**2018 ECOSOC PARTNERSHIP FORUM**

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## Opening Session

### Welcoming Remarks

**H. E. Ms. Marie Chatardová, President, ECOSOC**

Her Excellency Marie Chatardová, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the United Nations in New York, was elected seventy-third President of the Economic and Social Council on 27 July 2017. Precendently, Ms. Chatardová was her country’s Ambassador to France and Monaco, its Permanent Representative to the International Organization of la Francophonie and to UNESCO (2013-16). A career diplomat, Ms. Chatardová held several positions within the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, including Director of Diplomatic Protocol (2007–10), Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Sweden (2002–7), Director of the Communications Strategies Department, (2000–2), and Unit Chief of the Department for the Coordination of Relations with the European Union (1999-2000). She also served in the Permanent Mission of Czech Republic to the European Union (1995-9), and in the Ministry’s Department of Analysis and Policy Planning (1994-5). Ms. Chatardová was awarded Commander of the National Order of the Legion of Honour of France in 2016, and also Officer of the Order of Saint-Charles of Monaco in 2016.

**H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák, President, United Nations General Assembly**

H. E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák of Slovakia was elected as President of the General Assembly’s seventy-second session, from September 2017 to September 2018. Prior to this appointment, he served as Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic, (since 2012) and as Deputy Prime Minister. Mr. Lajčák has dedicated his professional life to diplomatic service, representing both the Slovak Republic and the international community on posts in Brussels, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro. He negotiated, organized and supervised the referendum on the independence of Montenegro in 2006 on behalf of the European Union High Representative for Common and Security Policy. In 2007, while High Representative of the International Community and European Union Special Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bosnia and Herzegovina signed the landmark Stabilization and Association Agreement with the European Union. Mr. Lajčák helped shape the newly formed diplomatic service of the European Union, the European External Action Service, as its Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia.
He also served as the EU’s Chief Negotiator for the Association Agreements of the EU with Ukraine and Moldova, as well as the EU Representative for the “5+2 Talks” on the Transnistrian Settlement Process.

HIGH-LEVEL CONVERSATION: FROM COMMITMENT TO RESULT: CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN DELIVERING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Speakers

Ms. Amina Mohamed, Deputy-Secretary-General, United Nations
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Ms. Amina J. Mohammed is the current Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations. Previously, Ms. Mohammed was Minister of the Environment of Nigeria from 11 November 2015 to 15 December 2016. Before that she served as the Special Adviser to UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon on Post2015 development planning. In that role, she acted as the link between the Secretary-General, his High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons (HLP), and the General Assembly’s Open Working Group (OWG), among other stakeholders. Prior to this position, Ms. Mohammed served as Founder and CEO of the Center for Development Policy Solutions and as an Adjunct Professor for the Master’s in Development Practice program at Columbia University. Ms. Mohammed was also Senior Special Assistant to the President of Nigeria on the Millennium Development Goals after serving three Presidents over a period of six years.

Mr. Bob Wigley, Chairperson, UK Finance
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Bob is Chairman of UK Finance, Secure Broadcast Ltd, Vesta Global Holdings Limited, Bink Ltd and Accloud Ltd. He is a Non-Executive Director of Nordengine Capital Ltd and the Qatar Financial Centre Authority and Chairman of its Audit Committee. He is a founding investor in Margot Restaurant in Covent Garden, London. He is a Trustee of the Peter Jones Foundation. He is a member of the Advisory Boards of The CityUK, blockchain.info, Remora Ltd and Symphony Environmental plc. He is a Visiting Fellow of Oxford University and Chairman of Oxford University’s Centre for Corporate Reputation and an Honorary Fellow of Cambridge University’s Judge Business School. He sits on the Council of the Royal College of Music. He is the former EMEA Chairman of Merrill Lynch, former member of the Court of the Bank of England and former Chairman of Victoria Beckham Ltd. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and has a business degree and an honorary doctorate from Bath University.

Ms. Kirstine Cooper, General Counsel, Aviva (representing World Benchmarking Alliance) @avivaplc ; @SDGBenchmarks

As Group General Counsel and Company Secretary, Kirstine heads the Office of the Chairman at Aviva. She is also a member of the Group Executive Committee and Director on the board of Aviva Insurance Limited and Aviva UK Digital. Kirstine is responsible for the provision of legal services to the Group, legal risk management, regulatory compliance, public policy and corporate responsibility. She also supports the Chairman and the Board in the discharge of their responsibilities. Kirstine is a lawyer and held a number of legal and senior management roles within
Aviva’s legacy companies before leading the Group legal function of Aviva. Kirstine has served as a board member of the English National Ballet and became a Trustee of the Royal Opera House in October 2016.

Mr. Dan Matjila, CEO, Public Investment Corporation

Dr. Daniel Matjila is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the South African Public Investment Corporation. The Public Investment Corporation is the largest Asset Manager in Africa, with Assets under Management of over R165 Billion. Dr Dan is a senior leader and respected figure in the Investment Management Industry both in South Africa and Rest of the World. He has spent over 15 years at the PIC, with over 25 years’ experience in the investment management industry. Prior to his current position, he was the Chief Investment Officer of the PIC for over 11 years, 5 years, as a Senior Manager at Stanlib and 5 years at Anglo American, managing the Quants Portfolio. He is also a Board member of various companies both in South Africa and rest of Africa. Dr Dan is well known for advocating for good governance practices in portfolio companies and as well as sustainable investing towards economic inclusive growth. Highlights of his investment track record include spearheading the design and implementation of the PIC’s Offshore Investment Strategy and Rest of Africa Investment Strategy; the re-design of the Alternative Asset Mandates for PIC clients and successful management of the portfolio of over USD 165 Billion.

Moderator

Ms. Kathy Calvin, President and Chief Executive Officer, UN Foundation

Kathy Calvin is President and CEO of the United Nations Foundation. She is a passionate advocate for multi-sector problem-solving, U.S. leadership on global issues, and the inclusion of women at all levels and in all sectors. The UN Foundation, created in 1998 with entrepreneur and philanthropist Ted Turner’s historic $1 billion gift to support UN causes, advocates for the UN and connects people, ideas and resources to help the UN solve global problems. Kathy’s career has spanned the public, private and nonprofit sectors. Before joining the UN Foundation as Chief Operating Officer in 2003, she served as President of the AOL Time Warner Foundation. She previously served in senior positions at AOL, Hill and Knowlton, and U.S. News & World Report. From 1976 through 1984 she was Senator Gary Hart’s press secretary. Kathy was named one of Newsweek’s “150 Women Who Rock the World” in 2011 and listed in Fast Company’s “League of Extraordinary Women” in 2012. Her innovative work in the philanthropy and international development sectors has been featured in the New York Times and the Washington Post, and she has received numerous other awards for philanthropy and leadership.
Morning Session: Inclusive Business Models that Drives Inclusion

PANEL: INCLUSIVE BUSINESS MODELS FOR WOMEN AND VULNERABLE GROUPS

Speakers

**Mr. Peter Rhee, Corporate Vice President, Global Public Affairs, Samsung Electronics**
@Samsung

Mr. Peter Rhee is the Corporate Vice President of Global Public Affairs at Samsung Electronics HQ in Seoul. He has been working at Samsung Electronics for over 17 years, with leading roles in the Strategic Planning Team, Corporate Strategy and Global Public Affairs. He is a graduate of University of California at Berkeley and Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) from the University of Oxford. He and holds a MBA from the University of Chicago.

**Ms. Katharina Latif, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, Allianz SE**
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Katharina Latif is the Group Head of Corporate Responsibility at Allianz SE. Ms. Latif is responsible for the Allianz Group activities with regards to ESG integration into business, sustainability ratings and reporting, corporate citizenship programs, donations and disaster relief. Partnerships with NGOs and public sector to support the social inclusion of youth and minorities into society are a central part of Allianz’ corporate citizenship program. Since 2012, Ms. Latif has also been Head of the ESG Office at Allianz SE, supporting the Board of Management in implementing Allianz’ strategy with regards to systematically integrating ESG considerations into core business. Her previous positions include Managing Director of Allianz Climate Solutions, the Allianz Group’s climate change center of competence. Before that Ms. Latif was a management consultant with Accenture. Ms. Latif has degrees in International Trade and Environmental Technology.

**Mr. Vincent Molinari, CEO, Liquid M Capital**
@VinceMolinari

Co Founder of Templum, Inc. and Founder and Chair, Fifth Element Fund. Vincent is a globally recognized thought leader on the modernization of securities law and the intersection of breakthrough innovation and technology solutions. He has been a leading advocate of Impact Investing, The JOBS Act and Digital Assets (‘crypto’ and BlockChain-based assets) as Securities. Current initiatives include a system of cross-platform vehicles to advance the Sustainable Goals (SDGs) and de-risk Moonshot solutions at the nexus of digital finance/assets, Impact investing and large-scale SDG solutions. Vince is a co-founder and board member of the Blockchain Commission for Sustainable Development and is CEO of Templum Markets, LLC a FINRA-regulated Alternative Trading System creating secondary liquidity for private and unregistered securities instruments. He is also Co-Founder of
Templum, the first fully integrated regulatory framework for the issuance and secondary trading of digital assets as Securities. He is passionate about tokenized smart contract to unify very large pools of aligned global capital to deploy into inclusive finance and the fulfillment of the mandates of SDGs worldwide.

**Mr. Jeremy Hockenstein, Co-Founder and CEO, Digital Divide Data (DDD)**
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Jeremy Hockenstein is co-founder and CEO of Digital Divide Data (DDD), an award-winning social enterprise. Based in Southeast Asia, DDD provides socially responsible IT outsourcing services to clients world-wide while creating jobs and better futures for disadvantaged youth in those countries. For its business success and remarkable social impact, DDD and Jeremy have been recognized with the prestigious Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship as well as awards from the World Bank Development Marketplace, the IFC Grassroots Business Initiative and the Global Knowledge Partnership. Among other media acclaim, Jeremy and DDD were profiled in Thomas Friedman's The World is Flat as his "favorite example" of a social entrepreneur's initiative. Prior to DDD, Jeremy worked as a management consultant with McKinsey & Company and as an international nonprofit consultant. He graduated from Harvard with a B.A. in economics and earned an MBA from MIT's Sloan School of Management.

**Mr. Ricardo Oteros Sánchez-Pozuelo, CEO, Supracafé**
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Mr. Oteros, as well as his work with SUPRACAFE, is President of ASEACAM (the Industries Association for Food Producers of Madrid) and also President of CAFEMUNDI Foundation. Member of the Executive Committee of CEIM (Madrid Confederation of Employers and Industries-CEOE) as well as the Advisory Council of the Sustainable Coffee Challenge. As SUPRACAFE CEO, Ricardo Oteros has made a firm commitment to driving forward innovation and sustainability in coffee producer communities as a future strategy for the next generation of coffee cultivators. For the past 20 years he has been working to develop social projects related to coffee growers communities in the Colombian Department of Cauca, notably supporting a group of female coffee workers who have been victims of armed conflict. Along with SUPRACAFE, the Governing authority for Cauca and the National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia, he has also been an active participant in the establishment and construction of TECNICAFE, the first technological park in the world dedicated to being a platform of innovation for coffee, aiming to develop coffee producing ecosystems in an open and collaborative way.
Moderator

Rie Vejs Kjeldgaard, Director, Department of Partnerships and Field Support
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Ms. Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard’s professional experience includes managerial responsibilities in the pharmaceutical sector as Head of Product and Market Development; Enterprise Development Specialist in the ILO Regional Office for Asia and Pacific in Bangkok, and Senior Specialist in Enterprise Development, ILO Headquarters in Geneva. She has also held various ILO management positions including Global Manager of a Technical Corporation Programme on “Job Quality in Micro and Small Enterprises”; Deputy Sub-Regional Director for South East Asia, New Delhi; as ILO Country Director for Viet Nam; and as Manager of the ILO Global Programme on “Decent Work Country Level Policy Analysis”. Prior to her current assignment she served as the Deputy Regional Director of the ILO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia responsible for providing policy and technical assistance to 51 member states of the ILO. She is a Danish national and has an educational background in Economics and Business Administration with a specialization in marketing and international business development.

Discussants

Mr. Mandeep Tiwana, Chief Programmes Officer, CIVICUS
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Mandeep Tiwana is the chief programmes officer at CIVICUS, the global civil society alliance. He specialises in legislation relating to the core civil society freedoms of expression, association and peaceful assembly. Since joining CIVICUS in 2008, Mandeep has engaged in efforts to advance civil society participation in decision making and to protect civil society freedoms globally. He has written extensively on the intersection between civil society, development and international affairs in this capacity. Previously, Mandeep advised the New Delhi Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross. He has also worked with the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, and has published a compilation of landmark Indian Supreme Court decisions and National Human Rights Commission guidelines on human rights and policing and has co-authored modules on human rights for the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and a citizen's handbook explaining the mandate and practical functioning of human rights commissions in India. Mandeep has also drafted two annual reports for the Punjab State Human Rights Commission and has worked on projects related to good governance and women’s empowerment in India. He holds an LL.M in Law in Development from Warwick University, U.K. and completed his LL.B and B.A degrees at Panjab University, India.

Mr. Andrew Wilson, Permanent Observer to the UN, International Chamber of Commerce @AndrewWilsonICC

Andrew Wilson was appointed as Permanent Observer of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) to the United Nations on 5th February 2018. Prior to this appointment, Andrew held the position of Chief of Staff and Director of Global Communications at ICC Headquarters in Paris from 2015. In this role, Andrew held responsibility for ICC’s engagement with international organisations and processes representing the global business community – including the G20, United Nations and the World Trade Organization. Previously,
Andrew held a number of roles at ICC’s London office – latterly as UK Director of Policy. Prior to joining ICC, he held policy roles at in the private sector and UK Government.

**Afternoon Session: Big Data for Public Good**

**High-Level Conversation: The Role of Private Sector in Unleashing the Potential of Big Data for Public Good**

**Speakers**

**Ms. Rachel Samrén, Executive Vice President / Chief External Affairs Officer, Millicom**

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Rachel joined Millicom in July 2014 and manages the group’s Government Relations, Corporate Communications and Corporate Responsibility functions. Her focus is on developing and driving Millicom’s global engagement with particular responsibility for special situation strategies. Rachel’s background is in the risk management consulting sector, most recently as Head of Business Intelligence at The Risk Advisory Group plc. Previously, she worked for Citigroup as well as non-governmental and governmental organisations. Rachel currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Reach for Change and Zantel. She holds a BSc in International Relations from the London School of Economics and a MLitt in International Security Studies from the University of St Andrews. Rachel Samrén holds 500 Millicom shares.

**Mr. Andrew Zolli, Vice President, Global Impact Initiatives, Planet Inc**

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Andrew Zolli works at the intersection of global innovation, foresight, social change, and resilience. Andrew is the former executive director and curator of PopTech and serves as a Fellow of the National Geographic Society. He has advised senior leadership teams at companies including GE, PwC, Nike and Facebook. He serves on the Boards of the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Garrison Institute, Blurb, PlanetLabs, DataKind and The Workshop School. His work and ideas have appeared in a wide array of media outlets, including PBS, the New York Times, National Public Radio, Vanity Fair, Fast Company and many others.
Moderator

Mr. Robert Kirkpatrick, Director, UN Global Pulse
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Robert Kirkpatrick is a social innovator who has spent more than 20 years in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors working at the intersection of technology, public policy and organizational change. He is the Director of UN Global Pulse, an innovation initiative of the United Nations Secretary-General harnessing data science for sustainable development and humanitarian action. Prior to joining the United Nations, Robert co-founded and led software development for two pioneering private-sector humanitarian technology teams, first at tech startup Groove Networks, and later as Lead Architect for Microsoft Humanitarian Systems. From 2007-2009 he served as CTO of the non-profit InSTEDD.

PANEL: BUILDING MOMENTUM FOR THE SDGS: THE ROLE OF BIG DATA

Speakers

Mr. Anil Arora, Chief Statistician, Statistics Canada / Government of Canada
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Mr. Arora is the Chief Statistician of Canada, having led major transformations including the implementation of the online Census at Statistics Canada. Anil is very active internationally, helping build statistical capacity in various regions; a staunch supporter of the critical role of National Statistical Offices in the development of strong indicators for Sustainable Development Goals; represents Canada as a member on the United Nations Statistical Commission; and currently leads the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics within the Conference of European Statisticians.

Ms. JoAnn Stonier, EVP/Chief Data Officer, MasterCard
@privacydesign

JoAnn C. Stonier is EVP/Chief Data Officer for Mastercard. In this role, she is responsible for enterprise-wide data strategy and management to ensure the organization maximizes the value of its information assets. Ms. Stonier and her team of global professionals identify the opportunities associated with Mastercard’s information assets and assist in the development of the tools, processes, policies and standards necessary to enable their use. Previously, Ms. Stonier was EVP Chief Information Governance & Privacy Officer for the organization. In that role she was responsible for worldwide privacy and information governance, leading those teams as well as leading regulatory engagement in this area. Ms. Stonier received her Juris Doctorate from St. John’s University in Queens, and her Bachelor of Science degree from St. Francis College. She holds memberships in the Bar of the State of New York and the Bar of the State of New Jersey. Ms. Stonier has been recognized as a leader in data and privacy by a number of organizations including the Aspen Institute, the United Nations, and the Information Governance
Initiative and has served on the board of the International Association of Privacy Professionals, the Center for Information Policy Leadership and the Information Accountability Foundation. She is a well-regarded speaker at industry events and often addresses the need for balancing data innovation and privacy.

Mr. Eddy Sefuluya Mukooyo, Chairperson, Uganda AIDS Commission
@MukooyoEddie

Dr. Eddie Mukooyo is the current Chair, Uganda AIDS Commission, and before that he served as the Assistant Commissioner Health Services, Division of Health Information, Ministry of Health Uganda. He presents 34 years of leadership and management experience for Health Service delivery, Health Management Information Systems (HMIS), Information Technology, Epidemiology and Biostatistics at both national and district level. Prior to this position, Dr. Mukooyo Eddie served as the District Director of Health Services, Kamuli District Local Government, as a Medical Superintendent of Bugiri Hospital and as a Medical Officer at the Jinja Regional Referral Hospital. Dr. Mukooyo Eddie was also the Personal Assistant to Hon. Dr. Crispus Walter Kiyonga who was the First Chairperson of the Global Fund for HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis. He championed the role out of the District Health Information System (DHIS_2) across the country health institutions both at national and district level and data utilization for decision making, planning, monitoring and evaluation of health services. He thus brings a passion for utilizing digital health system and big data of things in improving health services for sustainable development. He has worked closely with bilateral and multilateral donors such USAID, DFID, JICA, WHO, UNICEF, World Vision, Global Fund and the World Bank.

Mr. Sriganesh Lokanathan, Team Leader, Big Data for Development, LIRNEAsia
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Sriganesh Lokanathan is Team Leader – Big Data Research at LIRNEasia, a pro-poor, pro-market think tank based in Sri Lanka, but active across emerging Asia-Pacific. At LIRNEasia, Sriganesh co-established and leads a multi-disciplinary research practice on big data for development. His works involves the conceptualization and implementation of big data analyses to support global development, understanding its implications on society, and mainstreaming its use for social good. He is a Board Member of the Social Innovation Lab, a joint initiative of UNDP & and Sri Lanka’s Ministry of Science, Technology and Research, and also an advisor to the Analytics Unit of Sri Lanka’s Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs. He holds a Bachelors degree in Computer Science, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Master’s degree in Public Policy from the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy of the National University of Singapore.
Ms. Ana María Blanco, Director, Public Policy and International Relations, Groupe Spéciale Mobile Association (GSMA)  
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Ana María Blanco is a sustainability expert who helps companies strengthen their business models by identifying, measuring and managing environmental, social and governance (ESG) risks and opportunities, as well as understanding policy and regulatory frameworks. As Director of Public Policy and International Relations at GSMA, Ana helps maximize the mobile industry’s contribution to the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda and its goals (SDGs), including by developing robust partnerships with public and private sector organizations. Previously she worked for the United Nations in corporate sustainability and in the financial industry as an ESG research analyst. Ana holds a law degree as well as MA degrees in Political Science and Latin American Studies.

Discussants

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director, Statistics Division, UNDESA  
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Stefan Schweinfest was appointed Director of the Statistics Division (UNSD/DESA) in July 2014. Stefan Schweinfest started his career joining the Statistics Division in 1989 in the area of national accounting, statistical capacity building programmes, indicator frameworks, and external relationships of the Division. He has been the substantive secretary of two intergovernmental bodies, the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) since 2002, and the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UNGGIM) since 2011. As the Director of the Statistics Division, Stefan Schweinfest supported the work of Statistical Commission and its Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) to develop the global indicator framework to monitor progress towards the SDGs. He played a key role in the negotiations leading to the 2011 ECOSOC resolution to establish UN-GGIM, and has actively involved himself with global geospatial information management since, including the negotiations leading to a second ECOSOC resolution in 2016 that strengthens and broadens the mandate of this Committee of Experts.

Mr. Björn Gillsäter, Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank Group Office in New York  
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Mr. Björn Gillsäter, a Swedish national, is the Special Representative to the United Nations, of the World Bank Group office in New York. His previous experience with the Bank dates back to 2001-2005 when he was a Senior Advisor to the Nordic-Baltic Executive Director (a member of the Bank’s Board of Directors). Mr. Gillsäter brings over 20 years of experience working on multilateral affairs, both as a government official in the Ministry of Finance of Sweden and as a staff member of several international organizations including, OECD (MOPAN), UNICEF, the African Development Bank, and the European Commission. Mr. Gillsäter has an MA in International Affairs from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, and Harvard Business School.
Mr. Amir A. Dossal, FCA, President and CEO of Global Partnerships Forum
@AmirDossal

Amir Dossal is Founder and President of the Global Partnerships Forum. He is co-founder of the Pearl Initiative, and Ocean Sanctuary Alliance. He is also a Commissioner of the Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development, and a HeForShe Champion for UN Women. He co-founded the Blockchain Commission for Sustainable Development. Amir is a 25-year veteran of the United Nations, and served as Executive Director of the UN Office for Partnerships to manage the $1 billion gift by media mogul Ted Turner. He is an accomplished diplomat, with a deep understanding of international diplomacy, global development and humanitarian issues. Amir is the recipient of a number of awards, including the 2010 Humanitarian Award from the UN Association of New York, the 2016 Outstanding Achievement Award, from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. In 2017, he received the International Ellis Island Medal of Honor for his lifelong dedication to public service. Amir is a UK Chartered Accountant (FCA) and has lived and worked in five continents. He is married to Tas, and they have one son, Zecki.

Closing Session
CLOSING REMARKS

Ms. Lise Kingo, CEO and Executive Director, United Nations Global Compact
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Lise Kingo is the CEO and Executive Director of the United Nations Global Compact, which is the world’s largest corporate sustainability initiative with more than 13,500 signatories from 170 countries that have committed to aligning strategies and operations with universal principles on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and taking actions that advance societal goals. Prior to joining the UN Global Compact in 2015, Ms. Kingo was Chief of Staff, Executive Vice-President and member of the Executive Management team at Novo Nordisk A/S. Ms. Kingo holds multiple degrees including a MSc in Responsibility and Business Practice from the University of Bath, United Kingdom and a B.Com. in Marketing Economics from the Copenhagen Business School.
Mr. Elliott Harris, Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations

Mr. Harris brings over 25 years of international experience in the fields of international economics and development policy analysis, coupled with knowledge of the United Nations system, multilateral and inter-agency coordination processes. He joined UNEP’s Senior Management Team in 2013 as Director of the New York Office and Secretary to the Environment Management Group. He plays a central role in UNEP’s contribution to the post-2015 development agenda, the Rio+20 Summit outcomes as well as the interagency coordination mechanisms such as the Environment Management Group (EMG) and the High-Level Committee on Programmes of the United Nations Chief Executives Board. Prior to joining UNEP, Mr. Harris began his career in the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in 1988, where he worked in the African Department and the Fiscal Affairs Department. In 2002 he became an Adviser in the Policy Development and Review Department, and was appointed in 2008 as Special Representative to the United Nations, in addition to serving as Assistant Director of the Strategy and Policy Review Department.

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