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# EXPO TALKS: GLOBAL GOALS

9-10 MARCH 2021

# Tuesday 9 March 2021

Please note that all timings are GMT + 4, and subject to final confirmation

10:30am

## Introduction to Global Goals at Expo 2020 Dubai

*What do we need to do together today for a better world in 2030?*

### Event-Time Sneak Peek

*A small taste of how Global Goals week will be celebrated during Expo 2020.*

### Welcome Remarks

#### **Her Excellency Reem Al Hashimy**

UAE Minister of State for International Cooperation  
Director General of Expo 2020 Dubai

### Keynote Remarks

#### **H.E. Abdulla Nasser Lootah**

Director General of The Prime Minister's Office and Vice Chair of the UAE  
National Committee on the SDGs

10:45am

## Sneak Peek into Expo's Opportunity Pavilion Visitor Experience "Mission Possible"

*The UAE has made a strong commitment towards achieving the Global Goals, convening partners and the spirit of the goals directly into the Expo experience. Led by the Opportunity Pavilion team, this session highlights their mission of connecting pavilion to programme and UAE's long-term vision to SDGs.*

#### **Anoosha Al Marzouqi**

Associate Director, Opportunity Pavilion, Expo 2020 Dubai

10:50am

## The Truth About the Global Goals

*What progress have we made so far? To start, the Global Goals have been an amazing effort to unite the world around defining and measuring progress. Expo is running a programme to flip worldviews and create fact-based perceptions with the Gapminder Foundation.*

#### **Ola Rosling**

President and Co-Founder, Gapminder Foundation

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## The Goals Are the Answer

### A Conversation with UN SDG Advocates, Mr. Richard Curtis and Dr. Alaa Murabit

UN SDG Advocates Mr. Richard Curtis and Dr. Alaa Murabit will celebrate progress to date and highlight some of the most inspiring moments to promote the Global Goals since their launch in 2015. They will discuss how the Goals hold the solutions needed to overcome our greatest challenges and why we need everyone involved in the UN Decade of Action to reach our common goal of a better world for people and planet by 2030.

#### Richard Curtis

Writer, Director, and UN Sustainable Development Goals Advocate

#### Dr. Alaa Murabit

Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University, award-winning medical doctor, global security strategist, women's rights advocate and United Nations High-Level Commissioner on Health, Employment & Economic Growth

11:45am



## Team 8 Billion | Engineering Opportunity for All

Join us in this World Majlis in conversation with leading experts and thought leaders to explore how the opportunities created by technology can be more widely available to everyone.

Moderated by **Yousuf Caires**, Senior Vice President, Expo Live Grant Programme, Expo 2020 Dubai

#### Ann Molin

Founder and Secretary General, Hack for Earth Foundation, Sweden

#### Gaurav Sinha

Founder and Chief Strategist, Insignia Worldwide, UAE

#### Raza Jafar

Founder, Global Sustainability Network (GSN), UAE

#### Shamina Singh

Founder and President, Mastercard Centre for Inclusive Growth, USA

#### Vaibhav Chhabra

Founder and Chief Learning Officer, Maker's Asylum, India

#### Wendy Kopp

CEO, Teach for All, USA

With Contribution From:

#### Mike Dawson

CEO, Ustad Mobile, UAE (pre-recorded message)

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## Nations United: Call to Action for the World to Unite

10:35am

## Global Goals in Action

*In this session, we'll hear directly from leaders and innovators who are using the inspiration of the goals to make change across the world.*

### **Bruna Elias**

Senior Programmes  
Manager of the UN  
Global Compact  
Network, and Youth  
Power Panelist,  
Lebanon

### **Ann Molin**

Founder and Secretary  
General,  
Hack for Earth Foundation,  
Sweden

### **Karen Kelly**

Regional Partnerships  
Manager,  
Laboratoria, Peru

### **Fariel Salahudin**

CEO, Goats for Water,  
Pakistan

### **Dirk Fransaer**

Managing Director, VITO,  
Belgium

### **Omar Ghanem**

Co-Founder and CEO,  
U Light, UAE / Nigeria

### **Mona Mijthab**

Founder, Mosan,  
Switzerland / Guatemala

### **Shantha Bloeman**

Managing Director,  
Mobility for Africa,  
Zimbabwe

### **Karabo Mokgonyana**

African Youth Ambassador for  
Peace, African Union; Youth  
Advisory Panelist, United Nations  
Population Fund; Programme  
Director, Sesi Fellowship and Skill  
Hub; Operations Intern, CIVICUS,  
South Africa

### **Tautvydas Juskauskas**

Drones Specialist,  
UNICEF Supply Division,  
Denmark

### **Nikhil Taneja**

Co-Founder and CEO  
of Yuva, and  
Goalkeepers Advisor,  
India  
**Moderator**

### **Radia Cheikh Lahlou**

CEO of Déclic, and  
Goalkeepers Advisor,  
Morocco  
**Moderator**

11:15am

## SDG Ambition Project: Profit for Purpose in the UN Global Decade of Action

### **Harry Morrison**

Managing Director,  
Sustainability Strategy  
and Services, Accenture

### **Anita Varshney**

Global Vice President,  
Sustainability, SAP

### **Rachel Panaino**

Executive Director, Global  
Compact Network UAE  
**Moderator**

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## Youth for the Global Goals: World's Largest Lesson & Expo Schools Programme

*This session showcases how educators in the UAE explore the SDGs in their classrooms using innovative approaches.*

**Video: The World's Largest Lesson**

Contributed by **Alison Bellwood**, Creator and Director of The World's Largest Lesson

Moderated by **Amin Tejpar**, Director, Expo School Programme, Expo 2020 Dubai

**Natasha Kaushal**

Head of Innovation,  
GEMS National School

**Anita Krishnan**

Head of Kindergarten and Lower Primary,  
The Kindergarten Starters

12:00pm

## In Conversation with the Women's Pavilion

### Women as Enablers in Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

*Women play a critical role in enabling the Sustainable Development Goals. Promoting and localising a gender-responsive approach in all sectors is key to ensure sustainable development. In this panel, we discuss the challenges in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals, explore gender-inclusive strategies to sustainable development, as well as recognise and celebrate women's achievements in humanitarian work and the development agenda.*

Moderated by **Hind Alowais**, Vice President, Participant Management, Expo 2020 Dubai

**Dr. Jemilah Mahmood**

Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of Malaysia

**Pascale de la Frégonnière**

Strategic Advisor to the Board of Cartier Philanthropy





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**Her Excellency Reem Al Hashimy**  
**UAE Minister of State for International Cooperation and**  
**Director General of Expo 2020 Dubai**

In February 2016, Her Excellency Reem Al Hashimy was sworn in as Minister of State for International Cooperation, in the UAE's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. Additionally, she holds responsibility within the Cabinet, for the UAE's bilateral relations with Sub Saharan African countries and the Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Since her first ministerial appointment in February 2008, Her Excellency has and continues to manage, the Vice President's Office for Political Affairs, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

In November 2013, as Managing Director of Dubai's World Expo 2020 bid, Reem oversaw a historic success at the Bureau International des Expositions. Dubai Expo 2020 will be the first held in the MEASA (Middle East, Africa and South Asia region). Her Excellency holds the position of Managing Director of the Dubai Expo 2020 Higher Committee as well as Director General of the Dubai Expo 2020 Bureau, in preparation for the upcoming national milestone.

Since its launch in 2007 by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Her Excellency has served as Chairperson of Dubai Cares, a philanthropic organisation with the aim of improving access to quality education in developing countries.

Her Excellency was formerly Chairperson of the Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Authority, which drives the UAE's global competitiveness across many sectors.

Her Excellency completed her undergraduate degree at Tufts University, earning a BA in International Relations and French, followed by an MA from Harvard University. Prior to her current position as Minister of State, Her Excellency served as Commercial Attaché, and subsequently Deputy Chief, of the UAE Embassy to the United States of America, in Washington DC.

**H.E. Abdulla Nasser Lootah**

**Director General of The Prime Minister's Office and Vice Chair of the UAE National Committee on the SDGs**



Abdulla Nasser Lootah is currently the Director General of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Prime Minister's Office. Previously, Mr. Lootah was the Director General of the Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Authority (FCSA), a UAE federal government entity created by Presidential Decree No.6 in 2015, mandated to strengthen and enhance the UAE's national data and competitiveness capacities. In 2017, Mr. Lootah and his team were directed by the UAE Cabinet to lead and manage the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) efforts for the UAE in collaboration with 17 ministries, authorities and councils.

Mr. Lootah led FCSA to receive the "Judges Special Award" in 2019 and "Continuous Innovation Award" in 2018 from Ideas UK. FCSA received the UAE Government Award for the best entity in Gender Balance in 2017 and 2018. FCSA was awarded the "Special Achievement in GIS Award (SAG)" from ESRI in 2020 for using geospatial mapping technology. In addition, FCSA received the Happiness@Work award from [www.sustainablemindz.com](http://www.sustainablemindz.com) and [www.happinessaward.com](http://www.happinessaward.com) under the categories "Best Employee Engagement Award", "Best Work-Life Balance Award" and "The Happiest Workplace Award" all in 2018.

Prior to leading the FCSA, Mr. Lootah was the Secretary General of the Emirates Competitiveness Council (ECC), the entity that merged with the National Bureau of Statistics, to form the FCSA in 2015. During his time in ECC, Mr. Lootah oversaw all aspects of the organisation's work relating to the UAE's globally competitive position and global rankings. This included extensive liaisons with Federal and Emirate-level government entities on competitiveness strategies in areas including health, education, business and ICT.

Advocating for policies to enhance the nation's productivity and well-being, Mr. Lootah shaped ECC's research and policy agenda, and devised a central meeting point connecting the public, private sectors, and international organisations. In addition, Mr. Lootah worked for 14 years in the private sector and in the most prominent international and national organisations.

Mr. Lootah had extensive experience in business administration and marketing before joining the Emirates Competitiveness Council, where he worked at Microsoft, the largest software company in the world, between 2001 and 2009.

Mr. Lootah has held several leadership positions, including the Director of the Government Sector in Microsoft and Country Manager at Microsoft Oman. Mr. Lootah has won many awards for excellence in performance and development of the technology sector in the government sector in the region, including the "Bill Gates Award" in 2005 for his outstanding contribution and performance.

In his previous work at Emaar, the developer of the world's tallest structure, Burj Khalifa, Mr. Lootah was part of the team that delivered the region's first freehold development, The Dubai Marina, in 2000.

Mr. Lootah holds a degree from Richmond, the American International University in London, as well as credentials from Columbia Business School, Wharton Business School and Harvard Kennedy School for Government.



## Anoosha Al Marzouqi

**Associate Director,  
Opportunity Pavilion,  
Expo 2020 Dubai**



Anoosha AlMarzouqi is the Associate Director of the Opportunity Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai. She is responsible for developing all aspects of the Opportunity Pavilion including the visitor experience that aspires to trigger visitors to play a role in human development through their actions. Prior to joining Expo 2020, Anoosha was employed in the strategy and policy department of the UAE Prime Minister's Office, where she worked in the team that developed the UAE Government Strategy 2011-2013 and UAE Vision 2021.

Anoosha also helped to remodel the UAE Government Leaders Programme by spearheading projects that enhance the experience of current programme participants, improve alumni offerings and develop partnerships with major institutions in the field of leadership development. Anoosha holds a master's degree in International Development Policy from Georgetown University and a Bachelor of Business Administration with a minor in Economics from Boston University.

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## Ola Rosling

**President and Co-Founder,  
Gapminder Foundation**



Ola Rosling is the President and Co-Founder of Gapminder Foundation. He has devoted his career to promoting a fact-based worldview by democratising access to statistics and developing free tools to help people understand the world. He has invented Trendalyzer software (acquired by Google in 2007), made Motion Chart part of Google Spreadsheet, and co-invented the educational service the Worldview Upgrader (2020). Together with Anna and Hans Rosling, Ola wrote the bestselling book Factfulness (2018).

## Richard Curtis

**Writer, Director, and  
UN Sustainable  
Development Goals Advocate**



Richard Curtis is a film writer and director, responsible for films such as *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, *Notting Hill*, *Bridget Jones' Diary*, *Mr. Bean*, *Love Actually*, *The Boat That Rocked*, and most recently *Trash*, *About Time* and *Yesterday*.

In the other half of Richard's life he is the Co-Founder and Vice-Chair of Comic Relief, which he started after visiting Ethiopia during the 1985 famine and led to the fundraising event, Red Nose Day. He has co-produced the 16 live nights for the BBC since 1988 and the charity has made over £1.3 billion for projects in the UK and internationally during that time. In 2015, he helped bring Red Nose Day to the United States with the partnership of NBC and Walgreens - where it has so far raised nearly \$150 million to help children in the USA and around the world.

Richard was a founding member of Make Poverty History, the campaign for the MDGs and worked both on that and on Live 8 in 2005. In 2015 he helped found Project Everyone to work to make the Global Goals famous and effective - and is now a UN Advocate for the SDGs.

Richard is also the Co-Founder of Make My Money Matter, a brand new, people powered campaign fighting for a world where we all know where our money goes, and where we can demand it's invested to build a better future.

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## Dr. Alaa Murabit

**Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced  
Study at Harvard University, award-winning  
medical doctor, global security strategist,  
women's rights advocate and United Nations  
High-Level Commissioner on Health,  
Employment & Economic Growth**



Alaa Murabit is an award-winning medical doctor, global security strategist, women's rights advocate and United Nations High-Level Commissioner on Health, Employment & Economic Growth and Sustainable Development Goal Global Advocate.

## Ann Molin

**Founder and Secretary  
General,  
Hack for Earth Foundation,  
Sweden**



Ann was nominated "Corona Hero of the Year" for organising the online hackathon Hack the Crisis Sweden in 2020, an event that gathered over 7400 participants from more than 90 countries. Ann has also presented her work on citizen-driven innovation at TEDx Stockholm. Ann is the founder of the Hack for Earth Foundation, hosting Hack for Earth at Expo 2020 Dubai – the biggest global online hackathon ever, where all citizens of the world are invited to create real solutions to the 17 UN SDGs. As hackathon expert and former head of government mission Hack for Sweden, Ann has extensive knowledge in international innovation work and ecosystem building, with a strong focus on building real citizen-driven innovation for the good of society.

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## Gaurav Sinha

**Founder and Chief  
Strategist, Insignia  
Worldwide, UAE**



Gaurav Sinha is the Founder and Chief Strategist of Insignia Worldwide, a destination design, strategy and brand experience company. He is a thought leader on the subjects of urban design, branding and destination development, a curator of culture and a catalyst of change.

With over 27 years of experience, working on projects across 20 countries, Gaurav's creative and strategic skills and business acumen have allowed him to play an integral role in key strategic destination development and branding initiatives for numerous clients, including government bodies and private sector organisations like Dubai Tourism, Ministry of Culture - Saudi Arabia, PIF, Emirates Group, Marriott International, Hilton Worldwide, IHG, Kempinski, Four Seasons, Accor Hotels, Emirates Airline and numerous others.

Gaurav's analytical capabilities, anthropological insights and understanding of the design and strategy domains are complemented by his extensive experience within the travel, tourism and hospitality sectors. He has been actively involved in the pre-opening of over 50 hotels in 12 countries and is also well versed in real estate development, asset and revenue management and other critical commercial disciplines within the tourism and hospitality industry.

In his last corporate role, he was appointed as the Area Director - Middle East & Asia Pacific for Hilton Hotels, where he was responsible for the Conrad, Waldorf Astoria and the Hilton brands. He is also the author of Compassion Inc., a book published by Penguin Random House, and critically acclaimed by the Financial Times UK, that presents a case on how to future-proof your brand based on principles of empathy and compassion.

## Raza Jafar

**Founder, Global Sustainability Network (GSN), UAE**



Raza Jafar is a Dubai-based serial entrepreneur and philanthropist.

Mr. Jafar started several businesses including banking, insurance company, aviation, real estate development company, hospitality management, and now healthcare. His development experience in Dubai includes Palazzo Versace Hotel, Emirates Financial Towers and others.

He is now focused on THB Global (The Health Bank), a health management company that focuses on excellence in health care through combining health tech with quality care.

In 2015 he founded the Global Sustainability Network (GSN), establishing a platform to achieve Goal 8 of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. Goal 8 is about sustainable economic growth, job creation and youth unemployment with a main focus on Ending Modern Day Slavery.

The GSN brings together over 1500 leaders from each respective sector - faith, government, business, media, and non-profits - to work collaboratively to accelerate the achievement of Goal 8.

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## Shamina Singh

**Founder and President, Mastercard Centre for Inclusive Growth, USA**



For more than 20 years, Shamina Singh has been on the frontlines of developing and implementing solutions to make the global economy work for everyone, everywhere. Shamina is the Founder and President of the Centre for Inclusive Growth, the philanthropic hub of Mastercard. She also serves as Executive Vice President of Corporate Sustainability. In both these capacities, Shamina is charged with activating the philanthropic dollars of the Mastercard Impact Fund, a \$500 million pool of capital committed to advance inclusive growth around the world.



## Vaibhav Chhabra

Founder and Chief Learning Officer, Maker's Asylum, India



Vaibhav Chhabra is a mechanical engineer by education but a carpenter by passion. A graduate from Boston University, Vaibhav spent the first 2 years of his career at EyeNetra, a startup from MIT Media Labs, building portable VR-based eye diagnostic devices. While working with the rural community in India for his eye diagnostic prototype, Vaibhav founded 'Makers Asylum.'

Maker's Asylum is a community space focused on fostering innovation through hands-on learning. The space houses various labs that are co-located in order to facilitate prototyping of ideas that are interdisciplinary in nature. Vaibhav essentially coupled his degree with his passion to create the first community Makerspace in India. The key focus of this space is to foster education in areas of hardware, design and sustainability. In his leisure time Vaibhav enjoys making furniture, photography and winning at ping pong. He is also the Chair for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Young Indians – Confederation of Indian Industries, a Global Shaper at the World Economic Forum and part of the French President's Young Leaders Club.

## Wendy Kopp

CEO, Teach for All, USA



Wendy Kopp is CEO and Co-Founder of Teach For All, a global network of independent organisations that are cultivating their nations' promising future leaders to ensure their most marginalised children have the chance to fulfill their true potential. Wendy founded Teach For America in 1989 to marshal the energy of her generation against educational inequity in the United States. Today, more than 6,000 Teach For America corps members — outstanding recent college graduates and professionals of all academic disciplines — are in the midst of two-year teaching commitments in over 50 urban and rural regions, and Teach For America has proven to be an unparalleled source of long-term leadership for expanding opportunity for children. After leading Teach For America's growth and development for 24 years, in 2013, Wendy transitioned out of the role of CEO.

Wendy led the development of Teach For All to be responsive to the initiative of inspiring social entrepreneurs around the world who were determined to adapt this approach in their own countries. Currently, the Teach For All network is comprised of partner organisations in 59 countries on six continents, including its founding partners Teach For America and the U.K.'s Teach First. Wendy has been recognised as one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People and she is the recipient of numerous honorary degrees and awards for public service. Wendy resides in New York City with her husband Richard Barth and their four children.

## Mike Dawson

CEO, Ustad Mobile, UAE



Mike Dawson is the CEO of Ustad Mobile. He has 12 years of experience in education technology, working with projects in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, and the United Arab Emirates. Ustad Mobile is based in Dubai and provides an open-source app that enables users to access and share educational content offline (e.g. directly between phones).

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## Bruna Elias

Senior Programmes Manager  
of the UN Global Compact  
Network, and Youth Power  
Panelist, Lebanon



Bruna Elias is the Senior Programmes Manager of the UN Global Compact Network in Lebanon, and is a Youth Power Panelist – MENA representative at Restless Development, Project Everyone and A4SD. She is a sustainability and corporate social responsibility professional, activist and SDGs advocate.

## Karen Kelly

**Regional Partnerships  
Manager,  
Laboratoria, Peru**



Karen Kelly is Regional Partnerships Manager at Laboratoria. She holds a B.A. in Global Studies and completed a Fulbright Scholarship in Andorra. Previous to Laboratoria, Karen spent six years at the Institute of International Education (IIE), as Senior Outreach Officer for NYU Abu Dhabi in Latin America and the Caribbean.

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## Fariel Salahudin

**CEO, Goats for Water,  
Pakistan**



Fariel Salahuddin is the Founder and CEO of Goats for Water (GFW), a unique model that targets rural poverty by enabling small-holder farmers to use their livestock as currency to purchase otherwise unaffordable assets. The model is based out of Pakistan and has been successfully tested in other developing countries. She worked in energy in Pakistan, Egypt, Indonesia and the MENA region. She is a Fulbright Fellow, a Cartier Women Initiative Fellow and a Summit Fellow.

## Dirk Fransaer

**Managing Director, VITO,  
Belgium**



Dirk Fransaer is a Belgian engineer and the Managing Director of VITO, a nonprofit research and technology organisation in Belgium with over 900 employees from 45 different countries. From climate change and food security to sustainable energy and resource scarcity, VITO's research agenda focuses on helping governments and companies around the world to initiate societal transitions in line with Agenda 2030 and its associated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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## Omar Ghanem

**Co-Founder and CEO,  
U Light, UAE / Nigeria**



Omar Ghanem is a goal-driven young leader obsessed with storytelling, social media and businesses for purpose; hence turned Co-Founder and CEO of U-Light - a social enterprise that provides human-powered energy solutions to off-grid communities worldwide. U-Light focuses on providing simple, affordable and reliable energy solutions that allow you to generate your own source of electricity and light through mechanical energy conversion.

Partnering with Expo Live, an Expo 2020 Dubai initiative, U-Light has secured over 20,000 pre-orders to date, already reaching over 1,000 people in Nigeria, as they progress towards their goal to end energy poverty.

When he's not fighting energy poverty, Omar helps businesses and personal brands establish their brand and grow online as a social media consultant with experience working across various sectors with clients such as Dubai Tourism, L'Oreal, Chalhoub Group and Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, among others.

As a Keynote Speaker, he has featured on Tedx talks, Hult Prize Boston and Dubai Regionals, in addition to televised interviews on Sky News Arabia and Sharjah TV, among others, to share U-Light's story.

He was awarded the Future Business Star award by Arabian Business, and was nominated for Forbes 30 Under 30 Social Entrepreneurs list following U-Light's pitch at the United Nations Headquarters for the 2018 Hult Prize Finals.

For more information on U-Light, visit [www.u-light.com](http://www.u-light.com).



## **Mona Mijthab**

**Founder, Mosan,  
Switzerland / Guatemala**



Mona is a social entrepreneur, lecturer at various universities and strategic designer with a focus on circular service design, applying participatory approaches to involve local populations in the design process. Mona founded Mosan – a social enterprise improving the living conditions in communities with access to safe and aspirational sanitation.

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## **Shantha Bloeman**

**Managing Director,  
Mobility for Africa,  
Zimbabwe**



Shantha Bloemen is the Founding Director of Mobility for Africa, a social enterprise that aims to bring the electric mobility revolution to rural Africa. Prior to launching this new venture, she spent two decades working in humanitarian and development assistance in Africa and Asia with UNICEF. She has worked in documentary film, advertising, public relations and advocacy and has been actively involved in raising awareness of human rights, global health and poverty.

## Karabo Mokgonyana

**African Youth Ambassador for Peace,  
African Union; Youth Advisory Panelist,  
United Nations Population Fund;  
Programme Director, Sesi Fellowship and  
Skill Hub; Operations Intern, CIVICUS,  
South Africa**



Karabo Mokgonyana is a young South African woman who advances social justice and socio-economic freedom through local and international advocacy and campaigning. She is an African Youth Ambassador for Peace with the African Union and a Programme Director at Sesi Fellowship and Skill Hub in South Africa.

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## Tautvydas Juskauskas

**Drones Specialist,  
UNICEF Supply Division,  
Denmark**



Tautvydas Juskauskas is a Drones Specialist at UNICEF Supply Division in Copenhagen, where he is in charge of implementing the organisation's drone delivery strategy and providing support to Country Offices to integrate drones into supply chain operations. Tautis also coordinates the Interagency Supply Chain Group's UAS coordinating body.

## Nikhil Taneja

**Co-Founder and CEO of Yuva,  
and Goalkeepers Advisor, India  
Moderator**



Nikhil Taneja is a Mumbai-based writer, producer, storyteller, teacher, entrepreneur, and youth mental health advocate. He's the Co-founder and CEO of a youth media and data insights organisation called Yuva (@weareyuva), a platform that creates socially conscious entertainment and works on purpose-driven solutions to empower young Indians. Nikhil also serves on the Global Advisory Board of Goalkeepers and is currently writing his first book for Penguin Random House India.

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## Radia Cheikh Lahlou

**CEO of Déclic, and  
Goalkeepers Advisor, Morocco  
Moderator**



Radia runs Déclic, a consultancy firm based in Casablanca and is now working with public and private organisations to develop innovative and inclusive strategies to drive sustainable development in Morocco and West Africa.

Among her experiences, Radia has worked on topics such as corporate sustainable responsibility, social innovation and social acceptability. Her involvement towards the SDGs has taken her to work with UNESCO and OECD on local and regional projects. She also works with multinationals as well as African companies to conceive, promote, and deploy sustainable approaches, which favor social impact and shared value.

Radia co-founded Matyn, an NGO dedicated to improving market access for cooperatives and is part of the Board of the Moroccan chapter of Enactus.

## Harry Morrison

**Managing Director,  
Sustainability Strategy and  
Services, Accenture**



Harry is the Managing Director for Accenture's Sustainability Strategy and Services with 20 years of experience in consulting and industry. He advises global clients on how to create a competitive advantage in a world of increasing environmental and social risk, changing customer and stakeholder expectations, and regulatory change. Harry has a strong focus on supporting clients to build sustainable and traceable supply chains, harnessing the power of new digital technologies. He frequently advises clients on the implications of the circular economy, the shift from product-based to services business models and on the innovation required to build the circular ecosystems of the future. He also advises clients on climate change risk, carbon strategy and the transition to clean energy. Harry leads Accenture's co-development agreement with SAP on sustainability – aiming to launch a new product on circular economy in Fall 2021. Prior to joining Accenture, Harry held a variety of roles in Strategy, General Management and Product Development in both consulting and industry.



**Anita Varshney**  
**Global Vice President,**  
**Sustainability, SAP**



Anita is passionate about sustainable change and transformation, working with public-private partnership models, bringing together global communities to make a positive impact. Through a system-thinking mindset, she consults on how businesses can bring sustainable ideas to life and with the right culture of innovation, coordinated team efforts, turning them into a powerful grassroot movement. Anita is a strong advocate on the role of women leadership and sports in accelerating our progress to reach the Global Goals by 2030.

Anita is spearheading SAP's strategy on Sustainability Management across SAP's product portfolio, working closely with experts, and leaders across different board areas. She is driving collaboration with SAP's partners and wider ecosystem, accelerating innovation and delivering customer success on their sustainability ambitions. Anita leads SDG Ambition for SAP, which was launched at the World Economic Forum in 2020, in collaboration with UN Global Compact and Accenture. This programme is aimed at developing and implementing innovative and ambitious business strategies that significantly increase companies' positive impact on the UN SDGs.

Anita has a strong dedication to working with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and has previously led the strategy behind building a global innovation with purpose space at SAP New York, Hudson Yards and an ecosystem which serves SAP's global customers in 180+ countries in collaboration with startups, accelerators, tech community partners, venture firms, impact investors and philanthropists, futurists, and purpose driven institutions. Anita has been a key contributor to the books "SAP Next-Gen: Innovation with Purpose" and "SAP Next-Gen: Using Science Fiction as a Starship for Enterprise Innovation".

Anita has led several Gender Equality initiatives helping women and girls to design, shape and benefit from the technological transformations and innovations changing our world including #sheinnovates in collaboration with UN Women, to drive industry-wide action to make innovation and technology work better for young women and girls; Global Goals World Cup in collaboration with Danish Eir Soccer, to drive the power of sports for women from all walks of life, across all regions of the world onto the field and advocate for the goal that is most invigorating for them, their families, and community; Women in Data Sciences in collaboration with Stanford empowering female data scientists and mentoring them in their careers, across a global network of 3,360+ educational institutions. She also launched Female Quotient Equality Lounges at Universities, to bringing experiential pop-ups at college campuses, global conferences, and companies where women connect, collaborate, and activate change together to best prepare women with confidence to advance in the workforce.

## Rachel Panaino

**Executive Director,  
Global Compact Network UAE  
Moderator**



With over 30 years in the region, Rachel has worked with a multitude of both public and private entities throughout the UAE. Currently serving as the Executive Director for the Global Compact Network UAE, hosted by the World Green Economy Organisation, Rachel is an expert in stakeholder management, marketing and communications, project management and sustainability. Through her role at the Global Compact Network UAE and as the Regional Chair for the MENA Region, Rachel is advancing the adoption of the UN Global Compact Ten Principles and the Sustainable Development Goals by mobilising the private sector. She has previously worked in the private sector for an SME and in a semi-government think-tank, facilitating the transition to a green economy. Her career path includes involvement in key projects such as CO2 inventories for both the UAE as a country and corporate entities, corporate sustainability reporting, establishing both annual and monthly knowledge products and awareness campaigns. Rachel has a number of professional certifications all complementing her Business and Sustainability degree from the University of Leeds.

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## Alison Bellwood

**Creator and Director of  
The World's Largest Lesson**



Alison is the Founder and Director of the World's Largest Lesson, a project to raise awareness, support and action for the Sustainable Development Goals throughout the education community – both educators and students alike. The project has been running since 2015 and has engaged millions of teachers and students in understanding the SDGs and applying them to their own local context and stimulating social action projects.

With a focus in 2021 on Climate Action, World's Largest Lesson is providing resources and guidance to teachers to introduce climate change into their classroom and hoping to activate children across the world, as young as 8 years old, to campaign for Climate Education to be formally included in their curriculum.

Alison is a creative communications expert with a specific focus on children and education. She has worked extensively with some of the world's most recognised brands (PepsiCo, Unilever, Nestlé).

## Natasha Kaushal

Head of Innovation,  
GEMS National School



Natasha Kaushal has over 10 years' experience in education and leadership in the UK and UAE. She leads on digital technologies and innovation initiatives at the Gems National School.

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## Anita Krishnan

Head of Kindergarten and  
Lower Primary,  
The Kindergarten Starters



To teach is to touch a life forever. With this ideology, Ms. Anita Krishnan, began her journey as an educator 19 years ago as a kindergarten teacher. Fueled by her passion for teaching and drive to innovate, she moved into pre-school research and development, as a senior executive at Birla Edutech, which gave her a new perspective towards the industry.

With a TEFL certification from the University of Ontario, Anita led the Kindergarten at World School in the Sultanate of Oman as Head of Pre-Primary. She was awarded the 'Most Creative Educator' and invited as a resource person for teacher training by the Ministry of Education, in the Sultanate of Oman. With the determination to make a difference in the lives of the students globally, Anita now heads the Kindergarten and Lower primary (Grades 1 and 2) at The Kindergarten Starters, Dubai. Being an avid traveler and music lover, she aims to travel the globe, inspiring little ones to pave the roads for a brighter and prosperous future.

**Dr. Jemilah Mahmood**  
**Special Advisor to the Prime**  
**Minister of Malaysia**



Dr. Mahmood is currently the Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of Malaysia on Public Health, and began her mandate in April 2020. She is also a member of the Government of Malaysia's Economic Action Council, and is actively engaged in the COVID-19 response and recovery initiatives on the health, economic and social fronts. In September 2020, she was appointed as a Senior Fellow at the Adrienne Arsht-Rockefeller Foundation Resilience Centre to help them reach the goal of making One Billion people more resilient to climate change, migration, and human security challenges by 2030.

Prior to this, she was the Under Secretary General for Partnerships at the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) from 2016 to 2020. Before joining the IFRC, Dr. Mahmood was the Chief of the World Humanitarian Summit secretariat at the United Nations and prior to that the Chief of the Humanitarian Response Branch at UNFPA; both positions in New York. From 2006 to 2009, she was one of 16 members appointed by United Nations Secretary-General to the Inaugural Advisory Group of the Central Emergency Response Fund. She is a renowned humanitarian and founder of MERCY Malaysia.

Dr. Mahmood has held many Board positions in NGOs and INGOs and is the recipient of numerous national and international awards for her contribution to civil society and work in support of marginalised communities, including the first Isa Award for Services to Humanity from the Kingdom of Bahrain. She was also the recipient of the ASEAN Prize in 2019, and the Merdeka Award from Malaysia in 2015. In October 2020, she was also appointed as a Board of Trustee of the Jeffrey Cheah Foundation in Malaysia.

Dr. Mahmood graduated as a Doctor of Medicine (MD) from the National University of Malaysia, has a Masters in Obstetrics & Gynecology from the same university and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in the United Kingdom.

She also completed an executive education at the International Management and Development Centre, IMD Lausanne.



## Pascale de la Frégonnière

**Strategic Advisor to the Board of  
Cartier Philanthropy**



Pascale de la Frégonnière is the Strategic Advisor to the Board of Cartier Philanthropy.

Pascale joined Cartier in July 2013 to launch Cartier Philanthropy, a grant-making foundation committed to improving the lives of the most vulnerable. Under her leadership, the foundation has invested CHF 65M to support impact-driven non-profit organisations operating in over 20 countries.

Pascale's two decades of work in humanitarian and development efforts proved an invaluable background for her work in philanthropy. She began her career as an intern at the UN in New York and soon found herself on the team of the UN Coordinator for Humanitarian Affairs in Mogadishu, Somalia. She later joined UNICEF in Baghdad, Iraq, and eventually was back on the team to lead donor relations for the USD 100M Iraq country programme. She also took part in on-the-ground efforts in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake.

Between stints on the ground, much of her work focused on raising the funds to support UNICEF's operations in Beirut and in France and managing funding relations with field offices in Africa and South-East Asia.

In her seven years at Cartier Philanthropy, Pascale and her team have established a data-driven and outcome-oriented approach, focusing on effective interventions to provide access to basic services and livelihood solutions in Sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia and Latin America.



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