GBBC Blockchain Central Davos: Speaker Bios

Daniel Bachenheimer - Principal Director & Unique Identity Services Lead, Accenture

Daniel Bachenheimer, an Electrical Engineer by training, is leading Accenture’s Unique Identity Services offering and has been designing and delivering solutions for government entities for over 25 years. For the past 15 years, Dan has focused on Identity Solutions for public and private clients, and has been involved in large-scale Identity Services systems, including US-VISIT and UIDAI, DHS Trusted Traveler Programs, Multimodal Biometric systems integration, RFID implementations, along with Identity, Credential, and Access Management solutions. Dan is involved in INCITS M1 (ISO SC37) and is an IEEE Certified Biometrics Professional.

Daniela Barbosa - VP of World Wide Alliances, Hyperledger, The Linux Foundation

Daniela Barbosa serves as Vice President of World Wide Alliances for Hyperledger, where she is responsible for the full lifecycle management of Hyperledger’s membership community while overseeing the broader industry and business community outreach and network growth. Daniela has developed and led growth and innovation strategies for more than 18 years with a background working with financial services, media, and enterprise software. Daniela has led both partnerships and alliances teams as well as marketing and has been responsible for driving global partnerships, OEM integrations, market leadership, and global brand awareness.

Rod Beckstrom - Former President & CEO, ICANN; Founder & CEO, BECKSTROM

Rod Beckstrom is a veteran Silicon Valley entrepreneur and investor, well-known cybersecurity authority, internet leader and expert on organizational leadership. He was the founder, CEO and Chairman of C•ATS Software Inc., a publicly-listed NASDAQ risk management software company. Rod is the former President and CEO of ICANN and the founding Director of the U.S. National Cybersecurity Center, as well as Senior Advisor to the Director of National Intelligence. He is co-author of the best-selling book, The Starfish and the Spider: The Unstoppable Power of Leaderless Organizations. He is also a frequent international media commentator and public speaker.
Brian Behlendorf - Executive Director, Hyperledger, The Linux Foundation

Brian Behlendorf is the Executive Director of Hyperledger. Behlendorf was a primary developer of the Apache Web server, the most popular web server software on the Internet, and a founding member of the Apache Software Foundation. He has also served on the board of the Mozilla Foundation since 2003 and the Electronic Frontier Foundation since 2013. He was the founding CTO of CollabNet and CTO of the World Economic Forum.

Marta Belcher - Attorney, Ropes & Gray

Marta Belcher is an attorney in Ropes & Gray's globally recognized intellectual property litigation and data practice groups, and a leader in the area of blockchain law. She represents companies, industry associations, and civil liberties organizations in matters related to blockchain and public policy. She has spoken about blockchain law around the world, including presenting twice during the World Economic Forum in Davos, testifying before the New York Senate, and speaking in both the European Parliament and the U.S. Congress. Marta serves as outside general counsel for one of the largest blockchain projects, defended one of the first patent litigations against a blockchain company, and was recognized by the Financial Times Innovative Lawyer awards for her pioneering work on the first blockchain-transferable software license.

Alex Blagirev - Digital & IR Director, Sensorium Corporation

Alex Blagirev is a former director of innovations at Otkritie Financial Corporation, which was previously the largest private-owned bank in Russia. It received the award as the most innovative bank in Central and Eastern Europe according to the Global Finance Magazine, 2017. Alex managed the development of R3 in the CIS region, including the initial launch of R3 presence and later a launch of several projects on Corda. Alongside partners, Alex formed the FinTech Association (with over 20 major banks participating, including Central Bank as a co-founder) and designed the Masterchain - the first financial infrastructure for banking operations on blockchain in Russia, including the first banking transaction for digital identity on the blockchain between 5 Russian banks.

Alex has had several roles on the edge of Innovations, Data and finance functions for other large financial institutions such as Alfa-Bank, Rosbank Societe Generale Group, and VneshEconomBank (VEB), promoting the new age of accounting and user journey for investment transactions, corporate deals and retail products. He became one of the earliest Chief Data Officers in Russia and wrote the first Russian business book about BigData (which was Top #1 in analytics bookstore and bestseller for 12 weeks). In 2018, Alex left the financial industry to focus more on developing autonomous enterprise for several other industries (automotive, railroads, machinery). He is also working on launching the social virtual reality media platform, Sensorium.
Alan Boehm - Global Chief Technology Officer, VP of IT Services, & Chief IT Innovation Officer, Procter & Gamble

Alan Boehme serves as Chief Technology Officer of Procter & Gamble. Prior to this he was Chief of Enterprise Architecture for The Coca-Cola Company. Boehme was previously Sr. VP and Head of IT Architecture for the ING Global Insurance Business as well as serving as chairman of the global cross banking / insurance business (ING Group) enterprise architecture committee reporting into the global CTO office. Prior to his time with ING he served as VP & CIO at Juniper Networks, EVP & CIO Sage Software and the CIO for Emerging Technologies & Shared Services at GE Power Systems.

Nikita Bokarev - Head of Marketing, Sensorium Corporation

Nikita Bokarev is the Chief Marketing Officer of Sensorium Corporation, the world’s first global social VR media platform created in collaboration with acclaimed artists, visionaries and entertainment entities. Nikita was formerly the Chief Marketing Officer at Starladder, one of the world’s top eSports tournament operators, and Chief Media Officer at ESForce, one of the world’s top eSports holdings. Earlier in his career, he worked as Creative Producer of Mail.Ru Games Department, Eastern Europe’s leading online entertainment company.

Mason Borda - CEO, TokenSoft

Mason has spent his career building secure infrastructure to enable the compliant transfer of digital assets. In 2016, he built the first commercially viable custody solution on the Ethereum network. While at BitGo, he helped the company to scale to move over $1 billion in digital assets a month and built the cold storage infrastructure for the BitGo Offline Vault. Now, Mason guides the TokenSoft team in business strategy, business development and market planning.

Guido Buehler - CEO, SEBA Bank AG

Guido is a visionary whose expertise is grounded in global corporate finance. He is deeply proficient in banking, risk, asset and wealth management. Guido built and led large global teams at one of Switzerland’s largest banks, and had an influence shaping market infrastructure with the ECB and DTCC. Most recently, he founded award winning strategic advisory and risk & research firm B&B Analytics.
Richard Byworth - CEO, Diginex

Richard Byworth is CEO at Diginex, based in Hong Kong. Diginex will become one of the first fully diversified blockchain companies to be listed on Nasdaq later this year. Under Richard’s leadership, the firm has built a strong track record, brokering multiple partnerships with companies including FIS, Microsoft and Malca Amit, amongst other initiatives. Prior to Diginex, Richard was Managing Director at Nomura where he ran Multistrategy Sales for Asia Pacific product globally. Over a 14-year period, he led Nomura’s Asia distribution initiative, building and maintaining the number one franchises in convertible bonds and flow derivatives. Prior to this he worked at Nomura in London as a proprietary trader running dispersion portfolios in equity derivatives and convertible bond risk arbitrage. He is an early stage investor and advises a number of Fintech start-ups. He is also board adviser to Privatemarket.io, a secondary private equity marketplace, a board member of Bletchley Park Asset Management and a board member of Diginex Asset Management. He holds a BA in French with Management from Royal Holloway, University of London. Richard is a regular commentator on developments in the industry, having spoken at a number of events including the World Economic Forum in Davos and appearing on broadcast TV outlets such as Bloomberg TV and radio.

Michael Casey - Chief Content Officer, CoinDesk

Michael J. Casey works as a Senior Advisor at MIT's Media Lab on the Digital Currency Initiative. He has been a columnist, covering global economics and markets at The Wall Street Journal. Along with WSJ Moneybeat blogger Paul Vigna, Michael is the co-author of the forthcoming The Age of Cryptocurrency, a book about bitcoin and its potential impact on the global economy. Michael's "Horizons" column appears on Moneybeat, as does his daily "Macro Horizons" report, a roundup of global economic and financial events. Casey has been a regular host of the AM News Hub show on WSJ Live. In a career spanning Perth, Bangkok, Jakarta, Buenos Aires and New York, he has covered currencies, bonds, equities and economic policy for Dow Jones Newswires and The Journal. Prior to The Age of Cryptocurrency, Casey authored two earlier books: The Unfair Trade, a book on the global dimensions of the financial crisis and Che’s Afterlife, about the international impact of Alberto Korda’s iconic image of Che Guevara. He is a graduate of the University of Western Australia and has a master’s degree from Cornell University.

Jason Chipala - COO, Stellar Development Foundation

Jason started his career as a tax and corporate attorney, but then made the switch to the tech world when he joined Palantir. There he led teams of engineers, data scientists and designers building custom solutions to data problems at large companies. Prior to joining Stellar Development Foundation, Jason was the COO of Interstellar, where he worked on all areas of the business.
Alan Cohn - Partner, Steptoe & Johnson LLP

Alan counsels clients on a range of blockchain- and cryptocurrency-related issues, from regulatory best practices for cryptocurrency companies to legal issues associated with novel uses of blockchain technology. He represents a variety of different types of entities, from cryptocurrency trading platforms to investment funds to startups developing new blockchain protocols, as well as corporations interested in exploring potential applications of blockchain technology. Alan helped found Steptoe's Blockchain and Cryptocurrency practice and serves as its co-chair. Alan also serves as counsel to the Blockchain Alliance, a public-private forum established by a broad coalition of companies and organizations to help combat criminal activity on the blockchain, and advises companies and investors concerning a range of issues associated with the adoption and use of blockchain and distributed ledger technology. Alan is ranked among the top US lawyers in Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies by Chambers USA (2019), where he is noted for his "tremendous depth of expertise in regulatory issues facing blockchain platforms and cryptocurrencies." He is also recognized as a trailblazer in both Cryptocurrency, Blockchain & FinTech (2018) and Cybersecurity (2017) by National Law Journal and as a Next Generation Lawyer in Cyber Law by The Legal 500 (2017-2019).

Before joining Steptoe, Alan served in senior policy positions at DHS for almost a decade, most recently as the Assistant Secretary for Strategy, Planning, Analysis & Risk and second-in-charge overall of the DHS Office of Policy. Among a variety of responsibilities, Alan established the cyber policy office within the DHS Office of Policy, represented DHS on the Committee on Foreign Investments in the United States (CFIUS) and related national security review processes for foreign investments, and architected and helped implement DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson’s Unity of Effort Initiative, a major corporate-level DHS management reform effort. Drawing on this experience, Alan brings a unique perspective focusing on the intersection of cryptocurrency and blockchain technology with cybersecurity and cybercrime, and also advises clients on national security and emerging technology issues.

Michael Coletta - Senior Manager FinTech Business & Technology Strategy, London Stock Exchange Group

Michael Coletta has been focused on Blockchain technology in the financial market infrastructure space for over 3 years. In late 2017, he joined London Stock Exchange Group’s (LSEG) Emerging Technology team to lead the group’s technology strategy for adopting Blockchain across LSEG’s capital markets and financial market infrastructure businesses. Michael also represents LSEG in the European Commission’s Expert Group on Regulatory Hurdles to FinTech Innovation.

In his previous role at CME Group, he was involved in cryptocurrency futures and also worked on other Blockchain related PoCs focused on post-trade settlement and collateral management. Prior focusing efforts on Blockchain, he spent 10 years working on software development and architecture derivatives clearing and building next-generation risk management tools for the CME Clearing House.
Mariana Dahan - Co-Founder & CEO, World Identity Network (WIN)

Mariana Dahan was a fellow in Bretton Woods II at New America. She is writing a book that encourages global leaders and development experts to rethink and redefine the concept of identity, continuously improving and crafting this cornerstone of our human evolution with the best knowledge and solutions that technology can offer. Dahan is the former coordinator of the Identification for Development (ID4D) Program at the World Bank Group. She has received numerous awards and recognition for her work in emerging and frontier markets catalyzing progress towards digital identity systems using 21st century technology solutions. She is the founder and CEO of World Identity Network (WIN) and a founding member of the Global Blockchain Business Council launched in 2017 at the World Economic Forum in Davos. Prior to joining the World Bank Group, Dahan was a visiting researcher at the MIT Sloan School of Management where she worked on her book Quenching the Thirst for Innovation. Dahan holds two PhD degrees in management and economic sciences, from ESCP Europe Business School and Paris II University in France.

