation, which is active in a variety of creative philanthropic endeavors.

**Stevenson, Melanie** DoSomething.org

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Melanie Stevenson is a Director of Business Development for DoSomething.org. connects DoSomething.org with awesome brands and turns those partnerships into national cause campaigns. Melanie also launched and manages DoSomething.org's international expansion strategy, now active in 4 countries outside the US and growing rapidly. She joined DoSomething.org after working with Portraits of Hope and the Garden in Transit project, plastering NYC's taxi fleet with flowers painted by 23,000 kids and volunteers. After the project, she sent the artwork to New Orleans to beautify schools and homes. Melanie studied Spanish and Bioethics at Davidson College in NC where she volunteered with Girls on the Run and the Florence Crittenton Center. Melanie actively volunteers with Habitat for Humanity in New Orleans.

**Stiefel, Lili** Stiefel Family Foundation

*Panel: Venture Philanthropy: Where Markets End and Philanthropy Begins*

The Stiefel Family Foundation makes seed-stage investments in renewable energy startups and gives away the proceeds as grants to sustainability programs in the US and Middle East. Lili created the foundation with my mother, Marie, in 2007, after two life-changing events: a master's thesis on radical Islam which awakened her to the geopolitics of oil and exiting the family pharmaceutical business, with which she'd had a lifelong tie, and needing a new project.

**Stinebrickner-Kauffman, Taren** SumOfUs

*Panel: Eco-Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy & Online Movements*

Taren Stinebrickner-Kauffman is the founder and President of SumOfUs, a new global grassroots movement for consumer rights and corporate accountability. She is a dual Australian-American citizen and has experience with online organizing on four continents and at the global level. Previously, she has served as Senior Climate Campaigner at Avaaz.org, Senior Political Strategist at the AFL-CIO, and Electoral Director at GetUp, the Australian version of MoveOn. She grew up in small-town Indiana, now lives in Washington, DC, is an avid ultimate frisbee player, and makes a mean vegan macaroon.

**Taylor, Greg** Foundation for Newark's Future

*Panel: Investing in Peace*

Greg Taylor, a nationally recognized education reform leader and community advocate, is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation for Newark's Future (FNF), a non-profit founded as the result of a historic alliance among Mayor Cory Booker, Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg, Pershing Square Foundation and Goldman Sachs Gives. In this capacity, Greg works to develop, implement and scale innovative education strategies designed to dramatically improve learning outcomes for Newark's children.

Taylor joined FNF in June after eight years at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, where he led the organization's Education and Learning and Family Economic Security portfolios. One of his major successes in this role was as National Director of SPARK ("Support Partnership to Assure Ready Kids") Initiative, which prepares young children to enter school ready to learn. The program has been implemented in eight states and twenty communities and to date has helped 8,000 at-risk children make gains in reading and math. Taylor earned a J.D. from the Bloomington School of Law at Indiana University and a bachelor's degree in political science and urban affairs from Hunter College, City University of New York.

**Thompson Frenk, Mary Ann** Memnosyne Foundation

*Panel: Sacred Activism*

Mary Ann Thompson-Frenk is the visionary and founder of the Memnosyne Foundation. She serves as President/ Co-chair of the board of directors for the foundation and her vision for the Memnosyne Foundation is to provide people with the tools to cope with the new realities of globalization. Mary Ann, social activist, spokesperson and award winning artist and writer has received numerous awards for her philanthropy which includes the 2006 Philanthropy World Magazine Award, the 2007 Foundation for Pluralism Award, the 2008 Brilliantly You Award for Excellence in Philanthropy and in arts the North Park/Nasher Sculpture Center Curator juried TVAA Exhibition's Merchant's Award; ARTV's Sculptor of the Year Award and the only artist featured in The Buckminster Fuller Institute's 100 Anniversary Celebration. Along with her husband, Joshua Frenk, Mary Ann established the John Philp Thompson Foundation to support research on non-radiation/non-chemotherapy cures for glioblastoma in honor of her father who died from the disease. She has served on numerous local and national boards with a focus on human rights, the arts and the environment. Currently she serves on the Board of Trustees for The Interfaith Center of New York, Board of Advisors for The Indigenous Institute of the Americas, and President of The John Philp Thompson Foundation for Brain Cancer Research (<http://www.thejohnphilpthompsonfoundation.org/>). With her husband, Joshua Frenk, Mary Ann has sponsored education programs globally. Mary Ann and Joshua have accomplished philanthropic projects in Rwanda, Guatemala, Vietnam, Mexico, Tanzania and the United States. Beyond her work with the Memnosyne Foundation Mrs. Thompson-Frenk has chaired and co-chaired several fund raising events with organization whose missions align with social and environmental responsibility. According to Mary Ann, "My father taught me this world owes us nothing, yet we owe it to the world to make it a better place."

