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### **Aditi Gupta, Co-Founder, Menstrupedia, Ahmedabad Hub**

Aditi Gupta is a social entrepreneur and co-founder at Menstrupedia, where she is designing solutions for menstrual hygiene management (MHM) and education. Menstrupedia Comic uses storytelling to help young girls understand and tackle menstruation in a society where the subject is a major taboo. Her comic-book has been translated into 7 languages and is currently being used by more than 30 schools across India. Her work is impacting lives in other developing countries like Nepal, Uruguay, Nigeria and Pakistan.

Aditi has been featured in the Forbes India list of 30 under 30. She has been a speaker at United Nations, India Social Good Summit, TEDxGateway and is an alumni of International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP).



### **Afonso Reis, Founder, Mentres Empreendedoras, Lisbon Hub**

Consultant and social entrepreneur. Has advised senior policy-makers on education, employability and training, OECD, Paris and United Nations, Geneva. Coordinated knowledge and innovation management, Swiss Contact, a Swiss foundation present in 29 countries. Founder and Mentor, Mentres Empreendedoras (Entrepreneurial Minds), a not-for-profit organization unleashing the talent, leadership and entrepreneurship potential of Portuguese youth since 2010. Visiting Assistant Professor, Nova School of Business and Economics, Lisbon, responsible for the pioneering Managing Impactful Social Projects class.



### **Alanda Kariza, Business Director, Sinergi Muda, Jakarta Hub**

Alanda co-founded and manage Sinergi Muda, a youth-run social enterprise that connects likeminded youth from all across Indonesia to collaborate on creating social change through programmes like the Indonesian Youth Conference, which has become Indonesia's biggest independently-organised youth event in 5 years. She is a British Council's Global Changemaker and One Young World Ambassador. Alanda has published best-selling books on youth empowerment issues and spoken in high-level engagements, including the London G-20 Summit 2009, 100th International Labour Conference and Pontifical Council for Culture's Plenary Assembly 2013, among others. Alanda has worked for the Presidential Delivery Unit for Development Monitoring and Oversight, Microsoft, and Unilever prior to joining a social innovation fellowship at The DO School, which she is currently completing.



### **Alanoud Hamad Thani, Country Manager, Silatech, Doha Hub**

2015, Qatar Country Director at Silatech, a Qatar-based social initiative that connects young people to employment opportunities across the Arab region. Previously worked for Amnesty International, volunteered with several nonprofit institutions, and worked in affiliation with various UN agencies and international organisations on issues related to education and development in conflict zones. Authored various reports on education and development focusing on the MENA region.

Member of the Board: Bedaya Centre for Entrepreneurship and Career Development; Tomouh; How Women Work; Future Foreign Policy, UK; Ministry of Youth and Sports Doha Girls' Centre.

BSc (Hons) in Economics with Government, London School of Economics and Political Science; MSc in Economics for Development, University of Oxford; Recipient of honours and awards, including: Young Arab Achiever (2011); His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani's Academic Excellence Award (2008 and 2011). Founder and Owner, Arabian Food Company, a food business operating in Qatar since 2013.

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### **Alvin Carpio, Lead Organizer, Joseph Rowntree Foundation, London Hub**

Alvin campaigns for policy changes to address poverty. This year he set up the First Job Opportunities programme, a jobs-with-training for people in poverty who have never had a job. The goal is to create 10,000 first job opportunities in the UK by 2020.

He advises governments and global corporations on leadership and social impact, including a research project that is examining the obstacles and opportunities affecting youth employment in Europe. He is now advising the government of Trinidad and Tobago to support the establishment of its statutory National Youth Commission.

In addition to his community service, Alvin has lectured at King's College London and University of Connecticut, has delivered keynote speeches in the House of Lords, and has debated in Cambridge Union.

Alvin has a master's degree in Social Policy at the London School of Economics.



### **Armando Regil, Founder, IPEA, Mexico City Hub**

Studies in International Business, Tecnológico de Monterrey, and Economics and Public Policy, Georgetown University. Has participated in the foundation of different organizations empowering leaders and entrepreneurs. Founder and President, IPEA - Think Tank (Instituto de Pensamiento Estratégico Ágora), IPEAcademy (Innovation, Policy & Economics) and One million youth for México (Network). Op-Ed Columnist: El País, El Economista & CNN México. Lecturer, Mexico and abroad. Youngest speaker on TEDxDF 2010. Has published two books, La respuesta eres tú (2006), and Un millón de jóvenes por México: Una agenda de libertad y corresponsabilidad (2012).



### **Asmaa AbuMezied, Researcher and BD Specialist, Small Enterprise Centre, Palestinian Territories, Gaza Hub**

Master's in Management and Human Resources, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), UK; Bachelor's in Business Administration, Islamic University of Gaza, Palestine.

Currently, a Research and Advancement Fellow at Internet2 in Washington-DC, U.S; an Atlas Corps Fellow in partnership with President's Obama "Emerging Global Leaders" Initiative; Since 2011, a Researcher and Business Development Specialist at Small Enterprise Center in Gaza, Palestine; involved in programs, such as DEEP-UNDP and OXFAM programs, that focus on the economic empowerment of marginalized people and areas of economic recovery in the Gaza Strip. Her expertise extends to different areas including economic development, entrepreneurship and small business development, women and youth empowerment and engagement, training, research and community service. Playing a leading role in developing a Local Economic Development strategy for the Gaza Strip. Since 2013, Asmaa co-founded of "PAL Initiatives of Change" which aim to foster and reinforce the human values in the Palestinian Society as well as develop the sense of individual and collective responsibility toward positive change. Founder of "Gaza SEES through Entrepreneurship" which aims to socially and locally empower school students affected by the conflict to be change agents in their communities. Since 2014, a global shaper in Gaza Hub; 2015 vice-curator in Gaza Hub. 2014, a part time lecturer at Al-Azhar University-Gaza; a mentor in "Gaza Sky Geeks" first accelerator in Gaza.



### **Bella Anne Ndubuisi, Coordinator, Embassy of the United States, Nigeria Abuja Hub**

Dual Bachelor's degrees in International Relations and French, Lincoln University; Master's in International Development, Ohio University. Co-Founder, Human Rights Volunteer Initiative (HURVI), a volunteer-led human rights organization aimed at educating on human rights, reporting cases of violations, and providing support to victims of human rights violations. Currently with the Public Affairs Section, United States Embassy, responsible for initiating programmes as well as monitoring and evaluating programmes of the 11 American Corners across Nigeria. Interests: public diplomacy, human rights, democratic governance, community development, and building the capacity of Nigerian children to lead.



### **Carolina Hadad, Software Developer, Manas InSTEDD, Buenos Aires Hub**

Carolina works in a NGO called InSTEDD, in the iLab Latinoamerica, where technologies are applied in order to solve humanitarian problems worldwide. InSTEDD builds solutions for addressing health, social and crisis response issues, for instance. Carolina is also a Women in Technology advocate, she participates of several local groups as Girls in Tech Buenos Aires, Women Techmakers and the Regional Ambassador of Technovation Challenge.



### **Daniela Panaro, Founder, No Pise la Grama, Caracas Hub**

2006, graduate in Social Communication, Merchandising and Advertisement, UCAB University, Caracas; 2011, degree in Fashion Design, Brivil, Caracas. Started working as a journalist at age 18. At age 20, was published in about 10 important magazines in Venezuela, which led her to the fashion industry. 2007, launched a clothing line named No Pise La Grama. 2010, member of the jury for final works, UCAB University, Caracas. Expertise: fashion production, merchandising and advertisement, management, creation of concepts.



### **David Sichinava, Founder, Lambda Tech, Tbilisi Hub**

David Sichinava was born in 1984 in Tbilisi, Georgia. While in high school he developed interest for technical sciences and participated in two International Mathematical Olympiads (Korea, 2000 and USA 2001), was awarded honorable mention in Korea and various diplomas in national Olympiads for success in physics, mathematics and astronomy. From 2001 he is a student of Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, studying applied physics and mathematics. After getting master's degree in 2007 he moves back to his hometown, Tbilisi. In September 2008, shortly after military conflict in Samachablo region of Georgia, he starts working for Georgian Civil Registry agency as software developer in Internally Displaced Persons Registration Project. He is in charge of the technical part of the project which includes four major organizations addressing issue of IDPs - Civil Registry Agency, Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons, USAID and UN World Food Program. From 2010 he is also developing loan management and accounting software "PSPPro" for microfinance organizations, which turns out to be a success after Georgia's Liberty Bank decides to use it for microloans in 2011. Following the growing demand on "PSPPro" on Georgian microloan market, David starts his own company, named "Lambda Technologies", where he acts as CEO up to now.



### **Denis Kolga, Chairman, Youth Initiative, Minsk Hub**

Denis Graduated from Belarusian State University - Department of International Relations, Minsk (Belarus) . He is the chairman of the NGO «Youth Initiative» – member of the «Belarusian Union of Youth and Children's Public Associations»\National Youth Council. Belarusian member of the No Hate Speech Movement (NHSM) - youth campaign for human rights online, a project run by the Council of Europe's youth sector. Fields of Expertise: Elections, International Relations, EU-Belarus Relations; Youth Affairs, Non-Formal Education



### **Driss Driss-Kaitouni, Founder, DabaDoc.com Associate, Mergers and Acquisitions, Bank of America Merrill Lynch Rabat Hub**

Driss Drissi-Kaitouni is the co-founder of [www.DabaDoc.com](http://www.DabaDoc.com) DabaDoc has developed a disruptive technology allowing instant doctor bookings by streamlining the patient-doctor relationship. This innovative and integrated platform is present in Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Nigeria, South Africa, and Kenya to date. 18 months after launch, 1 in 7 doctors use the platform in some markets. Driss pulled together the team for the inception of DabaDoc in 2014 and helped finance its development and expansion. Driss started his career as an investment banker at Merrill Lynch in 2010 in the London office where he helped companies raise capital, was involved in structured finance solutions and advised on mergers and acquisitions. Whilst at BoA Merrill Lynch, Driss has closed over US\$20 billion of transactions. He's an approved person of the UK Financial Conduct Authority. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from McGill University with an interest in philosophy.



### **Edward Thai, Venture Partner, 500 Startups, Ho Chi Minh City Hub**

Edward is venture partner with 500 Startups, the world's most active seed-stage venture capital fund headquartered in Silicon Valley. He is focused on investing in Vietnam's next great tech startups as well as helping develop 500 Startups' global corporate innovation advisory practice. Prior to 500 Startups, he had experience in strategy and finance for companies ranging from startups to Fortune 500 corporations in technology, media, telecommunications, finance, and manufacturing. Edward received degrees from Harvard (AB Government, Economics) and Yale (MBA) and remains connected to both universities . He was named to the inaugural Forbes Vietnam 30 Under 30 list in 2015. Other press mentions include Bloomberg, BBC, TechCrunch, and various leading Vietnamese outlets.



### **Birgit Skarstein, Athlete, The Norwegian Olympic and Paralympic Committee and Confederation of Sports, Oslo Hub**

Studies in the US; studies in Political Science and Economics, University of Oslo. 2008, worked at an orphanage in Thailand. When travelling in Asia, injured left leg. During treatment in Norway, an epidural injection injured the spinal cord; paralyzed from the bellybutton and down at age 20. Chairman of the Board, Young Disabled, which works to influence politicians and other decision-makers to ensure participation and social equality for youth with disabilities and chronic illness. Also runs other small projects in Oslo. Politically active, and engaged in sports and student welfare. Adviser and lecturer. Aim is to reach a world where all people are equally respected for the individuals they are, no matter religion, gender, sex, colour of the skin or physical function.

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### **Elizabeth O'Day, Founder&CEO, Olaris Therapeutics, Boston Hub**

Dr. Elizabeth O'Day is the CEO and founder of Olaris Therapeutics a pharmaceutical company that develops precision medicines for diseases with little to no treatment options and dismal survival rates. Olaris technology will fundamentally change how these diseases are treated and diagnosed.

Dr. O'Day is also the founder of Lizzard Fashion, an apparel company that uses fashion to promote science. Partial Lizzard proceeds support cancer research. Additionally, Dr. O'Day initiated Proyecto Chispa (Project Spark), which recycles electronics and uses the resale of parts to build computer centers in orphanages throughout Latin America. She is also the founder of "Women in Science & Technology" (WST) at Boston College.

Dr. O'Day received her PhD from Harvard University, where she was a National Science Foundation fellow. She was one of eleven American scientists awarded a Winston Churchill fellowship and received a Master's of Philosophy in Chemistry from the University of Cambridge. She has a Bachelor's of Science degree from Boston College in Biochemistry. She was awarded all of the nation's top undergraduate research honors.

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### **Liliya Borovets, Co-Founder, Pro.Svit - Center for Innovative Education, Lviv Hub**



Co-founder of Pro.Svit - Center for Innovative Education. The project aims to develop 'education eco-system' based on innovative technologies and cooperation of teachers, parents and kids. The project has started from blended learning courses for kids in Lviv and turned into learning program for local teachers.

Co-founder of DiyaUA - social innovation accelerator which provides a unique opportunity for organizations to receive mentoring, consulting to articulate their goals, strengthen their communications for scalability and sustainability.

Background: student of Lviv Business School at Ukrainian Catholic University at MS Innovations and Entrepreneurship, BA in International Law at Lviv National University of Ivan Franko.

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### **Federico J. Rivas, CEO, International Media Group, San Salvador Hub**



Born and raised in El Salvador, Federico started his first company at age 12, selling promotional articles to his classmates running for student government. After receiving a BA from Georgetown University and an MA from Harvard, Federico returned to El Salvador and is now CEO of International Media Group, a holding which owns businesses that specialize in TV and Cinema production, mobile cinemas, advertising, education and social entrepreneurship in Central America.



### **Feleg Tsegaye, Founder, Deliver Addis, Addis Ababa Hub**

Born and raised in the US and now residing in Addis Ababa, Feleg Tsegaye is a leading tech innovator in Ethiopia having launched several ventures and is the founder and president of Deliver Addis, Ethiopia's first and leading online restaurant delivery service. Feleg moved to Addis Ababa three years ago to create opportunities for young adults with a desire to use technology to improve the lives of others. Feleg's career has spanned Fortune 500 companies, the education sector, and the US Federal Reserve where he led the Fed's largest innovation program crowd-sourcing ideas from thousands of employees across the US.



### **Francis Sollano, Installation Artist, Cebu Hub**

Francis Sollano is a trashion and installations artist known for his contemporary takes on upcycling garbage into wearable art and converting urban spaces. A graduate from the University of the Philippines, a self-made social entrepreneur, he incorporates his love for the natural environment in his delicate handmade creations. Currently a co-convenor of Youth for a Livable Cebu, he hopes to bring the movement to an international platform, advocating for sustainable practices and livability in various communities. He was awarded by the British Council (England, United Kingdom) as an Elevate Fellow for using his creativity on community works. He is also the latest recipient of the United Nations Environmental Program (Shanghai, China) Fellowship Award as one of the Asia Pacific Leaders on sustainable design. Rappler.com (Philippine's online news portal) names him as the Creative Mover 2015 for his contributions on helping improve communities by youth engagement.



### **Frank Frederick, Director, World Faith, New York I Hub**

Frank Frederick is the founder of World Faith, a global interfaith development organization, and Mean Communications, a digital agency. After graduating from NYU, Frank worked in the music industry, managing artists such as Lady Gaga. In 2006, he founded World Faith, a youth-led interfaith organization active in 15 countries. As an active blogger, Frank has contributed to the Huffington Post, Washington Post, and Sojourners. Frank has been interviewed on Good Morning America, NPR, and New York Magazine. He is an alumnus of the IFYC Fellowship, Soliya Fellowship, AMENDS at Stanford, YouthActionNet Fellowship, and the Ariane de Rothschild Fellowship. Frank resides in New York with his wife, fervently reading, cooking, learning a language at any given time, and performing as a musician and songwriter. Frank is a Global Shapers Community Scholarship recipient at Oxford's Said Business School.



### **Gulika Reddy, Advocate, Madras High Court, India, Chennai Hub**

Gulika Reddy is a human rights lawyer and the Founder of Schools of Equality. She is currently a Human Rights LL.M. Fellow at Columbia University. In the past, she has worked with lawyers, non-profits and academic institutions on the rights of: women and children, indigenous communities, climate refugees, and slum-dwellers.



### **Franklin Morales, Political Attache, Embassy of Panama to the USA, Panama City Hub**

Franklin Morales is a Panamanian, internationally experienced professional, specialist in youth leadership and talent development. He is a Political Attaché for the Embassy of Panama to the United States of America, also coordinating one of the main educational programs of the Panamanian Government with this country. In 2009 he worked as Global Sales and Marketing Manager for AIESEC International, as the first Panamanian to be part of the leadership team of the largest youth driven organisation in the world. Following that, in 2010, he joined the Global Talent Management team of Electrolux in Sweden where he coordinated the corporation's internship program. In 2012 he returned to Panama where he joined a prestigious legal firm as Marketing and Communications Director. There, he also cofounded a social project with the objective of developing leadership skills in young students in Panama.



### **Giovanni Porcellana, Nuclear Engineer, CERN-TERA, Turin Hub**

Nuclear Engineer, Giovanni studied in Italy and Sweden in the Polytechnic Universities of Turin and Milan and in KTH of Stockholm. Then he started working in France on new reactors design for a challenging project concerning Generation IV Nuclear Reactors. Joint CERN, Geneva, on medical applications of CERN technologies, developing new generations of particle accelerators for cancer treatment. Co-founder of Bizanami, a web-based platform providing help and support in every step of the company development - from the idea to the final product - thanks to an automatic software in a web based platform. With this tool, every aspiring entrepreneur without access to mentors and incubators will find a way to develop his business idea. Head of the Italian Delegation at the Youth Summit of the G20 in Sydney 2014.



### **Isaac Castro, CEO, Emerge, Bogota Hub**

Born in Madrid (Spain), Isaac Castro is passionate about innovation in medical technology. Siemens Healthcare named him 'Young Innovator 2011' and in 2012, he won the Top Prize at IDEA^2 Madrid competition, a biomedical innovation program developed by MIT, Harvard and the Regional Government of Madrid. Castro was honored to be part of the jury of experts in subsequent editions. The MIT's Technology Review magazine awarded him the 'Innovators Under 35' prize, being recognized as one of the 10 most innovative young Spaniards of 2013. Castro was accepted into the Singularity University's Graduate Studies Program in 2015. The program was aimed to empower leaders and accomplished innovators to address humanity's grand challenges at the NASA Research Park in Silicon Valley, California. More recently, Castro has been selected to be part of the inaugural community of SOLVE at MIT whose mission is to inspire extraordinary people to work together to solve the world's toughest problems.



### **Jaideep Bansal, Operation Manager, Procter and Gamble, Chandigarh Hub**

Jaideep is an IIT Bombay graduate working with Procter and Gamble. At P&G, he is responsible for building organizational capability and coaching the Gillette Baddi manufacturing site to deliver business results.

He is the team leader of the Global Himalayan Expedition, and is involved in electrification of remote Himalayan villages using DC Solar Micro-grids. As program coordinator for the Third Pole Education Base (Leh) he works on running the fellowship program at the E-Base and developing the curriculum along with the E-Base team.



### **Javier Aguera, Chief Scientist, Blackphone, Madrid Hub**

Serial entrepreneur specialized in the mobile industry. At the age of 16 and after two early projects, co-founded Geeksphone, the first European brand to launch Android to the market (2009) and the worldwide pioneer with Mozilla's Firefox OS (2013). Currently, Chief Scientist, Blackphone, an award-winning privacy-centred smartphone manufacturer based in Switzerland. Member of the Board, Neupic. Former Young Adviser to Neelie Kroes, the Vice-President of the European Commission.



### **Jieke Hou, Co-Founder, Hua Kang Mobile Health, Shenzhen Hub**

Jieke is the Co-Founder of Hua Kang Mobile Health, a Chinese leading mobile healthcare company, specialised in online diagnosis. Aiming at involving more than 1000 most influential hospitals in china, serve more than 10M customers in the following 2 years. Jieke was previously with CICC, Chinese leading investment bank, accomplished a series of IPOs cases, help companies raised billions RMB.

He was also with Ping An Ventures, responsible for the overseas and domestic investment, focused on the healthcare and TMT sector. Invested more than 10 companies with average size of 10M USD.

Jieke holds a Master Degree in Management and bachelor in Plant Science from Shanghai.



### **Joan Xu, Independent screenwriter, Beijing II Hub**

Joan Xu is a multi-cultural screenwriter in Beijing, driven by a belief in the importance of the role that popular culture plays in shaping societal values as well as a love of great stories. She aims to create Chinese movies that can help represent modern China to global audiences, working in the China-Hollywood co-production sphere. Thus far, she has worked on 12 episodes of a Chinese TV series "The Circle," and scripts for two feature films.

Joan holds an M.A. in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Chicago, and a B.A. in Government and Economics from Harvard University.

Previously, Joan worked in Strategic Development and Investor Relations at Qunar.com, China's largest online travel platform. She held internships in China at McKinsey & Company, Lenovo, Xinhua News Agency, and also served as a volunteer during the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Joan also spearheaded a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization called IMUSE, which orchestrated summer fellowship programs in Beijing for top university students around the world, seeking to bring together future leaders in intimate dialogue to build mutual understanding and respectful relationships to last.



### **Julia Bossmann, Neuro and AI Scientist, Anticip8 Analytics, Palo Alto Hub**

Julia Bossmann is a neuroscientist turned AI entrepreneur. Her current startup Anticip8 Analytics forecasts wind and cloud coverage for renewable energy suppliers. With an academic background in cognitive science, psychology, and neuroscience, business consulting experience with McKinsey, and two years of research experience in a private technology research center, she is passionate about using powerful computation to tackle the world's biggest challenges. What drives her is the notion that computation and artificial intelligence can be scaled beyond the limits of human cognition.

Julia has been a fellow of the German National Merit Foundation, scientist in several labs, entrepreneur, pro bono advisor with Ashoka, and a fellow at McKinsey & Company. In 2015 she completed the Graduate Studies Program at Singularity University for exponential technologies. She also started Silicon Valley Women, a 1000+ strong network of professional women in Silicon Valley. In her free time, she hosts events to inspire the world that a better future is possible.



### **Junto Ohki, Founder, ShuR Group, Fukuoka Hub**

Junto Ohki started ShuR Group when he was 21 years old, sophomore student at Keio University in 2008. ShuR is Social Enterprise which helps Deaf people with IT.

Junto became a member of Kanagawa's advisory bodies for SME activation, a member of Gunma's advisory bodies for consumers' affairs, and representative for Japanese Association for an Inclusive Society in 2011. In 2012, Junto was selected as Ashoka Fellow, had a speech in TEDxTokyo, and selected as Forbes 30Under30.



### **Kate Marie Sigfusson, CEO, Babies4Babies, Chicago Hub**

Kate Marie is the founder and CEO of Babies4Babies, the e-commerce baby brand on a mission to save one million newborn lives. Her for-profit social enterprise empowers customers to reduce maternal and child mortality by funding high impact antiseptic treatments to mothers and newborns in the developing world. An advocate for gender parity, Kate Marie leads a "#startupmom" movement using storytelling on social media to empower women to embrace entrepreneurship and, ultimately, to change how the United States views the intersection of work and family.

She is a graduate of the George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs.



### **Kirk-Anthony Hamilton, CEO, Infiniti Partnership, Kingston Hub**

Kirk-Anthony Hamilton is an architectural designer turned entrepreneur and investor from Kingston, Jamaica. CEO of the Infiniti Partnership, a company connecting opportunities to a dynamic network of people, capital and markets in real estate, hospitality, retail, lifestyle and entertainment. He is the co-curator of the Destination Experience; an innovative platform of social discovery experiences, connecting decision makers with a dynamic network of ideas, people.

Prior to this, Kirk-Anthony co-founded a private investment firm offering Caribbean high net-worth individuals ownership in profitable US digital media companies. Kirk-Anthony graduated with a Master of Architecture Degree from the Savannah College of Art and Design.



### **Lillian Secelela Madeje, Co-Founder, Ekihya Consulting, Dar es Salaam Hub**

Lillian Secelela Madeje is the co-founder of Ekihya, a strategy and management consulting company operating in Tanzania. Prior to this, Lillian amassed more than 4 years of experience in the human resource industry in Tanzania and she holds a BA in Business Administration, with specializations in International Business and Marketing. She was the lead of an innovative program for vocational educational students to get access to soft skills training and through her various avenues such as co hosting a popular youth business radio show called The Link and recently a TV show on governance and civic education called +255 Kwanza, she is an advocate for the development of youth, business and governance in Tanzania. Lillian currently serves on the Board of Global Entrepreneurship Week in Tanzania where she has successfully organized GEW events for 3 years in a row from 2012, is an Administrator for a domestic tourism movement called, "AsiliYangu:Niamshe ", Ambassador for Jali Project, which aims to educate the girl child about menstrual health and a member of Africa 2.0 in Tanzania.



### **Lokesh Todi, Director, Reliance Group Nepal, Kathmandu Hub**

Lokesh Todi is the Director of Reliance Group Nepal, a multifaceted conglomerate with interests in manufacturing, trading, and financial services. He manages the operation of Yeti Polychem, Nepal's first and only PVC flooring and Rexine manufacturing company. Prior to joining Reliance Group Nepal, Lokesh was a Senior Analyst at Analysis Group in Boston where he provided his economic expertise in litigation related cases to various government organizations and Fortune 500 firms.

Lokesh received his MBA from Yale University in 2014 where he was an Emerging Entrepreneurship Fellow. Lokesh received his BA from Colby College where he was awarded the prestigious Baker Scholarship. He graduated Colby with magna cum laude honors with a distinction in Economics and Political Science in 2009.

Lokesh has also been actively involved in two main social causes over the last decade: women empowerment and enhancing economic development in rural areas.



### **Lucineida Fonseca, Economic Adviser, Office of the Prime Minister, Cape Verde Praia Hub**

Luci is an Economic Advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister of Cabo Verde's Strategic Policy Center where she is the youngest member of the country's long-term strategic planning and economic transformation team. She coordinates the Center's activities for developing the tourism and aerobusiness clusters, promoting the private sector, and financing transformation. Luci is passionate about the role of entrepreneurs in transforming the African continent, and supports a number of young social entrepreneurs in her native Cabo Verde as a member of the board and advisor. She has worked across Cape Verde, China and the United States in a variety of roles at the intersection of entrepreneurship development, business and government and is a graduate of Yale University.



### **Marcus Ranney, Vice President, RoundGlass Partners, Mumbai Hub**

Dr Marcus Ranney completed his Bachelors of Science and Medical degrees from University College Medical School in London. He has served as a medical officer in the British Royal Air Force fueling his desire for flight and also at NASA's Kennedy Space Center for one of the space shuttle's missions to the International Space station.

After practicing clinical medicine in London he made the transition to Mumbai where he now works within the Healthcare and Life-sciences industry as a Business Consultant, blending together his experiences from both the scientific and business worlds. Leveraging his extensive network within the region and strong domain expertise, from his medical training as well as scientific and research background, Marcus advises and develops concepts and strategies for a variety of multinational clients and investment funds.



### **Mariel Reed, Manager of Partnerships, Coursera, San Francisco Hub**

Mariel is now at Coursera, the world's largest massive open online course (MOOC) platform. At Coursera, she works on market development and university partnerships across mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. She also leads the local chapter of a national education technology women's network, EdTechWomen.

She was raised by the sea but after studying International Politics at Georgetown University, she headed to teach and trace the Silk Road in Xinjiang, China, through Princeton in Asia. From there, she navigated the international philanthropy and health education landscapes from Beijing and cut her teeth as a community builder. In Beijing, she co-founded the Beijing chapter of Lean In, which has now spread to cities and universities throughout China. Mariel has deep faith in the power of education and the development of people.



### **Marina Parfenova, CEO, Nanobarrier, Moscow Hub**

BA in Psychology; MBA, Moscow School of Management Skolkovo and MIT Sloan Business School. Founder and CEO, Nanobarrier, an innovative nanotechnology company. Initiator, Valenok Dobra (The Boot of Good), an annual charity project to raise funds and warm clothing and shoes for regional orphanages, held in several cities of Russia. Member, Russian and American start-up communities. Co-Founder and Contributor, newspaper Skolkovo-Times. Practises ice water diving. Interests: entrepreneurial and marketing activities; outstanding approaches to changing the world for the better.



### **Matan Hoffmann, CEO, Amaizz, Tel Aviv Hub**

Matan Hoffmann is an entrepreneur working to create post harvest solutions for small holder farmers in Africa, through his company, "Amaizz".

Matan has gained field experience in the world of food security and agriculture in the developing world as an aid volunteer and worker in countries such as India, Nepal, Mozambique and Malawi.

He is the founder of "Table for Two Israel", which to this date has affected nutritional security of over 40,000 children and 16,000 families in Israel.

Matan has also worked for both Tel Aviv University and George Washington University as a researcher, conducting research in Nepal and in Burma, helping to better understand how food insecurity affects those who are living at the bottom of the pyramid.



### **Matsi Modise, Managing Director, SiMODiSA, Soweto Hub**

Matsi Modise is the Managing Director of SiMODiSA, an industry association whose mission is to accelerate entrepreneurship by collaborating with policy makers to enhance the success rate of high impact, high growth entrepreneurs. She is the former National Executive Director of the South African Black Entrepreneurs Forum (SABEF) and is an avid entrepreneurship activist. She is the founder of Furaha Afrika Holding (Pty) Ltd, a Pan-African advisory company that focuses on enterprise and business development solutions. Her experience ranges from Investment Banking at Investec Bank Ltd, and Enterprise Development advisory with South African banks, institutions of higher learning and corporate entities.



### **Michael Nganga, Country Manager, GIVEWATTS, Nairobi Hub**

Michael is the country manager of GIVEWATTS, a social enterprise, which implements and monitors its own distribution and work in renewable energy solutions. GIVEWATTS distributes these solutions to people lacking access to electricity. He is passionate about preserving the natural environment and seeks to be a part of the movement to bring back nature in its full essence for the sake of generations to come. One of his main goals is to see Africa's liberation through access to clean energy, empowerment of the youth and development of Africa.



### **Naadiya Moosajee, Co-Founder, WomEng, Cape Town Hub**

Naadiya is a serial social entrepreneur by passion, a civil engineer by training, and is Co-Founder & CEO at WomEng, an international Non-profit company developing the next generation of female engineering leaders in Africa. She holds a BSc Civil Engineering and MSc Engineering degrees and completing her MBA. Naadiya serves as the HR Director at Pegasys, a niche management consultancy, is a board director for the International Youth Foundation, based in Baltimore which provides skills building, leadership & entrepreneurship training for youth globally, and an African Regional Board member for Frost & Sullivan Growth Innovation Leadership Institute. Naadiya is a YouthActionNet global leadership fellow, an African Leadership Network Fellow, and an Associate at Harambe Entrepreneur Alliance. Naadiya is a World Economic Forum Global Shaper and in 2014 was named as "Top 20 Young Power Women in Africa" by Forbes Magazine. She is co-founder at WomHub which provides consulting and develops leadership and gender diversity programs for previously male dominated sectors.



### **Nomintuya Baasankhuu, Arts Programme Director, Arts Council of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar Hub**

Nomintuya Baasankhuu is the Arts Program Director of the Arts Council of Mongolia (ACM), oversees the organization's largest program with a focus on artists' development, international artistic exchanges and music, dance, and theater and film projects. She is a Fulbright alumni and a graduate of both Columbia University (2012) and The National University of Mongolia (2006). A recipient of the Peace International Scholarship, the Lemna Fellowship Award, Undergraduate Exchange Program Scholarship from the Open Society Institute and was listed in Forbes Mongolia 30 under 30 list of 2014.



### **Philip Chow, Co-Founder, China Society Initiative, Beijing Hub**

Philip Chow is a social entrepreneur, and system builder. Philip is the co-founder of a venture philanthropy platform that catalyzes innovative capacity, solutions, and talent around three strategic areas (new media, philanthrocapitalism, and technology + philanthropy) that aims to foster greater collaborations between the various stakeholders in China's social sector. Some examples of his work include the leading of a Canada-China trade mission with Global Vision, and acting as an independent consultant to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Philip is also the co-founder of an early-stage enterprise software company, a co-founder of a global experiential learning initiative, and a venture partner at a cross-border US-China opportunities fund. B.A. (Honors) Economics, Western University, London, Canada (2011) and a Post-Graduate Diploma in Financial Engineering, Stanford University, Palo Alto, USA (2012).



### **Rawan Albutairi, Accounting Analyst, Saudi Aramco, Al-Khobar Hub**

Rawan Al-Butairi is an analyst in the Planning & Performance Management team of Saudi Aramco, where she helps oversee the largest multi-billion dollar capital program in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as well as lead analysis and planning activities for several critical areas within the Company. Prior to Aramco, Rawan spent several years in the commercial banking sector, where she focused on institutional clients and supervised numerous high profile accounts with total credit facilities exceeding 3 billion SAR.

Rawan recently founded Edugo Arabia and co-founded Mubarada GCC; two social initiatives designed to empower the youth with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to thrive in a professional setting as well the potential to become successful future entrepreneurs. She is also a Mosaic International Leadership Program Delegate 2015, and a member of both Tomouh and Women2Power.



### **Rohit Nayak, Founder, EcoAd, Pune Hub**

Rohit is very passionate about the issue of Climate Change. He founded EcoAd, working to create India free from plastic carry bags while providing sustainable livelihood to marginalised women community. EcoAd is currently employing over 225 marginalized women and has replaced over 7,00,000 plastic carry bags with Eco-friendly paper bags. He has been identified as one of the top 100 social innovators in India by AFI Forum and been awarded with various awards and scholarships for innovative work in the field of Environment Conservation, including Villgro Sankalp Scholarship.

He has been identified and featured by various national and international media platforms including CNBC Awaaz Entrepreneur, OUTLOOK business (Good businesses), Outlook money (25 businesses under 10 lakhs), Times of India, Indian Express and Spark tour, France. He is a engineering graduate with major in Instrumentation-and-Control from VIT, Pune 2011 batch and certificate holder in business management from SJMSOM , IIT Bombay.



### **Selma Seddik, Co-Founder, Instock, Amsterdam Hub**

Co-founders of Instock. Instock started in June 2014 and currently consists of a restaurant, a take away shop and a food truck. Instock create dishes from food surplus. Roughly one third of food produce is wasted worldwide, the goal is to reduce food waste and create more awareness around this issue. It gets products from local supermarkets.

Started her career at Ahold as a Management Trainee. By winning an internal innovation competition Selma has been granted the opportunity to start Instock.

Expertise: Food Retail, Food Service Industry, Waste Management, Corporate Responsibility.



### **Youmna Naufal, Correspondent, FutureTV, Beirut Hub**

Youmna Naufal is the Head of the English News Desk at Future Television where she is charged with producing and anchoring the daily news bulletin, as well as conducting live interviews with political figures and analysts regarding the situation in the region. As the Beirut Correspondent for China's CCTV, she also reports on the latest local events in Lebanon. In her capacity as Producer, she has created and hosted many special feature segments for the news station including "Inspirational Women Series," "Summer Insights," and "Entrepreneurial Minds" which all featured prominent and rising figures of impact in the nation. She was also in charge of the English segment of ECONews, a monthly publication distributed by the Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture.

Naufal received her MA degree in International Relations/International Business from New York University.



### **Yuka Matsushima, COO, Cross Fields, Tokyo II Hub**

Co-founder and COO of CROSS FIELDS, Japanese nonprofit organization, which operates International Corporate Volunteering Program. In this program, the volunteers contribute to the host organizations with their professional skills and get experiences to tackle social issues.

Prior to CrossFields, Yuka was with Boston Consulting Group as a business consultant. While she worked in BCG, she did pro bono work at a nonprofit organization on weekends and created a new donation system with her consulting skill.