# Internet Inclusion: Global Connect Stakeholders Advancing Solutions

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| 1:15-1:30  | *Armchair Interview with*                                            |
|            | *Catherine A. Novelli*, Under Secretary of State, US State Department  |
|            | *Hosted by Bai K. Blyden*, Senior Engineer, Southern Company           |

| 1:30-2:30  | *State of Internet Inclusion*                                         |
|            | *This session will cover the five regions (Africa, Asia, Central and   |
|            |  South America, Europe, and North America) from the 13 April Global   |
|            |  Connect Stakeholders:*                                               |
Advancing Solutions event and subsequent developments/work efforts. Speakers will be technical and country representatives with situational knowledge of each region. Each region representative will provide reflections on the identified issues and update on their region’s progress, current and future projects, and regulatory/technical challenges.

- **Moderator:** Tereza Horejsova, Director, Project Development and Coordinator of Geneva Internet Platform, DiploFoundation
- **Africa:** Kojo Boakye, Africa Public Policy Manager, Connectivity and Access, Facebook
- **Asia:** Deepak Maheshwari, Director, Government Affairs, India and ASEAN, Symantec; IEEE Member
- **Central and South America:** Antonio Garcia Zaballos, Lead Specialist on Telecommunications, Competitiveness and Innovation Division, Inter-American Development Bank
- **Europe:** Erik Ekudden, VP Head of Technology Strategy, Ericsson
- **North America:** Mark Buell, Regional Bureau Director for North America, ISOC

**2:30-3:30 Thematic Roundtables Part One: What Will It Take? Setting the Conditions for Success 2020**

To weave together shared goals and attain common purpose, discussion leaders will set out the parameters of the themes and invite comment and feedback to create a statement of each theme. Several of the themes are linked to the outcomes of the High-Level Roundtable on Internet for All, hosted by the World Economic Forum.

**Example for Success 2020:** Mei Lin Fung, People Centered Internet

This session will start with information about the IEEE Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technologies (IEEE SIGHT) work in Tunisia.

- Kartik Kulkarni, IEEE SIGHT Chair
- Skandar Mansouri, IEEE Student Chapter Leader
- Ahmed Selmi, IEEE Student Chapter Leader

**Introduction of themes:** Eric White, Project Lead, Internet for All, World Economic Forum

**Themes and their lead discussants**

**Improving Data for Internet Inclusion**
- Michael Kende, Internet Society
- Bonnie Sakallaris, Samueli Institute
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**Coordination on Basic Digital Skills Training**  
Paul Mitchell, Microsoft  
Mitchell Baker, Mozilla

**Impact Investing for Connectivity**  
John Garrity, USAID  
John Ryan, People Centered Internet

**Gender and the Digital Divide**  
Nilmini Gunaratne Rubin, Tetra Tech  
Ritu Sharma, SDG Nexus  
Gary Fowlie, ITU

**Infrastructure Development**  
Hervey Allen, NSRC  
Andres Maz, Cisco

**Mapping Gaps for Connect to Thrive**  
Robert Ballance, White House Presidential Innovation Fellow  
Jim Sterne, People Centered Internet

**Policies for Competition**  
Seán Flynn, Scripps College  
Deepa Prahalad, People Centered Internet

**Sustainable Development Goals Impact Framework**  
Jonathan Metzger, NetHope  
Yasmina McCarty, GSMA

**eGov/ePublic Services**  
Diego Molano Vega, Minister of ICT of Colombia (2010-2015)

**Youth and Connectivity**  
Susan Maravetz, International Connector  
Skandar Mansouri, IEEE
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| 3:45-4:40| **Thematic Roundtables Part Two: Identify the Steps for Making Progress Together**  
*The breakout groups from the previous session will reconvene and continue discussions to identify the most effective and efficient coordinated action to begin working within the parameters defined by the breakout groups in Part One.*  
_Roundtable facilitators will be the discussion leaders from the nine themes in the Thematic Roundtable Part One._ |
| 4:45-4:50| Remarks  
*Dean C. Garfield*, Information Technology Industry Council, CEO |
| 4:50-5:10| **Day One Wrap-up**  
*Mei Lin Fung*, People Centered Internet  
*Eric White*, Project Lead, Internet for All, World Economic Forum |
| 5:15-7:00| **Social Reception—Palladian Ballroom**  
*Daniel A. Sepulveda*, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State; US Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, US State Department |
| 6 Oct    |                                                      |
| 8:30-9:00| Breakfast                                            |
| 9:00-9:15| **Opening Remarks**  
*Megan Smith*, Chief Technical Officer, US White House |
| 9:15-10:15| **Roundtable: Technologists Connection**  
*Led by the IEEE and the White House, this interactive roundtable discussion will feature the unique role of technologists working among all stakeholders to identify high-impact projects and to advance and realize solutions.*  
- **Moderator**: Deepak Maheshwari, Director, Government Affairs, India and ASEAN, Symantec; IEEE Member  
- **Suhas Subramanyam**, Policy Advisor, White House, Office of Science, Technology and Policy  
- **Erikas Napius**, President, Umoya, Inc.  
- **Bai K. Blyden**, Senior Engineer, Southern Company |
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<td><em>This session will launch the Draft Principles and Recommendations on Connectivity Investment and Human Rights, and the Global Connect Working Group on Connectivity, Human Rights, and Development to a broader audience.</em></td>
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<td><em>These principles aim to ensure that initiatives and funding for connectivity projects and infrastructure account for human rights at their core and implement these by design. The panel discussion features some of the key leaders who have supported and engaged with the Global Connect Initiative since its inception and who coordinated the drafting of the human rights principles. The goal of the session is to present the importance of the human-rights-based framework and discuss next steps for multistakeholder engagement and future government adoption and implementation.</em></td>
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<td><strong>Business Dialogue: Business and Technology: Creating Ecosystems to Thrive</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>One of the critical elements of sustainable internet-enabled initiatives is the delivery of economic uplift for local economies. How can we develop the necessary ecosystems that leverage the internet to support jobs and growing businesses?</em>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Moderator:</strong> Gary A. Bolles, Charrette LLC&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Vint Cerf,</strong> “What it means to ‘Connect to Thrive?’” <em>(via video-taped message)</em>&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Kara Sprague,</strong> McKinsey and Company&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Dorron Mottes,</strong> nFrnd</td>
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<td><strong>Financing Connectivity: Innovative Models for Capitalizing Inclusive Global Connectivity Workshop</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>This engaged dialogue features leaders on the forefront of financial connectivity and delivery. The session provides a hands-on and practical immersion into cutting-edge social-commercial financial structures and financing strategies that enable last-mile connectivity and resilient systems transformation of the most pressing challenges facing people, planet, and prosperity.</em>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Moderator:</strong> Amber Nystrom, CEO, Dakia Institute; Founder, Triple Revolution Capital Guild&lt;br&gt;- <strong>John Ryan,</strong> Founder and Organizer, People Centered Internet&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Holly Ruxin,</strong> Founder and CEO, Montcalm TCR&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Jared Dubey,</strong> Founder and Senior Managing Director, Athos II Holdings&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Bert Bryan,</strong> COO, Dakia Global Enterprise&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Alex Hadden,</strong> ICT Lead, Overseas Private Investment Corporation</td>
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<td><strong>Lunch—Hampton Ballroom and Foyer</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;With a presentation on <em>Empirical Research into Innovative Approaches to Connecting the Unconnected (12:45)</em>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>Although businesses, civil society organizations, and governments have initiated a wide range of new strategies for connecting the unconnected, to date no one has systematically analyzed these initiatives or conducted an empirical assessment of their effectiveness. This project that seeks to fill this void by cataloging all recent and ongoing innovative efforts to expand the internet’s reach and by conducting and disseminating case studies empirically assessing their impact.</em>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;- <strong>Christopher Yoo,</strong> Professor, University of Pennsylvania</td>
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1:15-2:15 | **Connecting to Thrive**

*This panel will present the results of the 5 October discussion groups in a moderated session focused on collaboration for synergy and success. Country representatives are invited to speak up and identify the themes and first steps that will support their people connecting to thrive.*

*Moderator: Eric White*, Project Lead, Internet for All, World Economic Forum

*Panelists will be the discussion leaders from the ten themes in the Thematic Roundtable Part One.*

2:15-3:00 | **Expert Panel: Opportunity Landscape Review: The Local-Global Connectivity Evolution: Scaling Impact Infrastructure to Catapult GCI Success 2020**

*“Impact Infrastructure” elevates one of the world’s most resilient asset classes into a mass-scale tool for catapulting resilient and inclusive connectivity, prosperity, and sustainable development. This engaged session presents multiple lenses for understanding impact infrastructure and financing, and for engaging in this next vital frontier for catapulting connectivity forward worldwide.*

- *Moderator: Amber Nystrom*, CEO, Dakia Institute; Founder, Triple Revolution Capital Guild
- *Lawrence Bloom*, Secretary General, BeEarth Foundation; Co-Chair, Dakia Institute
- *Xavier Adserá*, Founder and Senior Partner, Adequita Capital
- *Chris Rezendes*, Founder and CEO INEX Advisors, INEX IoT Impact LABS and IoT Capital Partners
- *Camilo Salomon*, Founder and CEO, Global Infrastructure Advisors

3:00-3:15 | **Coffee Break**

3:15-4:15 | **The Roadmap for Connect to Thrive**

*Participants will gather in the five regions of the world and share which themes match which countries for testing in each region. Discussion will focus on funding specific initiatives and projects to identify the test steps in each country. Participants will develop coordination plans and commitments, working together to identify policy opportunities/threats and to create a short-, medium- and long term roadmap for financing connectivity to thrive. This session will set the stage for working together over the next years so we can assure people connect to thrive by 2020.*
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Xavier Adserá

Xavier is the founding partner of Adequita Capital, a London-based company that provides financial services to complex projects. Xavier served as CEO of the private equity firm Veremonte, a lead promoter of BCN World and Formula-E (FIA formula-e championship). Prior to Veremonte, Xavier served as Chair of Natraceutical, a Spanish multinational company, working in research and development of natural functional ingredients, active principles, and nutritional supplements for the food, pharmaceutical, and cosmetics industries.

For four years Xavier was chair of the Spanish Institute of Financial Analysts (IEAF) and of its Foundation of Financial Studies. The IEAF is the Spanish branch of the European Federation of Financial Analysts, CEFFA. In 2010, Xavier was appointed as member of its honorific board in recognition of the outstanding services provided to the entity and the Spanish financial markets.

Xavier is a member of the board of directors of several private and public companies in Spain in a wide array of sectors. Parallel to his business responsibilities, Xavier has been the head professor of long-term financial strategy at ESADE Business School (Barcelona, Spain), where he is still a member of the professors’ senate.

Xavier is the co-author of a book on business valuation, Principios de Valoración de Empresas (Principles of Corporate Valuation). He received his Bachelor in Business Administration from ESADE (Barcelona, Spain); an MBA from ESADE; and has conducted post-graduate programs with Harvard Business School, Sloan School of Management (MIT), and Stern (NYU).

Hervey Allen

Hervey Allen works for the Network Startup Resource Center (NSRC) as its Assistant Director. The NSRC provides technical information, engineering assistance, training, equipment, and educational materials to network operators at research and education institutions and internet service providers in emerging regions. Over the past few years, Hervey has done extensive organizing, coordinating, and teaching in network workshops and tutorials covering topics such as network monitoring and management, Unix system administration, security best practices, DNSSEC, scalable network services, and campus network design. These workshops have been held in over 40 countries around the world and have been part of events such as APRICOT, APNIC, SANOG, AfNOG, PacNOG, WALC, and multiple ccTLD trainings.

Before joining the NSRC Hervey graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in computer science, and Pomona College in Los Angeles, California with a degree in the history of science. He has run and built help desks at Pomona College and the University of Oregon, was a systems engineer with Turbolinux, Inc., and worked with several non-profit organizations building their technical infrastructure. Hervey is a member of several coordinating and planning committees for larger Network Operator Group (NOG) events, such as AfNOG, APRICOT PACNOG, and SANOG.
Mitchell Baker
Mitchell Baker co-founded the Mozilla Project to support the open, innovative web and ensure it continues offering opportunities for everyone. As Executive Chairwoman of Mozilla, Mitchell Baker is responsible for organizing and motivating a massive, worldwide collective of employees and volunteers around the world who are building the internet as a global public resource, open and accessible to all. Mitchell is deeply engaged in developing product offerings that promote the mission of empowering individuals. She also guides the overall scope and direction of Mozilla’s mission.

Mitchell is a board member for the OpenMRS and is an MIT Media Lab research affiliate, Open Agriculture Initiative. She co-chairs the US Department of Commerce Digital Economy Advisory Board and serves on the United Nations High Level Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment.

In 2012, Mitchell was inducted into the founding group of the Internet Society’s Hall of Fame. *TIME* magazine profiled Mitchell in its global list of “100 Most Influential People” and *Bloomberg* listed her as one of the “25 Most Influential People on the Web.” She was the winner of the Anita Borg Institute’s 2009 Women of Vision Award and received the Aenne Burda Award for Creative Leadership in 2010.

Robert Ballance
Dr. Robert Ballance is currently serving as a White House Presidential Innovation Fellow and most recently was a distinguished member of technical staff at Sandia National Laboratories. A practicing computer scientist, Bob helps people and organizations integrate, deploy, and use rapidly evolving computing systems and new technologies. He received his Ph.D in Computer Science from the University of California, Berkeley.

Bob has worked in many roles: professor, researcher, developer, entrepreneur, consultant, high-performance computing (HPC) system manager, leader of high-tech teams, and IT strategist. Recent projects have included deployment and management of Red Storm (a significant HPC system collaboration between Sandia National Laboratories and Cray, Inc.), coordination of collaborations among national laboratories, and establishing the “Mission Computing Council” at Sandia. While at Sandia, he helped to establish the Cray XTreme User’s Group, now incorporated into the Cray Users Group. From 2014-2015, he was secretary of the Cray Users Group. Prior to joining Sandia, he was a co-founder of the the Linux Clusters Institute (LCI), an organization centered on helping organizations as they begin using and operating Linux clusters in education, research, and business.

Thomas C. Barrett
Thomas C. Barrett is Permanent Representative of the European Investment Bank to the United States and Minister of the European Union Delegation to the United States Before taking up his assignment in Washington, DC, Mr. Barrett was...
director of EIB’s Advisory Services and New Products departments. He was concurrently Chair of the European PPP Expertise Centre (EPEC), comprising the EIB, the European Commission and EU Member States.

Mr. Barrett has also been EIB director for North Western Europe and was responsible for project financing of the aerospace; oil and gas, and satellite telecommunication industries. He was also responsible for the establishment of the EIB’s Centres of Expertise on Trans-European Networks (TENs).

Mr. Barrett is currently a member of the management board of Marguerite Fund for Energy Climate Change and Infrastructure and of the supervisory board of the European Energy Efficiency Fund. Of Irish nationality, he has an INSEAD MBA (France) and is a graduate of the National University of Ireland in mathematics and philosophy.

**Manu K. Bharwaj**

Manu is a Senior Political Advisor and Staff Coordinator for International Information Technology Diplomacy, reporting to the US Under Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy and the Environment. Manu serves as a key advisor to the under secretary on a variety of international economic matters, including technology and internet policy, and has managed the Global Connect initiative among other forward-leaning, proactive efforts for the under secretary and the US Department of State. At the US State Department, Manu has reported directly to three US Ambassadors, including as chief of staff.

Over the past 15 years, Manu has worked in all three branches of the federal government and in two private practice law firms. Manu was an attorney at Willkie Farr & Gallagher in Washington, DC and at Butler Rubin Saltarelli & Boyd in Chicago, Illinois. In addition, Manu has served as a staff member at the US White House Counsel’s Office to the Honorable William J. Clinton, a legislative assistant at the US Senate’s Judiciary Committee to the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, staff member to the Honorable Edward M. Kennedy of the US Senate, and judicial law clerk to a US federal judge. Manu graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Northwestern University and a Juris Doctor from Michigan Law School.

**Lawrence Bloom**

Lawrence Bloom is currently Secretary General of the Be Earth Foundation, a UN intergovernmental organization that advises, assists, and enables in the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals on behalf those countries with which it has treaties.

He is a board member of Dakia Global, a major infrastructure organization combining creative financial and technical solutions enabling countries, corporations, and sovereign wealth funds to achieve their sustainable development goals and targets. These successes are achieved through public-private
and social partnerships. He believes that this collaboration is the key to our collective future. He also chairs the Dakia Institute, which is the impact resilience advisor for the Dakia Group.

He was recently voted by SALT magazine as among the top 25 Most Conscious Global Leaders, and some months ago received an award at the UN from the Humanitarian Innovation Forum for Conscious Leadership.

Formerly, Lawrence sat on the executive committee of the Intercontinental Hotel Group from where he managed their $3B global real estate portfolio. While there he created a hotel environmental manual, subsequently adopted by HRH Prince Charles and currently in use in over 5 million hotel bedrooms worldwide. A small part of the manual gave guests the option of whether they wanted their towels washed every night.

Lawrence was appointed the first chair of the World Economic Forum at Davos, Global Agenda Council on Urban Management and he is a current alumnus of all agenda councils. He is former chair of the UN Environmental Programme, Green Economy Initiative, Green Cities, Buildings and Transport Council.

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**Bai K. Blyden**

Over his 34-year professional career, Bai Blyden has contributed his expertise to over forty global power plant projects and their associated interconnections. This involved detailed power plant and transmission systems design engineering, systems and operations planning, project development feasibility assessment oversight, and construction management.

An early advocate of an integrated African grid, Mr. Blyden presented a conceptual framework and technical analysis for a centralized African power pool with links to North Africa at the first IEEE Region 8 conference held in Nairobi, Kenya, December 1983. Since then he has authored several papers on African energy development with a particular emphasis on the strategic role of regional power pool interconnections, microgrids, and knowledge development. Towards this end he developed “The African Power Development Knowledge Engine,” an advanced training and development conceptual framework designed to harness the dynamic results created by linking African technical colleges and universities to current international R&D focused on power.

Mr. Blyden earned an MS.EE from Moscow Energetics Institute in power systems, generation, and industrial distribution systems. He has been awarded numerous professional development certifications and accreditations. Mr. Blyden is a Senior Member of the IEEE and serves as chair of the IEEE PES International Practices subcommittee for Africa. He serves as a senior advisor to Centric Ltd., a commercial startup with 21st-century structurally advanced and sustainable green building systems. He is also the founder of the strategic consulting group BBRM.

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**Kojo Boakye**

Kojo Boakye is the Africa Public Policy Manager, Access and Connectivity for Facebook. He has more than 10 years of experience working with governments, fixed-line and mobile operators, development
partners, online service providers, content developers, and civil society organizations. Before joining Facebook, he was the policy and advocacy manager with the Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI), and prior to that the program manager at the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation (CTO).

In recent years, his work has focused on broadband affordability and access; the use of mobile infrastructure and devices for the delivery of services; strategic planning for universal service funds and ICT regulators; increasing internet access; and understanding ICT users’ demand for services, their usage of those services, and perceptions of satisfaction.

Gary A. Bolles

Gary is a Partner at Charrette LLC and the Co-Founder of eParachute.com. He has produced a number of strategic initiatives and conferences for clients such as Google, Singularity University, Dropbox, Intel, London Business School, National Australia Bank, Silicon Valley Bank, L’Oreal, Red Bull, and the UN.

Gary co-founded the US Broadband Coalition and was the co-founder & co-producer of Socap—SocialCapitalMarkets.net (2008), DGREE.org—The Future of Higher Education (2011), Silicon Valley Meets the UN (2009-10), and Closing the Gap: Solutions for an Inclusive Economy (2015). He also served as a consulting producer for Google Zeitgeist (2005-14).

His past experience includes working as an editorial director for Network Computing, Inter@ctive Week, and Yahoo! Internet Life magazines, as well as writing and lecturing on the future of work and learning. Gary co-founded eParachute.com, bringing online the work of What Color Is Your Parachute?, the world’s best-selling book on job-hunting and career change, with 10 million copies in print in 17 languages.

Constance Bommelaer

Constance is currently Senior Director of Global Internet Policy at The Internet Society. A strategic thinker, coupled with experienced and practical hands-on approach, she is responsible for the department’s budget and strategic planning while liaising with ISOC’s Regional Bureaus. She also leads the organization’s engagement with the UN (SDGs, WSIS, etc.), with a strong focus on issues at the intersection of media development and human rights.

Constance has extensive experience in developing partnerships and building alliances across stakeholder communities including governments, academia, civil society, and business. Well versed in consensus-based and multistakeholder approaches, she served on a number of committees: appointed by the UN Secretary-General to the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG) for the IGF (2015), the World Economic Forum (WEF) Cyber-Resilience Partnership (2013), chair of UNESCO's Mixt Programmatic Commission on ICT and e-Ethics (2009), and founder of the Internet Technical Advisory Committee (ITAC) to the OECD (2008).

In 2010 and 2011 she was responsible for the strategic and operational development of The Internet Society’s Next Generation Leaders program, a youth program designed to help prepare young
professionals from around the world to become the next generation of internet technology, policy, and business leaders.

**Deborah Brown**

Deborah Brown is APC Global Policy Advocacy Lead for the Association for Progressive Communications (APC), where she focuses on internet rights advocacy and fostering good internet governance. She leads APC’s engagement in various UN processes, and has represented APC at the Human Rights Council, UN General Assembly, the World Summit on the Information Society review process (WSIS+10), the International Telecommunications Union, and Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, among others.

Deborah also serves as a Research Advisor for the Global Commission on Internet Governance. Previously, she worked at AccessNow, the United Nations Foundation, and the National Democratic Institute. Deborah received her Master’s degree from Georgetown University in democracy and governance and Arab studies, and her Bachelor’s degree from Barnard College, Columbia University in political science and human rights.

**Bert Bryan**

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**Mark Buell**

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From 2009 to 2016, Mark held a variety of positions with the Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA), the registry for the .ca country code top-level domain. At CIRA, Mark provided senior-level support for the organization’s activities in domestic internet policy and global internet governance fora. In 2010, Mark initiated the Canadian Internet Forum, Canada’s IGF, and continued to coordinate the event until 2016.

Prior to joining CIRA, Mark spent a decade working in indigenous health policy, first as a community development officer at an Inuit land claim organization in the Western Canadian Arctic, then as director of communications and research at the National Aboriginal Health Organization in Ottawa. Mark is based in Ottawa, Canada.

**Vinton G. Cerf**

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Ann Mei has more than 20 years of engineering and leadership experience in Silicon Valley. She served as a senior engineering director at Google for eight years, where she led worldwide engineering for Google’s mobile applications and services. Ann Mei has held leadership roles at several other leading companies, including Apple (leading engineering for the initial release of Final Cut Pro), Intuit, SGI, and a few startups.

Ann Mei was recognized as one of the Women in the World: 125 Women of Impact for 2013 by *Newsweek/The Daily Beast*. She is a member of the 2011 class of Henry Crown Fellows at the Aspen Institute and holds a BS degree in computer science from Stanford University.
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Mr. Dubey was the subject of Private Wealth Magazine's March 2014 cover article, "Serving Billionaires in Waiting," and co-authored the 2014 book Taking the Reins: Insights into the World of Ultra-Wealth Inheritors, a research-based study of 114 beneficiaries inheriting at least US$100 million individually (or US$500 million within a family-office vehicle) on the psychological and behavioral components and challenges of inherited wealth. Additionally, he serves as an advisor to the Family Office Association's Next Generation Entrepreneurship Program, and has been a featured speaker at the Family Office Association, Nexus Global Youth Summit at the United Nations, and Cavendish Global Health Impact Forum at Cleveland Clinic.

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Sean Flynn

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Gary Fowlie

Gary Fowlie is the Head of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Liaison Office to the United Nations. ITU is the specialized agency of the United Nations responsible for information and communication technology.

Mr. Fowlie led a UN interagency effort to ensure that science, technology, and innovation were adopted as key catalysts for the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). His work focused on information and communication technology (ICT) targets in the areas of education, gender equality, infrastructure (universal and affordable access to the internet), and as a means of implementation across all 17 sustainable development goals. The UN sustainable development agenda, an agreed blueprint for sustainable development in all nations, came into effect on 1 January 2016. It recognizes “global connectivity and ICTs as having great potential for human progress.”

Prior to joining the UN and ITU, Mr. Fowlie worked as an account director for the global technology practice of the consulting firm Hill and Knowlton. At the United Nations he was responsible for communications strategy for the UN World Summit on the Information Society. From 2005-2009 he
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During his career, Antonio has provided advisory services to regulators, telecom operators, and governments in countries such as Saudi Arabia, China, Ecuador, Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Paraguay, Polonia, and the Czech Republic. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University Carlos III of Madrid and is an associate professor of applied finance to telecommunications at the Instituto de Empresa Business School. He is author of several publications on economic and regulatory aspects for the sector of telecommunications.

Dean C. Garfield

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In 2015, Dean was named Top Lobbyist by The Hill for his leadership of ITI and his work with companies and stakeholders to make tech a more diverse and inclusive industry. Dean was honored with the first REACH Breaking Barriers Award in May 2010, recognizing him for his deep commitment to leading the world’s most dynamic industry in its efforts to support and inspire young people to develop the important science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) skills they must have to become tomorrow’s scientific problem solvers.

**John Garrity**

As Senior Connectivity Advisor within the Global Development Lab, John Garrity drives the US Agency for International Development’s operations on extending internet access and adoption through policy engagement and program management. This includes identifying and shaping policy and regulatory reform with respect to broadband expansion, engaging with various public and private stakeholders, leading on the technical aspects of developing and maintaining public-private partnerships around digital infrastructure investments and expansion, and assessing feasible technologies for last- and middle-mile infrastructure deployments, including identifying new, low-cost technologies that might replace current infrastructure.

Before USAID, Garrity spent ten years at Cisco, most recently as senior manager of policy research, managing technology policy engagements and articulating the appropriate policies to expand broadband infrastructure deployment. His first role at Cisco was as manager of emerging market strategy, responsible for advising Cisco’s emerging markets expansion strategy across 130 countries by utilizing macroeconomic analysis and engaging in the public dialogue on the role of information and communications technologies. Prior to Cisco, Garrity was in the corporate strategy group at the World Bank, and he held previous roles at the US Federal Trade Commission and in state government. He holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in applied economics from The Ohio State University.

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Transport is the World Bank’s largest lending sector, accounting for about 20% of the total portfolio, while ICT is increasingly at the core of development solutions in all sectors. Major areas of emphasis for Transport & ICT include an increased focus on climate change (mitigation and
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Pierre was previously (2006-2014) the director of the joint Bank-IFC-MIGA Investment Climate Department (CIC). In this position, he also served as co-director at IFC for fragile and conflict-affected countries. Pierre joined the World Bank Group in 1983.

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Her work has included ICT policy and regulatory advice and analysis, strategic industry planning, national ICT/broadband policy development, and the creation of new legal and regulatory frameworks to address issues around competition, cost-based pricing, spectrum allocation, and infrastructure sharing. Sonia is an avid advocate of gender equality in development, and has worked extensively to promote gender analysis and awareness in the ICT planning process, as well as an understanding of the importance of universal access and digital inclusion for development.

Sonia has worked in over 30 countries around the globe, and assumed her current role on 1 July 2013, having previously been Director of Research & Consulting at Pyramid Research. She holds a
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As managing director, he has enhanced IEEE efforts in global standards development in strategic emerging technology fields, through technical excellence of staff, expansion of global presence and activities, and emphasis on inclusiveness and good governance, including reform of the IEEE standards-related patent policy.

As member of the IEEE Management Council, he championed expansion of IEEE influence in key techno-political areas, including consideration of social and ethical implications of technology, according to the IEEE mission to advance technology for humanity. The results have been rapid in coming and profound; IEEE is becoming the place to go for debating and building consensus on issues such as a trustworthy and inclusive Internet and ethics in design of autonomous systems.

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Michael has a Ph.D. in economics from MIT. After MIT, he spent five years as a professor of economics at INSEAD, a business school near Paris, before joining the US Federal Communications Commission. At the FCC, Michael was the director of internet policy analysis, where he was responsible for managing a wide range of policy analyses and regulatory decisions. In Fall 2016, Michael will be teaching a new course on internet economics at the Graduate Institute of Geneva.

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Kartik chairs the IEEE Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technology (SIGHT) Steering Committee. SIGHT is a growing community of 90+ groups of engineers in 34 countries and five IEEE
Technical Societies, working on solving community problems using technology solutions. In 2015, this community engaged 1700+ engineers benefiting 20,000+ people through projects and activities in the areas such as education, energy, health, and assistive technologies. Kartik was recognized as a 2015 USA’s New Face of Engineering by DiscoverE Foundation.

Kartik believes that IEEE, being a community of 450,000+ engineers in 160+ countries, can be a strong global taskforce of engineers committed to championing technology solutions for development and solving community problems. This taskforce, if oriented and channeled, could produce local community leaders in important efforts such as activism, awareness, advocacy, and deployment of technology based solutions.

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From 2009-2010, Mr. Levin oversaw the development of the FCC’s National Broadband Plan. FCC Chair Tom Wheeler praised Mr. Levin’s work, noting “no one’s done more to advance broadband expansion and competition through the vision of the National Broadband Plan and Gig.U.” Prior to his work on the National Broadband Plan, Mr. Levin worked as an equity analyst at Legg Mason and Stifel Nicolaus.

He is the co-author, with Reed Hundt, of The Politics of Abundance (2012) and, with Denise Linn, of The Next Generation Connectivity Handbook: A Guide for Community Leaders Seeking Affordable, Abundant Bandwidth (2014), as well as numerous articles on telecommunications policy. From 1993-1997 Levin served as chief of staff to FCC Chair Reed Hundt. Previously, Mr. Levin practiced law in North Carolina, where he represented new communications ventures as well as local governments. He is a graduate of Yale College and Yale Law School.

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Andres has strong track record in P&L management, international business, risk management, corporate finance, M&A, and strategy. Over his career, he has worked in the U.S, Asia-Pacific, Eastern Europe, and Latin America. Andres frequently speaks at industry forums and media on technology policy and innovation.

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She joined the GSMA in 2010, and during her tenure has held various roles including commercial director of Mobile Money, interim head of M4D Impact and M4D head of operations and development. Prior to the GSMA, she started and ran GreenMango, a social enterprise in India, during which time she was recognized as a TED India Fellow, Echoing Green Fellow, and Cartier Women’s Initiative Asia Laureate. Yasmina also spent five years in microfinance at Women's World Banking and ACCION USA, developing customer insights and financial products for low-income clients in emerging markets. Yasmina holds an MBA from London Business School and Columbia Business School, and a BS cum laude from Northwestern University.
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Paul Mitchell

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Prior to his current position Mr. Mitchell held a variety of senior positions with Microsoft’s Entertainment and Devices division. His career also includes significant work related to digital and interactive television, including work developing standards for digital television in advance of the US DTV transition. He held several roles in the Microsoft TV division, including chief of staff and general manager of the Tools and Applications product unit.

Mitchell serves on the ITU/UNESCO Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development, on the board of the United States Telecommunications Training Institute, and on the advisory board for the Evans School of Public Policy and Governance at the University of Washington. He has previously served on the board of directors of BET.com, the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions, and Vision TV and SVOX in Canada. He holds an MPA from the Evans School at the University of Washington.

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Dorron brings with him over 25 years of experience in executive-level management positions. He has managed and lead new initiatives from inception to implementation and significant sales, working with international mobile operators, global multi-national and startup companies. Dorron has developed and implemented strategies, markets, partnerships, business models, and new technology systems and services, making strategic partnerships and working with companies such as Microsoft, Google, IBM, Amdocs, Comverse, Telefonica, MTN, and Airtel. He founded several startups; one of them Osmio, a New York-based company, was acquired by a strategic partner.

Catherine A. Novelli

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Prior to assuming her current duties, she was Vice President, Worldwide Government Affairs at Apple, Inc. In that role, Ms. Novelli headed a multinational international team responsible for Apple’s federal, international, and state and local government relations and public policy.

Formerly Assistant US Trade Representative for Europe & the Mediterranean, Ms. Novelli coordinated US trade and investment policy for over 65 countries of Western Europe, Central Europe, Russia, the NIS, the Middle East, and Northern Africa. As the point person for the $1 trillion economic relationship between the United States and Europe, Ms. Novelli led efforts to ensure access to the European market for US manufactured and agricultural products.

Ms. Novelli is a graduate of Tufts University, and she holds a law degree from the University of Michigan and a Master of Laws from University of London (with concentrations in international and comparative law at the London School of Economics and School of Oriental and Asian Studies).

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Prior executive positions included serving as a principal in Tendris, founder and president of Social Fusion, and the director of social entrepreneurship incubation at the Women’s Technology Cluster (now Astia). She studied at the University of Washington’s joint MPA and Master’s in international development program, and she has won numerous academic and other awards.

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Deepa Prahalad
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Deepa has a BA in economics and political science from the University of Michigan and an MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. She also mentors social entrepreneurs and serves on the advisory boards of the Global Peter Drucker Forum and Arogya World, among others. She is an elected member of the International Academy of Management and the Center for Digital Transformation at University of California (Irvine) and was ranked #34 on the inaugural Thinkers 50 India list.

Mahabir Pun
Mahabir Pun is a Nepalese teacher, social entrepreneur, and activist known for his extensive work as a team leader for the Nepal Wireless Networking Project, which applies wireless technologies to develop remote areas of the Himalayas. His fields of interest include helping to start income-generating programs and micro-enterprises in villages in order to create local economy and local jobs for people in rural areas, and helping young people to become innovative and creative.

He is a widely known figure in Nepal, and his work has been recognized by the Ashoka Foundation, the Ramon Magsaysay Foundation, the University of Nebraska, the World Bank, Global Ideas Bank, and the Nepalese government. Mahabir was inducted into Internet Hall of Fame in Hong Kong in 2014.
Mahabir has a Master’s degree in educational administration and a Bachelor’s degree in science from University of Nebraska, USA, as well as an Intermediate in science from Amrit Science College (Tribhuvan University), Kathmandu, Nepal.

Chris Rezendes

Chris Rezendes is Founder & CEO of INEX Advisors, INEX IoT Impact LABS & IoT Capital Partners. INEX Advisors serves Fortune 5000 enterprise, industrial, and technology companies seeking to enhance existing businesses and develop new business models through the deployment of Internet-of-Things (IoT) solutions. Impact LABS is an IoT commercialization accelerator that live-pilots early-stage IoT solutions in the field with small and mid-sized businesses. IoT Capital Partners is an IoT-dedicated early-stage investment vehicle under construction with experienced early-stage tech investor Roger Krakoff, with positions in 15 early-stage IoT companies, over half of which have revenue generating product in market.

Chris is also the co-organizer of the monthly IoT Meetup Boston/New England and helped launch the Security of Things Meetup. Chris is a board advisor at IoT Consortium; advisor at IoTM2M Council; and advisor, board advisor or board director for numerous early stage IoT companies. Chris speaks often at local, regional, national, and global events focused on IoT, innovation, and impact investing.

Chris has 25 years of experience in real-time, mission-critical, embedded, and wireless markets as an analyst, advisor, general manager, and now entrepreneur and investor. He grew up Fall River, MA, the grandson of sweepers and one of the first female floor bosses in the region’s textile industry; graduated from Harvard University; and has worked with national security, infrastructure, and industrial communities on technology issues and opportunities since 1991.

Nilmini Gunaratne Rubin

Nilmini Gunaratne Rubin is the Vice President for International Development at Tetra Tech, where she leads policy and engineering services for infrastructure projects in developing countries.

Until recently, Nilmini served as the senior advisor for global economic competitiveness at the US House Foreign Affairs Committee, where she directed technology, trade, finance, and energy policy. On behalf of Chairman Royce, Nilmini spearheaded passage by the US House of Representatives of legislation to promote internet access in developing countries. Prior to this position, she advocated on cybersecurity, cloud, and privacy policy for the Information Technology Industry Council.

For eight years, Nilmini led international economic, development, and transparency policy at the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee. She drove the passage of a law that requires oil, gas, and mining companies listed on US stock exchanges to reveal trillions of dollars paid to governments that has been since adopted by the European Union and is being considered by many other jurisdictions.
She also worked previously. She previously worked on major agreements as a director at the National Security Council at the US White House and on international economic policy at the US Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

She was named a 2016 Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum, a “40 Under 40” Leader in International Development by Devex, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

**Holly Ruxin**

Holly Ruxin built her career in the global financial system investing client assets at some of Wall Street’s most powerful firms. After decades of service and witnessing the misalignment of values that led to the financial crisis, Holly founded an innovative platform that blends expert investing with new economy sustainability and independent vision.

Holly is the CEO of Montcalm TCR, a San Francisco-based wealth management and capital markets trading firm. Montcalm serves as a guiding force for developing better relationships with money and investing within a new global socio-economic model that supports the values, needs, and goals of investors in the short and long-term.

Holly leads the firm as CEO and Chief Investment Officer based on the values of integrity, collaboration, engagement, and client sustainability. She oversees portfolio asset allocation including internally managed equities, options, domestic and global fixed income, and externally managed alternative investments.

For over 20 years, Holly has managed client assets and led private client teams at Morgan Stanley, Montgomery Securities and Bank of America, and she began her investment career at Goldman Sachs in fixed income derivatives. She has an MBA in Finance from Columbia University and a BA in Economics from the University of Michigan.

**John Ryan**

John has founded and run multiple Silicon Valley tech companies. For over a decade he led Ryan Hankin Kent, a telecom consulting firm he founded with two colleagues. RHK was renowned for technically-derived and precise insights in strategy. He co-founded Pixel Qi Corp., which pioneered fabless display development. John is currently working on expanding internet access through a new venture, WireTheWorld, and on rethinking the business models for universal global internet access, with the People-Centered Internet project. He has a PhD in Physics from Imperial College, London.

**Camilo Salomon**

Camilo Salomon is an investment banker with more than 25 years of experience providing project finance services to infrastructure projects in Latin America and the
Caribbean. His career achievements span across most asset classes within infrastructure, including: transportation and logistics, telecommunications, utilities, energy, oil and gas, mining, and construction.

Prior to co-funding Global Infrastructure Advisors, Camilo was managing director at INTL FCStone Securities (“INTL”). Within INTL, Camilo quickly established key differentiators within his business unit by designing and implementing long-term capital structures for infrastructure projects.

By integrating interdisciplinary tools such as selection of stakeholders, risk management programs, credit enhancement tools, and engineering of financial guarantees he was able to consistently deliver investment opportunities with the growth potential typical of emerging markets without the commensurate risk.

Formerly, Camilo served as managing director at Cabrera Capital Markets and Finance Investments, president and CEO at Saffire Aircraft Company, VP for Latin America at Meridian Finance Group, managing partner at Salomon Consulting, and consultant at John Snow, Inc.

Camilo has a BS in business administration with a major in finance from the Universidad de los Andes in Bogota, Colombia.

**Bonnie Sakallaris**  
Bonnie Sakallaris, PhD, RN, is Samueli Institute's Vice President for Optimal Healing Environments. She has served as an educator, clinical specialist, and division director. She has experience as a chief nursing officer and as a clinical consultant for APACHE Medical Systems.

Ms. Sakallaris has published extensively and presented nationally and internationally on clinical topics related to critical care, cardiovascular care and trauma resuscitation, outcomes management, data analysis, and professional mentoring. She received undergraduate degrees from Northeastern University and Boston University and holds a graduate degree in nursing from the Catholic University of America and her PhD from George Mason University.

**Ahmed Selmi**  
Ahmed Selmi is an engineering student at the National Engineering School of Tunis. Ahmed became an IEEE student member during his first year of engineering school and was later appointed communication officer. He has been part of numerous initiatives to promote STEM education and getting Tunisians interested in new technologies with conferences and events such as high-performance computing, cloud computing, and big data.

Coming from an underserved community, Ahmed is pleased to be able to help people as an insider by providing alternative education to those who cannot afford it. He is also a trainer in communication and computer science, and serves as a founding member and the treasurer of the Tunisia Section of the IEEE Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technologies (SIGHT).
Daniel A. Sepulveda

Ambassador Daniel A. Sepulveda serves as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State and US Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy in the US State Department’s Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs. In this role, Sepulveda leads and coordinates the department’s positions on communications and information policy issues.

Prior to joining the US State Department in 2013, Sepulveda served as a senior advisor to Senator William Cowan. From 2009 to 2012, he served as a senior advisor and member of Senator John Kerry’s senior management team, handling the senator’s extensive commerce, trade, and business portfolio, including his work as chairman of the Commerce Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet.

Sepulveda served as an assistant US trade representative, leading a team that managed relations with Congress for US Trade Representative Ron Kirk from 2008-2009. He managed trade, immigration, interstate commerce, labor, and ethics and lobbying reform issues for Senator Barack Obama from 2004-2008, and helped advise his campaign for president. Before that, Sepulveda worked for Senator Barbara Boxer.

Ritu Sharma

Ritu Sharma is a social entrepreneur and NGO executive with a passion for digital inclusion as a force for change. As Executive Director of SDG Nexus, Ms. Sharma leads the efforts of SDG Nexus and Social Media for Nonprofits (SM4NP). Her current focus is building digital employment and entrepreneurship initiatives for the last-mile populations, specifically women in the global south. She serves on several boards and commissions that further economic empowerment through digital empowerment and civic engagement. She is a member of the technology partner network for Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, an external advisor to Mercy Corps, a member of the board of directors at Palo Alto Art Center Foundation, and a senior advisor to CitizenInsights and Cliff Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

Megan Smith

In September 2014, President Obama named Megan Smith the US Chief Technology Officer (CTO) in the Office of Science and Technology Policy. In this role, she serves as an Assistant to the President. As US CTO, Smith focuses on how technology policy, data, and innovation can advance the future of our nation.

Megan Smith is an award-winning entrepreneur, engineer, and tech evangelist. She most recently served as a vice president at Google, first leading new business development and later serving as a VP in the leadership team at Google[x], where she co-created the company’s “SolveForX” innovation community project as well as its “WomenTechmakers” tech-diversity initiative. During her tenure she led the company’s acquisitions of
major platforms such as Google Earth, Google Maps, and Picasa, and also served as GM of Google.org during its engineering transition, adding Google Crisis Response, Google for Nonprofits, and Earth Outreach/Engine.

Megan previously served as CEO of PlanetOut, helped design early smartphone technologies at General Magic, and worked on multimedia products at Apple Japan.

Megan has served on the boards of MIT, MIT Media Lab, MIT Technology Review, and Vital Voices; as a member of the USAID Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid; and as an advisor to the Joan Ganz Cooney Center and the Malala Fund, which she co-founded. She holds Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in mechanical engineering from MIT.

**Kara Sprague**

Kara Sprague is a Partner with McKinsey’s Business Technology Office, based in San Francisco. She is a leader in McKinsey’s software and services and IT infrastructure practices. She works with enterprise and consumer technology providers and brings substantial experience in corporate strategy, business-building, go-to-market, and pricing.

Ms. Sprague is a co-author of *Grow Fast or Die Slow*, a series of articles focused on growth in the software segment. She is also a co-author of *Offline and Falling Behind: Barriers to Internet Adoption*, a report published by McKinsey’s high tech, media, and telecom practice. In addition, she has authored several articles that have been featured in the *McKinsey Quarterly*, *Recall*, and the *Financial Times*.

Prior to joining the firm in 2004, Ms. Sprague was a member of the technical staff at Oracle Corporation and held several positions in software, firmware, and hardware engineering at Hewlett Packard and Agilent Technologies. She has three degrees from MIT: Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering and computer science, Master of Engineering in electrical engineering and computer science, and Master of Science in technology and public policy.

**Jim Sterne**

Jim Sterne is an international consultant on electronic marketing and customer interaction. Sterne has focused his 30 years in sales and marketing on measuring the value of the internet as a medium for creating and strengthening customer relationships. He has written 10 books on internet advertising, marketing, and customer service, including *Social Media Metrics: How to Measure and Optimize Your Marketing Investment* and his latest, *The Devil’s Data Dictionary*. Sterne has produced the eMetrics Summits since 2002 and is the co-founder and current board chair of the Digital Analytics Association. Sterne was named one of the 50 most influential people in digital marketing by *Revolution*, the United Kingdom’s premier interactive marketing magazine, and is a member of the organizing committee of the People Centered Internet.
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Suhas Subramanyam is a Policy Advisor and the Special Assistant for Technology Policy at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. In this role, he serves as a key advisor to the US Chief Technology Officer on policy issues related to Internet access, cybersecurity, AI, and the Internet of Things. Prior to joining the Obama Administration, he worked on a range of technology issues at two major international law firms and for the US Senate Judiciary Committee. He has also served as a legislative aide in the US House of Representatives.

**Diego Molano Vega**

Diego Molano Vega is an international consultant on the digital transformation of companies and governments. He was the minister of information and communication technologies (ICT) of Colombia from 2010 to 2015. He transformed his country with his policy plan “Vive Digital,” which aims to reduce poverty and create jobs through the use of technology.

During his tenure, Colombia expanded all the elements of the digital ecosystem, not only infrastructure, but also, services, applications, and users. Internet coverage extended to low-income homes and rural areas. 4G-LTE, fiber optics and high-speed networks expanded to all municipalities, even those in the middle of the Amazon jungle. Every rural community with more than 100 inhabitants has an internet community center. Education, health, and government services were transformed with ICT, increasing their availability, reach, and efficiency.

Mr. Molano has had a long career in the technology industry, including high-level executive positions in multinational companies such as BellSouth (now AT&T) in the US and Telefonica in Spain. He is currently advisor to the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington DC and Senior Advisor to McKinsey &Co.

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**Mary Ward-Callan**

Mary Ward-Callan is Managing Director for IEEE Technical Activities, responsible for the strategic and operational leadership of the technical communities within the IEEE. The 47 Technical Societies and Councils, and numerous emerging technical communities collectively deliver more than 1600 conferences, 183 periodicals, countless technical training seminars, and three certification programs. Mary led the Award winning IEEE Humanitarian Technology Challenge; a project that used solid engineering techniques to provide solutions to pressing world problems such as lighting Haiti/Africa/Nicaragua, providing data communications to healthcare facilities.
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Prior to joining the IEEE, Mary was an Executive Director in the telecommunications industry, employed by Telcordia, Bellcore, and Bell Labs. She has extensive experience in business management, process re-engineering, requirements management, quality, and project management.

Mary is a Certified Association Executive, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics from Vassar College (with honors, Phi Beta Kappa), and a Master of Science degree in electrical engineering and computing from Princeton University. Mary is a Senior Member of the IEEE and a member of ASAE. She is married with three children and lives in New Jersey, USA.

**Eric White**

Eric White leads the World Economic Forum’s Internet for All project, which facilitates the development of new models of on-the-ground public private collaboration to connect the four billion people currently not on the internet. It also provides a high-level physical and digital platform to promote global coordination on internet inclusion. Prior to joining the Forum, Eric was a consultant on internet inclusion activities. His work focused on national broadband plan development, reforming universal service funds, and evaluating new technologies, and was done largely through USAID’s Global Broadband and Innovations program. He has also worked at the World Bank and served for four years as a US naval officer. He holds degrees from the University of Virginia and the Harvard Kennedy School.

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Christopher S. Yoo is the John H. Chestnut Professor of Law, Communication, and Computer & Information Science and the Founding Director of the Center for Technology, Innovation and Competition at the University of Pennsylvania. His research focuses on the insights that the principles of network engineering and imperfect competition provide into the regulation of the Internet and intellectual property. His major research initiatives include a study of innovative approaches to connecting more of the world’s citizens to the internet; an exploration of the legal aspects of providing privacy and security for autonomous vehicles and medical devices; and a comparison of competition law in China, Europe, and the United States.

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