

## Horasis Global Meeting

Virtual Event, 19 May 2022, 06.30-21.30 Central European Summer Time

### Toward a New Era of Peace and Sustainability

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<b>08.40-08.45 Welcome and Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Horasis Introduction</li></ul>	<b>13.15-14.00 Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Leadership within perpetual change</li></ul>	<b>18.30-19.15 Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Future of energy in a chaotic new world</li></ul>
<b>08.45-09.30 Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The shock of the new geopolitical realities</li></ul>	<b>14.00-14.45 Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Global economic outlook</li><li>- European-African Sustainability Partnership</li></ul>	<b>19.15-20.00 Closing Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Global cooperation during global stress</li></ul>
<b>09.30-10.15 Plenary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Shaping Social Capitalism</li></ul>	<b>14.45-15.30 Parallel Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Social awareness about sustainability</li><li>- AI may be cheating us</li><li>- The granting of leadership</li><li>- Minimizing cyber crime</li><li>- Young entrepreneurs and investors</li><li>- Advancing impact-led recovery</li><li>- AR – for better or worse</li><li>- Costs of lost data</li><li>- Transforming to a nimble firm</li><li>- Women in Web3 space</li><li>- Philosophy: Truth is as we believe it to be</li><li>- The Arts: Portraying future hope</li></ul>	<b>20.00-20.05 Closing Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Horasis summary and review</li></ul>
<b>10.15-11.00 Parallel Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Only eight years to 2030 targets</li><li>- Retaining home-working enthusiasm</li><li>- Accelerating Digital Transformation</li><li>- Cryptocurrency and regulation</li><li>- Civil Society</li><li>- Breeding grounds for unicorns</li><li>- Philosophy: Lessons from the pandemic</li><li>- The Arts: Artists and brand images</li></ul>	<b>15.30-16.15 Parallel Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Developing nations</li><li>- Venture Capital</li><li>- Priorities of EU</li><li>- Digital coins and payment schemes</li><li>- Transitioning to Metaverse</li><li>- The agency of AI</li><li>- FinTechs building on NewTech</li><li>- Thriving Corporate IQs</li><li>- Philosophy: How does it fit modern life</li><li>- The Arts: Igniting the human imagination</li></ul>	<b>20.05-20.45 Virtual Dinner Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The sustainability puzzles</li><li>- From a circular to regenerative economy</li><li>- Purposefulness of African nations</li><li>- Decentralized finance (DeFi)</li><li>- Socialized digital lifestyles</li><li>- Improving effectiveness within sustainability</li><li>- Bringing smart to smart cities</li><li>- Extending gender diversity</li><li>- Digital vaccines</li><li>- Philosophy: Metaphysics in times of war</li><li>- The Arts: Envisioning hopeful meanings</li></ul>
		<b>20.45-21.30 Closing Parallel Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Reaching for the future with technology</li><li>- Cost of Net-zero by 2050</li><li>- Force of impact investing</li><li>- New School Curricula</li><li>- Reassessing manufacturing prowess</li><li>- Purposefulness of goals</li><li>- Philosophy: Ethics in epoch of catastrophes</li><li>- The Arts: Contemporary artists, new visions</li></ul>
		<b>21.30-22.15 Uniting in the evening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Horasis Community Building</li></ul>

## 06.30-07.15 Plenary Panel

### Special Plenary: Fluidity of Asian Geo-politics Post-Ukraine War

The Russia invasion of Ukraine late February 2022 shocked the world – most global leaders agreed to heavy sanctions against Russia, and very many firms ceased trading therein. Indonesia holds the Presidency of G20 this year and of ASEAN in 2023. How will Indonesia position herself in the new realities of Asian geopolitics change post-Ukraine? How will Indonesia ensure her future growth amidst the changes in geopolitics considering climate change, inequality, and the next major political cycle in 2024?

- **Emil Elestianto Dardak**, Vice Governor, East Java, Indonesia
- **Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno**, Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy, Indonesia
- **Emilia Yustiningrum**, Coordinator of Foreign Policy and International Issues, National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN), Indonesia
- **Ananda Setiyo Ivannanto**, Chief Executive Officer, A-Wing Group, Indonesia

*Chaired by*

- **Vivian Claire Liew**, Climate Alpha Advisor to SWFs & Institutions, Singapore

## 07.15-08.00 Breakfast Sessions

### Are we facing the End of Globalization?

The COVID pandemic and global trade frictions have broken many supply chains. When the West returned to work, they had deep concerns about manufacturing locally or renewing globalization. The Ukraine war and the breaking of the Russian supply of fossil fuels might trigger global demand destruction. How will transportation's quandary hinder rebirth of global supply chains? Does minimizing resource consumption end-to-end help or hinder the need for globalization? What are the big answers?

- **Suman Bose**, Co-founder, GoFar Advisory and Investments, Singapore
- **Marios P. Efthymiopoulos**, Chief Executive Officer, Strategy International, Cyprus
- **Wayne Lee**, President, Powertec, USA
- **Winston Mok**, Private Investor and Columnist, South China Morning Post, China
- **Beat Simon**, Managing Partner, Ontegos, Switzerland

*Chaired by*

- **Joël Ruet**, Chairman, TheBridgeTank, France

### The New Energy Economy Will Transform Sustainability

The confluence of energy mix and energy distribution transitioning to a low-carbon sustainable economy needs digitization, blockchain transactions and AI: and demand needs a run-down of Russian supplies following its Ukrainian invasion. The latter, for many nations is problematic due to their former high reliance on Russian supplies. How should firms transform to be energy efficient with high sustainability goals? How to define key performance indicators (KPIs) to drive the new energy economy? How will portfolio risk assessment change under the new KPIs?

- **Aditya Berlia**, Founder, Svrn-Apeejay Journalism Foundation, India
- **Juan Carlos Garcia de la Cadena**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Beetmann, Mexico
- **Dariusz Gibasiewicz**, Chief Executive Officer, SATIS, Poland
- **Devin Narang**, Managing Director, Sindicatum Sustainable Resource, India
- **Toby Thompkins**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Safioo, Portugal

*Chaired by*

- **Sofia Karadima**, Senior Editor, Investment Monitor, United Kingdom

## **After Two-Plus Years - Still no Consensus on COVID Management**

Nations with vastly differing numbers of cases react differently to a COVID outbreak and their media mainly concentrate on case numbers. Why do national health authorities have such different views while adhering to WHO guidelines? How can national media better educate their people?

- **Luigi Cavallito**, Co-founder, Good Influences, Lebanon
- **Ciprian Dan Costea**, Member of the Board, Autonova, Romania
- **Senida Mesi**, Member of Parliament; Former Deputy Prime Minister, Albania
- **Anne Nalder**, Chief Executive Officer, Small Business Association of Australia, Australia
- **Sandeep Pachpande**, Chairman, ASM Group of Institutes, India

*Chaired by*

- **Vijay Poonoosamy**, Director International & Public Affairs, QI Group, Singapore

## **Understanding the Internet of Things**

As the Internet supports more computer power its communication speed has increased, permitting all objects across the world to communicate rapidly. The current IoT is often noted as the short time to download a film, so why do we need ever faster Internet, moving to 6G? What will the new network architecture give us? Will 6G support collaborative AI to manage our lives safely – what will the effect be on humanity?

- **Sushil Choudhari**, Chief Executive Officer, Travelx, USA
- **John Cook**, Chairman, Rock Lake Advisors, Switzerland
- **Yoshiki Sasaki**, Chief Executive Officer, Japan Strategic Capital, Japan
- **Todd Taylor**, Professor of Practice, Arizona State University, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Désirée M. van Gorp**, Professor, Nyenrode Business University, The Netherlands

## **Reconceptualizing Supply Chains**

Supply Chains became a necessity of modern business, growing and extending over several decades prior to COVID. Now, with trade embargoes and the disruptions due to COVID and the Ukraine war they need rapid reconceptualization. Is it time to re-shore production? How to assess the real efficiencies of using a global supply chain instead of local supply if it existed? How to incorporate social data to enhance supply chain management?

- **Donny Huang**, Founder and Managing Director, 4stones, China
- **Asif Iqbal**, President, Indian Economic Trade Organization (IETO), India
- **Wolfgang Lehmacher**, Operating Partner, Anchor Group, Hong Kong SAR
- **Barry Lustig**, Founder, Cormorant Group, Japan
- **Hugo Roppel**, Chairman, GLG Logistics Systems, Switzerland

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- **Richard Rekhy**, Member of the Board, KPMG, UAE

## **The Next Global Megatrend: Collaboration?**

Tackling the world's biggest challenges -- from the next global pandemic, climate change, closing the digital divide: even to stifling an unjust invasion will take an "all hands-on deck" approach with players from all sectors working together. How can leaders from business, government and civil society work better together, and faster, to tackle these tough problems? Will they look beyond their own borders? What are the pitfalls to avoid?

- **Trista Bridges**, Principal and Co-founder, Read the Air, Japan
- **Wook Lee**, Founder and Chairman, W-Foundation, Korea
- **Bonnie Liao**, Executive Director, Social Enterprise Research Academy, Hong Kong SAR
- **Bruce Muirhead**, Chief Executive Officer, Mindhive, Australia
- **Kunihiko Shimada**, Chief Executive Officer, K S International Strategies, Japan

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- **Uwe Michel**, Executive Vice President, Allianz, Germany

## **Exploring the Resolve of RCEP Post-COVID**

The development of new political accords spanning continents and cultures often need years of growth and good news to enable local-area developments to grow. COVID has halted much progress. Now the Russian invasion of Ukraine throws doubt on all Russian relationships, including fossil fuel supplies to RCEP nations. How will the Asian nations within the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) extend their trust to achieve their goals? What are their new agendas post-COVID? Post-Russia? Will their accords lead to truly deep economic partnerships?

- **William Bao Bean**, General Partner, SOSV, China
- **Ed Bullecer**, Chief Executive Officer, Paglas Group, Philippines
- **Atul Temurnikar**, Executive Chairman Global Schools Foundation, Singapore
- **Kanesan Veluppillai**, Chief Strategic Communications Officer, Cahya Mata Sarawak, Malaysia

*Chaired by*

- **Kenji Yokoyama**, President, Association of Asia Pacific Business Schools, Japan

## **Greater Caspian Region: Geopolitics, Trade and a Shared Future**

The Greater Caspian Region was growing to be one of the world's foremost transport and trade hubs – but Russia's invasion of the Ukraine has impaired its common growth and dented its resolve. Further cooperation between neighboring states will advance the region's development and boost trade between and beyond the Caspian Sea. What is the Region's most pressing needs? And how to unlock the region's potential?

