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# 11th Annual Meeting of the New Champions Social Entrepreneurs Participant List

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**Gisele Yitamben**  
**Founder and President, Association pour le Soutien et l'Appui à la Femme Entrepreneur**

B. Sc. in Economics, University of Strasbourg France, MBA from Schiller International University Paris, Carlton University, Ottawa Canada, Harvard Business School. Formerly a lecturer at the Pan African Institute of Development (PAID) West Africa and Marketing Director at SIKAMED Cameroon. A Schwab fellow since 2002 and Member of the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on the Gender Gap. Member of the Reference Group for DESD, the group of 15 world experts that advises the Director General of UNESCO on issues related to education for sustainable Development, Her Association pour le Soutien et l'Appui à la Femme Entrepreneur (ASAFE) created in June 1987 promotes women entrepreneurship in various sectors (IT organic farming for rural women, food processing). Researcher and member of GRACE research network through which her expertise has led to two books on women and ICT. "African women & ICTs: Investigating Technology, Gender and empowerment published by Zed books London/New York 2008 and "Women and ICT in Africa and the Middle East : Changing Selves, Changing Societies' empowerment" published by Zed books London/New York 2014 International prizes won include the 2012 CPS award for best service by Cameroon Professional Society of USA, Most Inspiring African Feminist 2011 by AWFd, the "Africa SMME Award 2005" from ACIA University of Stellenbosch South Africa, the "Palme d'Excellence Féminine au Cameroun" 2004.

Cameroon



**Vinya Ariyaratne**  
**General Secretary, Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement**

1989, MD, De La Salle Univ.; 1990, MPH, Johns Hopkins; 1996, MSc and 2003, MD in Community Medicine, Post-Graduate Institute of Medicine, Univ. of Colombo; 2006, Postgraduate Certificate (Hons), Health Mgmt, Planning and Policy, Univ. of Leeds, UK. Exp. in community dev., public health, nutrition, relief, rehab. of war affected communities, peace building, reconciliation. Former: Visiting Fellow, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, UK; Chevening Fellow, Nuffield Institute, Univ. of Leeds, UK. Currently, General Secretary, Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement, Sri Lanka. Member, board of management, microfinance and rural enterprise development organizations affiliated with Sarvodaya.

Sri Lanka



**Shelly Batra**  
**Co-Founder and President, Operation ASHA - Fighting Tuberculosis Worldwide**

Doctor and author, Schwab Fellow, World Economic Forum, President & Co-Founder of Operation ASHA, providing last mile delivery of health and other services to the poorest of the poor in India & Cambodia. Senior Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, and advanced laparoscopy surgeon, with an MD from King George's Medical College, Lucknow, India. Penguin Author, blogger for the World Bank, WEF, and Huffington Post. Recipient of the Social Entrepreneur of the Year award from Schwab Foundation, 2014. Works tirelessly to serve those at the bottom of the pyramid. Has taught at the University of Chicago and lectured at major Ivy League universities. Recipient, Exemplary Contributions Award, given by the Indian Medical Association in recognition life-saving operations carried out free of charge, and serving the disadvantaged. Passionately dedicated towards eradication of curable diseases such as Tuberculosis. Operation ASHA (OpASHA), founded in 2005, delivers high quality healthcare services with a focus on tuberculosis (TB) to the poorest of the poor in slums, villages and tribal areas. It has achieved an unprecedented treatment success rate, at a cost that is 40 times less than other NGOs. It serves close to 18 million people in India and Cambodia. Having established the last mile of the cable to the poorest of the poor, the NGO is working in many health areas such as TB, nutrition, diabetes, heart disease, haemophilia, distribution of vitamins and supplements, and prevention of blindness in children.

India



**Jeroo Billimoria**  
**Managing Director, Child and Youth Finance International**

Jeroo is an award-winning founder of multiple social ventures, including Child Helpline International, Aflatoun and most recently Child and Youth Finance International. She has spent her life ensuring that children build the self-confidence, skills and knowledge to help them face adversity and break the inter-generational cycle of poverty. Using her unique ability to employ low-cost business models to change entire global policies and structures, she has been able to touch the lives of over 200 million children in 150 countries.

Netherlands



**Sakena Yacoobi**  
**Executive Director, Afghan Institute of Learning**

Founder, Afghan Institute of Learning. Honorary doctorates from six universities for contribution to society. Recipient of awards including: Jonathan Mann Award for Global Health; Gruber Women's Rights Prize; Gleitsman Award; Henry R Kravis Award ; German Media Award, Opus Prize, WISE Prize, Sunhak Peace Prize- Interests: educating women and children and bringing peace to Afghanistan.

USA



**Neichute Doulo**  
**Coordinator and Chief Executive Officer, Entrepreneurs Associates**

Post graduate in Economics and a Social Entrepreneur. A member of Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and an Ashoka Fellow. Have intensively worked in developing Youth entrepreneurship and sustainable Livelihoods. First hand knowledge in Small and Micro Enterprise (SME) Finance and Micro Finance. Interested in raising fund to scale up SME Finance and Micro finance as opposed to grants.

India



**Ashifi Gogo**  
**Chief Executive Officer, Sproxil**

Founded Sproxil in 2009, which empowers tens of millions of consumers to use their own cell phones to avoid purchasing counterfeit products and win rewards for brand loyalty; currently, Chief Executive Officer. Over USD 3m in rewards distributed to loyal consumers. Fast Company #7 most innovative company in globally 2013. Obama Administration Immigrant Innovator "Champion of Change"; BA in Mathematics and Physics, Whitman College; PhD in Electrical Engineering, Dartmouth College. Holder of one US patent. Interest: table tennis.

USA



**Asher Hasan**  
**Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Naya Jeevan**

Bachelor's in Neuroscience and Biology, Oberlin College; research, Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital; training in General Surgery, Beth Israel Medical Center; MBA, Stern School of Business, New York University. Formerly: Senior Director and Head, US Medical Affairs Obesity team, Amylin Pharmaceuticals, a biotech company based in San Diego, California; six years as Medical Director, Sanofi, based in US headquarters. Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Naya Jeevan, "new life" in Urdu/Hindi, 2009, 2010 and 2014, Member, Clinton Global Initiative. 2012-14, Member, Global Agenda Council on Social Innovation, World Economic Forum. 2009, Fellow, TED; 2011, Fellow, Ashoka US and Ariane de Rothschild; 2013, Senior Fellow, Synergos. Recipient of awards: Asia 21 Young Leader (2010); Asian Social Entrepreneur of the Year, Schwab Foundation (2011). Interests: alpine skiing, reading and cruising the Caribbean.

Pakistan



**Jane Hunt**  
**Chief Executive Officer, Ready Nation**

Chief Executive Officer, ReadyNation Australia; a business membership organisation that works to strengthen business and the economy through better investment and policies for children and young people; recognized as a leading agent for change, especially for developing viable social enterprises to address social problems. Recipient: Melbourne 3000 Award for Community Innovation (2010); Telstra Business Women's Nokia Award for Innovation (2011). Interests: fostering strong cross sector relationships to advance the advocacy of children and women's issues.

Australia



**Jonathan Hursh**  
**Founder and Executive Producer, Utopia**

Jonathan founded Utopia (2015), a design and urban planning firm reimagining the future of slums. Utopia aims to convert slums into next generation microcities. He founded INCLUDED (2006), a nonprofit that provides a baseline of essential opportunities to migrants living in urban slums, primarily through a network of one-stop-shop community centers. Jonathan is an advisory board member of Harvard GSD's Master of Design Engineering program, an advisory board member of the World Economic Forum's Urbanization Initiative, and a recipient of the World Economic Forum's Schwab Social Entrepreneur of the Year award.

USA



**Timothy Ma Kam-Wah**  
**Member of the Board, Senior Citizen Home Safety Association**

Vice-Chairman, General Chamber of Social Enterprises. Co-Founder and Member, Hong Kong Social Entrepreneurship Forum. Member: Hong Kong Chapter, Assoc. of Fundraising Professionals; Organizing Cttee, Social Enterprise Summit; Convenor of OC - Social Enterprise World Forum 2016@HK, Elderly Commission; Urban Renewal Authority, HKSAR Gov.; Social Innovation and Entrepreneur Dev. Fund Task Force, HKSAR Gov.; Lottery Fund Advisory Committee, HKSAR Gov. Ex-Convenor, Active Ageing Task Force, EC. Former Member, Town Planning Board. Author. Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur. Interests: personal motivation and motivating others to be innovative and mission-driven to change quality of life in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong SAR



**Joseph Madiath**  
**Founder and Chairman, Gram Vikas**

Degree in English Literature, Madras University. Founder, Young Students Movement for Development and 1971, led it to establish refugee camps during the Bangladesh war and later relief camps for cyclone-affected people in Orissa; 1979, established Gram Vikas. Founder Member: Voluntary Association Network of India; Orissa Development Action Forum. Pioneer in rural development action for social mobilization, renewable energy, habitat development, natural resource management. Recipient of awards including: India Best NGO Award, Resource Alliance, UK (2006); Social Life Time Achievement Award, Godfrey Phillips Red and White Bravery Awards (2006).

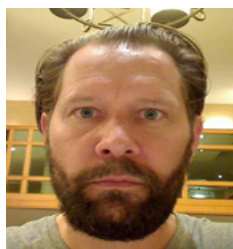
India



**Duncan Maru**  
**Co-Founder and Chief Strategy Officer, Possible**

Duncan Maru, MD, PHD is a co-founder and Chief Strategy of Possible ([possiblehealth.org](http://possiblehealth.org)), a healthcare non-profit company based in rural Nepal. Possible delivers public sector healthcare in government facilities via an accountable care systems approach that targets affordability, equity, and quality. Possible's team of 270 full time employees treats over 125,000 patients a year in remote rural Nepal. Possible's research arm, the Healthcare Systems Design Group ([hsdg.partners.org](http://hsdg.partners.org)), uses an integrated digital system by frontline healthcare workers at hospitals and in the community to study innovations in surveillance, reproductive and maternal healthcare, pediatrics, chronic disease management, mental health, mortality assessment, and household health economics. Duncan has published over 40 peer-reviewed articles. He has received a High-Risk, High Reward Early Independence Award from the National Institutes of Health, a USAID PEER award, a Skoll Global Threats award, and a World Economic Forum - Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur of the Year. He is an Assistant Professor of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, and a pediatrician at Boston Children's Hospital.

USA



**David Mikkelsen Troensegaard**  
**Co-Founder and Co-Chief Executive Officer, Refugees United (REFUNITE)**

Brothers and social entrepreneurs David and Christopher Mikkelsen founded REFUNITE ([www.refunite.org](http://www.refunite.org)) in 2008 based on the personal experience of trying to reconnect a young Afghan refugee with his family. Realizing the lack of any global, IT-based infrastructure to help refugees locate missing family, the two brothers set out to change this. They built the first-ever global, mobile-based search tool for refugees. David and Christopher Mikkelsen are experts in social innovation and international speakers who bridge the gap between the nonprofit world and the corporate world. In July 2016 Mikkelsen brothers were selected as two of the 25 most daring individuals in America by editors of Condé Nast, WIRED Magazine, Vanity Fair and more. They were members of the Clinton Global Initiative 2010 and 2011, and PopTech Fellows in 2011. David and Christopher Mikkelsen have also been featured in TIME, The Economist, The Huffington Post, The BBC, WIRED, National Geographic, and been named "New World Heroes - People who deserve a bigger stage in 2009" by Monocle Magazine, and nominated as "People of the Year 2009" by DAS Magazine.

USA



**Yves Moury**  
**Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer, Fundación Capital - FundaK**

Yves Moury is the Founder, President and CEO of Fundación Capital, a global organization and pioneer in inclusive finance, economic citizenship, and scalable, cost-effective solutions for the bottom of the pyramid. He is the winner of the 2014 Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship and a member of the Leadership Council of the Microcredit Summit Campaign. The majority of his professional career has been dedicated to poverty reduction worldwide; he has worked as a consultant, entrepreneur and social entrepreneur in Europe, Africa, Asia, and more extensively in Latin America and the Caribbean. He is trained as an Economist and Management Engineer from the Louvain School of Management in Belgium, and is the CEO of KGroup, a holding company taking shares in disruptive social enterprises, and was for many years Director of a regulated rural bank in Peru that serves low-income clients.

Colombia



**Luvuyo Rani**  
**Co-Founder and Managing Director, Silulo Ulutho Technologies**

Work Experience  
 2004 - Present Managing Director/ Co-Founder Silulo Ulutho Technologies (Pty) Ltd  
 Support the organization's strategic alliances and partnership  
 Implement operational strategies as per the company's Strategic Business Plan  
 Monitor and control the company's performance and finances in accordance with the budget approved by the Board of Directors.  
 Liaise with Board Members and all relevant stakeholders regarding the company performance  
 Represent the company at industry associations and outside committees  
 Plan and monitor progress of projects scheduled on the Business Plan's Action Plan  
 Ad hoc duties as allocated by the Board of Directors  
 2001 - 2004 Teacher – Accounting & Business Economics  
 KwaMfundo Secondary School  
 1998 - 2000 Credit Controller  
 Edcon Group  
 Leadership Activities and Awards  
 2016 Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur of the year Award.  
 2015 Recipient of Honorary Degree from Tsiba Education  
 2014 JCI Outstanding Young Person in the World Chosen to be part of the brand SA Play campaign  
 2012  
 2011 Winner of the National Productivity Award  
 Selected as an Endeavour Global Entrepreneur  
 2009 National 2nd Runner up of SAB Kick-Start Award  
 2008 Regional winner of SAB Kick-Start Award in the Western Cape  
 2nd runner-up in the SMME Awards for the Service Business Sector  
 2007 Cape Times/KPMG Editors Award (Award for business excellence)

South Africa



**Ramazan Salaman**  
**Founder and Executive Managing Director, The Ethno-Medical Centre Association**

Germany

“Studies in social sciences and applied social studies, in medical sociology and psychology. Salman became dedicated to eliminating entrepreneurial, political, language and cultural barriers for migrants and refugees regarding health care, education, labor market and gender equality.

Since 1992, Founder and Exec. MD, EMC, Germany. Since 1995, Founder and Chairman, German Institute for Transcultural Legal Guardianship. Since 2008, Programme Director, European Union AIDS and Mobility Programme. Member: Integration Summit, Federal Chancellery of Germany; European Council’s Committee of Experts on Mobility, Migration and Access to Health Care. University lecturer. Editor of books on migration, health and integration. Social Entrepreneur of the Year for Germany, Schwab Foundation (2008). Federal Cross of Merit, Germany (2009).

Since 2016 founder and CEO, International MiMi LAB for Migration, Integration and Diversity Development (Berlin).”



**Mark Ruiz**  
**President and Co-Founder, Hapinoy**

Philippines

BSc in Management Engineering, Ateneo de Manila University. Founding Partner and on the Board of Advisers, Rags2Riches. Co- Founder and President, MicroVentures. Recipient of awards: Asia Society Philippines 21 Young Leaders (2008); Young Inspiring Social Entrepreneur, Go Negosyo (2010); Finalist, Entrepreneur of the Year, Ernst & Young (2010); Global Social Benefit Incubator Fellow (2011); Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur of the Year - Asia (2011); INSEAD Social Entrepreneur-In- Residence (2011); GSBI Online Mentor (2012); Devex 40 under 40 (2013); Purpose Economy 100 (2014);



**Pierre Tami**  
**Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Shift360**

Cambodia

Social entrepreneur with over 30 years’ experience in Asia; since the 90’ has worked in Cambodia. Launched Hagar in Cambodia, consisting of social rehabilitation programs and commercial businesses for victims of abuse, violence and trafficking. Now, started Shif360 which facilitates fair and sustainable economic opportunities to the youth of Cambodia, is also the founder of the Academy Of Culinary Arts Cambodia and co-owner of a number of food businesses. Member of the board of the International Chamber of Commerce (Cambodia) he also serves as Personal Adviser to the Prime Minister of Cambodia. Recipient of awards: from former US Secretary of State Colin Powell, Prime Minister of Cambodia, the king of Cambodia and Brandenberger Prize from Switzerland.



**Jack Sim**  
**Founder and Director, World Toilet Organization Ltd**

Singapore

Broke the taboo on toilets and sanitation with unique blend of humour and serious facts. Retired at age 40 after 16 businesses to work full-time in social work, pro bono for last 11 years; 1998, established Restroom Association, Singapore; 2001, created World Toilet Organization; 2005, founded World Toilet College; changed Singapore’s building codes for more cubicles in ladies restrooms; 2007, key Member, Sustainable Sanitation Alliance. Member of the Board, World Entrepreneurship Forum. 2007, Ashoka Global Fellow. Schwab Fellow, World Economic Forum. Synergos Senior Fellow. Named: Hero of the Environment, Time Magazine (2008); Asian of the Year, Channel News Asia (2009); Asian of the Year, Readers Digest (2011). Recipient of awards incl.: Water Champion, Asian Development Bank (2007).



**Arbind Singh**  
**Executive Director, Nidan**

Degree and postgraduate degree in Sociology, Delhi University; degree in Law, Magadh University, India. Social activist. Coordinator, National Association of Street Vendors of India. Secretary StreetNet International, Managing Director, Nidan Swachdhara. Member: World Street Food Council, Singapore; Street Food Committee set up by FSSAI, Government of India. Awards: Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur of the Year, India (2008); Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship (2012); Ashoka Fellow; Eisenhower Fellow.

India



**Thorkil Sonne**  
**Founder and Chairman, Specialisterne Foundation**

Graduate, University of Aalborg, Denmark. Sixteen years' experience in ICT. Founder and Chairman, Specialisterne Foundation to enable one million jobs globally for autistic people. Working with UN to arrange annual Autism Advantage Luncheon. Recipient of awards and honours: Autism Prize, Autism Denmark (2004); IT Prize, Danish IT Industry Association (2008); Global Social Entrepreneur of the Year (2012); Ashoka Globalizer Fellow (2009). Expertise: Neurodiversity: turning disability into specialist abilities. Interest: challenging norms and changing mindset.

USA



**Sugianto Tandio**  
**Founder and Chairman, Greenhope Tirta Marta**

Dedicated to innovation and social causes. As leader, Tirta Marta, saw Indonesia as a country rich in natural resources yet lacking in high-value added products. Driven by a passion to develop a product with the potential for high social impact for Indonesia, initiated a decade-long R&D project to produce ECOPLAS®, the first "Fair for Life" certified biodegradable resin made from tapioca that is both an environmentally and a socially beneficial alternative to regular plastics.

Indonesia