Roger Darin - Head Crypto Assets and Head of Blockchain Advisory, inacta AG

With his first IT startup founded at age 17, Roger Darin has always been enthusiastic about technology and entrepreneurship. While he then pursued a more traditional career in Investment Banking, working in several major financial centres such as Singapore, Tokyo, Sydney and others, he continued to nurture his interests in technology. His first professional foray into Bitcoin was in 2014 when his company started to offer seminars, demonstrating the vast implications that came with Blockchain technology. After working as a Product Manager for a wealth management platform for a little under two years, he joined inacta in Zug to support their efforts to build a comprehensive ecosystem and move clients into the blockchain age.

Dante Disparte - Vice Chair & Head of Public Policy and Communications, Libra Association

Dante Disparte is an entrepreneur, business leader and global risk expert. He is the founder and CEO of Risk Cooperative, a strategic risk advisory and insurance brokerage firm based in Washington, D.C. Dante serves on the board of the American Security Project, where he founded and chairs the Business Council. He is also a member of the Bretton Woods II Council and a fellow at New America. He is a frequent speaker and commentator on business and political issues shaping the world. From entrepreneurship, where he was invited by the White House to speak at the Global Entrepreneurship Summit in Kenya, to risk, economic competitiveness and security issues, Dante’s wide-ranging views are regularly featured in leading media and publications, such as Harvard Business Review, Huffington Post, Forbes and International Policy Digest, among others. Dante is a graduate of Harvard Business School, where he chairs the D.C. alumni association and is a former member of the global alumni board. Dante holds an MSc. in Risk Management from the NYU Stern School of Business and a B.A. in International and Intercultural Studies
from Goucher College. He is fluent in 6 languages and has conducted business all over the world. He is the co-author of “Global Risk Agility and Decision Making” (Macmillan, 2016) and was recognized as one of the 40 leaders under 40 by the Washington Business Journal and in the inaugural Powermeter 100 list.

Pascal Gauthier - CEO, Ledger

Pascal started his career at Kelkoo, a price comparison service acquired by Yahoo for EUR 475 million in 2004. He then joined the advertising company Criteo in 2008 where he worked for five years as COO, being instrumental in the pivot to advertising, which led to the company’s global expansion towards a EUR 2.17 billion market capitalisation. Before being CEO at Ledger, Pascal worked as Venture Partner in Mosaic Ventures, a London based venture capital firm focusing on Series A stage companies. Pascal is also non-executive chairman of Kaiko, a financial data website on Bitcoin.

J. Christopher Giancarlo - Chairman Emeritus, US Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Senior Counsel, Willkie Farr & Gallagher

J. Christopher ("Chris") Giancarlo is an American attorney and former business executive who served as 13th Chairman of the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). Before entering public service, Giancarlo served as the executive vice president of financial services firm GFI Group Inc. and as executive vice president and U.S. legal counsel of Fenics Software. Previously, he practiced law in New York and London as a partner in the law firms of Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner and Giancarlo & Gleiberman and an associate with Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle.

Giancarlo is a board member of the American Financial Exchange, the sponsor of Ameribor and Ameribor Futures. Giancarlo is also a renowned blockchain technology advocate and key contributor to the global discourse on cryptocurrencies and digital assets. During his tenure as chairman of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the agency published primers on virtual currencies and smart contracts, the first bitcoin futures contracts were offered, and the CFTC launched LabCFTC as the agency’s stakeholder in the digital evolution of derivatives trading markets.

Evgeny Gokhberg - Head of Europe, Everledger

Evgeny leads Everledger’s commercial operations, ensuring steady growth in new and existing markets. He also oversees operations throughout Europe, building relationships, developing new business, and leading regional projects. Evgeny’s decade of investment management experience has allowed him to build an astute understanding of trends and risks across industries. As a director at UBS, he also worked
closely with its Innovation Lab on blockchain projects, giving him a wealth of experience in this emerging technology.

Vanessa Grellet - Executive Director of Enterprise Ethereum & Blockchain, ConsenSys

Vanessa Grellet is a Global Executive with over 17 years of expertise in the Financial Services and Tech industry. At ConsenSys she focuses on Enterprise and Strategic initiatives including the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA), the Accounting Blockchain coalition (ABC) and leads the Blockchain for Social Impact Coalition (BSIC). Prior to joining ConsenSys she was the CEO of IIH a Wealth Management firm, a key member of PwC’s global wealth management team and served as a corporate strategy executive for the NYSE managing a portfolio of strategic projects, partnerships and M&A focusing on Derivatives, Cash markets, Clearing, Listing, Market data and Regulatory reform. She is a former securities lawyer and worked for various regulators. She chairs the Nexus Working Group on Impact Investing, dedicated to educating, empowering, and connecting Next-Gen impact investors, philanthropists, and social entrepreneurs. Vanessa is an Advisory Board member of Cornerstone Capital, an ESG asset manager, sits on the Advisory Board of The Resolution Project dedicated to activating young leaders through social entrepreneurship and is a Partner at Acumen fund focused on impact investing. She is a Milken Institute Young Leader and a Young Leader Board member of the Off the Record lectures series (OTR) affiliated with the Foreign Policy Association. Mrs. Grellet graduated Cum Laude from Law School (Paris II Assas) and Business School (HEC).

Kavita Gupta - Lecturer, Stanford University; Managing Partner, Katapult. AI

Kavita is a recipient of UN social finance innovator award in 2015 for being an integral part of the founding green bond team at The World Bank. She was until recently the founding managing partner of ConsenSys Ventures, a unique VC-hedge fund, investing in next-generation blockchain technologies revolutionizing our current systems. Before that she has been running over $250M fund aligned with UN SDGs infusing capital in technologies providing first time or low-cost access around the world across climate tech, education tech and fintech. She has set up innovative investment funds across East Africa, Middle East, South Asia and recently in the US for past 16 years through World Bank, IFC, McKinsey and The Eric Schmidt Family office. She founded and headed World Bank’s first innovation fund in 2010. She is on the board on various innovative venture funds and advisor to various accelerators and foundations across the world like Google accelerator’s social track, MIT Solve (Sr. Advisor), Vatican’s Right Now foundation for impact investments, Mandela foundation etc. She is currently a visiting scholar and a lecturer at Stanford University.
Thomas Hardjono - CTO, MIT Connection Science & Engineering

Thomas Hardjono is the CTO of Connection Science and Engineering. He leads technical projects and initiatives around identity, security and data privacy, and engages industry partners and sponsors on these fronts. He is also the technical director for the Internet Trust Consortium under MIT Connection Science that implements open source software based on cutting edge research at MIT. The consortium embodies the MIT philosophy of giving back to the community. As part of the MIT outreach to industry, Thomas is active in a number of industry associations and standardization bodies. These include IETF, IEEE, Kantara, OASIS, TCG and OIC.

Throughout his 20 year career in the computer and network security industry Thomas has primarily been engaged in advancing new technologies, working in various CTO offices and advances engineering groups. Companies and organizations he contributed to include NTT/ATR Japan, Bay Networks (Nortel), VeriSign Security, Wave Systems and a number of start-ups. Over the years he has published three books and over sixty technical papers in journals and at conferences. He holds 19 patents in the areas of security and cryptography. Thomas has a BSc degree in Computer Science with Honors from the University of Sydney, and PhD degree in Computer Science from the University of New South Wales in Australia.

Jason Hsu - At-Large Legislator of the 9th Legislative Yuan, Taiwan

Jason Hsu is technologist-turned-legislator. He currently serves as legislator at-large in Taiwan’s parliament overseeing technology developments and innovation. Among the crucial legislations he introduced and passed include FinTech Regulatory Sandbox Act, Self-driving Vehicle Act, Angel Investment Law, Cybersecurity Management Act and Virtual Currency Guidelines. Jason is a proponent of cryptocurrency and blockchain. Known as Crypto Congressman, Jason is credited for setting up Asia Blockchain Alliance (ABA) Taiwan Parliamentary Coalition for Blockchain (TPCB) and Self-Regulatory Organization (SRO). Jason also introduces 16 critical areas for blockchain implementations from logistics, medical record, IP transfer to manufacturing supply chain. A regular keynote speaker on blockchain and cryptocurrency regulations, Jason has spoken at Global Blockchain Forum, BlockCity, Seamless Asia, World Economic Forum Center for Industry 4.0, Google, Berkeley Blockchain Club and Taiwan RegTech Conference, World Knowledge Forum, Harvard Law School’s Berkman Klein Center for Internet, Yale’s Jackson Institute of Global Affairs. Jason is a founding member of Global Blockchain Policy Council. Jason Hsu co-founded TEDxTaipei in 2009 and served as TEDx senior ambassador to Asia from 2011-2015. Hsu graduates from Singularity University with a focus on exponential technology. He is a Draper Hills Fellow at Stanford University’s Center for Democracy Development and Rule of Law.
Kairat Kaliyev - Chief Development Officer, AIFC Authority

In his role as Chief Development Officer, Mr. Kairat Kaliyev oversees AIFC’s external communications and FinTech. From 2013 to 2016 Mr. Kaliyev was Deputy Head of International and Public Relations Department at the National Bank of Kazakhstan. Between 2010 and 2013 he held the position of Deputy Head of Investment Projects Department and Head of Public Relations at the Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC. Previously, he held senior leadership positions in private and public sector companies, including Centre for Marketing Research and Analytics JSC, CNRG Capital investment company, Zhambyl District Akimat (local administration), and served as advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister of Kazakhstan.

Mr. Kaliyev was educated at the Kazakh National University, The People’s Friendship University of Russia, the Moscow Institute of International Relations (MGIMO University) of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Lomonosov Moscow State University and the Harvard Division of Continuing Education; he was awarded a scholarship under the Bolashak state programme.

Brian Kean - Head of International IR, Sensorium Corporation

Brian Kean works to ensure that amazing ideas built on the Blockchain secure funding. Recently, in an independent project with WEF's founder Professor Klaus Schwab, he was called "a pioneer in the 4th Industrial Revolution." Early in his career, Kean launched an NGO in St. Petersburg, Russia, the goal of which was to create a privatized health care sector in face of a collapsing social safety net. He then worked as CMO for top Russian private brewing and snacks companies. Kean received his degree from Columbia’s School of International and Public Affairs.

Jason Kelley - Senior Manager, Blockchain Services, IBM

Jason Kelley leads IBM Global Blockchain Services, partnering with client organizations and consortia to unleash the exponential business value of blockchain technologies and reinvented business process. His teams provide the thought leadership and consultive capabilities needed to design, develop and rapidly adopt digital ledgers, digital identity, trust and transparency with IBM Blockchain offerings and solutions.

Prior to this role, Mr. Kelley led IBM Global Business Services Solutions, Design, & Innovation, helping clients transform to differentiate and lead in the market through digital reinvention, applying IBM Design Thinking and the application of Agile, DevOps and innovative technology. His teams bring endless energy, creativity, and outcomes for IBM clients around the world, delivering unique business capability with the marriage of analytics, automation/robotics, Watson, and cloud technologies. Mr. Kelley also served as IBM CTO and design leader for IBM Business Process Outsourcing, and previously managed IBM’s Analytics business in North America, China and Asia Pacific.
Christine Leong - Managing Director and Head of Blockchain Identity, Accenture Security

Christine leads Accenture’s capabilities in biometrics and blockchain in identity globally. She has over 18 years of experience in Biometrics and Information Technology focused on security. Prior to her experience in IT, Christine worked for 9+ years in financial services. She has been supporting Accenture’s thought leadership and efforts in investments in blockchain since 2014.

Christine has worked in several industries including Financial Services, Travel, Retail, Agriculture and International development. Her relevant knowledge spans: Biometrics, Payments & Fraud, Digital identity, Blockchain and Authentication, Agriculture Supply Chain. She is a regular speaker at various conferences globally and has published articles on identity & blockchain. She led the efforts for the ID2020 solution, Accenture’s Circular Supply Chain initiative and the continued blockchain identity offering & capability development. She is the program advisor to the World Economic Forum’s Digital Identity and the lead for the Known Traveller Digital Identity Initiatives and a key contributor for the World Economic Forum’s project on Blockchain Supply Chain.

Klemens Link - Head of Development, Gübelin Gem Lab

Klemens studied geology in Giessen (Germany). From 2006 to 2013 he worked as petrologist and research scientist at the University in Mainz. Since joining the Gübelin Gem Lab at the beginning of 2013, Klemens has been working as research analyst and geochemical specialist. Driven by his passion for mass spectrometry he researched and published on the age determination of emeralds and sapphires amongst other projects. Since 2016 he coordinates the analytical department and oversees the development of the Gübelin laboratory. Today Klemens is essentially involved in establishing the Provenanceproof initiative and leading the development of the JNA-award winning the Emerald paternity test as well as the Provenanceproof – blockchain. Klemens has attended numerous conferences around the world to lecture about applying geochemistry in gemmology, age determination of corundum and introducing the Provenanceproof projects.

Joe Lubin - Founder, ConsenSys Co-Founder, Ethereum

Joseph Lubin is a co-founder of Ethereum and the founder of ConsenSys, a full-stack, global blockchain company and the world’s leading Ethereum accelerator. Lubin has established himself as a guiding force in the fast-growing blockchain industry and a powerful advocate of decentralized technology. Born and raised in Toronto, Lubin graduated from Princeton University with a degree in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. He worked in the Princeton Robotics Lab at Tomandandy Music developing an autonomous music composition tool and at private research firm Vision Applications Inc. building autonomous mobile robots. As a software engineer and consultant, Lubin worked with eMagine on the Identrus cryptographic payments and trade finance network project and was involved in the founding
and operation of a hedge fund. He held positions as Director of the New York office of Blacksmith Software Consulting and VP of Technology in Private Wealth Management at Goldman Sachs. Through these posts, Lubin focused on the intersection of cryptography, engineering, and finance.

**Sergio Mello - CEO, Tangem**

Sergio is fundamentally a builder and operator with razor sharp instincts for disruptive enterprises. From aviation and transport to communication and business strategy, Sergio has a track record connecting resources and people to build innovation ecosystems that bring disruptive solutions to market. Sergio is an unusual hybrid of European, Asian and American business acumen with an unrelenting belief in the power of blockchain to transform trust for global good.

**Neha Narula - Director, Digital Currency Initiative, MIT Media Lab**

Neha Narula is the Director of the Digital Currency Initiative, a part of the MIT Media Lab focusing on cryptocurrencies and blockchain technology. While completing a PhD in computer science at MIT, she built fast, scalable distributed systems and databases. She is a member of the World Economic Forum’s Global Futures Council on Blockchain and has given a TED talk on the Future of Money. In a previous life, Neha helped relaunch the news aggregator Digg and was a senior software engineer at Google. There, she designed Blobstore, a system for storing and serving petabytes of immutable data, and worked on Native Client, a way to run native code securely through a browser.

**Kalle Palling - Former Member of Parliament, Estonia; Co-Founder, Cachet**

Kalle Palling is Co-Founder of Cachet, Former Estonian MP and Chair of European Union Affairs Committee in The Parliament of Estonia. During 12 years in the Parliament, Kalle was responsible for many legislative initiatives to enable technology and e-governance in Estonia. One of his latest successes was leading the process to create the legal framework for platforms like Uber and Bolt to operate in the Estonian market by the book. It was one of the first times this happened anywhere in Europe. Today in most of the countries that are regulating platforms, the Estonian bill is always used as an example to follow. Kalle has also worked as a member of the board of directors at Eesti Energia (Eneft) and as a member of board of directors at Tallinn Airport. Currently he spends most of his time to build up Cachet, a usage-based insurance platform for sharing economy service providers. In a long run Cachet aims to build platform for different person-centric insurance products.
Sandy Pentland - Director, MIT Connection Science

Alex ‘Sandy’ Pentland directs MIT’s Human Dynamics Laboratory and the MIT Media Lab Entrepreneurship Program, co-leads the World Economic Forum Big Data and Personal Data initiatives, and is a founding member of the Advisory Boards for Nissan, Motorola Mobility, Telefonica, and a variety of start-up firms. He has previously helped create and direct MIT’s Media Laboratory, the Media Lab Asia laboratories at the Indian Institutes of Technology, and Strong Hospital’s Center for Future Health.

In 2012 Forbes named Sandy one of the ‘seven most powerful data scientists in the world’, along with Google founders and the CTO of the United States, and in 2013 he won the McKinsey Award from Harvard Business Review. He is among the most-cited computational scientists in the world, and a pioneer in computational social science, organizational engineering, wearable computing (Google Glass), image understanding, and modern biometrics. His research has been featured in Nature, Science, and Harvard Business Review, as well as being the focus of TV features on BBC World, Discover and Science channels. His most recent book is ‘Honest Signals,’ published by MIT Press.

Denis Pitcher - Chief FinTech Advisor to the Premier of Bermuda

Denis Pitcher is the Tech Co-founder and Chief Architect of resQwest.com, a Tourism Technology solutions provider servicing companies in the North American and Caribbean regions. Prior to becoming a tech entrepreneur, Mr. Pitcher worked as a Trading Systems Developer for Orbis Investment Management and had primary responsibility over the currency trading and hedging recommendation systems. Mr. Pitcher has extensive knowledge of Fintech related technologies such as blockchain, distributed ledger and cryptocurrencies and has been a local evangelist for a number of years. He is a Fintech columnist for The Royal Gazette and has appeared on the Bermuda Broadcasting Corporation’s Breakdown tv series to discuss blockchain and cryptocurrencies. Mr. Pitcher is a member of the Bermuda Business Development Agency’s Fintech working group and conducted training sessions on blockchain for the Technology leadership forum. He has acted as an advisor to various on island bodies on Fintech and its potential for Bermuda’s future including the Fiscal Responsibility Panel. Mr. Pitcher holds a Bachelors of Engineering Science in Software Engineering from the University of Western Ontario.

Joanne Po - Head of Multimedia Content & Executive Producer, CoinDesk

Joanne Po is a media innovator and journalist with over 20 years of television and digital video production experience. She joined CoinDesk in November 2019 as Head of Multimedia Content and Executive Producer. Previously, Joanne was the Managing Director at Fox News Digital and was The Wall Street Journal’s Executive Producer & Deputy Head of Video. Joanne has worked with top talent in global financial news
having launched and produced various high-profile programs at the Fox Business Network and CNBC Business News. Joanne lives in New York City and studied political science and communications at Boston College.

Sanjay Poonen - Chief Operating Officer, Customer Operations, VMware

Sanjay Poonen joined VMware in August 2013, and is responsible for worldwide sales, services, support, marketing and alliances. He is also responsible for the Security products and strategy at VMware. Previously, Poonen held the role of executive vice president and general manager for the End-User Computing business unit at VMware, where he ran the business end-to-end - from engineering to sales. Before VMware, Poonen was president of Platform Solutions at SAP AG. During his more than seven years at SAP, Poonen held several executive-level roles in product development and sales, including leading SAP’s Analytics, Big Data, Mobile and all Industry Business Units, driving many solutions to industry-leading market positions. Prior to SAP, Poonen held executive roles at Symantec, VERITAS and Informatica, and he began his career as a software engineer at Microsoft, followed by Apple. Poonen serves on the Board of Directors of Infor and the Advisory Board of DocuSign. Poonen holds two patents as well as an MBA from Harvard Business School, where he graduated a Baker Scholar; a master's degree in management science and engineering from Stanford University; and a bachelor's degree in computer science, math and engineering from Dartmouth College, where he graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa.

Andre Portilho - Associate Partner & Head of Volatility Desk, Banco BTG Pactual

Andre Portilho is a trader and intrapreneur from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. In his early career, he created multiple trading desks at Banco Pactua, including the Equity Derivatives Trading Desk and the FX Derivatives Trading Desk, and acted as market maker in the local and offshore BRL markets. When UBS acquired Banco Pactual in 2004, Andre became responsible for the Latin America Equity and FX Derivatives trading desks with traders in Rio de Janeiro, São Paulo and Stamford, CT. In 2007, he left Banco UBSPactual to join Paineiras Investimentos, a newly formed hedge fund, as trader and partner focused in Equity and FX Derivatives. In May 2011, Andre left Paineiras Investimentos and returned to BTGPactual, now a Global Emerging Markets Investment Bank formed after Banco UBSPactual's acquisition by BTG Partners. Here he led the launch of ReitBZ, the first Security Token Offering done by an investment bank in the world.

Sháka Rasheed - Managing Director, Capital Markets, Microsoft

Sháka Rasheed recently joined Microsoft as managing director in charge of its U.S. capital markets division. Before joining Microsoft, Sháka led sales for Bridgewater, the world’s largest hedge fund firm, and was Head of Alternative Investments in the Americas at Lazard Asset Management. Prior to joining Lazard in 2013, Sháka was a
Sháka values being a meaningful catalyst for change. He levered his experience of growing up in inner-city Miami to be a meaningful mentor to others while dedicating his time to organizations of high social impact. Sháka served on the Board of the Robert Toigo Foundation as Finance Committee Chair; was a volunteer, board chair, and Founding Trustee of Achievement First Endeavor Charter School; and currently mentors many, including service to Toigo Fellows, the Kaplan Foundation, and FAST Track.

David Reigelnig - Head Risk Management, Bitcoin Suisse

David Riegelhni held several senior management positions at Credit Suisse and was Managing Partner of an algorithmic trading company before joining Bitcoin Suisse. During his 20-year career, David worked as an IT auditor, headed 1st and 2nd line risk control functions and was an entrepreneur. David has been an active investor in the field of blockchain and cryptocurrencies in recent years. He earned a master’s degree in Business Administration from the University of St. Gallen.

Sandra Ro – CEO, Global Blockchain Business Council

Sandra’s mission is to help those most vulnerable and financially excluded, by harnessing technology for social and economic good. She holds directorships well as cofounded, advises and angel invests in several emerging tech start-ups across blockchain, robotics, digital assets, IoT, VR/AR.

Initially a founding Board member, Sandra is CEO of the Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC), a Swiss non-profit focusing on education, advocacy & partnership across over 50 countries. She also serves on the NYS Digital Currency Task Force, the US Department of State Speakers’ Bureau for blockchain / security, the EU Blockchain Observatory & Forum: Use Cases & Transition Scenarios Working Group, the NYC Blockchain Center, and the Global Blockchain Policy Council (GBPC), founded by bipartisan South Korean Congress.


She served as a former Treasurer and founding board director of the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA) and founding member of the Post Trade Distributed Ledger Group (PTDL), founding member of Linux
Foundation’s Hyperledger. Sandra was also founder and former Executive Director, Digitization, CME Group, where she was responsible for the company’s digital asset and blockchain/distributed ledger technology (DLT) initiatives, including CME CF Bitcoin futures & index pricing products and post trade solutions.

Ro led the EMEA M&A FX and interest rates derivatives advisory group at Morgan Stanley London and worked at Deutsche Bank London. Ro holds a M.B.A. in Finance from London Business School, studied Computer Science at Columbia University, School of Continuing Studies and earned a double B.A. Degree in History and Studies in the Environment from Yale University.

Yuval Rooz - Co-Founder & CEO, Digital Asset
Yuval Rooz is the CEO of the blockchain technology specialist Digital Asset. In his previous role as COO of the company, Rooz was responsible for hiring the majority of the company’s executive leadership. Before joining Digital Asset, Rooz was Senior Algorithmic Trader at DRW Trading which is run by Don R Wilson who is also a co-founder and board member of Digital Asset. Rooz is also credited with helping to build the company’s relationship with the Australian Securities Exchange where it’s building a replacement clearing and settlement system.

Jeff Saviano - Global Tax Innovation Leader, EY
As EY Global Tax Innovation Leader, Jeff leads teams to discover, design and commercialize new tax services and technology platforms. He works with teams to drive innovation through test-and-learn patterns and acceleration initiatives, while implementing programs to enhance our innovation brand and promote a culture of innovation within EY.

Jeff also hosts the EY Better Innovation podcast series, which features interviews with innovation thought leaders across all industries and explores stories of how innovation is reshaping and transforming business in an inextricably digital world. Having started his career with EY over 25 years ago, he has more than two decades of state, local and indirect tax experience. Jeff received a BSc in Accounting from Iona College, a JD from Syracuse University College of Law and an LLM in Taxation from the Boston University School of Law.
Christina Smedley - VP of Brand & Marketing Calibra, Facebook

Christina Smedley has brought more than 20 years’ experience developing, planning, and implementing programs around the world for leading brands and companies in a wide range of industries to her role at Facebook’s Calibra. Previously, at PayPal, Christina was responsible for developing and communicating PayPal’s vision for seamless experiences that connect consumers around the globe with merchants of all sizes. She came to PayPal in 2012 from the public relations giant Edelman, where she was global chair of consumer marketing, the firm’s largest practice. During her career at Edelman, she led award-winning campaigns for many of the world’s best known brands and companies, including Axe, Best Buy, Diageo, Dove, eBay, Pepsi, Microsoft, Samsung, Starbucks, Trojan, Unilever, and Xbox. Responsible for the development of intellectual property and offerings for Edelman’s consumer marketing practice, she earned wide recognition for her expertise in marketing to millennials and her insights into consumer behavior and consumer adoption of new technologies. From 1999 to 2003, Christina served as director of worldwide communications at Amazon.com, where she led the company’s communications activities in all markets outside the U.S., directed retail planning for.amazon.co.uk, and handled advertising, media spending, research, online activities, customer relationship management, and email marketing. Christina is actively involved in fundraising for educational projects in Jamaica, her birthplace.

Matt Sorum - CCO & Co-Founder Artbit; Partner, STHORM; Former Drummer, Guns N’ Roses; Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Inductee

Matt Sorum’s career in rock n’ roll began early in his teenage years, with his reputation quickly developing as a go-to studio drummer. Sorum joined The Cult for two years, traveling and playing shows with Metallica and Aerosmith. In 1990, Duff McKagan and Slash of Guns N’ Roses caught the final show of the tour, and they were so blown away by Sorum that they quickly asked him to join Guns N’Roses. Since Guns N’ Roses, Matt has joined bands and other projects such as Velvet Revolver with McKagan and Slash; Kings of Chaos; Hollywood Vampires with Alice Cooper, Joe Perry and Johnny Depp. Currently, he's formed a new band, Deadland Ritual, with legendary bassist of Black Sabbath Geezer Butler, Steve Stevens of Billy Idol and Franky Perez of Apocalyptica.

As a partner in STHORM, Matt helped founded Artbit in 2018, on the premise that fans can harness revolutionary technology to reclaim the power of art. Artbit is built on Hashgraph’s groundbreaking distributed-ledger technology, enabling users to share cryptocurrency with performing artists to back their work and show support – revolutionizing the way artists are discovered and compensated.
Tanya Stephens - Senior Innovation Leader, Procter & Gamble

Tanya is a Sr. Innovation Leader with Procter & Gamble Inc. and works in their exponential technology division. She explores the interplay of emerging technologies with business problems to develop models that better serve businesses and their consumers. As an innovation strategist and leader of the Blockchain CoE, she works across global sectors and partners to design and deliver solutions that have breakthrough transformations. An advocate for sustainable solutions, she focuses on methodologies that enable those core imperatives to be a foundational part of the design. Ms. Stephens holds a degree in Computer Engineering specializing in Hardware Systems Design from Concordia University, and has furthered her studies in the areas of FinTech & Design Methodologies. A former math teacher, she is a strong advocate for greater access to STEAM education for all. She is a trusted advisor to senior executives on emerging technologies topics and serves on the advisory board of TalentX, a tech job placement accelerator.

Makoto Takemiya - Founder & Co-CEO, Soramitsu

Makoto Takemiya is a co-founder and CEO of Soramitsu. He has authored more than 20 peer-reviewed scientific papers and actively engages in research. He has an M.S. in Computer Science from the California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo and is currently a Ph.D. student at the University of Tokyo. Additionally, he has been instrumental in the design of the blockchain-based Bakong retail payments system for the National Bank of Cambodia, D3Ledger, and the Sora Decentralized Autonomous Economy.

Mercina Tillemann - COO, Global Blockchain Business Council

Mercina Tillemann currently serves as Chief Operating Officer of the Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC). Experienced in strategic planning and communications, she has spent her career translating complex ideas for broad audiences in the public and private sectors. Mercina has advised state and national governments and fortune 100 companies on issues surrounding technology and public health. She currently works with corporations and governments to identify relevant applications for blockchain technology and speaks regularly about the technology around the world – from the G20 Summit to the European Parliament to the U.N.’s Internet Governance Forum (IGF). Mercina has worked in the offices of the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi and for the Human Rights Commission of the U.S. Congress. While working with Janssen’s Global Public Health Group, she authored publications on emerging economic models aimed at achieving equitable distribution and pricing of pharmaceuticals worldwide and spearheaded multiple public information initiatives. She holds a degree in Bioethics, Political Science and Law from Yale University.
Tomich Tillemann - GBBC Board Chair; Founder & Director, Blockchain Trust Accelerator, New America

Tomich Tillemann is a leader in the fields of social finance and civic innovation. He serves as director of the Bretton Woods II program at New America. He and his team work with large asset owners to reduce risk and volatility through strategic investments in social impact and development. He is also cofounder of the Blockchain Trust Accelerator and a member of the advisory board of the BitFury Group, a leading provider of Blockchain infrastructure. He works with the firm to harness Blockchain technology for governance and social impact applications. Between 2010 and 2014, Tillemann served under Hillary Clinton and John Kerry as the secretary of state's senior advisor for civil society and emerging democracies. Tillemann led a team of experts that operated like venture capitalists in translating promising ideas and technologies into successful foreign policy. He also established and chaired the State Department's Global Philanthropy Working Group and the State Department's Federal Advisory Committee on civil society. Tillemann joined the State Department in 2009 as Secretary Clinton's speechwriter and collaborated with her on over 200 speeches. Previously, he spent four years on the professional staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee as an advisor to Chairmen Joe Biden and John Kerry. Tillemann’s other professional experience includes work with the White House, five U.S. Senate and congressional campaigns, Reuters New Media, and the World Bank. Tillemann is a co-holder of four patents. He has helped launch and lead numerous civil society organizations and foundations. He received his B.A. magna cum laude from Yale University and holds a Ph.D. with distinction from the School for Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University (SAIS). He has lectured at Yale and Princeton and testified repeatedly before Congress. He is a frequent keynote speaker and guest on media outlets including the BBC and public radio.

David Treat - Senior Managing Director & Head of Accenture's Blockchain Business

Dave Treat is a managing director and the global head of Accenture’s Capital Markets Blockchain practice. He has 20 years of experience in financial services split between consulting and industry roles, with the last decade being focused on capital markets. Dave has expertise in running strategy functions, innovation, strategic cost management, large-scale restructuring, customer relationship management, M&A, outsourcing & offshoring and process excellence.

Mark Treshock - Global Solutions Leader, Healthcare and Life Sciences, IBM

Mark Treshock is IBM’s Global Leader for Blockchain Solutions in Healthcare and Life Sciences. Mark has spent his career helping companies and their customers benefit from digital transformation, and is passionate about Blockchain’s potential to transform industries. He has presented on how Blockchain and Analytics can bring transparency the pharmaceutical supply chain and combat the opioid crisis to the Office of American
Innovation and the Office of National Drug Control Policy at the White House, and on Capitol Hill. Mark lives in New York and has a MBA from Cornell, a MS in Computer Science from Columbia University, a MPS in Interactive Media from New York University, and a BA from the University of Pennsylvania.

**Ed Vaizey - Former Minister for Culture, Communications and Creative Industries; FTI Consulting**

Ed served in the David Cameron government as Minister for the Digital Economy from 2010-16, and is the UK’s longest-serving Minister in that role. During his tenure, Ed was responsible for the roll out of the successful £1bn rural broadband programme, the introduction of 4G, and tax credits for film, television, animation and video games, which helped make the creative industries the fastest growing part of the UK economy. Ed was closely involved in national, European and international debates on internet regulation and technology policy.

Ed has been a member of FTI Consulting's Technology Media and Telecommunications Advisory Board since March 2019, where he has joined at one of the most important times for the rapidly evolving tech, media and telco industries. Ed was educated at Oxford University and trained and practised as a lawyer before entering Parliament. He is an honorary fellow of the Radio Centre and the Royal Institute of British Architects, and a visiting professor at King’s College London and Newcastle University. He writes and speaks widely on technology policy issues.

**Rutger van Zuidam - Founder & CEO, Odyssey.org**

Rutger van Zuidam is the Founder and CEO of Odyssey.org. The Odyssey Open Innovation Program is an incubator for ecosystems that solve complex challenges through mass collaboration. It enables the brightest teams to collaborate with governmental and corporate partners, scientists, regulators and industry experts on break-through solutions, focused at open digital public infrastructure and digital commons that support collaborative ecosystems. The Odyssey Hackathon is the world's largest hackathon and takes place annually in Groningen, the Netherlands (third edition: April 11-15, 2019. Fourth edition: April 3-5, 2020), with 105 teams that work on 21 challenges. Rutger is also Faculty Lead Blockchain & Crypto Currencies for Singularity University Benelux and serves Drenthe College, where 9000 students enjoy intermediate vocational education, as member of the supervisory board.

**Sheilla Warren - Head of Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technology, World Economic Forum**

Sheila began her career as a Wall Street attorney before turning to philanthropy and non-profit tech over a decade ago. She has represented banks, philanthropists and progressive non-profits. Most recently, she was VP of strategic alliances and general counsel of TechSoup, the global social enterprise that has connected civil society
organizations around the world with over $9bn in donated tech-based resources. Previously, Sheila also designed and launched NGOsource, a service focused on international grant making. She is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law.

**John Werner - Managing Director, Link Ventures**

John Werner has created a career out of bringing ideas, networks and people together to generate powerful results. Currently, John serves as Managing Director and Partner at Link Ventures, and as Chief Network Officer, SVP Corporate Development of Cogo Labs. Before joining Link Ventures and Cogo Labs, John's deep curiosity and penchant for problem-solving led him to a diverse set of roles spanning many fields and interests. Previously, John was a VP at Meta, a Y-Combinator augmented reality startup based in Silicon Valley. John's also served as the Head of Innovation and New Ventures at the MIT Media Lab's Camera Culture Group, and the Managing Director of Emerging Worlds SIG, where he led the launch of collaborative innovation centers in Mumbai, Nashik, and Hyderabad.

John channels his passion and curiosity into cultivating platforms for thought and exchange. He is the Founder & CEO of ARIA, a community focused on the potential of augmented reality and the Blockchain+AI+Human, which takes place at MIT and the World Economic Forum in Davos with MIT Professor Sandy Pentland. John is also a Director with TEDxMIT and founded Ideas in Action Inc., a non-profit that creates and produces TEDxBeaconStreet, whose talks have accumulated 250+ million YouTube views. John is also the co-Founder of Citizen Schools, an advisor for PhotoButler, Vestigo Ventures and Founders Forum (Boston), an MIT Connection Science Fellow, a Loeb Fellow at the Harvard University's Graduate School of Design and a graduate of Hamilton College. John was recognized by Harvard Business Review for his leadership; by BostonInno in 2014 as a top 50 on Fire in Boston; Boston Chamber with a TOYL (Ten Outstanding Young Leaders) Award in 2006.

**Lisa Witter - Founder & Executive Chair, Apolitical; Chair, WEF Council on Agile Governance**

Lisa Witter is Co-Founder and Executive Chairperson of Apolitical: the global peer-to-peer learning platform for government with the mission to accelerate the transformation of government by helping and recognizing public servants – the largest workforce in the world who spend 40 cents of every dollar – while taping government $20 billion learning development budgets and $8 trillion in global procurement spending and helping drive this to be more of a lever in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Apolitical is used by public servants in some 170 countries. It was named one of Fast Company’s most innovative companies in the world in 2018.

Lisa is an award-winning executive, entrepreneur, author and public speaker. For more than 25 years she’s been working at the intersection of business, policy, government and behavioral science. She is a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader and served three terms on the Forum’s council on
Behaviour and now co-chairs the Agile Governance Global Future Council. She’s sat on numerous boards including a publicly traded company and one for the U.S’. National Academy of Science and Engineering.

Danny Brown Wolf - Head of Partnerships, Orbs; COO, Hexa Foundation

Danny Brown Wolf is the Head of Partnerships at Orbs, a public blockchain infrastructure solution for enterprises. She was formerly the Decentralisation Director for Cool Cousin, a travel-tech start-up crowned by the New York Times, L.A Times, The Guardian and National Geographic as a “must app for travelers.” Her background is in Policy and International Affairs, having worked at the United Nations with Ambassador Ron Prosor as a policy advisor, at the Israeli Parliament with MK Erel Margalit (Labor), as the Director of Policy at the IDC’s Abba Eban Institute chaired by Ambassador Michael Oren, and on projects dedicated to peace-building and capacity-building of the Palestinian hi-tech industry. Danny also serves as an advisor to the HEXA Foundation, a non-profit leveraging blockchain technology for social impact initiatives, and is on the founding team of Orbs Group USA.