- **Sham Bathija**, Former Minister and Advisor to the President of Afghanistan, Afghanistan
- **Stiphan Beher**, Former Adviser to President of Kyrgyzstan, Kyrgyzstan
- **Matthew Bryza**, Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council; Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, USA

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- **Murat Seitnepesov**, Chairman, Caspian Week, Switzerland

## **On Philosophy – Sex, Gender, and Social Justice**

The struggle for gender and sex equality has taken many and varied forms, and continues to do so around the world. One of the hotly debated issues right now is what sex and gender are. How can current philosophical accounts of gender and sex help us address the practical problems we face regarding gender equality?

- **Annemie Halsema**, Professor of Philosophy, Leiden University, The Netherlands
- **Michael Hauskeller**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Liverpool, United Kingdom
- **Fiona Jenkins**, Professor of Philosophy, Australian National University, Australia
- **Mari Mikkola**, Professor of Metaphysics, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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- **Louise du Toit**, Professor of Philosophy, Stellenbosch University, South Africa

## **The Arts – Shaping the Contemporary**

New forms of artistic expression develop constantly – some today are cultural responses to the pandemic, and others in reaction to the environmental conditions in the world. Artists throughout history are avant-garde communicators of society's most pressing issues and its evolution. How do visual artists and art institutions define the new era “post contemporary”? What could it be called, and what does it mean?

- **Lilian Chan**, Senior Manager, K11 Art Foundation, Hong Kong
- **Helen C. Frederick**, Artist and Curator, USA
- **Pato Hebert**, Visual Artist, Educator and Cultural Worker, USA
- **Lina Krämer**, Curator, Kunsthalle Mainz, Germany
- **Tom Trevor**, Associate Professor of Contemporary Art and Curation, University of Exeter, UK

*Chaired by*

- **Dominic Willson**, Executive Director of the Institute for Contemporary Art, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

## **08.00-08.40 Parallel Sessions**

### **Developing Consistent Measurements of Pollution**

Governments have developed different climate change measurements which may not be globally consistent, nor one hundred percent ‘green’ - for instance, the use of nuclear energy given the decommission costs. Will the full life-cycle pollution measures be published, permitting correct comparisons of buildings, transportation or electricity generation? Who should be responsible for compiling the data? By when ought it to be available?

- **Sushil Choudhari**, Chief Executive Officer, Travelx, USA
- **Marcelo Mena**, Chief Executive Officer, Global Methane Hub; Former Minister of the Environment, Chile
- **Aleksandr Stommels**, President, Circle of Sustainable Europe, Belgium

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- **Piers Cumberlege**, Chair, Straightview International, United Kingdom

## Enhancing Black Swan Resistance

The complexities of global economies raise investors' fear of uncertainty: and there are many systemic convolutions which are intertwined, becoming black swan events. For instance, the economic war conducted against Russia after its invasion of Ukraine. How do decision-makers address the need to manage pandemics or wars, to manage climate change mitigation, and free-up sticky supply chains – what is top of their agenda? Is this primarily a developed- or undeveloped-world issue?

- **Greg Crichton**, Managing Director, Greater Asian Advisors Limited, Hong Kong
- **Tupac Martir**, Founder and Creative Director, Satore Studio, Portugal
- **Clas Neumann**, Senior Vice President, Head of Global SAP Labs Network, SAP, China
- **Jitesh Shetty**, Founder, Qwiklabs (Subsidiary of Google), USA

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- **Mathias Ernst**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Essentia Futura International, USA

## Rebuilding Future Supply Chain Resilience

The pressure to reduce inventory and to speed objects to market resulted in tightly coupled, lean JIT supply chains. The COVID pandemic and the trade disputes show the misjudgment of very low stock-holding policies. Stock-holding costs money – who will cover its higher costs, the firm or the customers? How will supply chains be altered, with JIT and with resilience? Where are the best ideas?

- **Swarooprani Muralidhar**, Senior Analyst, Coresight, India
- **Girish Ramachandran**, President Asia Pacific, TCS, Singapore
- **George Wang**, President and Chief Executive Officer, E-BI International, USA
- **Zhou Yi**, Co-founder, MarvelTec, Hong Kong

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- **Shailendra Goswami**, Chairman and Managing Director, Pushkaraj Group, India

## Rebalancing Today's Labor Needs with Tomorrows Demographics

Today's economic swings alter the need for staffing in certain industries and uncontrolled inwards migration alters the employment balance. The uncertain future might lead to massive temporary layoffs. What plans are being made to counteract unemployment as energy decarbonization removes jobs? What sectors will be able to absorb any layoffs?

- **Paul Breloff**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Shortlist, Kenya
- **Jarvous Chen**, Managing Director, Sinda Corporation UK, United Kingdom
- **Jacob Larsson**, Talent Acquisition Manager, Wehype, Sweden
- **Alyssa Meadows**, Artist and Photographer, USA
- **Torsten Oltmanns**, Executive Director, Center for Sustainable Transformation, Quadriga University, Germany

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- **Aditya Singh**, Director, Athena School of Management, India

## Ensuring News Snippets Become Facts Within and Information War

In this complex and quickly interconnected world we have to ensure we quote facts, or enable rapid searches to search-out false data: the Ukraine war emphasizes this as speakers over-shout other speakers. As AI can't be utilized fully because of its inherent training bias, how then to complete this task? How to do this when, in general, social media vendors and most of its consumers do not check the news? Or if a nation bans most news media? What is the definition of a true fact?

- **Battinto L. Batts**, Dean, Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication, Arizona State University, USA
- **Alfredo Morales**, Visiting Researcher, MIT Media Lab, USA
- **Fulco Treffers**, Founding Partner, Ro3kvit, Ukraine

*Chaired by*

- **Vivek Atray**, Founder, Vibrant Advisory Services, India

## Social Entrepreneurship: Making the SDGs a Reality

Social entrepreneurs have been amongst the first responders to provide support to the people hardest hit by the pandemic. Centered on social and economic value creation, the paradigm of social entrepreneurship is particularly needed in this current crisis. How to initiate and extend the power of social entrepreneurship for a sustainable recovery? And how to make the SDGs a reality?

- **Phạm Tuấn Anh**, Chief Information Officer, Becamex IDC Corporation, Vietnam
- **Alexander Athanassoulas**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Stirixis, Greece
- **Sindhu Bhaskar**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, EST Global Inc., USA
- **Michael Durrie**, Head of Purpose-Driven Change Advisory, The Digital Economist, Germany
- **Bo Ji**, Assistant Dean, Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business, France

*Chaired by*

- **Maria Matloub**, Founder, GGUTT, Italy

## Sustainability Megatrends from the Year of The Asian Tiger

India and China have promised to be carbon-zero by 2070 and before 2060 respectively (too late for the UN goal of 2050). The other Asian nations, also growing their economies, have a strong fossil fuel need at present – and all are quite dependent on Russian supplies. How ecological are their plans to increase nuclear energy? How will China and India in particular absorb millions of redundant miners if they transform quickly to renewables? What happens to world stability if the Asian nations fail to meet their broad social and development programs and continue to import Russian fossil fuels?

- **Sebright Chen**, Chairman, Summer Atlantic Capital, USA
- **Ananda Setiyo Ivannanto**, Chief Executive Officer, A-Wing Group, Indonesia
- **Minesh Pore**, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, The BuyHive, Hong Kong SAR
- **Toshihiro Toyoshima**, Chief Executive Officer, Mercuria Investment Co., Japan

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- **Claire Chen**, Managing Partner, SZLT-iSource Consulting Group, Taiwan



## On Philosophy – The Changing Forms of Dialectic over Time

As the millennia passed, new thoughts arose in new geo-politic locations: the ancient Indo/Chinese philosophies, the Greek forms and its variations in Continental philosophy, and latterly the Anglo/American pragmatism. Do we now note a resurgence in philosophical thoughts as wars and COVID have dislocated the stability typical of Western philosophy? Will the future be through further geo-localization, or a new form of socially equal globalization which might finds it antecedents in non-Western schools of thought?

- **Soraj Hongladarom**, Professor of Philosophy, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand
  - **Jennifer McMahon**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Adelaide, Australia
  - **Geir Sigurdsson**, Professor of Chinese Studies and Philosophy, University of Iceland, Iceland
  - **Alejandro Vallega**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Oregon, USA
  - **Ellen Zhang**, Professor of Religion and Philosophy, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong
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- **Balaganapathi Devarakonda**, Professor of Philosophy, Delhi University, India

## The Arts – Being an Artist, Searching for Identity

Artists seem to project a need to search for identity that might be recognized. What new themes, what techniques are exciting artists? What do they wish to achieve? Who do they wish to influence, and how are they going about their tasks?

- **Keren Cytter**, Visual Artist and Writer, Israel
  - **Carlos Noronha Feio**, Artist, Portugal
  - **Tets Ohnari**, Sculptor and Contemporary Artist, Japan
  - **Lordy Rodriguez**, Artist, The Philippines
  - **Eszter Szabó**, Visual Artist, Hungary
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- **Stephan Schmidt-Wulffen**, Professor, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy

## 08.40-08.45 Welcome and Overview

Horasis and Petra Group welcome participants to the Sixth Horasis Global Meeting. Members of the Horasis Visions Community will join hands political, business and thought leaders across the world to shape the world's agenda to foster greater shared humanity. How are we going to implement transformative change post-COVID to foster the sharing community?

- **Frank-Jürgen Richter**, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland
- **Vinod Sekhar**, Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer, Petra Group, Malaysia

## 08.45-09.30 Opening Plenary Session

### The Shock of the New Geopolitical Realities

Following WW2 nations of the world created institutions, rules and mechanisms to reduce the threat of another war: the devastation had been too great. Now Russia is breaking 77 years of peace in Europe. How should free nations respond to this aggression? Is it orchestrated by only one person or a cabal? Given the ideological differences between Russia and the West, what might the future bring?

- **Manqoba B. Khumalo**, Minister for Commerce, Industry and Trade, Eswatini
  - **Taro Kono**, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Japan
  - **Ilya Ponomarev**, Former Member of the State Duma, Russia
  - **Vaira Vike-Freiberga**, Former President of Latvia, Latvia
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- **Nik Gowing**, Founder and Director, Thinking the Unthinkable, United Kingdom

## 09.30-10.15 Plenary Session

### Embracing Social Capitalism

The COVID pandemic and the Ukraine conflict revealed shortcomings of capitalism. Capitalism can be redesigned if the whole world agrees, to be more socially oriented and inclusive. How to ensure that markets grow for the benefit of all – supporting the environment and social responsibility? How can business and political leaders undertake this reorientation and transition towards social capitalism?

- **David Hashim**, Founder and President, Veritas Design Group, Malaysia
- **R Mahendran**, Chief Executive Officer, Expovan, India
- **Vinod Sekhar**, Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer, Petra Group, Malaysia
- **Lord Simon Woolley of Woodford**, Member of the House of Lords, United Kingdom

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- **Cod Satrusayang**, Editor in Chief, Thai Enquirer, Thailand

## 10.15-11.00 Parallel Sessions

### Overcoming Ukraine's Humanitarian Crisis

Ordinary people, local doctors and visitors from abroad have been helping countries bordering Ukraine, playing a crucial role in the biggest refugee crisis in Europe since 1945. It would be useful now, certainly in the future, if an EU framework support system could be adopted across all nations so aid and skills are not diluted. All migrant cases are different, demanding various treatments, including support for mental confusions. And after initial treatment, how to manage their integration in other countries? How to help in this crisis?

- **Jorge Diener**, Executive Director, Hadassah International, Israel
- **Andrei Gorokhov**, Chief Executive Officer, UMG investments, Ukraine
- **Shai Misan**, Chairman, YPO Europe, Italy
- **Tomasz Misiak**, Vice Chair, Polish Employers Council, Poland
- **Piotr J. Wacinski**, Head of Department, University Hospital SPSK4, Poland

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- **Jolanta Kwaśniewska**, Former First Lady of Poland, Poland

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- **Przemek Alex Schmidt**, President, CAPITEA, Poland

### Eight Years to the 2030 Goals: A Bearish Outlook

Politicians agreed the UN 2030 goals with global infrastructure plans to increase renewable electricity, with car manufacturers agreeing that 50% of their output would be EVs. Have the systemic interactions been fully assessed and calculated? Will the raw materials and computer chips available? Are consumers and industry willing to accept the costs? What if we fail to meet the goals?

- **Ravi Amble**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Suquino, USA
- **Carla Cico**, Member of the Board, Olympia Group, Italy
- **Dinesh Dhamija**, Founder and Chairman, Copper Beech Group, United Kingdom
- **Lucas B. Decuypere**, Chief Executive Officer, Adagio, Belgium
- **Bart Turtelboom**, Chairman, Delphos International Limited, USA

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- **Amanda Cooper**, Markets & Investing Editor, Insider (UK), United Kingdom

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## Enthusing the Newly Permanent Home-worker

Home-working during the COVID pandemic ensured many businesses could continue: some even thrived. Yet many individual staff suffered from the loneliness of rural living. What togetherness therapies have firms proposed to lift group well-ness? Do these really work if imposed rather than acquired, thus embraced by the remote individuals? What are the best exemplars?

- **Maxim Jago**, Futurist, Filmmaker, and Author, United Kingdom
- **Niraj Sharan**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Aura, USA
- **Holger Wagner**, Founder, Wagner & Partners, UAE
- **Daniel Zaretsky**, Co-Founder, World Influencers Network, Uzbekistan

*Chaired by*

- **Patricia Beccalli**, Founder, Principle AG, Switzerland

## Accelerating Digital Transformation for Sustainable Growth

Digitalization is changing the way organizations use and think about technology, moving tech from a supporting to a leading force in innovation, revenue and sustainability. How to start a digital business that fills the needs of tomorrow? And how to achieve an equitable digital transformation?

- **Payal Dalal**, Senior Vice President, Social Impact, International Markets, Mastercard Center for Inclusive Growth., United Kingdom
- **Maxim Kiselev**, Professor, Skolkovo Institute of Science and Technology, Russia
- **Victor Martin**, Chief Executive Officer, Macco Robotics, Spain
- **Ganesh Natarajan**, Chairman, Honeywell Automation India & 5FWorld, India
- **Toufi Saliba**, Chief Executive Officer, Toda.Network, USA

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- **Vijay Sambamurthi**, Founder and Managing Partner, Lexygen, India

## Cryptocurrencies May Benefit from Regulation

Many nations have banned trading and using crypto-assets, while most central banks are reviewing how they might use a national crypto-currency, backed by their own wealth. A major criticism of these, often generically called bitcoin, is that it is too price variable and has no base-line value. Will the creation of strong regulations prevent Russia from escaping the global sanctions applied after its invasion of Ukraine? What is the attitude of FATF (the global financial watchdog) to this move? And the attitude of potential investors?

- **Harry Hui**, Founder and Managing Partner, ClearVue Partners, China
- **David E. Smith**, President, ZanstraSat, USA
- **Li Xu**, Founder, LXI Consulting, USA
- **Ragnar Sigurdsson**, Head of R&D, AwareGO.com, Iceland

*Chaired by*

- **Victor Guixer**, Managing Partner, Guixer & Partners, Spain

## Civil Society and the Search for Equitable Economic Growth

The overlapping of government and the private sector to initiate a sense of community and working together varies between nations. How does civil society help develop trust in institutions and government? And what is civil society's role in advocating and finding Equitable Economic Growth?

- **Vanessa Arelle**, Chief Strategy Officer, BuffaloGrid, Portugal
- **Anthony Chan**, Chairman, Gretchen, Hong Kong
- **Virginie Coulloudon**, Executive Director, Your Public Value, Germany
- **Shaun Deverson**, Director, Lighthouse Futures, Australia
- **Jonathan Stone**, Co-founder & Visionary, Impact The Change, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Diana Sabrain**, Co-founder, OneAgrix, Singapore

## Developing Breeding Grounds for Unicorns

Initially Unicorns were a US phenomenon, now any location is potentially a breeding ground. And any business as we see unicorns in HighTech as well as food delivery. What makes new firms ideal for funding to become unicorns? How to convince venture capitalists of one's novel ideas? How can start-ups understand the VC ecosystems to achieve their development goals?

- **Jayne Chan**, Head, StartmeupHK, Invest Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- **Ivy Ruth Inogada**, Founder, Haraya Technologies, The Philippines
- **Svetlana Kamyshanskaya**, Startup Advisor, Primum Law Group, USA
- **Daniel Koppelkamm**, Managing Partner, Convergence Partners, Switzerland
- **Sebastian Schäfer**, Managing Director and Co-founder, TechQuartier, Germany

*Chaired by*

- **Yves Decadt**, Chief Executive Officer, BioLingus, Switzerland
- **Mei Chen**, Founder, Cosmic Citizens, China

## On Philosophy – Lessons from the Pandemic

Philosophers seem inclined to a new moral form of governance which says if one is sick, we all are sick; and it demands the provision of welfare to support all whether ill or well, which is both efficient and just. Complex systems thinking aids the theorizing. Is there any chance we will be able to judge the validity of a new praxis of philosophy until well after the pandemic has ended? Against what philosophic absolutes must it be judged? How might new philosophies guide us?

- **Piergiorgio Donatelli**, Professor of Philosophy, Sapienza Università di Roma, Italy
- **Jeremy Koons**, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Qatar
- **Jean-Christophe Merle**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Vechta, Germany
- **Debika Saha**, Professor of Philosophy, University of North Bengal, India
- **Stefan Lorenz Sorgner**, Professor of Philosophy, John Cabot University, Italy

*Chaired by*

- **Nikos Psarros**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Leipzig, Germany

## The Arts – Artists and Their Brand Image

It is possible for many people to distinguish the difference between a Hopper or a Hogarth – they are old masters. But how can a young artist develop their own brand image in their lifetime – or do they have to wait beyond death for fame? Businesses employ brand creators, do artists? What distinguishing features would a brand creator highlight? Would positive branding destroy our image of the artist as a free creative?

- **Motti Abramovitz**, Founder, Bruno Art Group, Israel
- **Bernhard Bauhofer**, Founder and Managing Partner, Sparring Partners, Switzerland
- **Bertrand Freiesleben**, Artist, Germany
- **Cees Krijnen**, Artist, The Netherlands
- **Stuart Semple**, Multidisciplinary Artist, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Laura López**, Professor, Bard College Berlin, Germany

## 11.00-11.45 Plenary Session

### Meeting the UN's Sustainable Development Goals

The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted to devise ways to protect the planet and humankind. Many nations have struggled to meet their intermediate goals and the work has been suffering during the COVID-19 pandemic. How to get back on track? And how can the private sector harness new technologies to accelerate progress on the SDGs?

- **Shireen Govender**, Chief Executive Officer, STP Holdings, South Africa
- **Bertram Lohmüller**, Professor, Steinbeis University, Germany
- **Gerd Müller**, Director General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Austria
- **Roland Schatz**, Chief Executive Officer and Founder UNGSII, Switzerland
- **Markus Thill**, President for the Region Africa, Robert Bosch, Germany

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- **Thomas Wu**, Director International Affairs, Senate of Economy International, Germany

## 11.45-12.30 Plenary Session

### Rebuilding Ukraine

We have to hope for the sake of Ukrainians and for humanity that the war in Ukraine finished quickly permitting the nation to be rebuilt. After the devastation caused by conflict there are many aspects of importance – first perhaps is to defuse all unexploded armaments followed by reconnecting important infrastructures, then reopening agriculture and the ports. Who will give direct support for all these tasks as the Ukraine will need skilled people and equipment? How will its banking and economy be rebuilt? And how will their psychological anguish be mended?

- **Alexander Gordin**, Co-Founder, Rebuilding Ukraine International Agency, Ukraine
- **Sergiy Tsivkach**, Chief Executive Officer, UkrainInvest, Ukraine

*Chaired by*

- **Henry Shterenberg**, Ambassador of Horasis to Ukraine, Ukraine

## 12.30-13.15 Parallel Session

### Ideas that Attract Entrepreneurs to Work Upon

Looking from afar, or with hindsight, a serial entrepreneur seems to choose projects easily. The main question is about the fit of the idea to the entrepreneur's gut feeling. How easy is it to remain calm and resolute – to close the project if it is not working? And to carefully evaluate if it will lead to a really profound new technology? How do investors evaluate the lead times of this or similar technologies - stated to be from several years to decades?

- **Avi Basu**, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, Wingsure, USA
- **Stuart Hutton**, Chief Investment Officer, Simply Ethical, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Erol Guvener**, Member of the Board, The Salon, United Kingdom

### Managing Geopolitical Risk

Pandemics have the potential to influence the balance of global power: as do wars. How will COVID-19 affect geopolitical risks around the world? And how has the Russian aggression in the Ukraine lifted global risk? How can business leaders boost corporate resilience to survive external threats? And how can they build trust to circumvent geopolitical tensions?

- **Thomas Eymond-Laritz**, Chief Executive Officer, Highgate, United Kingdom
- **Sandro Gaycken**, Founder, Monarch, Germany
- **Nicholas Johnson**, Chief Executive Officer, Economists Without Borders, Australia
- **Dimosthenis Manginas**, Managing Director, Manginas & Associates, Greece
- **Gary W. Whitehill**, Chairman, Geostrategic Holdings, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Francis Schortgen**, Professor, University of Mount Union, USA

### Catching-up Lost Education Time after COVID

The time available for education is fixed: at the extreme 24/7 and realistically a max of hours over 5 days. Teaching time was lost due to the COVID disruptions. How do we incorporate lost lessons into the new curricula? What is to be ignored, or are extra hours to be invoked? What neat evolution of content and method will benefit the future of our children?

- **George Berwick**, Chairman, Olevi International, United Kingdom
- **Oleg Drozdov**, President, Kharkiv School of Architecture, Ukraine
- **Daniele Schilirò**, Professor, University of Messina, Italy
- **Michele Notari**, Professor, Bern University of Teacher Education, Switzerland
- **Manfred Zeuch**, Vice President, Concordia University of Edmonton, Canada

*Chaired by*

- **Jim Yuan**, Partner, Joyview Education, China

## The Paucity of AI Apps in Public Service

In contrast to the applicability of AI in technology and engineering, governments seem reluctant to use it: two factors are important – privacy access to data relating, and having the skilled staff able to address the issues. What are the foundations this excessive ‘precautionary principle’ inertia? Are governments less risk-taking than businesses when addressing AI? Is public service unattractive to AI experts? How to change attitudes for future benefit?

- **Abdulaziz Albakr**, Chief Executive Officer, BAKER WASL, Saudi Arabia
- **David Drake**, Founder and Chairman, LDJ Capital, USA
- **Arwen Smit**, Author, Identity Reboot, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Pieter Perrett**, Professor, University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland, Switzerland

## Re-inventing Deep-tech

A firms’ secret research efforts were not often recognized, resulting in some individual’s resentment after the disclosure of commercial secrets. How can deep-tech be better funded, be permitted to undertake blue-skies yet practical work, and above all be secretive yet openly commend its innovators? Is there any way in which a firm’s deeply hidden research be guided towards global needs? Is society in danger of banning secretive organizations like these?

- **Klaas de Boer**, Chair, General Fusion, United Kingdom
- **Natalie Samovich**, Co-founder, ResilientGroup.eu, Portugal
- **Paul Sanar**, Chief Executive Officer, Rio Advancement Inc, USA
- **Sourav Sinha**, Venture Partner, Longevity Vision Fund, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Navroop Sahdev**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, The Digital Economist, USA

## Public-Private Policy of SDG Development

It is probably clear that governments need more cash to enact post-COVID reconstructions – especially of projects related to the UN SDGs. Their target deadlines are near and the projects diffuse and might be best addressed by a business corporation – in which many will become enacted, like plans to increase diversity. What is a good route-map to initiate and control PPP plans? What may be the most critical PPP to initiate? Can and should some PPP be international to give a more integrated output?

- **Daniela Herrmann**, Founder, Topan, Switzerland
- **Prachee Kale**, Director, The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation, USA
- **Motoya Kitamura**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Northvillage Investment, Japan
- **Fernando Galindo**, Advisor, Vitalis Investment Management, Mexico
- **Hakan Ozsancak**, Vice President, American University, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Gary Phillips**, Chief Executive Officer, OrphoMed Inc, USA

## **Moving to Climate Adaptation or Mitigation: A Clash of Policies**

The mitigation goals set by Kyoto and then Paris are creating difficulties for all nations to follow and to achieve. Governments have been slow to act - routes are not well modeled and thus offer no solid guidance. Economists have noted, "... All that stands in the way of saving the planet is a combination of ignorance, prejudice and vested interests. What could go wrong?" We ask again, in 2022, what can go wrong? What are the viable solutions?

- **Kristin Engvig**, Founder and CEO, WIN Global Authentic Feminine Leaders, Switzerland
- **Andy Habermacher**, Founder, leadingbrains, Switzerland
- **Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz**, Strategic Adviser, Latin Trade Group, USA
- **Nicolas Payen**, Chief Executive Officer, Positive Energy, Singapore

*Chaired by*

- **Royston Flude**, President, CSPOC, Switzerland

## **On Philosophy – Political Ethics in a New Age**

Let us use the Socratic questioning mode demanding answers be critically thought through – first: what powers should be ceded to the national leader, and what should be his/her limits? Second: how may a representative body of the people be able to remove a leader who is exerting too much corrupt power? Third: how to prevent the rule by an oligarchy? Forth: how to recognize tyrants in time to prevent their control of the people?

- **Andrea Borghini**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Milan, Italy
- **David Lea**, Professor of Political Science, University of Papua New Guinea, Papua New Guinea
- **Filimon Peonidis**, Professor of Political Philosophy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
- **Claude Spaak**, Professor of Philosophy and Sociology, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, UAE
- **Wahab Suri**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Karachi, Pakistan

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- **Angela Kallhoff**, Professor of Ethics, University of Vienna, Austria

## **The Arts – Appreciating a Framed NFT Artwork**

Once one bought a painting to be looked at and enjoyed – or perhaps so that others might envy ones' display of wealth. Can one do the same for a non-fungible token (NFT)? Their values might double by next year, but would your visitors to your home or corporate HQ recognize their worth? What is driving the boom in NFT? Is it a bubble boom?

- **Kevin Abosch**, Conceptual Artist and Pioneer in Cryptoart, Ireland
- **Evan Auyang**, Group President, Animoca Brands, Hong Kong SAR
- **Ian Bourland**, Assistant Professor of Art, Georgetown University, USA
- **Darien Brito**, Creative Coder and Audiovisual Artist, The Netherlands
- **Scott Gralnick**, Co-founder, LAGO, USA

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- **Charlotte Kent**, Assistant Professor of Visual Culture, Montclair State University, USA



## 13.15-14.00 Plenary Session

### Leadership in an Age of Perpetual Change

The disrupted post-COVID economy demands new skills for the deployment of innovation and revitalization by leaders. And, due to the further Russian aggression in the Ukraine (beyond its annexations in 2014) how are national leaders adjusting to their cessation of relations with Russia? Their success depends on their ability to show visionary governance and contribution to society at large and the nation's culture. In addition, new technologies are encompassing all aspects of commerce and culture. What skill sets do the leaders need to re-master?

- **Bo Inge Andersson**, Chief Executive Officer, Uzauto Motors, Uzbekistan
- **Augie K Fabela II**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, FastForward.ai, USA
- **Marie Dzanis**, Chief Executive Officer, Northern Trust Global Investments, United Kingdom
- **Roger King**, Founder and Chairman, ODS Holdings Inc., Hong Kong

Chaired by

- **Spriha Srivastava**, International Executive Editor, Insider, United Kingdom

## 14.00-14.45 Plenary Sessions

### The Global Economic Outlook

The past year has seen unprecedented changes in the world – but the global GDP was expected to rise slowly as we overcame COVID and eased trade conflicts. But in February that changed with the Russian incursion into the Ukraine. What deep divisions need to be eased and managed? Might it be possible to look further and turn our attention to the battling of climate change?

- **Erik Berglof**, Chief Economist, Asia Infrastructure Investment Bank, China
- **Kris Gopalakrishnan**, Chairman, Axilor Ventures, India
- **Andrey Kolodyuk**, Chairman, Ukrainian Venture Capital and Private Equity Association, Ukraine
- **Vinod Sekhar**, Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer, Petra Group, Malaysia
- **Deborah L. Wince-Smith**, President and Chief Executive Officer, Council on Competitiveness, USA

Chaired by

- **Inga Thordar**, Executive Editor, CNN Digital International, United Kingdom

### European-African Sustainability Partnership

How can both continents utilize best synergies and complement each other in the fight against climate change? How to unite efforts to protect the world's 2nd largest rainforest? How to utilize Africa's enormous renewable energy resources to drive sustainable industrialization on the African continent and to supply Europe with Green energy? How can breakthrough technologies enhance sustainable development and replace fossil fuel on the African and European continent?

- **Mafalda Duarte**, Chief Executive Officer, Climate Investment Funds, World Bank, USA
- **Eve Bazaiba Masudi**, Vice Premier and Minister of Environment, Democratic Republic of Congo
- **Phoebe Koundouri**, Co-Chair, United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network, Greece
- **Otto Waterlander**, Chief Commercial Officer, TES-H2, Belgium

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- **Thomas Wu**, Director International Affairs, Senate of Economy International, Germany

## 14.45-15.30 Parallel Sessions

### **Generating a Social Awareness about Sustainability**

In some nation's individuals have learned a social obligation not to drink and drive or to smoke in public – aided by laws and public awareness campaigns. These actions have taken years to enact are not embedded globally. How can we raise awareness about sustainability, regeneration and the circular economy? Are we too short-sighted and selfish to consider our neighbors and our children's children to protect the planet? What good ideas might change our attitudes?

- **Luiz Kaufmann**, Managing Partner, L. Kaufmann Consultores, Portugal
- **Mauricio Prazak**, President, Brazilian Institute of International Business Relations, Brazil
- **Felix von Schubert**, Executive Chairman, Infrontier, United Kingdom
- **Linda Villarreal-Paierl**, Chief Executive Officer, Paierl Consulting, Austria

*Chaired by*

- **William Wescott**, Chairman, BrainOxygen, USA

### **AI May be Taking us Into an Unknown Mode**

AI has difficulty in explaining the derivation of its outcomes: thus, we have increased personal risks to assess and the extent to which it has not noted externalities becomes a further imponderable. Human decision makers do these assessments, but with less success. If AI is used to manage autonomous weapons, how can we be sure they are working correctly? Should AI or the weapons be banned? How can we police the ban before it is too late to notice?

- **Alex Bates**, Managing Director, Neocortex Ventures, USA
- **Agata Ciesielski**, Presidential Innovation Fellow, USA
- **William R. Palaia**, Founder, Tgther, USA
- **Julie Marble**, Executive Director, Institute for Experiential Robotics, Northeastern University, USA

*Chaired by*

- **David Bruemmer**, Chief Strategy Officer, NextDroid, USA

### **The Granting of Leadership**

It can be said it is we who grant the leader his or her position through our subjective recognition of their skills – though some leaders seize power. Is it time to ask if we have been fooled by the verbalizations of the leader's team? Do we defer too much to the notion of an omnipresent leader? Why don't responsible leaders openly discuss how they have come to a decision via their team support?

- **Manuela Andarolo**, Managing Director, SmartBizHub, Switzerland
- **Mathieu Gram**, Founder, GRAM, Belgium
- **Jean-Pierre Cubizolle**, Founder and Managing Director, CHC, Switzerland
- **Jan Siemons**, Chairman, International Trade & Investment Center, The Netherlands

*Chaired by*

- **Timothy J. Nichol**, Dean, Liverpool Business School, United Kingdom

## **Eradicating or at Least Minimizing Cyber Crime**

Digitizing the world's activities has left many processes open to digital tampering. We understood and could visualize the theft of paper or objects, but cybercrime is soundless and rapid, and gateways difficult to block. Further, many nations have secret departments to counter and to promote cyber-crime. Yet leaders ignore the perils. How best to educate leaders about the enormous potential of cybercrime to harm the government, the firm, or individual people? Is there any reason for laws to be made specific to cybercrime, as theft is still theft? What are good practices to counteract cybercrime?

- **Andrea Bonime-Blanc**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, GEC Risk Advisory, USA
- **Ed Cabrera**, Chief Security Officer, Trend Micro, USA
- **Boaz Gelbord**, Chief Security Officer, Akamai Technologies, USA
- **Gustavo L Ghory**, Chairman, Smarterchains, Switzerland

*Chaired by*

- **Valmiki Mukherjee**, Chairman and Founder, Cyber Future Foundation, USA

## **Young Entrepreneurs and Investors: Closing the Wealth Gap**

Entrepreneurship and investment are traditionally wealth drivers, both of which are systemically not equally accessible to everyone. What are the investment criteria and differences between private, family office and institutional level investors globally and how can entrepreneurs more effectively align their interests with these different categories of investor? How can we offer the opportunity to a new generation of entrepreneurs and investors to start building up wealth and increase social mobility while working on closing the wealth gap?

- **Najee Goode**, Former American Football Linebacker, USA
- **David Homan**, Founder, Orchestrated Connections, USA
- **Michael Maduell**, President, SWF Institute, USA
- **Mykolas Rambus**, Chief Executive Officer, Hush & Co-Founder, Wealth-X , USA

*Chaired by*

- **Peter J R Aylwin**, Director, Aetos Limited, United Kingdom

## **Advancing an Impact-led Recovery**

The impact of COVID has been enormous; however, in adversity there is opportunity to unlock sustainable growth. Will this urge to innovate follow the global restriction on Russian fossil fuel exports? Who will lead economic regeneration based on impact investing principles? How can businesses integrate their impact-led growth strategies within a collaborative web of trust-based relations?

- **Luis Gomez Cobo**, Founder and Director, SLC Holdings, Switzerland
- **Maria Fernanda Levis-Peralta**, Chief Executive Officer, Impactivo, USA
- **Fahim Naim**, Founder, eShopportunity, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Natalia Blokhina**, Co-founder, Brighter Ventures Inc, USA

## The Good and the Potential Bad in AR

Augmented reality (AR) was once a fun thing, but now can be a tool of management – for creative design, for security management, for futures analyses. The separation of COVID working spaces has changed attitudes to this form of augmented exploration – what will it yield? More broadly, will ‘social AR’ become a new form of exploitation, corruption and coercion?

- **Bill Inman**, Co-Founder, Singularity Studio, USA
- **Carlos Kuchkovsky**, Co-founder, QCentroid, Spain
- **Crenguta Leaua**, Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
- **Rufus Lidman**, Founder, AIAR EdTech, Singapore
- **Mihaela Ulteru**, President, IMPACT Institute for the Digital Economy, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Mircea Davidescu**, Decision Science Manager, Meta, USA

## The Costs of Lost Data

There are at least two costs and two are major management errors. The first is not recording sales data and customer details; the second is having that data stolen. What are the cost estimates of data absence? What have firms learned about the many uses of analytics? Data is costly to acquire so why do CEOs not effectively guard their data? What do clients say and do about data leaks?

- **Luis Alvarez**, Chief Executive Officer, SIA, Spain
- **Barak Ben Ezer**, Founder, SFB Technologies Inc, Israel
- **Murray Foxcroft**, Chief Technical Officer, ProArch, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Amandeep Midha**, Founder, Nerd9, Denmark

## Transforming a Firm to be Nimble

Gradually, as a firm grows it becomes set in its ways of working, it was not designed to be as efficient as it could be. It is not only the operational processes that need to be revived, but the staff too. How can ‘nimble’ be designed and put into place? Does it need an explosive change or perhaps ‘in parallel’ change? How to alter the mind-set of resisting staff? Perhaps even, how to persuade the CEO to change?

- **Bill Bellows**, President, InThinking, USA
- **Metin Guvener**, Founding Chairman, The Salon, United Kingdom
- **Mark Hamill**, Founder and Chairman, Virtual Advisory Board, United Kingdom
- **Rishi Mehra**, Chief Executive Officer, Wishfin, India
- **Connie Wang Steele**, Founder, Flywheel Associates, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Bill Douglass**, Founder and Principal, Gotham Private Capital, USA

## Women in Web3 Space in Emerging Economies

Women are leading the evolution of the Web 3 ecosystem globally. Their role as a catalyst in galvanising Web 3 technology in developing economies cannot be overlooked. We will be interacting with three women who are transforming art, movies and online communities in the global south.

- **Deepshikha Deshmukh**, Film Producer, India
- **Bubli Eth**, Community Manager, Polygon DAO, India
- **Myna Mukherjee**, Curator and Director, Engendered Transnational Arts & Human Rights, India

*Chaired by*

- **Priya Samant**, Change Maker and Director, Sequoia Applied Technologies, USA

## On Philosophy – Truth is as we Believe it to Be

Facts as facts are dependent on our individual perceptions of the data which have to be agreed upon. That activity rests on the variability of our inner beliefs learned and embodied in our cultures. Could we say our observations just shadows of what is real? What support might philosophers give to the discussions leading to peace and sustainability?

- **Alexander Franklin**, Lecturer in Philosophy, King's College London, United Kingdom
- **Vincent F Hendricks**, Professor of Formal Philosophy, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- **Adrian W. Moore**, Professor of Philosophy, Oxford University, United Kingdom
- **Elisabeth Schellekens**, Chair Professor of Aesthetics, Uppsala University, Sweden
- **Bernhard Weiss**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Cape Town, South Africa

*Chaired by*

- **Gregory Wheeler**, Professor of Philosophy and Computer Science, Frankfurt School of Finance & Management, Germany

## The Arts – Portraying Future Hope

The expressiveness of a single brush stroke can evoke deep feelings in the reader: its fluidity evokes a poetry. It grasps our emotions, and can calm us. How can the arts change the world for the better? What are the changes within poorly people that artists hope to create through their collective effort?

- **Ellen Eagle**, Artist, USA
- **Annabel Daou**, Artist, Lebanon
- **Lucy Glendinning**, Sculptor, United Kingdom
- **Elliot Reichert**, Curator of Contemporary Art, Eskenazi Museum of Art, USA
- **Katja Strunz**, Visual Artist, Germany

*Chaired by*

- **Andrew Renton**, Professor of Curating, Goldsmiths, University of London, United Kingdom

## 15.30-16.15 Parallel Sessions

### Developing Nations: Facing Political and Economic Uncertainty

Businesses do not like uncertainty – but inequality, weak political institutions, a corrupt ruling class and environmental & infrastructure challenges persist, especially in developing nations – and sadly, in developed nations. What are of the solutions that business can influence? What better guidance might be given by global institutions like the IMF or World Bank to whom developing nations turn for financial aid? How can developing nations & economies diversify away from agriculture, fuels and mining that are often exploited or sold to or by sanctioned nations? What is the role of public markets, and exchanges, especially with regard to improving governance and transparency? How can the international community and business demonstrate there is a premium on the integrity of the state: and on capacity building after COVID and the Ukrainian debacle?

- **Shea Gopaul**, Special Representative to the United Nations, International Organization of Employers, (IOE), USA
  - **Arun Sharma**, President, Grovopike Associates, USA
  - **Nandini Sukumar**, Chief Executive Officer, The World Federation of Exchanges, United Kingdom
- Chaired by*
- **Salman Ravala**, Partner, Criscione Ravala, USA

## Venture Capital in a World Disturbed by President Putin

The pandemic has affected the flow of venture capital but the threat of, and actual war, caused investors to check carefully for any links to Russia. Russia was an active field for VCs linking local Angel investors with international funds. Where will the international investors look as they can't risk Russia? Where will the Russian investment money be placed now it must remain in Russia and can't be linked to a US IPO? How vulnerable are cryptocurrencies to international scrutiny if they are used to alter funds flows? How is the VC sector changing to serve the people?

- **Gregory Bedrosian**, Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer, Drake Star Partners, USA
- **Brett Hickey**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Star Mountain Capital, USA
- **James Rulli**, Co-Founder, MFO Astrum, USA
- **McKenzie Slaughter**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Prohaus Capital, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Jouko Ahvenainen**, Founder and Executive Chairman, Grow VC Group, USA

## The EU and its Priorities

The EU commissioners have stated they wish to pursue a European green deal, be fit for the digital age, have a strong economy so strengthening the EU in the world, and to push for democracy across Europe supporting a European way of life. Are these too much to ask given the global turbulence? How will the Green Deal survive a Russian fuel supply crisis? How should the priorities of the EU be outward-looking to support global peace, prosperity and sustainability? Can it coherently focus while rotating its presidency each six months?

- **Mats Hellström**, Former Minister for Foreign Trade, Sweden
- **Paul Tang**, Member of European Parliament, European Union

*Chaired by*

- **Paul Hodges**, Chairman, New Normal Consulting, Portugal

## Relating Digital Coinage to Payments Schemes

Digital wallets are preloaded with a credit by their users, with many users now opting to use digital coinage or cyber-monies. Have the wallets as good a security system as traditional cards? Might cyber monies like the digital Yuan destroy the system of mobile wallet credit? How are the global banks reacting?

- **Stephen Meade**, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, MonetaPro, USA
- **Louis Metzger**, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Deep Views Inc, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Ed Adams**, Chief Executive Officer, Security Innovation, USA

## Inspired by Leonardo's Sci-Fi: Transitioning to Metaverse

It is accepted by Meta that it is early days yet, but the Metaverse is said to be the future. It presently appears to be high-sci-fi demanding considerable computing power. There is no lack of computing power, but a lack of a development map – how would that affect your business strategy? How do you see Meta disrupting your business? Will this be a revolution as is Tesla in the realm of the combustion engine?

- **Begum Aydinoglu**, Co-founder, ILLUSORR, Canada
- **Sam Glassenberg**, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, Level Ex, USA
- **Dan Mapes**, Founder, Verses.io, USA
- **Philip Weights**, President, Swiss Finance + Technology Association, Switzerland

*Chaired by*

- **Amy Peck**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, EndeavorVR, USA

## Getting the Balance Right: The Agency of AI

Decision making is defined by our cultures, interests and the data we put into the algorithms: we have to restrict the agency we give to AI. AI is presently good at accomplishing bounded tasks, but not at being truly creative, even though it seems to be at times. Will we notice if AI takes over as a superior entity? Will that matter? Is this the route for us to achieve immortality, or is this the aim of certain corporations – to profit as ever?

- **Sheldon Fernandez**, Chief Executive Officer, DarwinAI, Canada
- **Ben Goertzel**, Chief Executive Officer, SingularityNET, USA
- **Igor Jablov**, Chief Executive Officer, Pryon, USA
- **Sedarius Perrotta**, Chief Executive Officer, Shelf, USA
- **Frida Polli**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder, pymetrics, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Mark Minevich**, Founder, Going Global Ventures, USA

## FinTechs Are Building upon New Digital Technologies

Traditional banks are not far advanced beyond paper and ledgers in books: they grew using more and more computing systems which have become cumbersome, though interconnected. But banks offer face-to-face consultation. Digital systems offer speed, flexibility and extensibility. Does it help if a client understands AI, blockchain, cloud services and the need to support security as an enterprise-wide responsibility? How may FinTech be advanced in rural areas uneducated in computational details? Can the Internet of Things (IoT) built on a poorly deployed 5G build trust for FinTech?

- **Youree Lee**, Managing Director, Peertec (GDAC), Korea
- **King Leung**, Head of Fintech, Invest Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR
- **Vivian Portella**, Co-founder, ZroBank, Brazil
- **Elizabeth Rossiello**, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, AZA, United Kingdom
- **Angela Yore**, Founder and Managing Director, SkyParlour, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Robert H. Kahn**, Managing Director, Automated Financial Systems, USA

## Thriving Corporate IQs Require Smart Systems

One of the biggest challenges growth companies face is that executive management teams and their boards are going to get misaligned throughout strategy cycles. Teams are getting lost in their day-to-day work and fire drills instead of always focusing on what really matters the most. What is the next-gen approach for this so that knowledge meets empowering technology infrastructure?

- **Patrick Dolan**, Executive In Residence, Progress Partners, USA
- **Alex Lee**, Chief Financial Officer, Aetherium Acquisition Corp., USA
- **Arno Schäfer**, Chief Executive Officer, VONQ, Germany
- **Robin Tech**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Delphi, Germany

*Chaired by*

- **Ralf Hirt**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, 8W8 Global Business Builders, USA

## On Philosophy – How Does it Fit Modern Life, and the Future?

How might today's philosophers, or schools of philosophical thought, aid re-thinking, re-setting, re-tooling, and re-imagining the post-pandemic actions within many nations? What is the magic possessed by the philosopher that might remove the ravages of war that beset ordinary people? Perhaps we should simply ask – how might the people critically out-think negativities and pull together – and live a good life?

- **Clive Cazeaux**, Professor of Aesthetics, Cardiff Metropolitan University, United Kingdom
- **Eva Feder Kittay**, Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, Emerita, Stony Brook University, USA
- **Jill Marsden**, Professor of Literature and Philosophy, The University of Bolton, United Kingdom
- **Helen Steward**, Professor of Philosophy of Mind and Action, University of Leeds, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Justin Weinberg**, Professor of Philosophy, University of South Carolina, USA

## The Arts – Igniting the Human Imagination

When imagination is at the core of human existence, the seemingly impossible can be accomplished. Within the creative process and its social duty, what is the link between art, its ethics and aesthetics? Is art a cry for self-liberation or rather for the beauty in the mundane? How to imagine a realm where art is essential to how we create the world we want to live in?

- **Jonathan Allen**, Visual Artist, USA
- **Adam Cooley**, Artist, Designer, and Author, USA
- **Emma Cousin**, Artist, United Kingdom
- **Carola Pavlik**, Artist, The Netherlands

*Chaired by*

- **Gustavo Rincon**, Curator of Design, Media Arts, & Science, University of California Santa Barbara, USA



## 16.15-17.00 Plenary Session

### Searching for a Stable Geo-political Future Post-Ukraine Conflict

Being at peace globally could release armaments money to be used to benefit all – the planet and its peoples: The cash could be put to saving our future from disease, pestilence and even asteroid collisions. Is it too much to ask? How might a calmer world be created? How to develop a better historic and cultural understanding, even a forgiveness of perceived wrongs? How to begin? And how to quash future tyrants before they release their tranny?

- **Battinto L. Batts**, Dean, Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication, Arizona State University, USA
- **Andreas Fibig**, Chairman and CEO, International Flavors & Fragrances (IFF), USA
- **Sally Ann Ranney**, President and Co-Founder, Global Choices, USA
- **Murat Seitnepesov**, Chairman, Caspian Week, Switzerland
- **Jane Wurwand**, Founder, Dermalogica, USA

*Chaired by*

- **John Harris**, Co-founder, Politico, USA

## 17.00-17.45 Plenary Session

### Sustainable Energy Solutions for the Digital Economy

Digital economy has enormous energy related needs. Many areas around the world are experiencing energy shortages due to crypto mining activities. Yet the digital economy and related energy needs are continuing to skyrocket. Sustainable energy is the only feasible and responsible path forward. What are some of the viable sustainable energy solutions? What are the industry best practices? How can they be best adopted by governments and private enterprises globally? What else can be done to address this very pressing dilemma?

- **Youssef Chahed**, Former Prime Minister of Tunisia, Tunisia
- **Lina Constantinovici**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Innovation 4.4, USA
- **Kyriacos Kokkinos**, Deputy Minister to the President for Research & Innovation, Cyprus
- **Igor Luksic**, Former Prime Minister of Montenegro, Montenegro
- **Anton Schmidbauer**, Chairman, Allgebras, Switzerland
- **Asen Vasilev**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Bulgaria

*Chaired by*

- **Steven V. Melnik**, Founder, PoliticalAndBusinessDiplomacy.org, USA

## 17.45-18.30 Parallel Sessions

### The Post-COVID Productivity Debate

Some economists believe reducing unemployment would boost output; others advocate a greater use of robots. Many firms have high cash reserves so can afford robots, but question their SDG goals. How to balance social and ethical well-being goals with the basic need for profits? How to get unemployed but fit people to return to productive activity? What is a good definition of 'productive' given the SDG goals?

- **Catherine Carlton**, Council Member and Former Mayor, Menlo Park, USA
- **Rohit Ghai**, Chief Executive Officer, RSA, USA
- **Lyric Hughes Hale**, Editor-in-Chief, EconVue, USA
- **Chris Rose**, Chief Executive Officer, MR Access, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Carole Barrow**, Public Relations Specialist & Founder, SanFranciscoWriter.com, USA

## Female Tech Entrepreneurs Offer Impact

Only a fifth of start-ups have female founders notwithstanding they often outperform their male equivalents: this is universally true, though the percentage is slightly higher in Central and Eastern Europe. How can women learn to be confident in their work-life planning abilities so leverage bright ideas and manage firms over the long-term? How can women be better supported as entrepreneurs? And what mentoring is needed by women to win more funding capital? Why are female entrepreneurs overmentored and underfunded?

- **Kerri Cummings**, Founder, Mindbar, Germany
- **Angela Huang**, Founder and President, Tempo Bioscience, USA
- **Katica Roy**, Chief Executive Officer, Pipeline, USA
- **Ann Winblad**, Managing Partner, Hummer Winblad Venture Partners, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Anna McCoy**, Chief Executive Officer, Anna McCoy Global Ventures, USA

## Actions that Define a Democracy and Being Democratic

A simple view of a democracy would be one or more parties in opposition to the ruling party where all can debate freely. In Russia, with effectively a single ruler for over twenty-one years, most media outlets are now banned or under strong controls following its Ukraine invasion. Over in the USA, in what is arguably the globe's most powerful nation with a substantial media industry, there is an embedded two-party system always in (sometimes fierce) opposition with each other. How should we define a good, working democracy? And more importantly, how should this be achieved?

- **Rosalía Arteaga Serrano**, Former President of Ecuador, Ecuador
- **Andrew McGregor**, Director and Founder, Oomvelt Research, USA
- **Charles Tang**, President, Brazil Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Brazil
- **Alec Wang**, Founder and President, Tana Investment Group, USA
- **Samantha Zirkin**, Executive Director, Cross Border Civilians Foundation, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Gligor Tashkovich**, Former Minister for Foreign Investment, North Macedonia

## Asking the Tough Questions

Where are we at? Where are we going? The world's economic and geo-political framework has been increasingly characterized by uncertainties. The COVID-19 pandemic and now the Ukraine invasion have heightened those uncertainties in a big way. How and to where ought we to navigate past new COVID variants, and beyond the Russian sanctions? What are the choke-points, and how might we redefine them as opportunities to reestablish confidence?

- **Orde Levinson**, Artist and Writer, Magdalen College, Oxford University, United Kingdom
- **Thomas Pogge**, Professor of Philosophy and International Affairs, Yale University, USA
- **Loren A. Smith**, President, Skyline Policy Risk Group, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation, USA
- **Jacob Sotiriadis**, Director, Center for Futures Intelligence, National Intelligence University, USA
- **Mikhail Treyvish**, President, OmniGrade Universal Crowdsourcing Agency, Russia

*Chaired by*

- **Jerry Hultin**, Chair, New York Academy of Sciences, USA

## Crypto-currencies and Their High Ecological Cost

Once the Bitcoin mining method became popular its heavy computational demand was a surprise – now the arrays of computers, often in cold regions to aid their cooling, consume mega-amounts of electricity. In a world becoming more conscious of sustainability should these miners be taxed more heavily than the local publics? Is there a compelling need to make crypto-coins? Who, along their product chain profits most?

- **Gurvinder Ahluwalia**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Digital Twin Labs, USA
- **Abiodun Ayorinde**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Dabar Technologies Limited, Nigeria
- **Mahesh Kotecha**, President, Structured Credit International Corp., USA
- **Nuke Goldstein**, Chief Technology Officer and Co-Founder, Celsius.Network, USA
- **Sam Sealey**, Lead Digital Assets, The Digital Economist, USA

*Chaired by*

- **John D. Graham**, Founder, Global Ideation, USA

## De-Mystifying Web 3.0

The Web, through versions 1.0 and 2.0 have moved from static web pages to the use of the Web as a Platform permitting tech giants to dominate our usage. Web 3.0 might be based on embedded but decentralized blockchains to help manage the integration of our finances and requests for objects or knowledge. Will Web 3.0 aid policy makers in their search to regulate? Will using tokens aid all our lives? Will we cope easily as self-sovereign entities become embedded in a metaverse?

- **Srikar Reddy**, Chief Executive Officer, Sonata Software, India
- **Yemu Xu**, Co-founder, ARPA & Bella Protocol, Singapore
- **Santosh Yellajosula**, Board Member, SingularChain, India

*Chaired by*

- **David Moscato**, Managing Partner, Quarantia Capital Advisory, Luxembourg

## SMEs and Absorptive Capacity

Knowledge acquisition is cited as the most valuable task for internationalized firms, but all firms need new knowledge and skills – especially the small and medium enterprise sector. They cannot afford the extra salary to employ a Knowledge Manager, so how do their hard-pressed staff acquire and convince other staff to deploy new knowledge? Are there any purposive policies the CEOs can press on all staff? Have you any good exemplars to share with us?

- **Martijn Atell**, Chief Executive Officer, VoteBash, USA
- **Joe Hyrkin**, Chief Executive Officer, Issuu, USA
- **Venkat Matoory**, Institutional Advisor, USA
- **Jayanta Poddar**, National Business Head, Infra.Market, India

*Chaired by*

- **Firdaus Kharas**, Chairman, Chocolate Moose Media, Canada

## The New Leaders' Parallel Mindsets

Often leaders move into a job of juggling globalization, labor markets and the roles of multi-nationals, but still anchors his thoughts on initial training in far different disciplines. This might give a breadth of view, but is it useful? What does a HighTech leader miss if he did not study classics? Alternatively does the broad canvas simply tell one that managing is all about people? How to ensure we anchor decisions in the future wellbeing of our staff, clients and the globe?

- **Ahmet Bozer**, Advisory Board Member, Swire Coca-Cola, Hong Kong
- **Natalie Byrne**, Founder, Blank Space, USA
- **Amelia Lopez Huix**, General Partner, MCI Partners, The Netherlands
- **Daniel S. Kern**, Chief Investment Officer, TFC Financial Management, USA
- **Riccarda Zezza**, Chief Executive Officer, Lifeed, Italy

*Chaired by*

- **Isabelle C. Nüssli**, Chairperson, Responsible Leadership AG, Switzerland

## On Philosophy – The Future of Thought

We are in danger of restricting what we may discuss by those holding differing philosophies. They demand we over-write histories which occurred if they do not fit their present narrative. How can we open minds to uphold our intellectual expressions in the face of geo-political stress? What new philosophical schools are on the rise? If ideological assumptions are relaxing, can we foresee universal solutions in the aftermath of the pandemic, and the Ukraine invasion in the 'new normal' zeitgeist?

- **Tina Fernandes Botts**, Visiting Scholar, Dartmouth College, USA
- **Richard Baron**, Philosopher, United Kingdom
- **Nader El-Bizri**, Professor of Philosophy, American University of Beirut, Lebanon
- **Martin Puchner**, Professor of English and Comparative Literature, Harvard University, USA
- **Nuno Venturinha**, Professor of Philosophy, NOVA University, Portugal

*Chaired by*

- **Lou Marinoff**, Professor of Philosophy, City College of New York, USA

## The Arts – Acting for Equal Means

For centuries, gender influenced the production and reception of art as female artists were forbidden to have an equal education and develop an artistic language. To achieve gender equality, how can female artists confront and change the narrative? And how to promote equality in everyday life?

- **Robert Barta**, Artist, Germany
- **Nancy Calef**, Painter, Illustrator and Author, USA
- **Cristina Simion**, Curator and Gallerist, Tiny Griffon Gallery, Germany
- **Roxana Halls**, Figurative Painter, United Kingdom
- **Marina Velez**, Multidisciplinary Artist and Researcher, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*

- **Martin Schulze**, Founder and Director, Public Delivery, Korea

## 18.30-19.15 Plenary Session

### Future of Energy in a Chaotic New World

Six months on from COP26 what is the sense of our response to the emerging ecological crisis? How is the adoption of renewables? Are there exciting technologies on the horizon? Is nuclear one of them? Does war and the geopolitical shift in the world post Ukraine provide an opportunity to accelerate shifts or is it a wasteful distraction? What are the scenarios for our collective future?

• **Chip Comins**, Founder, American Renewable Energy Institute, USA

*Chaired by*

• **Benjamin J. Butler**, Independent Futurist, Hong Kong

## 19.15-20.00 Closing Plenary

### Global Cooperation in Times of Global Stress

The COVID pandemic has created a massive, and still continuing, global shock: as has the Ukraine invasion. All have had global ramifications - on global fuel prices and on food security given the cut in cereal exporting by Russia and the Ukraine - which are felt personally at family level. Global cooperation to solve COVID has been evident, but what other issues beyond energy supply need addressing at global level? How might Climate Change be addressed by deeper cooperation in trade and its embargoes? Demographic changes occur slowly but incorporate economic migration problems – how to address these globally?

• **Lord Karan Bilimoria**, President, Confederation of British Industry, United Kingdom

• **HRH Prince Adnan El-Hashemite**, Chairman, Royal Academy of Science International Trust, USA

• **Preeti Sinha**, Executive Secretary, United Nations Capital Development Fund, United Nations

• **Jewel Taylor**, Vice President of Liberia, Liberia

*Chaired by*

• **Doug Wilks**, Executive Editor, Deseret News, USA

## 20.00-20.05 Closing Remarks: Horasis Summary and Review

What have we learned post-COVID and following the Russian aggression in the Ukraine? What Big Ideas on these issues and others have emerged from the Horasis Global Meeting to inspire global leaders faced with strong need to be sustainable, honest and innovative? In addition, how can we address the breakdown in social cohesion and promote inclusivity and diversity? And how to foster a shared global humanity?

*Chaired by*

• **Frank-Jürgen Richter**, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

• **Vinod Sekhar**, Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer, Petra Group, Malaysia

## 20.05-20.45 Parallel Sessions

### **Moving from a Circular to a Regenerative Economy**

The circular economy concept represents one of the fastest growing aspects of global sustainability. But in its wake, a new movement of pioneers are looking beyond circularity in materials and natural resources to systemic approaches with solutions that span environmental, social, and economic spheres and aim beyond recirculation to regeneration. Is the regenerative trend just sustainability by another name? What does it mean and why does it matter for innovators in business, government, finance, and civil society today and in the future? What are its global challenges?

- **Michael D. Brown**, United States Shadow Senator, District of Columbia, USA
  - **Catherine Cunningham**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Eikosphere & Natural Intelligence Media, USA
  - **John Morley**, Founder, JohnMorley.Co, USA
  - **Amy Seidman**, Founder, Noble Profit, USA
- Chaired by
- **Andrew Crosby**, Founder, Third Horizon Earth, Switzerland

### **Africa: Purposefulness Across its Many Nations**

The African Union was established in 2001 to promote unity and solidarity among the 55 African states. It has launched the African Continental Free Trade Area and looks to transform Africa into an e-Society. How will it transform business goals, meet its compliance with the SDGs, especially on education and diversity? How strongly does it rank sustainability and regeneration?

- **Muzamil Abdelkarim**, Chief Executive Officer, African Trade Alliance, Sudan
  - **Blessing Ayemhere**, Chief Executive Officer, Umugini Pipeline Infrastructure, Nigeria
  - **Andrey Bogdanov**, Principal and Interim CEO, Risk Insights, South Africa
- Chaired by
- **Noel Akpata**, Chief Executive Officer, Stratex Pro, Nigeria

### **The New Vision for Decentralized Finance (DeFi)**

This vision of decentralized finance embedded in Web 3.0 – relies on blockchains, smart contracts and stablecoins to cut out middlemen like card firms and banks. There are several issues to resolve – how to create universal acceptance of stablecoins, smart contracts and ensure the smooth running of Web 3.0. Is DeFi really an adventure in the possible and not a reality to develop? Who might be the main beneficiary? Even so, might this become a disruptive technology, and by when?

- **Aaron Li**, Founder, Modulo, USA
  - **Louis Li**, Chief Executive Officer, Pacific Founder Ventures, China
  - **Sam Yilmaz**, General Partner, Bloccelerate VC, USA
  - **Lu Zhang**, Founder and Managing Partner, Fusion Fund, USA
- Chaired by
- **Marta F. Belcher**, General Counsel, Protocol Labs, USA

## Delivering a Fully Socialized Digital Lifestyle

On-line gaming and the need to share are creating apps that bring together communities of like-minded individuals. The new 'Metaverse' is becoming a reality. How do digital metaverses work through cultural reticence when even neighbors are a little hesitant to open doors to others? What societal changes may take place in shared digital spaces? How might these change the world?

- **Olusola Adenuga**, Chief Executive Officer, Olla Systems, Nigeria
- **Pearly Chen**, Vice President, HTC, USA
- **Noritaka Kobayashi**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Bajji, Inc, Japan
- **Lynne Marlor**, Chair, Boston Blockchain Association, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Maryanne Morrow**, Chief Executive Officer, 9th Gear, USA

## Improving Efficiency, Effectiveness and Sustainability

These are the global demands within the SDGs and are increasingly realized by the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT). The deep digitization of business to business (B2B) and supply chain integration can be deployed at scale to be a revolutionary force. What are the impediments perceived by companies to IIoT progress? How can human-inspired digital errors be eradicated? Is there any 'romance' left in such a world?

- **Francis Govers**, Autonomy Lead, Bell Helicopter, USA
- **Ambarish Gupta**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Basis Vectors, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Jerry Power**, Founder, I3 Systems, USA

## 5G Bringing 'Smart' to Smart Cities

Smart cities have promised much, with social space, better development of the 'local concept' and attention to greening. It is China who will benefit initially having many hundreds of smart cities waiting to blossom. How will education, healthcare omni-channel e-commerce bring benefits to individuals? How will smart integration of AI, taxis and general city logistics increase well-being? By when will the smart city promise be realized given the roll-out of 5G is slow?