**Thum, Peter** Ethos Water

*Speaker at the United Nations*

Peter Thum is the ceo and cofounder of Fonderie 47. Fonderie 47 is saving lives in Africa and changing minds by disarming Africa and transforming AK47s into jewelry, watches and accessories. As the founder of Ethos™ Water, Peter turned his idea of getting clean water to children into a successful social venture that changed an industry, generated millions of dollars and changed lives.

The mission of Fonderie 47 is to significantly reduce the impact and number of assault weapons and create a platform to engage leaders and raise awareness around the world to address the problem. Fonderie47 is destroying AK47s in Africa's war zones and then transforming some of the material into objects of desire. The sales funds more weapon destruction and youth entrepreneurship programs in the regions. To date, Fonderie 47 has destroyed 4,000 guns in DR Congo. Peter also serves as a board member at USA for UNHCR, the Fund For Global Human Rights, and the Wagner School of Public Service at NYU.

**Tomasko, Laura** Council on Foundations

*Panel: Connecting the Dots: Local to Global*

Passionate about social innovation, Laura serves as Manager of Public-Philanthropic Partnerships at the Council on Foundations. She has worked at Grantmakers for Effective Organizations, the Central New York Community Foundation, and The Childrens Aid Society. Selected as a StartingBloc Social Innovation Fellow, Laura has led a team to design StartingBloc's performance measurement system focused on programmatic impact and organizational results. She currently lives in Washington, DC, where she co-chairs the StartingBloc DC Regional Board, serves as a Local Ambassador to an Atlas Corps Fellow from Nigeria, and provides social media consulting. Laura received a BA from Occidental College and holds a MPA from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, where she served as the Vernon Snow Fellow in Nonprofit Management.

**Turrell , Mark** 20 For Good

*Panel: Democracy Reform and Government Transformation: Citizens driving large scale change*

Mark Turrell is the Founder of Orcasci, a strategy and marketing agency focused on “the science of spread”, helping companies and NGOs design programmes to scale and spread products, ideas, and behavioural change. He is working on a special initiative to support regime change and building in autocracies and dictatorships, combined with an investment company in “economies in transition”. Previously, he was the Chief Executive Officer and Cofounder of Imaginatik plc, a software and consulting firm that pioneered crowdsourcing and collective intelligence for corporations. In 2008, he was nominated a Technology Pioneer by the World Economic Forum. He is also an Associate Professor at Hult International Business School, and supports several non-profits including LooktotheStars.org and Global Relief Libya. He holds a BSc from Cass Business School London, undertook postgraduate studies at the ESCP Paris and TU-Berlin, and worked on his (unfinished) PhD in Information Management at Cass.

**Utterwulge , Steve** Search for Common Ground

*Panel: Investing in Peace*

Steve Utterwulge is the VP for International Development. In that capacity he oversees regional programs in Africa, Asia, Europe and the MENA region. He has experience in designing and implementing programs on good governance using media and involving youth globally. Previously, he was the Head of SFCG European Office in Brussels. He also served on the team of the UN Deputy SRSG in Sudan and was SFCG Country Director in Angola. He is an Advisor to AusAid on Peace and Conflict. Steve has more than 15 years of international development experience and travelled to or worked in more than 65 countries.

**Volftsun, Lana** One Percent Foundation

*Panel: The Power of Collective Giving and Broad Based Engagement*

Lana Volftsun is the Executive Director of One Percent Foundation (OPF), a non-profit organization dedicated to addressing persistent global challenges by building a broad-based movement for next generation philanthropy. She is Founder of Jenerocity, a giving circle project for young Jewish professionals in DC and is Chair and member of the Slingshot Fund Committee, a fund which provides support for a subset of innovative Jewish organizations featured in the Slingshot Guide. In addition, Lana facilitates the Jewish Youth Philanthropy Institute (JYPI) program in Northern Virginia, sits on the Issues Committee for the National Center for Family Philanthropy, is on the Young Leadership Board of the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, and sits on the board of her family's foundation.

**Wallach, Ari** Synthesis Corp.

*Panel: The Power and Influence of Youth*

Ari Wallach is the founder and president of Synthesis Corp. Synthesis Corp. is a boutique innovation strategy firm working with clients such as The Ford Foundation, CNN, US Department of State and UNHCR. He is the cofounder of 2008\_s The Great Schlep, which had over 25 million views on YouTube and started a national conversation about race during the 2008 presidential campaign. Ari is also the founder of INFORUM, one of the nation's largest non-partisan public affairs forums for young people. His work experience spans the gamut from the Democratic National Committee to the United States Institute of Peace and from Deepak Chopra to corporate development for venture-backed media start-ups. Ari is a frequent keynote speaker on the topics of Innovation 3.0 and 21st Century Strategies for 21st Century Change. Ari has a Bachelor of Arts from U.C. Berkeley in Peace and Conflict Studies and was a Coro Fellow in New York City.

**Wittkamper, Jonah** Search for Common Ground

*Keynote, Panel: Intergenerational Partnership*

Jonah Wittkamper is the Director of Search for Common Ground – USA, the US domestic program of the global organization. He manages the current projects relating to consensus processes as well as youth and students. Previously he was part of Distributive Networks, where he helped build the text messaging technology used by the Obama campaign. Prior, in 2000, Jonah co-founded the Global Youth Action Network (GYAN) to strengthen youth participation in global decision-making. As the organization grew it merged with TakingITGlobal (www.tigweb.org) to form the largest site on the Internet dedicated to empowering young leaders. It receives nearly 2 million hits per day. In addition, Jonah has organized global networks of young philanthropists for nearly a decade, inspiring new charitable activity from wealthy families.

Earlier in his career, Jonah led an award winning student computing organization, founded two internet startups, and created a corporate social responsibility initiative in one of the world's largest corporations. He has served as a co-founder, board member, or advisor to a number of organizations including Pioneers of Change, the ManyOne Foundation, the L. A. Jonas Foundation, the Shift Foundation, WISE (Wealthy Individuals – Social Entrepreneurs), and many others.

**Zabolotny, Anatoly** Rinat Akhmetov Foundation

*Keynote*

Anatoly Zabolotny has been the head of Rinat Akhmetov's Foundation for Development of Ukraine since 2005. During 2001-2004 he worked as the Chief-Trainer in IFES/Armania and later was engaged in training and consulting in the CIS countries. From 1996 to 2001 he was the president of the Siberian Civic Initiatives Support Center

**Zapolski , John** Fonderie 47

*Panel: Innovative Altruism*

John is cofounder of Fonderie 47. John previously founded and led Management Innovation Group, a pioneering growth strategy firm that advised and connected global 500 firms and innovative startups seeking to invent new business and management models capable of better profiting from disruptive change caused by technology, social, and industry shifts. A hybrid thinker by nature, John has taught in both art school and business school. John is currently on the faculty of the School of Visual Arts in New York City, where he teaches strategic innovation and creative entrepreneurship for masters level students in product and service design. John has also designed and taught programs on business innovation at the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley.