September 16th - Virtual Day

7:00am – 7:05am ET: OPENING REMARKS

Lawrence Wintermeyer, Executive Co-Chair, Global Digital Finance (GDF); GBBC Ambassador to the United Kingdom

Lawrence is Executive Co-Chair and Guarantor of GDF. He is a globally recognised digital finance advocate, advisor, and investment manager, over a career spanning more than 25 years. He is the principal of Elipses, an advisory and investment firm focused on digital disruption in the finance sector. He is the former CEO of Innovation Finance, a not-for-profit FinTech members association, which helped establish the UK as the premier FinTech Hub globally.

7:10am – 7:15am ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Megan Roberts, Director of Policy Planning, United Nations Foundation

Megan Roberts is director of policy planning at the United Nations Foundation where she works on policy issues and priority initiatives, including on technology policy and governance and the future of multilateral cooperation. She is also a 2021 tech policy associate fellow at the Tony Blair Institute. She has previously held positions at the Council on Foreign Relations, the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and the Center on International Cooperation at New York University. She has conducted extensive research and analysis on multilateralism, peace operations, new technologies, and UN affairs. She is a term member at the Council on Foreign Relations.

7:15am – 7:25am ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Rama Devi Lanka, Director of Emerging Technologies, Government of Telangana

Rama Devi Lanka, Director- Emerging Technologies, Telangana Government. Her role is to design and implement a digital strategy for the Telangana Government in the area of emerging technologies such as AI, Blockchain, Cloud and IoT that would attract investments, increase adoption by the government departments and develop a talent pool.

7:25am – 8:05am ET: BUILDING NEXT-GENERATION MARKET INFRASTRUCTURE

Peter Golder, Chief Commercial Officer, SIX Digital Exchange (SDX)

Peter T. Golder joined SIX Digital Exchange [SDX] in June 2020 and serves as its Chief Commercial Officer with a mandate to define and execute innovative and commercially viable business models to establish SDX as a leader in global institutional Digital Assets and Crypto markets. In addition, Peter is a Board member of the Global Blockchain Business Council and the Ethereum Enterprise Alliance and serves on the InterWork Alliance Leadership Council. He regularly publishes on industry matters and is frequent speaker at industry Digital Asset and Crypto events.
Michael Coletta, Senior Manager, FinTech & Business 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.

Tyrone Lobban, Head of Blockchain Launch, Onyx by J.P. Morgan

Tyrone leads J.P. Morgan’s firm-wide Blockchain & Crypto Program and is responsible for identifying and creating innovative blockchain-based products and solutions for J.P. Morgan’s businesses and clients, and for engaging with the industry at large in order to provide a holistic blockchain strategy for the firm. Tyrone was previously a Senior Blockchain Product Manager in J.P. Morgan’s Blockchain Center of Excellence and was also the Product Lead for Quorum, an open-sourced Ethereum-based blockchain platform built for Enterprise use. Tyrone sits on the Board of Directors of The Enterprise Ethereum Alliance and prior to joining the blockchain team in 2015, Tyrone was a software engineer within the Credit Markets business and also spent several years managing and delivering large strategic programs across various businesses within J.P. Morgan, covering Front, Middle and Back Office risk and trading systems.

Anthony Woolley, Head of Business Development, Ownera

Anthony is an entrepreneurial banking and financial services technology executive with expertise in Capital Markets, Investment Banking, Trade Finance and Wealth Management. He has a particular interest in Fintech, Digital Securities and the transformation of Wholesale Banking.

Having collaborated with a multitude of FinTechs and high growth companies in his capacity as a Banking CIO, Anthony recently took the opportunity to work independently with a small number of high potential companies that he really believes in. These business have some common characteristics - Highly credible leadership teams; a strong vision; disruptive business models and the ability to deliver.

Anthony is a regular presenter at industry conferences and has become a recognised thought leader on the application of blockchain technology to the regulated financial services industry.

Marieke van Kleef, Product Development Lead, EQONEX

Marieke is responsible for managing the company’s market risk and also works on the design of the EQONEX derivative suite. Marieke has extensive experience in Market Risk across various asset classes. Before joining EQONEX Group, she was Market Risk Manager at Investec Bank in London where she was responsible for managing market risk across all the bank’s trading desks, and led various projects around regulatory requirements from a market risk perspective. Marieke holds an MSc in Quantitative Finance from Tilburg University and is a certified FRM.
Moderator: Yvette Valdez, Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP

Yvette Valdez is a partner in the New York office of Latham & Watkins. Ms. Valdez is head of the US Derivatives Regulatory practice and a member of the firm’s Financial Institutions and Fintech Industry Groups and Financial Regulatory and Derivatives Practices. Ms. Valdez was named to Innovate Finance's 2018 Women in FinTech Powerlist in the Professional & Financial Services category in recognition of her leadership in the industry.

8:10am – 8:50am ET: THE FUTURE OF FINANCE: DEFI AND CRYPTO

Mary Beth Buchanan, President, Americas and Global Chief Legal Officer, Merkle Science

Mary Beth Buchanan is the Executive Vice President Americas and Global Chief Legal Officer at Merkle Science, where she leads the company’s expansion into the Americas and directs the company’s global legal, regulatory, and government affairs efforts. Mary Beth brings over three decades of deep expertise at the intersection of federal law enforcement, global interagency cooperation, corporate compliance, digital assets, and emerging regulatory frameworks. Prior to joining Merkle Science, Mary Beth was the Chief Legal and Compliance Officer at Menai Financial Group, the Global Chief Legal Officer at Bitstamp, and the General Counsel at Kraken.

Mary Beth became active in the digital currency space in late 2013 while a partner at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner. As the leader of BCLP’s Digital Currency Team, she saw first-hand both the key role that clear regulations can play in supporting innovation and entrepreneurship, as well as the difficulties faced by digital asset startups in meeting their new compliance mandates. At Merkle Science, Mary Beth will lead education efforts with regulators on the potential of blockchain and cryptocurrency technology, while also working with crypto asset businesses to navigate rapidly developing regulatory frameworks.

Mary Beth also served for eight years as the Presidentially appointed United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. She was the only woman in Pennsylvania’s history to be presidentially appointed to this position. She spent her early career as an Assistant United States Attorney, with a focus on financial crimes, often working in parallel with the SEC, CFTC, IRS, and state regulators. During her time with the United States Department of Justice, she also worked with global regulators on cross-border issues such as child exploitation, human trafficking, and the prevention of domestic and international terrorism. In addition, Mary Beth served as the United Nations’ Ethics and Reputational Risk Officer, leading the United Nations’ first ethics and reputational risk assessment for UN Peacekeeping and Special Political Operations. In this role, Mary Beth met with UN Peacekeeping and Special Political Mission personnel, in ten countries around the globe, to complete an analysis of the most significant ethics and reputational risks facing the United Nations.

Mary Beth holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and a Bachelor of Science from the California University of Pennsylvania.

Ambre Soubiran, CEO, Kaiko
Ambre Soubiran is the CEO of Kaiko, a technology company providing market data to the digital assets space, currently covering all traded pairs across 100+ crypto exchanges distributed over the world. Prior to joining Kaiko, Ambre spent eight years at HSBC in London and Paris, structuring equity derivatives and equity-based financing solutions, first in the Global Markets then in the Equity Capital Markets division. There, she was successively covering private banks, institutional, and corporate clients. She has been personally interested in cryptocurrencies since 2013, and has invested in a few tech start-ups in the fields of 3D printing, foodtech, and blockchain/crypto. Ambre holds a Bachelor and a Masters in Applied Mathematics from the Université Paris Dauphine. She has also studied Entrepreneurship and Management courses at the Solvay Business School in Brussels.

Daniel Peled, Co-Founder, Orbs

Daniel was the co-founder and CEO at PayKey, an Israeli Fintech startup with investors such as MasterCard and Santander InnoVentures. He is also a veteran member of the Israeli Bitcoin community and the first person in Israel to ICO a blockchain company. Daniel holds a LL.M and BS in Economics.

Raymond Zenkich, President, Evertas

Raymond Zenkich is President & COO of Evertas, a specialized insurance and risk mitigation firm, and CEO of Evertas Insurance Limited, a specialized insurance carrier based in Bermuda. He focuses on the intersection of cryptoassets/blockchain, financial services, and insurance. Raymond also served as an Adjunct Professor at Northwestern University School of Law, where he contributed to creation of a unique technology-oriented MSL program. He has also been recognized by both U.S. and Canadian Federal courts as a qualified technical expert witness.

Harriet Browning, Strategic Sales Manager for EMEA, ConsenSys

Harriet Browning is Strategic Sales Manager for EMEA region at ConsenSys, where she works closely with Enterprise to achieve blockchain success and transform their businesses to Web 3.0.

She has 10+ years of Capital Markets experience in Sales, Trading and Structuring divisions within leading global Investment Banks, working closely with Institutional clients to structure and implement complex portfolio solutions. She became a CFA charterholder in 2011. Long: Harriet Browning is Strategic Sales Manager for EMEA region at ConsenSys. In this role she works with industry leaders in revamping their technology stack for Web 3.0. Her clients vary from existing financial market participants, central banks and financial market infrastructure providers to crypto native developers, funds and exchanges.

Prior to this, her experience was in Capital Markets, where she spent 10+ years working in Sales, Trading and Structuring divisions of leading global Investment Banks, working closely with Institutional clients to structure and implement complex portfolio solutions. She began her career in 2008 as a Portfolio Manager at Barclays, spending some time working in Hong Kong, gaining a unique insight to both buy side and sell side market trends. In 2011 she moved to Credit Suisse, helping to build the Cross Asset Structured Solutions business within the UK and Ireland for 4 years before moving to Morgan Stanley and then later Bank of America Merrill Lynch to focus on Institutional clients. In this role, she worked closely with clients to implement systematic hedging strategies and construct Risk Premia portfolios. She became a CFA charterholder in 2011. She is especially driven to work with finance projects that want to use blockchain to achieve their sustainability goals and ESG outcomes. Beyond finance, she has also a
curiosity for NFTs, working with a number of clients in creating digital collectibles across Arts, Sports and Luxury brands.

**Moderator: John Salmon, Partner, Hogan & Lovells**

John Salmon is a highly experienced information technology (IT) lawyer with a market-leading reputation in the financial services sector. His main focus is advising financial institutions on their strategic IT projects and he supports his clients in implementing innovative digital and technology solutions whilst managing legal and regulatory risk. John has a leading reputation as a lawyer in the FinTech area and has been heavily involved with leading-edge developments. John has been actively involved in developing industry-wide solutions particularly in the sharing of data. Recently he has been heavily involved with open banking and open finance, having advised the Open Banking Implementation Entity in the UK since its inception including as interim general counsel.

John leads the Hogan Lovells Blockchain and Cryptocurrency practice and has advised major banks and startups in this area. He spends a great deal of time educating regulators, policy makers and clients in the area of blockchain and crypto and has spoken to the European Parliament, IOSCO and many governments on this area.

In addition, John has extensive experience of drafting and negotiating both customer and supplier IT services contracts, including for development projects, software licensing, cloud, and systems integration.

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8:55am – 9:00am ET: GBBC INTRODUCTIONS

**Sandra Ro, CEO, Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC)**

Sandra is a proponent for ‘human-centric tech’. She left a career in derivatives, investment banking and currency markets to focus on emerging technologies for sustainability, access, and resiliency, particularly in financial systems. She is an early investor in, and an advocate of crypto and digital assets. Sandra currently serves as the CEO of the Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC), a Swiss-based non-profit consisting over 270 institutional members, 130 ambassadors across 76 jurisdictions and disciplines, as well as an angel investor in emerging technologies, Board member, advisor, keynote speaker and cofounder of several start-ups, non-profits, and key blockchain industry networks.

She is currently Board director of Global Digital Finance (UK) NYS Senate appointee on the New York State Digital Currency Task Force, Fintech Advisory Council of Astana International Financial Center (AIFC Kazakhstan), Board Treasurer of BitGive Foundation, member of EU Public Funds and New Green Economy Consortia, Chair of Open Impact Foundation (Switzerland), Advisory Board of Filecoin Foundation, Health Tech Chair of Yale Alumni Health Network (YAHN), and member of World Economic Forum’s Digital Currency Governance Consortium (DCGC), US Department of State Speakers Bureau, Standards, International Securities Services Association (ISSA).

Whilst at CME Group, she founded and led Digitization, developed the CME CF Bitcoin pricing indices, followed by the CME Bitcoin Futures and DLT solutions. Ro was a founding member of Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA Board), Post Trade Distributed Ledger (PTDL) Group, Linux Foundation,
Hyperledger, and GBBC Board. She holds six patents across derivatives, crypto and indices. Previously, she was a derivatives banker at Morgan Stanley and Deutsche Bank, based in London. She is a graduate of Yale University, B.A. double major in (Military) History and Studies in the Environment, student of Computer Science at Columbia University, School of Continuing Studies, and MBA recipient in Accounting and Finance from London Business School.

9:05am – 9:15am ET: OPENING REMARKS

Bernhard Kowatsch, Head of Innovation Accelerator, United Nations World Food Programme; GBBC Ambassador to Germany

Bernhard Kowatsch is the Head of the Innovation Accelerator at the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), which he founded in 2015. The Accelerator has been awarded the "Best workplace for innovators" in 2021 and 2020 by Fast Company. Bernhard also was one of four finalists for Fast Company's Innovative Leader of the Year 2021. The Accelerator sources, nurtures and scales start-ups and non-profits that disrupt global hunger. In 2020, the innovation and startup portfolio positively impacted the lives of 3.7 million people (+160% vs. 2019) and has raised a total of $118M of grant funding.

The Accelerator has supported more than 100 innovations with funding, runs SDG accelerators for external partners such as the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Humanitarian Grand Challenges and other UN Agencies in different areas, and just celebrated its 5-year anniversary. The now-60+ member team represents over 30 countries and speaks more than 20 unique languages.

Bernhard is a regular speaker at tech conferences and global events on tech for good, blockchain, artificial intelligence, social entrepreneurship and technologies disrupting global hunger, e.g. Mobile World Congress, AI For Good, SXSW, World Economic Forum, XPRIZE and numerous UN and government events.

Prior to starting the Accelerator, Bernhard co-founded the award-winning ShareTheMeal app that crowdsources funding for WFP. This leading innovation has raised over 115 million meals ($60M+) for hungry children worldwide (as of August 2021), and was named as an App of the Year for 2020 by both Apple and Google.

Bernhard also build up WFP’s Internal Management Consulting unit based in Rome, and was previously a Project Leader at the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) for global tech and industrial goods companies. He holds three Masters’ degrees from HEC Paris and Vienna University of Business and Economics.

9:20am – 9:25am ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dr. Hayat Sindi, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President, Islamic Development Bank

Dr. Hayat Sindi is one of the world’s leading biotechnologists and a global champion of science and technology. The Chief Advisor to the President of the Islamic Development Bank for Science, Technology
and Innovation, Dr. Sindi was voted one of the BBC’s top 100 Women 2018, a list of inspiring and influential women from around the world.

Dr. Sindi graduated with honors from King’s College London in Pharmacology in 1995, and was the first woman from the Gulf region to obtain a PhD in biotechnology from the University of Cambridge.

In 2017, Dr. Sindi was appointed as Chief Scientific Advisor to the President of the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB). In this role, she has put science, technology and innovation at the heart of IsDB’s work, making it a powerful driver of economic growth and sustainable development. In 2018, she contributed to the launch of IsDB’s $500m Transform Fund and Engage platform – the first digital hub of its kind for the developing world – to support innovators find solutions to development challenges through the power of innovation.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Sindi engaged with several global health partners to develop innovative solutions to strengthen global supply of COVID-19 diagnostics by leveraging and building manufacturing capacity in IsDB member countries. She has also designed a dedicated initiative emphasizing the role of locally developed innovation and technology transfer in strengthening health infrastructure in IsDB member countries.

9:25am – 9:30am ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Yifan He, CEO, Red Date Technology; Executive Director, BSN Development Association; GBBC Ambassador to China

Yifan He, the founder, and CEO of Red Date Tech which is the architect firm behind the BSN, is a serial entrepreneur and investor. Mr. He founded his first internet company when he was in college in 1998 in the U.S. and spent more than 10 years in China on private equity and finance. Mr. He graduated from SUNY at Stony Brook with a computer science degree, and an MBA degree from MIT.

9:35am – 10:15am ET: BUILDING TRUST AND TRANSPARENCY INTO OUR SUPPLY CHAINS

Douglas Johnson-Poensgen, Founder & CEO, Circulor

Doug Johnson-Poensgen has 25 years international experience as an Executive and Non Executive Director, operating in TMT, Financial Services, IT and Management Consultancy sectors. His leadership experience spans roles in large corporates (Barclays, BT, Serco, AIMIA), scale-ups (Cadence, ISD) and start-ups (Circulor, Snapdragon). He has broad functional experience with consistent themes being innovation (both new product and to drive transformation), delivering growth and regulation.

Jemma Green, Co-Founder & CEO, Power Ledger

Dr. Jemma Green is dedicated to creating a viable market for renewable energy that empowers consumers. This mission began with her PhD in electricity market disruption - the seed of the idea for Power Ledger - and her championing of sustainability and corporate social responsibility while working in finance for banks like JP Morgan. In 2018 Dr. Green won Sir Richard Branson’s Extreme Tech
Challenge award followed by the EY Fintech Entrepreneur of the Year award. She lives in Perth with her husband and three children.

**Alan Vey, Co-Founder & CEO, Aventus Network**

Alan is a Forbes 30 under 30 winner for his work as the co-founder & CEO of the Aventus Network, a layer-2 blockchain protocol that brings scalability, lower costs, and speed to Ethereum. Before moving into Blockchain, Alan worked at Deloitte in the Entrepreneurial Business Department and macro hedge fund Brevan Howard. He completed a Master’s Degree in Artificial Intelligence at Imperial College London. His master’s thesis was on blockchain technology, during which he co-founded Aventus.

**Philip Abraham, COO, Dragonchain**

Phi is the CEO and Founder of CloudFace LLC and Zerospace Labs creating patent-pending world-class technology solutions for healthcare, cybersecurity, blockchain and big data. Phil is supported by a long list of accomplishments ranging from creating one of the world's top supply chain management systems, Manugistics, to having the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to be hand selected by Mr. Harry Pearce, former Vice Chair of General Motors. That assignment led to the creation of a cloud solution that would migrate the entire Global General Motors organization to the cloud. This led to the creation of Covisint which has since gone public. Currently, Phil is working to create the largest migration to the cloud which will impact $3.8 trillion dollars in U.S. healthcare.

**Jeff Townsend, Founder, Critical Minerals Association**

Jeff was born and grew up in mining communities around the world. He studied politics and international relations at University and international security for his masters. He had a diverse career in politics working for the Southern African Development Community on trans-national game park intergovernmental cooperation and on the Africa desk of the Library of Congress in Washington DC. He then went on to be an advisor to the UK government on foreign affairs and international development. He once stood for election as an Member of Parliament.

After leaving politics, Jeff entered the world of lobbying working for a number of FTSE 100 and S&P500 companies on government and political engagement and strategy. More recently he founded a critical minerals financial consultancy group and the UK’s Critical Mineral Association (CMA). The CMA looks to promote critical minerals within the political arena both within the UK and also within partner nations owing to the global scope of their supply chains.

**Moderator: Catrina Luchsinger Gaehwiler, Banking & Finance Partner, MLL Meyerlustenberger Lachenal Froriep**

Catrina Luchsinger is a specialist in financial market law and corporate law. She has a wealth of experience advising financial market clients, including banks, asset managers and investment vehicles, as well as substantial operational knowledge. She also serves on the management boards of various companies, some of which are in the financial services sector.

Catrina Luchsinger joined our firm as an associate in the year 2000. She became a partner in 2007.

Catrina Luchsinger advises financial services clients and investment companies on regulatory issues as well as on contractual aspects relating to the financial market industry. She furthermore has
considerable experience in acquisition and financing transactions, in general corporate work, both for listed and privately held companies, in mergers and acquisitions – predominantly in the financial services sector – and regularly advises in equity capital market transactions both for SIX Swiss Exchange, where she is admitted as a listing agent, and for BX Berne eXchange.

10:20am – 11:00am ET: THE FUTURE OF MONEY: WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Fernando Carvalho, CEO, QR Capital

QR Capital is the biggest 100% crypto asset regulated fund manager in Latin America, that launched the first Bitcoin and Ether ETFs in Latin America, listed in Brazil Stocks Exchange (B3). QR Capital is also developing regulated digital asset projects in Brazil. Fernando is Global Blockchain Business Council's ambassador in Brazil and also a member of the Financial Innovation Laboratory (LAB), a multi-sector forum created by the Brazilian Development Association, the Inter-American Development Bank and the local Securities Commission, which has been discussing innovative solutions to improve the Brazilian financial and capital markets infrastructure and efficiency. Fernando pursues MBA degree from the University of Pittsburgh (USA) and training at Oxford Blockchain Program at Said Business School (UK).

Andre Portilho, Head of Digital Assets, BTG Pactual

Andre Portilho is a trader and entrepreneur from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil with expertise in equity and FX derivatives, algorithmic trading, crypto assets and technology applied to financial markets. Andre started his career in 1993 as an intern at Banco Icatu, in Rio de Janeiro. In 1994, he moved to the proprietary trading desk to trade equity and equity options. In 2000 moved to Banco Pactual to start the Equity Derivatives Trading Desk. Three years later, created the FX Derivatives Trading Desk, to act as market maker in the local and offshore BRL markets. When UBS acquired Banco Pactual in 2004, 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 left Banco UBSPactual to join Paineiras Investimentos, a newly formed hedge fund, as trader and partner focussed in Equity and FX Derivatives. In May, 2011 left Paineiras Investimentos and returned to BTG Pactual, now a Global Emerging Markets Investment Bank formed after Banco UBSPactual's acquisition by BTG Partners. Led the launch of ReitBZ, the first Security Token Offering done by an investment bank in the world.

Makoto Takemiya, CEO, Soramitsu

Makoto Takemiya is a co-founder and Group 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. At Soramitsu he has helped lead the creation of Hyperledger Iroha, a settlement system for the National Bank of Cambodia and a Decentralized Digital Depository for digital assets called D3 Ledger. He also has contributed to Sora, the Decentralized Autonomous Economy.

Elsa Madrolle, Managing Director, International, CoolBitX

Elsa Madrolle is Managing Director, International for CoolBitX, Ltd., a blockchain security company specialized in hardware wallets and AML compliance solutions, where Elsa is responsible for the
expansion of CoolBitX’s footprint beyond the APAC region. Elsa’s extensive career places her in a unique position to bridge the gap between innovative technology and traditional finance. Prior to her appointment at CoolBitX, she held several roles at leading derivatives exchange CME Group, most recently as Head of EMEA and Asia-Pacific Buyside Client Development & Sales.

Previously, Elsa held senior business development roles at JPMorgan and Deutsche Bank. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Politics from the University of Maryland and an MBA from Georgetown University. She also holds a Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst designation.

Elsa has spent the past 2 years developing CoolBitX’s global expansion strategy, which includes reviewing country competitiveness, local cryptocurrency regulations, and the status of AML compliance specifically in the EU, US, Africa, and the Middle East. She has been meeting with VASPs and regulators across Europe, US, and Asia to better understand and resolve AML compliance implementation concerns, particularly around the travel rule.

**Moderator: Eva Szalay, Currencies Correspondent, Financial Times**

**11:05am – 11:45am ET: THE FUTURE OF WORK**

**Sheila Warren**, Deputy Head, Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution; Head of Data, Blockchain, and Digital Assets; Member of the Executive Committee, World Economic Forum

Sheila Warren is Deputy Head of the Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution, head of Data, Blockchain, and Digital Assets, and a member of the Executive Committee at the World Economic Forum. Her pioneering policy work is helping shape the data and technology spaces to be more inclusive, equitable, and sustainable. Ms. Warren began her career as a Wall Street attorney at Cravath, Swaine & Moore before turning to philanthropy and civic technology. She was a senior executive and General Counsel at TechSoup, and she also designed and launched NGOsource, a groundbreaking service focused on international grantmaking. Ms. Warren currently serves on the boards of the ACLU of Northern California, the Equal Justice Society, and TechSoup, and on advisory boards for the World Bank, the OECD, and others. She is also co-host of the popular show Money Reimagined on the CoinDesk network. She is an honors graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School.

**Jose Bay**, Founder & CEO, Jobchain

Entrepreneur, Product Designer, Finance Platform Architect at IAEA, Cybersecurity Officer at Nuclear Facilities at IAEA. Cybersecurity & Internal Control for OSCE. Over 10 years’ Experience in Engineering, Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management

**Julian Ha**, Partner, Heidrick & Struggles

Julian Ha is a partner in Heidrick & Struggles’ Washington, D.C. office and leads the global Government & Policy and Association practices. He is also a member of the firm’s Diversity & Inclusion and CEO & Board of Directors practices. Julian represents numerous Fortune 500 clients and member-driven organizations and has placed CEOs and senior executives in legal, public policy, government relations, and public affairs roles. Julian co-leads the firm’s Professionals of Color Employee Resource Group.
Prior to executive search, Julian practiced corporate law in New York, Singapore, and London and advised multinational corporations on their IPOs, venture capital investments, and cross border M&A transactions. Julian has also operated as a venture capitalist in London, headed the European business development efforts of Capital IQ, a financial software company, and was a director in the corporate finance group of ESCL, a British merchant bank.

Julian has extensive boardroom governance experience, having served on the board of China Recycling Energy Corporation (CREG), a NASDAQ listed cleantech company where he chaired CREG’s compensation committee. Julian has also served on the board of a privately held manufacturing business with operations in the US, Europe, and China.

Julian is a frequent speaker on the topics of board governance; diversity, equity & inclusion, and angel and social impact investing.

**Rutger van Zuidam, Founder & CEO, Odyssey**

Rutger van Zuidam (1983, Groningen, the Netherlands) is founder and CEO of Odyssey.org. A digital collaboration studio, developing products and services that enable users, clients and partners to discover the future by building it.

Rutger is also an entrepreneur and owner of DutchChain, one of the leading blockchain businesses in the Netherlands on a mission: improving society through blockchain based solutions.

Prior to founding DutchChain, Rutger has been active in the area of Blockchain and Bitcoin technology since 2010 and created online magazine IntoBitcoin.com early 2013. Shortly after this he introduced the first Bitcoin enabled Point of Sales system for bars/restaurants at the Bitcoin Café Groningen as well as the first hands free payment solution called EAZE, combining Bitcoin and Google Glass. In October 2014, Rutger co-produced and published the world famous 6 minute animation explaining the true value of the Blockchain.

Before, as a Business & Information Technology Management student at the Hanze University of Applied Sciences (Groningen), he was co-founder of online ticketing company Paylogic.com and commercial director until 2008. In 2011 he was back at Hanze University to renew the complete internet, intranet and community system for over 3000 FTE and 26.000 students, using MS SharePoint 2013.

**Kibae Kim, Principal Researcher, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)**

Dr. Kibae Kim is a principal researcher at the Fourth Industrial Revolution Intelligence Information Center and the Korea Policy Center for the Fourth Industrial Revolution at KAIST. He is seconded as a Fellow to the Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution of the World Economic Forum and engaged in several projects of C4IR’s Blockchain and Data Policy Team, such as the Presidio Principle, the Data for Common Purpose Initiative, Crypto Impact Sustainable Accelerator. He is also appointed as a Korean Ambassador and a Co-Chair of the South Korea Working Group by the Global Blockchain Business Council, and a community member by the IEEE Standards Association P3800 (Data Society). Previously he received a Ph.D. in Engineering from the Technology Management and Economic Policy Program of Seoul National University, and served as a Research Professor at the Moon Soul Graduate School of Future Strategy of KAIST and the Technology Management and Economic Policy Program of Seoul National University. Dr. Kim’s research is to define new issues and derive solutions through
interdisciplinary research between physics, business administration, and economics, numerically derives emergent nonlinear behaviors by simple incentive schemes, and empirically provides the best solutions in the complex business environment. His recent publications include: the Global Standards Mapping Initiative in collaboration with WEF, GBBC, and MIT’s Media Lab; and WEF’s White Paper Data-Driven Economies: Foundations for Our Common Future.

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9:00am – 9:05am ET: WELCOME

David Treat, GBBC Board Chair; Senior Managing Director, Global Lead of Accenture’s Blockchain Business

Dave Treat is a Senior Managing Director, Global Lead of Accenture’s Blockchain Business, Global Capital Markets Technology Lead, and Accenture Lead of the NY Fintech Innovation Lab.

He has over 20 years of experience in Financial Services split between consulting and industry roles spanning Capital Markets and Banking. Over the past several years, Dave has driven the formation of Accenture’s Blockchain Business globally. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Linux Hyperledger Project, Enterprise Ethereum Alliance, Global Blockchain Business Council and the ID2020 Alliance, Project Director for the Digital Dollar Project, is a member of the World Economic Forum C4IR Global Blockchain Council and is a program advisor for the Chamber of Digital Commerce. David also serves as the Program Advisor for the World Economic Forum’s Digital Identity Initiative and the Known Traveler Digital Identity project.

David is Accenture’s lead for the New York Fintech Innovation Lab which is co-run by Accenture and the Partnership Fund for New York City. The FinTech Innovation Lab is a highly competitive, 12-week program that helps early- to growth-stage enterprise technology companies refine and test their value proposition with the support of the world’s leading financial service firms.

Dave holds over 26 blockchain patents and pending patents and is a frequent speaker. He has been quoted extensively on blockchain-related topics in the New York Times, Fortune, Financial Times, Wall Street Journal. Dave was named one of the Sci-Tech 100 2018: The Architects of the Future by Silicon Republic.

9:05am – 9:15am ET: OPENING REMARKS

Robert Opp, Chief Digital Officer, United Nations Development Programme

Robert Opp is currently the Chief Digital Officer of UNDP, the United Nations’ global sustainable development organization working across 170 countries globally with more than 17,000 staff. He leads the agency’s digital transformation, an organization-wide effort, to harness the power of new technology to improve the lives of those furthest behind.
Prior to this role, Robert served as Director of the Innovation and Change Management Division within the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) where he established an in-house ‘Zero Hunger’ innovation accelerator and created an award-winning crowdfunding smartphone app, ShareTheMeal which has raised over US$40 million for hunger programmes.

Previously, Robert was a management consultant with The Boston Consulting Group (BCG) based in Singapore where he served a wide range of private sector companies throughout Asia and the Middle East. He has also served in various other capacities in the UN, including Manager of emergency food aid assistance programmes in Angola within a $260 million operation that reached over 1 million internally displaced persons affected by civil war. Robert began his career at Canada’s International Development Research Centre managing projects focused on peacebuilding in post-conflict countries.

9:15am – 9:25am ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Donna Parisi, Global Head of Finance, Financial Services, and FinTech, Shearman & Sterling LLP

Donna Parisi is Shearman & Sterling’s Global Head of Finance, Financial Services and FinTech, where she advises clients on the full range of derivatives, structured products, securitization, capital markets, finance, digital assets and commodities matters. She also leads Shearman Women, the firm’s women’s initiative.

In particular, she helps clients develop and structure new financial products and has extensive experience in the negotiation and documentation of OTC derivative transactions across all asset classes, including digital assets. Ms. Parisi has broad and deep knowledge of financial institutions, regulatory requirements and the evolving business landscape.

Ms. Parisi also spearheads the firm’s FinTech Foundry program, which supports the FinTech-related activities of the firm’s clients and the wider global FinTech ecosystem including financial institutions, FinTech startups, accelerators and incubators, venture capital and private equity investors and policymakers.

9:30am – 10:10am ET: THE FUTURE OF CAPITAL MARKETS

Brendon Howe, Vice President & General Manager for Blockchain, VMware

Brendon Howe is an accomplished executive with 30+ years of success in Product Strategy and General Manager Leadership across early-stage to Fortune 500 companies. As Vice President and General Manager of VMware’s Blockchain business, he is focused on driving product and business strategy for this newly formed, high growth business for VMware. Prior to joining VMware, Brendon spent 13 years at NetApp in a variety of General Manager roles ranging from the core network-attached-storage business to new, emerging products such as NetApp’s first cloud services offerings. Before that he worked for a number of early stage startups in the data storage and networking technology areas. Brendon serves on the Board of Directors of Digital Asset Inc and a number of Advisory Board roles.
Patrick Leary, Senior Vice President, Regulatory Analyst with the Strategy, Digital and Innovation Team, Wells Fargo

Patrick is a Senior Vice President and Regulatory Analyst, Innovation Research and Development, with Wells Fargo. In this role, Patrick is part of an enterprise innovation program that drives engagement with industry and the business to deliver a vision, strategy and architectural framework for blockchain/distributed ledger technology and digital assets solutions at Wells Fargo. Prior to Wells Fargo, Patrick spent several years working in various legal and compliance roles at JP Morgan covering their Corporate Investment Bank in New York. Patrick began his career as a regulatory attorney with the Office of International Affairs at the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) and then as an attorney at FINRA (f/k/a NASD), in Washington, DC. A graduate of Vanderbilt University (B.S.), New York Law School (J.D.), and Georgetown Law School (LL.M.), in his spare time, Patrick enjoys spending time with family and friends and is a competitive swimmer with a masters swimming team.

Michael Moro, CEO, Genesis Global Trading

Michael Moro has been CEO of Genesis since early 2016. Under his leadership the firm has grown to over $25 billion in annual trades, loans and transactions, and has expanded from OTC trading into institutional borrowing, lending, derivatives, custody and prime brokerage services. Moro led the acquisitions of Qu Capital, an algorithmic trading firm, and Vo1t, a leading digital currency custodian, and extended Genesis’s footprint internationally with offices in New York, London and Singapore.

Previously, Moro served as COO of Genesis, responsible for all operations and management at the firm. Prior to Genesis, Moro spent 6 years as Vice President and Director at SecondMarket, which grew to $2.5 billion in transactions and was acquired by NASDAQ. Before SecondMarket he spent 6 years working in investment banking at Citi, covering financial institutions including JP Morgan, Capital One and Sallie Mae.

Moro is a graduate of Georgetown University, holds FINRA Series 7, 24, 63 and 86/87 licenses, and is an active member of the Oversight Committee for the CME CF Bitcoin Pricing Products.

Jim Toffey, CEO, LiquidX

Jim Toffey, CEO of fintech companies LiquidX and LTX, has more than 30 years of experience building and operating electronic marketplaces around the world. At LiquidX, he is leading the digital transformation of trade finance, working capital, and trade credit insurance by building technology solutions that optimize, finance, and connect the entire financial supply chain. Jim also leads LTX, a Broadridge company (NYSE: BR) that provides an AI-powered corporate bond trading platform. Prior to these roles, Jim founded TradeWeb Markets in 1997 and served as Chief Executive Officer through 2008, growing TradeWeb from a start-up to a global exchange platform spanning 18 different asset classes.

Moderator: Reena Sahni, Partner, Shearman & Sterling LLP

Reena Agrawal Sahni is a partner in the global Financial Institutions Advisory & Financial Regulatory practice.

She focuses on financial services regulation, advising U.S. and non-U.S. banks and other financial institutions on U.S. banking regulations, as well as advising on payments, cryptocurrency and related
financial regulatory matters. Her bank regulatory practice includes advice on enhanced prudential standards, control regulations, recovery and resolution planning, affiliate transactions, and the Volcker Rule, among other matters. She represents financial institutions more generally in connection with acquisitions, capital markets transactions, and new activities and products, and related regulatory approvals. Reena also represents clients on corporate governance, OFAC and AML compliance, internal investigations and regulatory enforcement actions.

Prior to joining Shearman & Sterling, Reena was Counsel at Davis Polk. She was previously a law clerk for the Hon. Jon O. Newman, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and she served as a Senior Attorney for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission from 2007 to 2009.

10:15am – 10:55am ET: CLOSING THE GAP ON FINANCIAL INCLUSION

Alpen Sheth, Senior Technologist, Blockchain, Mercy Corps

Alpen Sheth, PhD, is Senior Technologist, Blockchain, at Mercy Corps. He also holds a Visiting Faculty position at the College of Urban and Public Affairs at Portland State University and is a blockchain advisor for companies in the insurance, identity, and energy sectors. Previously, he co-founded the Economic Space Agency, a blockchain R&D startup, and later became the Head of Product at etherisc.com, an insurtech company, creating smart-contract based applications in several different countries including hurricaneguard.io. Alpen obtained his PhD at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in international development and has previously worked at the World Bank Group, Harvard School of Public Health, Risk Management Solutions, and co-founded inured.org, a research institute based in Haiti.

Justin Rice, Vice President of Ecosystem, Stellar Development Foundation

Justin Rice is the Vice President of Ecosystem at the Stellar Development Foundation (SDF), a non-profit organization that supports the development and growth of Stellar, an open-source network that connects the world's financial infrastructure. In this role, he represents developers building on the Stellar network and coordinates the members of the Stellar ecosystem, with the ultimate focus on growth, development and ongoing health of the system. Prior to his current role, Justin worked in Stellar product development, where he helped build the StellarX exchange, which utilizes Stellar open-source technology. He holds a Bachelors of Arts degree in Comparative Literature from Harvard University.

Nina Tannenbaum, Head of Business Operations, Algorand

Nina Tannenbaum is a fintech and alternative investments professional focused on the digital transformation of the private/alternative markets through innovative technologies (blockchain, cloud) and cutting edge analytics (AI, NLP). She is actively involved in the finance, fintech, and digital finance community globally.

Combining a strategic view with deep specialization, Nina’s track record spans two decades of investments, corporate finance, capital raising, strategy, and advisory at leading financial institutions, family offices, and fintechs. She is a strategic advisor to multiple fintechs, each operating in a different niche of the digital private markets. She also guest lectures at UMass Amherst Isenberg School of
Business, and acts as a research advisor to students with a specialization on alternative investments and how fintech and big tech are transforming, innovating, and disrupting asset management.

Nina holds her B.A. from Columbia University and an MBA from MIT Sloan. She is a board member of the Columbia College Women’s Association (CCW).

**Simon Chantry, Co-Founder & CIO, Bitt**

Simon is Co-Founder and COO of Bitt. He has a background in nuclear commissioning engineering. Simon cofounded Bitt in 2013 and has been working within the digital currency space for over eight years. He sits on the OECD Blockchain Expert Policy Advisory Board, and the WEFs Digital Currency Governance Consortium.

Simon is Co-Founder and COO of Bitt. Simon began his professional career as a Nuclear Systems Commissioning Engineer, and after discovering Bitcoin in 2012, he co-founded Bitt.

Simon was previously Director and CBDO with the firm and brought the company’s Digital Currency Management System (DCMS) to market in Q4 2017. Simon is a Board Member of the OECD’s Blockchain Expert Policy Advisory Board (BEPAB), a member of the World Economic Forum’s Digital Currency Governance Consortium and has been a featured blockchain and DLT expert at numerous government, regulatory, and technology centered forums. Simon is currently working to establish central bank digital currency (CBDC) standards and best practices to enable interoperability and effective CBDC project collaboration amongst international central banks. He also follows the evolution of decentralized finance, and digital currencies of various types.

**Ben Tsai, President & Managing Partner, Wave Financial**

Benjamin Tsai, the President & Managing Partner at Wave Financial, is a trilingual financial executive with 15 years of proven success in developing global investment solutions for SWF, insurance firms, non-profits, and private banks. He has managed profitable teams in Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Taipei, and served as CEO of Merrill Lynch Singapore Commodities. Subsequently at AllianceBernstein, Ben has served as Senior Portfolio Manager for the alternative investments business across Asia. In addition to his work at Wave Financial, he invests and mentors early stage startups in Southern California. He volunteers at the LA Blockchain Lab, a non-profit connecting academia and government in the field of blockchain technology. He holds a BS in engineering from UC Berkeley, and an MBA from UCLA.

**Moderator: Andrea Tinianow, Chief Legal Officer, IOV Labs; Contributor, Forbes.com**

Andrea Tinianow is the legal advisor to the CEO and COO of RSK Labs, developers of the RSK Blockchain. Their mission is to provide the next generation of fin-tech innovators with the decentralised tools and technology to build a new global economy. Andrea works across the group (RSK Blockchain, RIF OS, and Taringa) to ensure compliance, reduce risk and mobilize growth.

In 2014, Andrea was recruited to launch the Division of Corporate and International Development for the State of Delaware. The following year, she founded the Delaware Blockchain Initiative (DBI), the first of its kind blockchain endeavor designed to deploy blockchain technology in government and enact blockchain-friendly legislation. The DBI gave rise to the “Blockchain Amendments” to Delaware’s
business entity statutes which authorize corporations (and other business entities) to maintain their corporate records, including stock ledgers, on a blockchain.

Andrea received her undergraduate degree from Brown University. She attended Delaware Law School, graduating magna cum laude. Following her clerkship for (former) Chancellor William Chandler III, of the Court of Chancery, Andrea joined the Wilmington office of Pepper Hamilton and represented clients in litigation. A few years later, global corporate services company CSC invited Andrea to join as Assistant General Counsel. Andrea advised senior staff, oversaw litigation, and developed company-wide legal policies. Andrea was promoted to the newly-created position of Vice President Business Development, a role she performed alongside her legal duties.

11:00am – 11:40am ET: DEMYSTIFYING CARBON MARKETS

Yuval Rooz, Co-Founder & CEO, Digital Asset

Yuval co-founded Digital Asset in 2014 to fill a gap in the blockchain space, ultimately taking the technology beyond cryptocurrencies and using it to bring greater efficiency to financial services.

Under his leadership, Digital Asset has grown from a fledgling start up to a leading enterprise blockchain company whose technology is used by top institutions and market infrastructures around the globe. With a vision for a world where businesses seamlessly connect regardless of the underlying technology, he is taking Digital Asset to the next level by creating a Global Economic Network that will fundamentally change the future of business and how companies interact.

During his tenure, Yuval hired the majority of the company’s executive leadership, established its presence in six countries, and facilitated the acquisition of four tech startups in two years. He has secured more than $300 Million in financing for the company from a range of strategic investors and has built trusted relationships with Digital Asset’s clients and partners, growing its customer base threefold in 2020.

Yuval serves on the Board of Directors of the Global Blockchain Business Council, a leading global industry association for the blockchain technology ecosystem. He is also a frequent speaker at industry events and is often quoted in well respected media outlets such as Bloomberg, Financial Times and Forbes, among others talking about enterprise blockchain in the context of interoperability, central bank digital currency, clearing and settlement, and sustainable finance.

Marley Gray, Principal Program Manager & Principal Architect, Azure Multiparty Engineering, Microsoft Corp.; Chair, InterWork Alliance Leadership Council

Marley Gray currently serves as the Principal Architect for the Azure Multiparty Engineering team responsible for envisioning, developing and delivering the company’s multi-party strategy and platforms. He also leads applied innovation within industry contexts in Financial Services and Sustainability.

Marley established the Microsoft Blockchain platform and strategy in 2015, was a founder of the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA) and serves as the Chairman for the InterWork Alliance. He is also the
creator of the Token Taxonomy Framework (TTF) and is currently incubating next generation multi-party platforms focused on sustainability.

Marley’s information technology career spans more than 29 years. He specializes in software development, architecture and platform strategy matched with 20+ years immersed within financial services.

**Paul Rapino, Chief Growth Officer, Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC)**

Paul Rapino is the Chief Growth Officer at the Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC). He is also on the Leadership team of the GBBC- Interwork Alliance (IWA)- Focused on Tokenization Standards and Industry Certification. Prior to this, Paul was Head of Growth and Ecosystem Development at IWA and reported to the IWA Board of Directors. He led the merger of IWA into GBBC.

In earlier work, Paul held leadership roles with two blockchain startups that focused on fractionalizing high-valued assets with tokenized payments and smart contracts. He also was a leader for TF Labs, managing blockchain conferences and podcasts. Prior to this, he was director of financial services at Microsoft in New York and Seattle for 18 years where he worked with financial institutions on digital strategy and marketing partnerships. Paul is inspired by the vision to help enterprise and startup companies drive the new “Token Economy.”

In addition to his work with GBBC, Paul is also the co-chairperson of the “Green Working Group” Global Standards Mapping Initiative (GMSI 2.0) and on the Steering Committee with the Washington Technology Industry Association (WTIA) Cascadia Blockchain Council focused on working with business leaders and policymakers around blockchain technology. This includes work with WA State Division of Financial Institutions (DFI) and Policy Regulation. Paul lives in Seattle, WA and has twin 6th graders. He is an active community volunteer and coaches his children’s Basketball and Baseball teams.

**Moderator: Mercina Tillemann, COO, Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC)**

Mercina Tillemann-Dick 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. An expert in blockchain technology, Mercina works with corporations and governments to identify relevant applications for the technology; she 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 former 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 drafted congressional testimony, authored publications and spearheaded multiple public information initiatives. She holds a degree in Bioethics, Political Science and Law from Yale University.

**11:45am – 12:25pm ET: BUILDING SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT SYSTEMS**

**Adam Caplan, Senior Vice President, Emerging Technology, Salesforce**
Adam is the SVP of Emerging Technology and is focused on Salesforce’s blockchain strategy and product. He previously ran the Strategic Projects consulting organization at Salesforce, a global team building custom applications on the Platform, helping companies reimagine what’s possible with Salesforce and turning their visions into reality.

Adam joined Salesforce through the acquisition of Model Metrics in 2011. He founded Model Metrics in 2003, a consulting company that was focused on helping enterprise organizations accelerate the adoption of cloud computing and enterprise mobile applications. In 2011, he was named CEO of the Year by the Illinois Technology Association.

Adam earned his MBA from the Kellogg Graduate School of Management and his undergraduate degree from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Elena Bondareva, Advisor, Power Ledger

A natural entrepreneur and a pioneering leader who brings equal measures of vision, rigour, speed, and passion to every endeavor, Elena has a solid track record of transformative innovation around persistent problems at the project, enterprise, and industry levels.

After leaving formal employment in 2011, Elena built a notable and symbiotic international portfolio career where she:

- Helped countless mainstay Australian and international organisations across multiple verticals reinvent themselves to fight obsolescence;
- Launched several US start-ups, refining their business models, raising capital and stepping in as an interim Managing Director;
- Continued to generously contributing to non-profit Boards such as Pollinate Group and International Living Future Institute Australia.
- Through mentoring and teaching at all levels from middle school through Masters, enabled countless individuals to hone their edge, advance themselves, and pursue measurable positive impact.

Elena has held public, private, and teaching roles in Australia, New Zealand, Russia, South Africa, India, and the US. A poignant voice on global trends and their local application, Elena has also delivered CPD training to thousands of professionals, participated in globally significant events such as COP17, G20, and World Green Building Council Congress; published in peer-reviewed and public journals; and presented at countless conferences.

Angela Fernandez, Vice President, Community Engagement, GS1 US

Seasoned retail grocery and foodservice expert with more than 15 years of experience working closely with industry stakeholders—including manufacturers, foodservice operators, retailers, distributors, educators and solution providers—to improve supply chain operations and business processes, including food traceability and data quality. I lead two collaborative industry initiatives in the Retail Grocery and Foodservice industries, which work to identify current and emerging supply chain challenges and address how the use of GS1 Standards can solve them.

Stan Chen, CEO, RecycleGO
Stan Chen is an entrepreneurial, tech-savvy, and socially conscious leader. Driven by his desire to make an impact on the environment, and inspired to bring new innovation to the relatively tech-dormant recycling industry in order to do so, Stan founded RecycleGO in 2016.

He also founded United Metal Exports in 2007, which he has grown to be a $8.5M company today. As head of RecycleGO, Stan draws extensively on the end-to-end relationships and deep experience he has gained as an industry leader.

He earned a Bachelor of Medical Science from Boston University, and studied computer science at the Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Science, in addition to other post graduate study. When he’s not thinking about revolutionizing the recycling process.

Ted Katagi, Founder, Kenja

Ted Katagi is the CEO of Kenja, a B2B cloud collaboration platform company for enterprise customers. Before founding Kenja, he was Head of Private Equity Asia for Fidelity Investments, Chief Marketing Officer for Vodafone Japan and Verizon Wireless (West), and Global Head of Commercial Strategy for Vodafone. Ted also worked previously at IBM and Bain & Company. In recent years at Kenja, Ted has been pioneering the platform as the Visual Trust Layer for Enterprise and Kenja now services customers globally with major clients using Kenja's blockchain solutions for numerous use cases such as supply chain and certification.

In addition to his role as the CEO of Kenja, Ted is also a professor at the Nagoya University of Commerce and Business. Ted acts not only as one of the university's most respected professors, but also leads a case writing seminar for master degree studies working on their graduation thesis. As a graduate of Harvard Business School himself, coupled with his years of experience in large enterprises and as a CEO of his own company, Ted understands the importance of providing students with real use cases for discussion in the classroom. Ted provides students with the tools they need for success in not only obtaining their degree, but their entire career.

Moderator: Joel Telpner, Head, Sullivan & Worcester FinTech and Blockchain Group

Joel heads Sullivan's Fintech and Blockchain Group. He is a highly-regarded trailblazer in the fintech, blockchain, and cryptocurrency space. Joel's clients' size and nature vary from governments, top cryptocurrencies, and large enterprises to smaller startups, who describe him as a “very sharp and very experienced partner” who is “super pragmatic” and can “sort through the chaff and get to the nub of things impressively quickly.”

His representative client work includes advising the Marshall Islands in creating digital sovereign currencies; helping to launch ndau, a buoyant stablecoin virtual currency; structuring for Gita Holdings/GreatX a structured, principal-protected tokenized investment product allowing investors to obtain upside exposure to hotel room blocks in various hotel properties; as well as providing regulatory advice to prominent blockchain projects including Aeternity, IOTA, NEM, and Celsius.

Being recognized worldwide as an authority on blockchain and digital asset issues, Joel currently sits on several of the industry's leading research groups and has spoken extensively worldwide. He works on global regulatory policy initiatives for the Chamber of Digital Commerce, the Blockchain Research Institute, the Global Blockchain Business Council, Wharton Reg@Tech, and the Wall Street Blockchain
Alliance’s Legal Working Group. He co-founded the Stablecoin Foundation, a global trade association for stablecoins in October 2018.

**12:30pm – 12:40pm ET: KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**U.S. Representative Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ), Member, U.S. House of Task Force on Financial Technology**

Josh Gottheimer represents New Jersey’s Fifth Congressional District in the northernmost part of the state, which includes parts of Bergen, Passaic, Sussex, and Warren counties. He was first sworn in on January 3, 2017, and is now in his third term in office.

In Congress, Josh serves on two Committees, including the House Financial Services Committee, where he is a member of the National Security, International Development and Monetary Policy Subcommittee and the Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets Subcommittee. Josh also serves on the House Homeland Security Committee, where he is a member of the Intelligence and Counterterrorism Subcommittee and the Transportation and Maritime Security Subcommittee.

In January 2017, Josh was elected Co-Chair of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus, where he works to bring the group of 29 Democrats and 29 Republicans together across party lines to find areas of agreement on key issues including lowering taxes, cutting health insurance premiums, and improving infrastructure to help the American people. He was re-elected Co-Chair of the Problem Solvers Caucus in January 2021. Just two months into his first term, Josh passed his first amendment in the House, which was later signed into law, to accelerate the hiring of post-9/11 veterans at the Department of Veterans Affairs. Last Congress, Josh was among the top ten Members with the most amendments considered on the House floor.

As a member of the House Homeland Security Committee, Josh realizes that the safety and security of the nation is at a critical juncture, with rapidly evolving threats from foreign and domestic terrorists, and homegrown violent extremism. He advocated for, and was successful in, the removal of Twitter accounts affiliated with Foreign Terrorist Organizations, including Hamas and Hezbollah. Josh is committed to lowering taxes and getting Fifth District residents a better return on the tax dollars they already send to Washington. Last year alone, by working with Fifth District mayors, councils, first responders, and towns, Josh has helped the Fifth District claw back $448 from Washington for every household in the Fifth District — a 108% increase from what the District has historically received. These dollars help first responders protect our communities while offsetting the strain on local budgets and property tax bills.

For his support for pro-growth policies and bipartisan governing, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce awarded Josh its Spirit of Enterprise Award every year he has served, as well as its first ever Jefferson–Hamilton Award for Bipartisanship. For his consistent work on both sides of the aisle and as Co-Chair of the Problem Solvers Caucus, Josh was recognized as the most bipartisan Democrat in the House by the Lugar Center and the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown University. Josh has also received the Jefferson-Lincoln Award from the Panetta Institute for Public Policy.
During the COVID-19 crisis, Josh has been laser focused on fighting for families, hospitals, small business, frontline workers, and communities to help get the Fifth District the resources it needs. During the height of the pandemic, Josh was instrumental in leading the Problem Solvers Caucus and a bipartisan group of Senators in writing and passing the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, which provided $908 billion in COVID-19 relief to families, small businesses, and frontline workers. When COVID-19 hit nursing and veteran homes, Josh was on the frontlines every day meeting with hospitals, doctors, nurses, and officials. Josh was able to secure National Guard members, medical strike teams, emergency funding, and other resources for long-term care facilities in the Fifth District.

Beyond the pandemic, Josh is continuing to work hard to ensure North Jersey families are safe and healthy. Since 2017, Josh has worked with stakeholders and leaders on every level to ensure that Fifth District students and communities have access to lead-free clean drinking water, especially in schools. In 2019, Josh was critical in implementing the State of New Jersey’s new online database that provides parents and communities with easy-to-access and up-to-date information on dangerous lead water in their children’s schools.

Josh is continuing to protect the environment by fighting the illicit dumping of waste and toxic materials, including working closely with local leaders to combat the Vernon Dirt Pile and illegal dumpers.

Gottheimer has also been dedicated to combating antisemitism, strengthening the historic U.S.-Israel relationship, and securing passage of bipartisan language reaffirming the Obama-Biden Administration’s ten year U.S.-Israel Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Josh was raised in North Caldwell, the son of a preschool teacher and a small business owner. Growing up, Josh worked in his father’s store and, like your average New Jersey kid, treasured summer vacations at the Jersey Shore. His first concert was at the Meadowlands to see the one and only Bruce Springsteen!

Josh graduated from West Essex High School before attending the University of Pennsylvania, later becoming a Thouron Fellow at Oxford, and then paid his way through Harvard Law School.

After finishing college, Josh went on to work in the Clinton White House as one of the youngest presidential speechwriters in history. Josh wrote speeches on topics ranging from the global economy to technology and innovation to combating crime; he also helped draft two State of the Union Addresses.

After leaving the White House, Josh worked at the Ford Motor Company, where he helped rebuild the iconic auto company’s image and worked on the first American hybrid. Josh was also a Senior Advisor to the Chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and published the book “Ripples of Hope: Great American Civil Rights Speeches.”

Josh later served as Senior Counselor to the Chairman at the Federal Communications Commission. During his tenure, he was the first Director of Office of Public-Private Initiatives, partnering with private companies to break through roadblocks and solve national problems. These partnerships saved taxpayers money while helping law enforcement, boosting digital education, and creating jobs. Josh worked on cybersecurity, broadband adoption, combating cell phone theft, creating a new public safety emergency alert system, and expanding wireless spectrum. Josh used that experience to help create a nonprofit, JerseyOn, that has expanded access to high-speed internet for low-income New Jersey students to help them compete in the 21st Century economy.
Before running for Congress, Josh worked at Microsoft as General Manager for Corporate Strategy, where he focused on the company’s expansion into the cloud, e-commerce, and privacy. He was also a member of both the Ridgewood and New Jersey Chambers of Commerce, the Rutgers Business School Advisory Board, and was a visiting fellow at Princeton University’s Center for Information Technology. He also taught history at the University of Pennsylvania.

Josh’s approach to public service is rooted in his experience in both the public and private sectors. During his time working with President Clinton, Dr. Mary Frances Berry, Senator Frank Lautenberg, and Speaker Thomas Foley, he saw that, by seeking common ground, it’s possible to find a bipartisan path forward without compromising your core values. Josh firmly believes that it doesn’t matter if an idea comes from the Democratic or Republican side of the aisle, only whether it will help the communities and people of the Fifth District.

Josh now lives in Wyckoff, New Jersey with Marla, his wife who was a federal prosecutor, and their two young children, Ellie and Ben.

2:00pm – 2:40pm ET: DECARBONIZING CRYPTO

Tanya Woods, General Counsel & EVP Regulatory Affairs, Hut 8 Mining

Tanya Woods brings nearly 20 years of experience as a seasoned legal professional, successful strategic advocate, author and global public speaker to her role at Hut 8 with established expertise in Blockchain, peer-to-peer technology, social impact and sustainable financial innovation.

Prior to joining Hut 8, Ms. Woods completed two Masters of Laws including specialization in Technology Law and held senior level positions representing national and multinational organizations as a strategic advisor and legal counsel in the telecommunications, technology, sustainability and entertainment sectors for leading companies such as BCE Inc., Microsoft and Nintendo. She most recently served as founding Managing Director of Canada’s first Chamber of Digital Commerce to advocate for and grow the country’s blockchain ecosystem. Ms. Woods is a champion for Canada’s digital innovation ecosystem domestically and globally and has represented the Government of Canada and industry stakeholders in global trade negotiations.

Emma Todd, Board Member, Tokens.com

Emma is CEO of MMH Blockchain Group, Chairwoman of the Canadian Blockchain Consortium’s FinTech Committee, a board member of the Canadian Blockchain Consortium, and Chairwoman of Girls In Tech. She is also past Chairwoman and Executive Board Member of Blockchain for Impact, which works alongside the United Nations. As a seasoned speaker, Emma has spoken on a panel at Parliament in Ottawa, the United Nations Headquarters and shared the stage with various heads of state, U.N. Ambassadors, Al Gore, Edward Snowden, members of the U.S. Congress, and Senate, and more. Emma has helped some of the world’s largest banks succeed including J.P. Morgan Chase, Bank of America, and HSBC. She has also amassed a string of accomplishments including being awarded one of the Top 100 Black Women to watch in Canada, the Top 50 Caribbean Women in Tech, being nominated for the Trailblazer Diversity in Tech Awards, and being named one of 2019’s Top 100 Influencers for Sustainable Development Goals.
**Doug Miller**, Global Markets Lead, Energy Web Foundation

Doug is a clean energy pioneer and systems entrepreneur. In his current role at Energy Web, Doug oversees new market development, strategic and project partnerships, community building, and solution requirements scoping to accelerate the development of digital solutions using open-source decentralized technologies that make the energy transition faster, easier, and accessible. He spearheaded the Crypto Climate Accord (a global initiative to decarbonize the crypto sector with open-source solutions), Energy Web Zero (a public renewable energy search engine), and Energy Web Origin (open-source software development toolkit suite for digitized traceability applications). Previously, over 5 years at RMI, he developed diverse resources for residential and commercial building investors, cities, government agencies, industry groups, and media companies to scale clean energy investments. He received a BA from the University of Pennsylvania and MSc from Imperial College London with top academic honors and awards for his empirical research focused on applying behavioral insights to develop more effective clean energy solutions.

**Moderator: David Ehrich, Co-Founder & Executive Director, Alliance for Innovative Regulation (AIR)**

David Ehrich is Co-founder and Executive Director of AIR - the Alliance for Innovative Regulation, a non-profit that helps bank regulators embrace and leverage technology. David has worked in banking and payments for 20 years at McKinsey, American Express where he was a GM in the prepaid group, and JPMorganChase where he was the head of credit card strategy. David is the architect of the Bank On National Account Standards for bank accounts with no overdraft fees and he is a Co-Founder of Petal, a NYC-based fintech credit card startup pioneering the use of cash flow underwriting for consumers who lack a history of credit. David has an MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, and a B.S. from Cornell University.

**2:45pm – 3:25pm ET: SECURING OUR FUTURE IN THE DIGITAL AGE**

**Paul Brody**, Global Blockchain Leader, EY

Paul drives EY initiatives and investments in blockchain technology across consulting, audit and tax business lines. He has held a number of leadership positions in the areas of internet of things, supply chain and operations and business strategy, working with many client organizations.

He led EY first blockchain strategy engagement, examining how digital services, payments and internet of things are coming together in new ecosystems, and building a strategy and technology road map for one of EY’s major clients.

He has 20 years of consulting and strategy experience in mobile and electronics. Prior to joining EY, he served as Vice President and Global Industry Leader of Electronics at a multinational technology company.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in Economics and a certificate in African Studies, both from Princeton University.
Marta Belcher, Chair, Filecoin Foundation and the Filecoin Foundation for the Decentralized Web; General Counsel, Protocol Labs; Special Counsel, Electronic Frontier Foundation

Marta F. Belcher is an attorney at Ropes & Gray and a leader in the area of blockchain law. Marta serves as outside general counsel for Protocol Labs, serves as special counsel to the Electronic Frontier Foundation, and serves as Chair of the Filecoin Foundation as well as the Filecoin Foundation for the Decentralized Web.

Marta represents the Blockchain Association as well as other companies, industry associations, and civil liberties organizations in matters related to blockchain and public policy. Marta has been recognized twice by the Financial Times Innovative Lawyer awards and was named to Law360's list of Rising Stars in FinTech.

Marta has spoken about blockchain law around the world, including testifying in the New York Senate and speaking in U.S. Congress, European Parliament, the OECD, and in Davos during the World Economic Forum. Marta has drafted amicus briefs in the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S. appellate courts for high-profile public interest organizations, including EFF, the Center for Democracy & Technology, Public Knowledge, the Cato Institute, the National Consumers' League, Project Gutenberg, and the Blockchain Association.

Kfir Nissan, Founder & CEO, Valid Network

Specializing with deep technology startups in the fields of security and distributed systems, Kfir brings two decades of experience both as entrepreneur and as enterprise architect and program manager working with Enterprises and SMBs alike. Kfir is serial entrepreneur since 2008 building companies and pushing innovation. Since 2018 Kfir is the Co-founder and CEO of Valid Network a cyber security for enterprise blockchain platform that is bringing security and assurance to a world of decentralized chaos.

Renjie Butalid, Vice President, Business Development, Metrika

Renjie Butalid leads business development at Metrika, the industry’s leading operational intelligence for blockchain networks and applications. Prior to Metrika, Renjie was Associate Director of the Dobson Centre for Entrepreneurship at McGill University where he led the team and raised over $8-million for its entrepreneurship programs. Renjie is also Co-founder of the Montreal AI Ethics Institute, a Global Shaper Alumni with the World Economic Forum, and a member of the Banff Forum. Renjie holds a BA Economics from the University of Waterloo and a MA International Relations from Corvinus University of Budapest.

Amanda Martinez, Founder & CEO, Artemis Climate Partners

Ms. Martinez is an expert in structuring complex transactions which allows for the minimization of risk, while most importantly, maintaining accelerated execution. Using this unique skill set, she founded the first woman-owned power plant development business in the United States. Bull Moose Energy (BME) was formed in 2006 to focus on renewable energy projects; upon launching, BME raised $60 million from Morgan Stanley in the first round of funding. This was the first time a woman owned business was funded by Morgan Stanley as a direct equity investment.
Since that time Martinez has expanded her businesses to include a variety of energy activities, including transmission and distribution, as well as the oil and gas industry. She has developed multiple business cases on the blockchain that advance the climate & ESG spaces. She raised and been involved in $4.2 billion in development activities and over $2.4 billion in transmission and distribution projects including the reconstruction of the grid in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria.

**Moderator: Sandra Ro, CEO, Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC)**

Sandra is a proponent for ‘human-centric tech’. She left a career in derivatives, investment banking and currency markets to focus on emerging technologies for sustainability, access, and resiliency, particularly in financial systems. She is an early investor in, and an advocate of crypto and digital assets. Sandra currently serves as the CEO of the Global Blockchain Business Council (GBBC), a Swiss-based non-profit consisting over 270 institutional members, 130 ambassadors across 76 jurisdictions and disciplines, as well as an angel investor in emerging technologies, Board member, advisor, keynote speaker and cofounder of several start-ups, non-profits, and key blockchain industry networks.

She is currently Board director of Global Digital Finance (UK) NYS Senate appointee on the New York State Digital Currency Task Force, Fintech Advisory Council of Astana International Financial Center (AIFC Kazakhstan), Board Treasurer of BitGive Foundation, member of EU Public Funds and New Green Economy Consortia, Chair of Open Impact Foundation (Switzerland), Advisory Board of Filecoin Foundation, Health Tech Chair of Yale Alumni Health Network (YAHN), and member of World Economic Forum’s Digital Currency Governance Consortium (DCGC), US Department of State Speakers Bureau, Standards, International Securities Services Association (ISSA).

Whilst at CME Group, she founded and led Digitization, developed the CME CF Bitcoin pricing indices, followed by the CME Bitcoin Futures and DLT solutions. Ro was a founding member of Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA Board), Post Trade Distributed Ledger (PTDL) Group, Linux Foundation, Hyperledger, and GBBC Board. She holds six patents across derivatives, crypto and indices. Previously, she was a derivatives banker at Morgan Stanley and Deutsche Bank, based in London. She is a graduate of Yale University, B.A. double major in (Military) History and Studies in the Environment, student of Computer Science at Columbia University, School of Continuing Studies, and MBA recipient in Accounting and Finance from London Business School.

**3:30pm – 4:10pm ET: THE FUTURE OF DIGITAL IDENTITY**

**Christine Leong, Global Lead, Blockchain Identity, Accenture (recorded remarks)**

Christine leads Accenture’s Decentralized Identity & Biometrics group globally and is also part of the global blockchain leadership team. She has over 20 years of experience in 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, Retail and Social Impact. Her relevant knowledge spans: Blockchain, Biometrics, Digital identity and Authentication. She is the inventor and sponsor the Circular Supply Chain initiative; she led Accenture’s work with WWF and Moore Foundation on Feasibility of blockchain for food supply chain amongst other inventions. She has led Accenture’s work with ID2020 showcasing how biometrics and decentralized identity can be used in a secure and private manner in 2017. She is a regular speaker at conferences globally and has published articles on blockchain for social impact, identity & blockchain. She is a passionate supporter of environmental sustainability and wildlife conservation. She is the program advisor to World Economic Forum’s initiative for Identity in the Digital World and the Known Traveller Digital Identity project.

**James Loperfido**, Director of Business Development, Tangem

James Loperfido currently serves as Director of Business Development at the Swiss digital asset infrastructure company Tangem AG, manages digital asset investments, and acts as a general consultant in the blockchain space. Tangem develops software, firmware, and smart card solutions for digital money, identity, and anti-counterfeit use cases.

Previously, James served as VP of Business Development for Soramitsu, which launched one of the first successful pilots for a CBDC retail payment network based on DLT infrastructure as well as critical cryptocurrency software and open-source frameworks. Previously, James founded world-renowned businesses in the wellness space in New York City and worked in early stage tech start-ups focused on decentralized and frontier technologies. He spent his first two years after graduating from the Villanova School of Business on a high yield bond trading desk at Imperial Capital leveraging academic interests in finance and international economics.

He testified as a blockchain technology expert on the New York Privacy Act and serves as a Co-Chair for the Global Blockchain Business Council’s Digital Identity Working Group. James was born and resides in New York City and Florida. He has entrepreneurial expertise in international business development, DLT frameworks, capital markets, digital asset infrastructure, team building, and sales and marketing.

**John Greaves**, Chair, IEEE Global Standards Harmonization Program

John Greaves has been actively involved in Technology Standardization for over 40 years. His pioneering work in the area of Global Logistics, Inventory Management, Transportation and Government are the basis for technology deployments in Transportation Facilities, Fisheries, Pharmaceuticals, Manufacturing and more which has led to significant adoptions occurring in these technologies and applications globally today.

John is Convener of the ISO WG8 RFID standards group, led the European Spectrum Initiative, was the leader of the GTAG program for EAN.UCC (GS1), and is a member of the PMA Blockchain Task Force, Chair of IEEE Global Standards Collaboration Council, Chair of INCITS (International Council for Information Technology Standards), and Chair of the MH10 ANSI Committee in labelling, marking and data for packaging and unit loads along with JTC1 WG14 Quantum Computing.

His outstanding work in identifying RFID and the Digital Supply Chain as the next steps in Commercial Fulfillment is recognized by his being named “Dr Blockchain”.
He has developed amongst many significant implementations worldwide an RTI solution with CHEP, Tolling in California, Cairo Metro technology Upgrade, Port of Jebel Ali, Port of Baltimore, Food Safety and Health Care Supply Chain application architecture covering the transportation, public safety, brand protection and antitheft areas.

John has served with distinction in the standards, regulatory, government bodies including ETSI, CEPT, CEN, ISO as well as addressing, and being a member of, many of the leading industry bodies, Institute of Logistics, CIES, ICSC, IATA and as a representative to Auto ID Center at MIT. John is a Fellow of the Institute of Directors.

He is a frequent contributor to leading industry publications and public media with thought provoking commentary and practical resolution of issues on technology implementation form the basis of many of today’s successful Value Chain rollouts.

With over 30 global speaking engagements in 2021, you can expect to hear, see and read John’s guidance on software architecture, technology standards, AIDC and regulation in almost every sector.

**Sumiran Agarwal**, Director – Node Operations, Indicio.tech

I’m from a home in India where my father used to say: “simple living, high thinking.” I began my professional career as an engineer and quickly moved into business growth and customer success.

I collaborate with tech startup leaders to get them to the next level by growing a business that customers need. As a creative engineer with high EQ, I figure out and manage the “who” and “how” of growing a business. Recently, I have become passionate about verifiable credentials and the decentralized identity space as identity verification is a gateway to any transaction. As such, creating the right strategic mix of data and consent may result in global adoption & business growth has become my primary focus. As an individual contributor to a number of non-profits organizations, I’m trying to play my part to advance the mission of global adoption of this technology to put the user back in control of their own data.

**Moderator: Alissa Worley**, Global Marketing Director – Blockchain | Multi-Party Systems, Accenture

4:15pm – 4:55pm ET: INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

**Matt Homer**, Executive in Resident, Nyca

Matt is Executive in Residence at Nyca, a fintech venture capital firm. Prior to joining Nyca, Matt was the first-ever Executive Deputy Superintendent for Research & Innovation at the New York Department of Financial Services. There he oversaw the Department’s licensing and supervision of crypto currency companies as well as strategic efforts related to fintech, insurtech, and regtech more broadly. He previously worked for Plaid and Quovo and has served as an advisor on fintech and financial inclusion for USAID, the World Bank, the United Nations, Aspen Institute, and the Cambridge Center for Alternative Finance. Matt received his bachelor’s degree in economics from the University of Utah and an MPP from the Harvard Kennedy School.
**Nisa Amoils**, Managing Partner, A100x Ventures

Nisa Amoils is Managing Partner at A100x Ventures investing in Blockchain/AI companies with impact, and has been an early stage investor for the past decade at different funds. She was named one of Business Insider’s Women VC’s to watch and top 100 Women in Fintech, and top 50 global Blockchain thinkers. She is a securities lawyer and on the boards of several institutions including Wharton Entrepreneurship and Girls Who Invest. She is a frequent guest on Bloomberg, CNBC, Cheddar, Fox etc. Prior to investing, she was an entrepreneur and spent many years in business development and strategy at companies like Time Warner, NBC Universal and Anderson Kill. She holds a business degree from the University of Michigan and a law degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She is Finra-licensed. See www.nisaamoils.com.

**Jude Chidi Ogene**, Founder & CEO, Charles Winnsboro Corporation

Jude Chidi Ogene is the CEO of Charles Winnsboro Corporation, an advisory firm focused on infrastructure development in sub-Saharan Africa. The company’s main areas of expertise are higher education, workforce development, and capital markets. Jude also serves as senior counsel at Sterlington, PLLC, a virtual law firm specializing in high-end transactional and litigation work.

Before forming Charles Winnsboro, Jude served in senior legal and business roles with a higher education management company. He joined the company as its first General Counsel and spearheaded over $300 million in follow-on investments by private equity firms. Prior to going in-house, Jude practiced corporate law with law firms in New York and Washington DC. He began his legal career with Sullivan & Cromwell after graduating from Georgetown University with a combined JD/MBA. Jude also has a LL.B. from the University of Nigeria.

Jude is passionate about workforce development and lifelong learning. He has a green belt certificate in lean six sigma and a certificate in blockchain strategy from Oxford University. His particular interest is in exploring how blockchain and other emerging technologies such as AI can democratize access to quality education, healthcare, and financial services.

**Bea O’Carroll**, Managing Director, Radkl

Bea O’Carroll is an MD at Radkl, the crypto vertical of GTS. She has been involved in crypto trading since 2015, having stops at itBit/ Paxos, Circle and co-founded an OTC desk. Prior to this she spent 15 years at traditional financial services firms. Bea holds a BA from St. John's University and is an active volunteer with Hour Children, an organization based in Queens that helps incarcerated and formerly incarcerated women and their children successfully rejoin the community.

**Karen Bhatia**, Senior Vice President, NYCEDC

Karen Bhatia is Senior Vice President at the New York City Economic Development Corporation, leading Creative and Applied Tech strategies to promote economic development and entrepreneurship throughout the city. This includes emerging tech initiatives such as NYC's blockchain strategy, launching the first publicly-funded VR/AR Lab in the country, spearheading the City's Center for Responsible AI & data, and expanding broadband access to the neighborhoods hardest hit by COVID-19. Karen is also an
attorney, entrepreneur and startup advisor. She was the principal of her own law firm advising tech startups on corporate issues, financing and overall business strategy. As an entrepreneur, Karen founded ActionCam, an educational platform explaining public policy issues and providing resources for people to take action. Karen also founded Stanford Startups NY, a business network of over 800 Stanford entrepreneurs and investors in the region. She is an advisor to several tech organizations and also on Board of Trustees of Mott Hall, a middle school in the South Bronx. Raised in Queens, Karen has a B.A. from Stanford University, a Master's degree in Public Policy from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and a J.D. from George Washington University Law School.

5:00pm – 5:40pm ET: THE FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE

Dr. Esper Kallas, Researcher, Global Pandemic Shield (recorded remarks)

Dr. Esper Kallás is Full Professor at the Department of Infectious and Parasitic Diseases in the School of Medicine of the University of Sao Paulo and Director of the Clinical Trials Unit at the Hospital das Clinicas of the University of Sao Paulo, the largest Hospital in South America.

Throughout the COVID-19 crises, Esper Kallás has been a reference for authorities and the media on the combat against the Covid-19 pandemic. He has been working since the early 1990s on studies of HIV infection and other infectious diseases, focusing on the areas of immunopathology, treatment and prevention.

Dr. David Watkins, Researcher, Global Pandemic Shield (recorded remarks)

Dr. David Watkins is Professor of Pathology at the George Washington University, US; and a former faculty member of Harvard University. David is also a fellow in the American Academy of Microbiology and recipient of the Elizabeth Glaser Scientist Award.

His research object is the eradication of infectious diseases. David studied areas of low immunity in places where epidemics such as Ebola from Yellow Fever emerged to think of strategies for immunizing and eradicating infectious diseases that cause deaths, overload on public systems and immeasurable damage to society.

Dr. Jamie Wells, Director, Research Science Institute (RSI); Founder & President, Yale Alumni Health Network (YAHN)

Duncan Johnston-Watt, Co-Founder & CEO, Blockchain Technology Partner (BTP)

Duncan is a regular keynote speaker, serial entrepreneur and technology pioneer with over 30 years experience in the software industry. His latest venture is Blockchain Technology Partners (BTP), a leading enterprise blockchain company whose partners include Digital Asset, creators of the open source Daml smart contract language, and US cybersecurity startup Taekion. Prior to this he founded Cloudsoft Corporation, creator of the Apache Brooklyn open source project, serving as its CEO for nine years. Duncan was also founder & CTO of autonomic computing pioneer Enigmatec Corporation which was sold to iWave and subsequently acquired by EMC.
Earlier in his career Duncan held a number of fintech roles culminating at Reuters Instinet where he led the delivery of their Fixed Income brokerage platform. In recognition of this work pioneering the use of Java enterprise technologies in Financial Services, he was nominated for a Computerworld Smithsonian Award. Duncan holds an MSc in Computation from Oxford University where he was a graduate student at Balliol College.

Moderator: Jane King, CEO, LilaMax Media; TV Anchor

Jane King founded LilaMax Media in January 2014. It’s a multimedia content company delivering consumer/business news to television and internet news organizations. Jane King, along with long time TV syndicator Robert Morris, started LilaMax Media and have grown the company from 12 TV stations to now 72 TV station and 2 internet entities. LilaMax Media content originates from the NASDAQ Marketsite in Times Square and is provided and updated daily.

5:40pm – 6:20pm ET: EMPOWERING THE CREATOR IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Vanessa Grellet, Head of Portfolio Growth, CoinFund

Vanessa Grellet is a Global Executive with over 20 years of expertise in the Financial Services and Tech industry. At CoinFund, she is the Head of Portfolio growth where she oversees and supports the portfolio companies. Prior to joining CoinFund she was an Executive Director at ConsenSys where she focused on driving adoption for Ethereum, Strategic initiatives, Alliances and Channels. She was involved in setting up the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA), sits on the Board of the Accounting Blockchain Coalition (ABC) and is the President of the Blockchain for Social Impact Coalition (BSIC). Prior to joining ConsenSys she was a Strategy Executive at NYSE and a key member of PwC’s global wealth management team. Vanessa is a Founding Board member of AABC focused on Blockchain and Art, she sits on the Advisory Council of ConsenSys and the Resolution Project. She is a Milken Institute Associate and contributed to the World Economic Forum Digital Future Council. Mrs. Grellet graduated Cum Laude from Law School (Paris II Assas) and Business School (HEC).

Jesse Rivelis, Associate Agent, Mint Talent Group

Jesse Rivelis is a founding employee of MINT Talent Group, having helped launch the company out of the ashes of the live entertainment industry in 2020. At MINT, he currently works in booking live engagements for a roster of over 200 artists comprised of musical icons, contemporary leaders, Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductees and multiple GRAMMY® winners. Prior to Mint Talent Group, Jesse worked at William Morris Endeavor handling live concert bookings in their Theater, Casino and Performing Arts Center division. Jesse holds a B.S. from Middle Tennessee State University in Music Business and has worked internationally administrating digital music distribution deals, as well as managing volunteer programs for many nationally-attended music festivals. He finds passion in navigating new strategies and crossover opportunities for touring artists no matter which direction the marketplace moves…along with a healthy obsession for Chinese cooking and working with NYC high school students as a mentor for
the non-profit Minds Matter. Prior to working on the business side of music, Jesse toured internationally.

**Heidi Pease, Co-Founder, Proof of Art (PoA)**

Heidi is Cofounder of PoA, a platform helping artists fundraise, market projects, and build their communities with blockchain-based-tools including NFTs. She is also President of the Board of Directors for GBBC Giving, a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering underserved communities through access to blockchain technology, and Head of Investment Products at Wave Financial, a crypto and digital asset management firm. Heidi co-founded Blockchain@ULCA which led her to launch the Los Angeles Blockchain Lab; a collaboration of academia, government, and enterprise developing the blockchain ecosystem in Southern California and abroad. She provides blockchain training to women through her organization HerCode and is a frequent lecturer for leading academic institutions, executive and government events, and community programs such as TedX. She is a Board Member of Innovate@UCLA, Female Advisory Board for Lamborghini, and former Honorary Co-chair of US Trade Missions Blockchain for the US Department of Commerce. Prior to her blockchain activism, Heidi focused on turning around distressed assets, growing small businesses into top-tier national firms, and leading sales teams for companies including AIG. She has an MBA from UCLA Anderson School of Management.

**Wendy Federman, CEO, Foolish Mortals Productions**

Wendy Federman is a nine-time Tony Award winning theatre and film producer. She has also received two Olivier Awards, ten Drama Desk Awards, eighteen Outer Critics Circle Awards, sixteen Drama League Awards, and a GLADD Media Award for many of her over ninety co-productions. Wendy has served as guest lecturer for many charitable foundations and spent countless hours throughout her career mentoring aspiring producers, actors, and writers. Wendy was a third-generation owner and operator of a global floral ribbon manufacturing and importing company. She also has a degree as a biofeedback therapist operating stress management centers in New Jersey. In addition, she is a certified life coach, empowering her clients to achieve their goals. Wendy co-founded an annual fund-raising event, “Broadway’s Got Guts” for the Crohns and Colitis Foundation and is the chair of the Nominating Committee of the annual Chita Rivera Awards. In 2020, Wendy received the Award of Excellence from the Capital Speakers Club of Washington, D.C. in recognition of her notable artistic achievements as a multiple Tony Award winning theatre producer, for her talent, creativity, and inspiration to women in her field. She was also a 2019 recipient of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor which is awarded to 100 Americans whose accomplishments in their field and inspired service to our nation are worthy of commendation. Wendy has also served as trustee on several significant boards including John F. Kennedy Center’s National Committee for the Performing Arts, The Foundation for Gender Equality, Bergen Performing Arts Center, MCC Theater, Gilda’s Club, and Penguin Repertory Theater.

**Moderator: Sofia Arend, Communications & Content Lead, Global Blockchain Business Council**