- **Antonio Cantalapiedra**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Woonivers, Spain
- **Sergio A. Fernández de Córdova**, Chairman, P3SmartCity & PVBLIC Foundation, USA
- **Amir Hosseini**, Co Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Chex.AI, USA
- **Marianela Mirpuri**, Founder, Hera, Portugal

*Chaired by*

- **Junaid Islam**, Partner, OODA, USA

## Extending Gender Diversity to all Regions and Firms

Diversity studies globally indicate that women in leadership roles strongly benefit their firms and thus their national economies. However in some regions, while 60% of college graduates are women, only 45% make it into the labor force; and then only 8% of firms have a female CEO. How can we reduce the resistance to female leaders? How would positive mentoring, fair evaluations and flexible work alter their situation? What might they imitate from Nordic nations who have a high proportion of female CEOs?

- **Markulf Behrendt**, Partner, Allen & Overy, Germany
  - **Christine Koetsier**, Chief Executive Officer, GEM Partners, The Netherlands
  - **Betty Enyonam Kumahor**, Founder and Managing Partner, The Cobalt Partners, Ghana
  - **Maribel Monterrubio**, Chief Executive Officer, Vitalis, Mexico
  - **Eva Maria Ostendorf**, Advisory Board, Oxfam; Partner, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Germany
- Chaired by*
- **Christine Crawford**, Chair of Diversity and Inclusion Network, YPO, USA

## Digital Vaccines: Preparing for the Next Pandemic

With the ubiquity of smartphones and connected devices, the concept of Digital Vaccines has emerged encompassing evidence-based prevention approaches to behavioral nudging that can stave off the spread of infectious diseases. But what do Digital Vaccines look like, who is developing them, and how will they be regulated?

- **Melissa Bondy**, Professor of Epidemiology and Public Health, Stanford University, USA
  - **Jiten Chhabra**, Chief Medical Officer, CareValidate, USA
  - **Shanice Hudson**, Chair & Science Director, Hood Medicine, USA
  - **Bhargav Sri Prakash**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, FriendsLearn, USA
  - **Ramesh Raskar**, Associate Professor, MIT, USA
- Chaired by*
- **Graham Dodge**, President, PathCheck Foundation, USA

## On Philosophy – Metaphysics and Ideology in Times of War

As metaphysics might depend on the gathering of the possibilities and their dependencies, we need to be able to judge their priorities and goals. But who could stand in judgement – what metrics might be acceptable? The realities of war, not only as demonstrated in the Ukraine but in many other quarters of the world, are often supported on one side by the right of their gods who ultimately have to be judged – but by whom?

- **Susanne Burri**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Konstanz, Germany
  - **Christine Cuomo**, Professor of Philosophy and Women's Studies, University of Georgia, USA
  - **Eduardo Mendieta**, Professor of Philosophy, Penn State University, USA
  - **Thaddeus Metz**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Pretoria, South Africa
  - **Robin R. Wang**, Professor of Philosophy, Loyola Marymount University, USA
- Chaired by*
- **Ashok Gangadean**, Professor of Global Philosophy, Haverford College, USA



## **The Arts – Envisioning Meanings, Transferring Hope**

While an artist's senses transform his vision to a secondary form, he endeavors to capture imaginations. What is it that the observer perceives or understands? How are our futures modified by Art? Are the changes we experience good and full of hope?

- **Alexandra Blaney**, Chief Financial Officer, Shine Global, USA
- **Suzanne Broughel**, Artist, USA
- **Maegan Falk**, Owner and Curator, House of Savoy, USA
- **David Fried**, Interdisciplinary Artist, Germany
- **Işin Önoğ**, Guest Professor, Vienna University of Applied Arts, Austria

*Chaired by*

- **Karen Simecek**, Associate Professor, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

## **20.45- 21.30 Closing Parallel Sessions**

### **Reaching for the Future with Technology**

Sustainable investing suggests aiding the poor, nurturing water supplies, raising food availability and better educating everyone. Businesses might have different priorities, by leveraging technology. How might the full spectrum of technology benefit the larger public? What are the plausible futures? Who will drive beneficial tech?

- **Nicole Jiayang Li**, Executive Partner, Plus One Capital, USA
- **Andrew Nachison**, Founder, We Media, USA
- **David Hamilton Nichols**, Speaker, Author, Investor, Producer, USA
- **Rohan Shetty**, Co-founder, Icon Maritime Technologies Group, USA
- **Thomas Thurston**, Partner and Chief Technology Officer, WR Hambrecht Ventures, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Gary Barker**, Director of Sustainability, Nexgen Packaging, USA

### **Being Determined to Meet Net-Zero by 2050**

Estimates suggest we need to spend nearly \$10 trillion per year to resist climate change (a third increase from the present). Governments and businesses could spend courageously and the global population might accept coherent actions. Leaders cannot do everything at once – what ought they to concentrate upon? How do their decisions vary across geographies? How to balance expenditure and cuts as food, water and energy transitions take place? What might occur if any transition time is too brief?

- **Henry Beck**, State Treasurer, State of Maine, USA
- **William Bohnett**, Chairman, Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, USA
- **Sylvia Vaquer**, Co-Founder and Chief Creative Officer, SocioFabrica, USA
- **Marc Verissimo**, Executive Chairman, Lighter Capital, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Rick Wayman**, Chief Executive Officer, Foundation for Climate Restoration, USA

## **COVID Pandemic and the Force of Impact Investing**

Pre-COVID impact Investors were beginning to favor sustainability and diversity. The pandemic has sharpened institutional investor focus on impact investing. What effect is it having regarding the SDGs goals? And how to inspire investors to transit from theory to practice fostering opportunities for action?

- **Christina M. Alfonso-Ercan**, Co-founder, Novata, USA
- **Fabrice C Houdart**, Managing Director, Out Leadership, USA
- **Seann Nelipinath**, Chairman, India Chamber of Commerce USA, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Anna Tunkel**, Executive Director, Strategic Partnerships & Global Engagement, APCO Worldwide, USA

## **New School Curricula Post-COVID Matching to Needs**

Across the globe, as waves of COVID variants closed schools, young people were forced to learn remotely. Now it is time to further their education and release children's potential. What evidence-based methods of edu-catch-up are applicable in developed and undeveloped nations? What mechanisms need to be put in place: for instance, bussing to regional residential schools? And recruiting more teachers?

- **Peje Emilsson**, Founder and Chairman, Kunskapsskolan Education, Sweden
- **Aditya Jha**, Chairman, POA Educational Foundation, Canada
- **Andrea Monni**, Co-founder and Managing Partner, Blue Spark Hub, Singapore

*Chaired by*

- **Shahana Basu**, Compliance Officer, Data Privacy Office, World Bank, USA

## **Reassessing Business Effectiveness**

Large organizations struggle to meet post-pandemic demands to leverage technology become more agile, resilient, socially relevant, sustainable to meet shifting customer and stakeholder needs profitably. Yet the majority of large-scale change efforts fail to meet their goals, including digital transformation. What is the blue print for effective change? How to ensure that digitization efforts drive competitive advantage? Do we need new ways of organizing, changing and leading to achieve new goals?

- **Nagaraja Kumar Deevi**, Managing Partner, Deevi, USA
- **Petah Marian**, Founder, Future Narrative, Australia
- **Tanya Woods**, Chief Impact Officer, The Kind Village, Canada

*Chaired by*

- **Martin Reeves**, Managing Director, BCG Henderson Institute, USA

## Questioning the Purposefulness of Goals

A better understanding of the SDGs, constantly questioning how they interact with the firm's strategic goals can unearth contradictory planning. So can facing a COVID pandemic and its resurgent new variants, and the new threats to global energy sources from Russia, now under heavy sanctions. Why have activist investors pressed some firms to stop over-greening their prospectus – what do the activists see? What matters most to CEOs – sustainability; cultivating talent; stressing speed of innovation; or simply operating purposefully within global sanctions?

- **Fred Burke**, Senior Advisor, Baker & McKenzie (Vietnam), Vietnam
- **Calvin D'souza**, Managing Director, Kroll, Canada
- **Michael Drexler**, Chief Strategy Officer, Brightstar Capital Partners, USA
- **David Goldsmith**, President, Goldsmith Organization, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Benjamin J. Butler**, Independent Futurist, Hong Kong

## On Philosophy – Ethics in an Epoch of Catastrophes

We might discuss at length the modalities of catastrophe relief, or the ethics of suppressing people via war: but these are not widespread though extremely harmful. Instead, as there is democratic backsliding in many countries we might posit deliberative democracy instead – could it solve many of our present and future ills? How to build a safe place, an Agora, for public discussion of what is good, and what is bad?

- **Sabine Döring**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Tübingen, Germany
- **Christine Jakobson**, Associate Principal, Principia, United Kingdom
- **Anna Mahtani**, Associate Professor of Philosophy, London School of Economics, United Kingdom
- **Herlinde Pauer-Studer**, Professor of Practical Philosophy, University of Vienna, Austria

*Chaired by*

- **Benda Hofmeyr**, Professor of Philosophy, University of Pretoria, South Africa

## The Arts – Contemporary Artists: New Visions from Old Histories

How do artists interact with history? How do they plot a conversation with history through their work and to what end? Why is it important for artists to revisit the past to build a new future? This panel will discuss the role of the artist as actively engaged in a discussion with human history as determined by each artist. For some, that history is political or social; for some it lands at the interface between the built and the natural world, manifested in the on-going crisis of out-of-control pollution and a changing planet ecology.

- **Annie Albagli**, Artist, USA
- **Dina Danish**, Artist and Educator, Egypt
- **Krisztina Erdei**, Artist and Photographer, Hungary
- **Patricia Lambertus**, Artist, Germany
- **Babs Reingold**, Interdisciplinary Artist, USA

*Chaired by*

- **Sarah Wilson**, Professor of Modern and Contemporary Art, The Courtauld Institute of Art, United Kingdom

## 21.30-22.15 Uniting in the Evening

### **Horasis Community Building**

Each participant will be randomly matched with another to speak for 5 minutes by video, then become paired with another, and so on. By these mechanisms' delegates will become acquainted with others of a like mind - exchanging ideas, and potentially creating partnerships.

*Chaired by*

- **Frank-Jürgen Richter**, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland