## SPEAKERS & PARTICIPANTS

### Social Innovations in the Marketplace:
**Getting our young people back into jobs**

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<th><strong>Eddy Adams</strong> is a writer, facilitator and adviser on economic development, innovation and urban policy. He has worked throughout Europe and acts as an expert adviser on Human Capital and Social Innovation to URBACT, the EU's cities exchange and learning programme, based in Paris. Eddy has worked extensively on youth employment issues – including the development of the Scottish Government’s youth employment strategy, advising Rotterdam’s My Generation network and reviewing youth entrepreneurship programmes across Europe. He also contributes to the award-winning Genius York social innovation platform and recently led the URBACT workstream process on social innovation and young people in Europe’s cities.</th>
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<td>For the past two years <strong>Magnus Balslev Jensen</strong> has worked as a consultant at DEA, which is an independent, non-profit think tank based in Copenhagen, Denmark. DEA’s mission is to promote intelligent and effective investments in research, education and innovation that contribute to higher growth and productivity. DEA strives to fulfill this mission by providing high-quality research, analyses and policy advice, and by engaging in constructive dialogue with the political system and key public and private stakeholders. In DEA Magnus has worked with a range of issues related to youth unemployment (e.g. reducing the number of early school leavers and finding ways to improve the match between the education system and the demands of the labour market).</td>
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<td><strong>Dr. Jo Casebourne</strong> is Director of Public and Social Innovation at Nesta. Current research includes how innovation can be used in redesigning employment and skills systems, the role of complaints as a stimulus of innovation in public services, and overseeing the Alliance for Useful Evidence, co-funded by Nesta, the ESRC and the Big Lottery Fund. She also works closely with Nesta’s investments team and practical programmes, scoping new areas of focus and embedding research and evaluation strategies into Nesta’s work. Jo has spent the last 13 years conducting research on welfare-to-work, employment and skills, disadvantaged groups in the labour market and work-life balance issues. Before joining Nesta in November 2011, Jo was Director of Research at the Centre for Economic and Social Inclusion for five years where she led the organisation’s research work, conducting high profile evaluations for central government on welfare-to-work programmes. Prior to that Jo was a Senior Researcher at the Institute for Employment Studies and a Researcher at the Centre for Economic and Social Inclusion. Jo is extensively published, including 19 major research reports for UK Government Departments and Agencies, the National Audit Office and the Joseph Rowntree Foundation.</td>
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A football fanatic and lover of all things blueberry and/or avocado, Hamoon Ekhtiar is the Director, Youth Social Impact Academy at MaRS Discovery District, Canada's innovation and entrepreneurship hub. Hamoon joins MaRS after 7.5 years with Deloitte where he was most recently the Chief of Staff for Deloitte Consulting Caribbean living in and working from Barbados for the last couple of years. Previously, he was an adjunct faculty member at the University of Waterloo and also worked at Family Services Toronto.

Hamoon loves spending time at intersection of people, spaces, and disciplines, is a CA and CPA, and completed both his undergraduate and graduate degrees at the University of Waterloo.

Hamoon is also a founder of CatalystsX, a youth-led national community of change agents developing a culture of personal and systems transformation towards a better future, which has raised nearly $1M in its first year. Hamoon has been recognized for his leadership, community service, and youth development efforts on several occasions over the years.

Thijs van Exel works at Amsterdam-based think tank Kennisland, that specializes in social innovation in the domains of education, government and culture. A key instrument to create sustainable social change has been to create experimental learning spaces, in which international teams of innovators work with local and real challenges coming from local industry and third sector partners. Such a learning space often looks much like a journey: consulting all involved stakeholders and collaborations between different groups and co-designing solutions doesn't happen from behind a screen – it's about getting out there, and taking people along on your search for solutions. Because of the multidisciplinary approach, the outcomes of this 'Safari' (as we call it) are often received as a necessary fresh and nonconformist results that the partner could itself not produce. Thijs has been designing these spaces for a variety of clients, one of the more recent ones being the 'DWI', or Amsterdam Government Employment Service, that is looking for new insights and solutions for the growing problem of youth unemployment.

Vivian Figueredo, Senior Project Manager at OMG, has a background in nonprofit program development, implementation, and evaluation, as well as in fundraising, strategic planning, and capacity building. She has experience with a range of domestic and international issues, including community development and urban revitalization, workforce development, K-16 education, and adult education and training.

At OMG Vivian specializes in managing complex evaluations of national systems-change and partnership building initiatives. For the Citi Foundation, Vivian is currently managing a five-year summative and formative evaluation of a multi-city initiative: the Citi Postsecondary Success Program. For the Knight Foundation, Vivian is also managing two multi-year evaluations of university-led community revitalization efforts: the College Hill Alliance in Macon, Georgia and the University Park Alliance in Akron, Ohio. For the past four years, Vivian has been a lead trainer and coach in evaluation methods for the Robert Wood Johnson Evaluation Fellowship Program, a program co-led by the OMG Center and Duquesne University.

Before joining OMG, Vivian was a program manager with St. Joseph's Carpenter Society. In this position, she designed and implemented a new education program - Safe & Healthy Homes - to help low-income families improve their home environments. Prior to her work in Camden, Vivian spent three years at Cáritas del Perú, a large Peruvian nonprofit organization, where she led the organization's internal capacity building activities. At Cáritas, she also ran a workforce development program for low-literacy adults living in areas of extreme poverty.

Tracy Fishwick has extensive and versatile experience across all aspects of youth unemployment but is known for and happiest when she is designing and mobilising employment programmes to support young people in to work. Her experience is wide ranging from UK national and local government programmes, European initiatives, neighbourhood and community based through to small bespoke charity, voluntary and housing led. Her most notable achievement was leading the UK's largest Future Jobs Fund programme across Greater Manchester, a £52m programme which saw 8000 young people gain work in 2009/10. She has experience of conducting large scale evaluations of employment programmes through to local borough level strategy reviews and led on the national evaluation of the Future Jobs Fund encompassing some 30,000 jobs, which led her to give evidence to the Department for Work and Pensions Select Committee on youth unemployment.

Her current areas of work are creator of the Manchester Cathedral Volunteer Programme where over 80% of unemployed volunteers move in to jobs within 10 weeks, a model which is set to be scaled across the UK; implementing a jobs and skills programme which uses food as the vehicle for social change; supporting a local authority to introduce a borough wide approach to youth development program for low income families improve the
unemployment; and setting up a consortia of Arts and Culture organisations to create jobs for young people in Manchester.

Tracy has a 20 year career in local government, and now combines running her own social enterprise, Transform Lives Company (TLC) with being the North West Director for the Centre for Economic and Social Inclusion – InclusionNW. As non-exec Director of Blackburne House, Liverpool, she plays an active role in governing a dynamic social enterprise - a UK leader in supporting women in to non-traditional roles in the labour market through training, education, employment and enterprise.

Tracy is the north west Ambassador for the Institute of Employability, where she is a Fellow (FIEP).

For more than 13 years, Stephanie Gambone has taken her passion for Philadelphia and focused it on improving the lives of the city’s young people, establishing herself as a leader in both the business and youth-serving arenas. In her current role as the Vice President of External Relations, she oversees a division consisting of five departments, which collectively work to position the organization locally, regionally, and nationally through various business, communications, marketing, and programmatic strategies in order to increase the number of workforce preparation opportunities for Philadelphia youth. Stephanie has led efforts to generate over $12 million in revenue from regional employers since 2003 for the PYN-managed initiative, WorkReady Philadelphia. The relationship she’s fostered with the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce has helped drive a 189% increase in WorkReady employer-paid summer internships for Philadelphia’s youth since 2007.

Stephanie’s commitment to civic engagement extends to other notable roles. She is a 3CI member for the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce; she is a member of the Intermediary Network, a national organization that focuses on providing knowledge and expertise to other cities and counties; she sits on the board for United Cerebral Palsy of Philadelphia and is an active volunteer with the MS Society. Gambone’s other accomplishments include being named one of Leadership Philadelphia’s Top 101 Connectors in 2006 and 2008. In 2011, she was selected for the MS Leadership Class which honors executives who have made tremendous contributions to the civic, business, and cultural betterment of the Greater Delaware Valley area.

A cum laude undergraduate from LaSalle University, Stephanie holds a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. She also received a Master of Science in Administration with an emphasis in training and development from West Chester University. Additionally, Stephanie was a fellow at Bryn Mawr College’s Non-Profit Executive Leadership Institute.

Valerie Hannon is a member of the Board of Directors of the Innovation Unit UK of which she is Co-Founder, and an independent consultant.

Valerie is a founding member and Director of the Global Education Leaders Program (GELP) supporting jurisdictions globally to scale their innovation and transform their systems. She is a regular keynote speaker and facilitator at international conferences and workshops. She is the lead author of Learning A Living: radical innovation in education for work (Bloomsbury, 2012); and contributing author to Redesigning Education: shaping learning systems around the globe (Booktrope, May 2013).

Nationally known as an advocate and social innovator, Tine Hansen-Turton is co-founder of the Philadelphia Social Innovations Journal. Co-author of two award-winning books on leadership issues, she also writes for peer-reviewed professional healthcare and legal journals. Additionally, as a highly regarded healthcare expert, Hansen-Turton presents frequently at local, state and national healthcare conferences.

Hansen-Turton has received several advocacy and leadership awards, including an Eisenhower Fellowship and the Philadelphia Business Journal 40 under 40 Leadership Award, and was named one of the 101 emerging Philadelphia connectors in 2008 by Leadership, Inc.

Chief Strategy Officer at the Public Health Management Corporation (PHMC), Hansen-Turton is also CEO of the National Nursing Centers Consortium (NNCC), a PHMC affiliate organization with membership of more than 200 nurse-managed health centers serving 2.5 million families throughout the U.S. She co-founded and serves as executive director of the Convenient Care Association, a national trade association of over 1350 retail health clinics. Hansen-Turton is regularly sought out by regional and national media for her expertise.

Hansen-Turton serves on numerous boards, is a Fellow of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, and advises the federal Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals, Health Science Products and Services. She earned a B.A. from Slippery Rock.
**University, a Masters in Government Administration from the University of Pennsylvania Fels Institute and her Juris Doctor from the Temple University Beasley School of Law.**

**Sandra Hlebs** is a Programmes and Projects Manager at the British Council in Slovenia. The core of her work revolves around issues concerning creative economy, social enterprise and creative cities. She has managed local and regional projects in culture and education, and has also developed two websites: [Creative Cities](#) and [CENTRES](#).

**With nearly 20 years of experience, Stacy E. Holland** is a tireless advocate who has played a vital role in ensuring that youth in the Philadelphia region have access to the academic, career and support services necessary to prepare them to successfully compete in the global economy. She co-founded Philadelphia Youth Network (PYN) in 1999, taking it from a start-up organization with two employees to a nationally-recognized leader in youth workforce development charged with managing over $28M of government, foundation, and employer investments in Philadelphia’s youth career preparation and education efforts. Under her leadership, PYN is a citywide entity dedicated to integrating services and building systems that promote positive post-secondary and economic outcomes for young people, serving over 17,000 youth annually.

Prior to her work with PYN, Holland served in leadership positions within workforce development and higher education institutions, including Philadelphia Works, Delaware Valley College, La Salle University, and Marymount Manhattan College. Her accomplishments have been recognized through several awards, including the Philadelphia Business Journal 40 Under 40 Award in 2005 and the 2012 Smart CEO Brava Award. Ms. Holland holds an undergraduate degree from The College of New Jersey in Marketing and a graduate degree in Student Development from Teachers College, Columbia University.

**Jon Huggett** is the Chair of the Trustees of the Social Innovation Exchange. He also advises social enterprises globally. His clients include Nesta, the Wikimedia Foundation, and the Open Society Institute. He is member of the National Leadership Council of Social Ventures Australia, a Fellow of the Young Foundation, and a Visiting Fellow at the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at the Said Business School in Oxford.

Jon was a Partner with The Bridgespan Group in San Francisco and New York. Prior, he was a Partner with Bain & Company in Johannesburg and Toronto. Jon has run three companies: a $75M health care operation on four continents; Bannock Consulting, a London-based firm focused on economic development in emerging countries; and PlanetOut, a lesbian and gay web company. For a number of years he was President of the STOP AIDS Project in San Francisco, the first HIV prevention nonprofit.

Jon is the author of “Don’t Just ‘Give Back’. Engage”; “Moving from Loose Global Associations to Linked Geographic Networks”; “Fulfilling the Promise of Social Enterprise”; “The pub test, the radio test, and the grandmother test”; and assorted articles.

**Wray Irwin** is the Deputy Director of Social Entrepreneurship and Engagement at the University of Northampton. His role sees him leading on how the University engages its staff and students in social innovation as a way of improving the student experience, learning outcomes, and employability. Wray has worked for over 15 years in the social enterprise and co-operative sector in the UK; being a founding member and chair of Social Enterprise East Midlands and the East Midlands Co-operative Council and running a co-operative development agency which supported over 300 ventures.

Wray has worked at the University of Northampton for over 8 years developing and delivering initiatives that address youth unemployment and graduate employability through the development of entrepreneurial capabilities and innovation. Having successfully achieved the Ashoka U Change-maker campus designation for the university earlier this year (the only such designation in the UK) Wray is currently working on growing the university’s support infrastructure for social innovation and entrepreneurship as part of a redesign of the University’s offer in its new campus from 2018.
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<th><strong>Eunju Kal</strong> is an assistant deputy director of Public Welfare &amp; Economic Policy Division at the Seoul Metropolitan Government. She is in charge of supervising money lenders and protecting the debtors. These days she is interested in crowd funding. She previously worked with Seoul citizens, monitoring illegal acts. At the university, she studied Science of Public Administration and her interest was the idea of governance.</th>
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<td><strong>Ali Khan</strong> was born in Pakistan and grew up in the city of Antwerp, Belgium. While possessing an educational background in economics, he has always had a keen interest in tackling poverty and social exclusion. As a student, Ali engaged in several local volunteer projects and became involved in a European network of cities on inclusion of young people. Previously having worked at EUROCITIES on active inclusion policy, Ali is now working for the European Foundation Centre where he coordinates thematic networks of foundations, among them a network on tackling youth unemployment.</td>
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<td><strong>Jeongan Kim</strong> is a team leader of community cooperation in the division of community building, Seoul Metropolitan Government, Korea. Particularly, the division of community building is more focused on human-networking than urban development with big construction projects. Before joining the community building division, he was in charge of setting up ‘120 Dasan Call Center’ which is delivered the city information such as traffic information, cultural events, good places for eaters and many other. At the same time, the center is collecting the civil complaints and helps the citizens working with public officers. 120 Dasan Call Center operates 24 hours and 365 days and serve the multi-languages service- Korean, English, Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese, and Mongolian.</td>
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<td><strong>YuBin Kim</strong> has been working at public Communications Division in Seoul Metropolitan Government. She has majored in Journalism and Broadcasting in University and now she is working as public officer. She is trying to find out the best way to promote policy of Seoul Metropolitan Government and to activate policy through communication with Seoul citizen.</td>
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<td><strong>Don Liberati</strong> is the Senior Director of Schools Operations for Innovative Schools. Don spent nearly 20 years in the private sector focusing on creating and executing strategic plans to operate and scale new initiatives and programs, and overseeing the day-to-day operations related to Finance, Human Resources, and Talent Management. Most recently, Don served as the Chief of Staff for AMC Theatres, developing infrastructure to operate new national-scale business lines. He led the efforts of cross-functional working teams to develop standard operating procedures related to service delivery, financial reporting &amp; systems, marketing, human resources, administration, and information technology. Don’s current interests lie in seeking opportunities to match his business skills with his deep passion for coaching, mentoring, and ensuring individuals have the necessary skills to be successful in their professional lives. Don is part of the leadership team for The PRIZE, and volunteers regularly at various organizations and is a member of the ReStore Advisory Committee for Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia. Don received a B.S. in Organizational Dynamics from Immaculata University and is currently pursuing the Master of Public Administration at the Fels Institute of Government at the University of Pennsylvania.</td>
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Meg Long. Deputy Director at OMG, has a background in nonprofit management and evaluation research. She has hands-on nonprofit management experience and a strong research background in a broad range of international and domestic issues including educational reform, health care provision, and nonprofit management and efficiency.

Meg directs OMG’s postsecondary success portfolio which currently includes the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation’s Community Partnerships portfolio evaluation, the assessment of the Citi Post-Secondary Success Program (CPSP), and Skill Up Washington’s Skill Link Initiative. Meg is providing real-time evaluation and strategy feedback to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation’s Completion by Design management team, and co-leading the Benefits Access for College Completion Initiative evaluation. Meg also provides strategic and evaluation support to Ascend, a family economic security program housed within the Aspen Institute.

Before joining OMG, Meg was the Coordinator for Volunteer Recruitment, Training and Marketing for Experience Corps Philadelphia. In that role, she worked with 22 inner-city elementary schools and two after-school programs to address the literacy needs of children reading below grade level. Her experience at the United Nations, the World Bank Institute, and the International Longevity Center ranged from conducting analyses of poverty alleviation policy measures in Kenya to that of socio-economic indicators of older New Yorkers to impact service delivery in intergenerational programs in the United States.

Sondra Myers is the Senior Fellow for International, Civic and Cultural Projects at the University of Scranton and Director of its Schemel Forum, a not-for-credit continuing education program. She is co-editor of The Pluralist Paradigm: Democracy and Religion in the 21st Century (2006), The Interdependence Handbook (2004), and editor of The Democracy Reader (2002) and the Democracy is a Discussion handbooks (1996 and 1998) and The New Rwanda: Prosperity and the Public Good (2008). In November 2008, Myers launched The National Conversation on Prosperity and the Public Good in Rwanda, a project to foster civic participation and public discussion of issues and ideas that strengthen democracy.

From 2001 to 2005 Myers served as a senior associate at the University of Maryland’s Democracy Collaborative. From 1999 to 2001, Myers directed the President’s Millennium Seminars: The University for a New Democratic Era, a project of The George Washington University. She was the Rapoport Democracy Fellow at the Walt Whitman Center for the Culture and Politics of Democracy at Rutgers University. From 1996 to 2000, Myers served as senior advisor to the president of Connecticut College. Since 1996 Ms. Myers has presented programs on democracy in Prague, Cracow, Budapest, Buenos Aires, Johannesburg, Kigali and Nairobi and in cities throughout the United States.

In October 2011 Myers was appointed by US President Barack Obama to serve on the Commission for Presidential Scholars. She has also received appointments from two other US Presidents: To serve on the US Commission of Fine Arts by President Jimmy Carter and to serve as Special Assistant to the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities by President Bill Clinton.

Yoko Nitta is an Associate Fellow of Research Institute of Science and Technology for Society (RISTEX)/Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST). She is also a senior principal researcher at Japan Society for Security and Crisis Management, member of international security at Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) in the UK, member of The Japan Forum on International Affairs and member of The Japan Institute of International Affairs. She has also been involved in Science Diplomacy in Japan and is an official member of the Science and Technology Diplomatic Circle in Tokyo building links in many international cooperative activities.

Ms. Nitta has organized many international symposiums including OECD workshops such as ‘Transforming Innovation to address Social Challenges’ and its approach was incorporated into OECD Innovation Strategy as well as Ministerial Conclusions in 2010.

Her co-paper entitled ‘Japan Science and Technology: Policy for Social Innovation’ has been published by Japanese Society for Science and Technology Studies. ‘Analysis for Potential Soft Power Diplomacy for Security’ was delivered at Chatham House in 2011. Also, her report on Grand Design towards a more resilient society in Japan: Capitalizing on Potential of Communities and Next Sustainability Challenge (November 2011) and Challenging and Strategies in the local partnership approach to training in Japan (OECD 2012) has been widely distributed abroad. Her updated works including report on US-Japan Relationship in the consideration of new administration will be published on French journal, Outre Terre, this summer and research on cyber security will be released this autumn 2013.
Kine Nordstokka is the Coordinator of Programmes and Partnerships at the Social Innovation Exchange (SIX). SIX is a global community of over 5000 individuals, companies and organisations promoting social innovation and advancing the capacity of the field. Its latest initiative is Social Innovation Europe (SIE), a pilot programme designed to make and shape room for social innovation in Europe funded by the European Commission.

Kine’s role at SIX is to support the global network for social innovation. She works on design and delivery of new and existing programmes, TelePresence debates and international gatherings for social innovation.

Reydon Otonde is the Human Resources and Social Mission Lead at Digital Divide Data Kenya Limited. She joined DDD Nairobi at conception in 2011 to help create the strategy and build the portfolios for recruitment and training. She’s also responsible for building sustainable partnerships, communication and carrying out impact measurement activities. Previous to DDD, she had 8 years’ experience working with various NGOs as a Regional Coordinator, Facilitator, Researcher, Freelance Journalist and Counselor. Reydon holds a Diploma in Broadcast Journalism from the Kenya Institute of Mass Communication and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Studies at the University of Nairobi.

On the side, she's a good creative writer and a multi talented performing artist with an unwavering passion for community service, debate, dancing, adventures and making an outstanding difference in the lives of disadvantaged people through social and economic development. In this regard she was a co - founder of Cobweb Youth Group, Jarife Africa Group of Performing Arts and Powerbelt Africa - a young NGO that works towards safeguarding the Reproductive Health (RH) rights and well being of the youth, highlighting their needs, economic potential and their drive to create a better healthy future for themselves and their communities.

Louise Pulford became Director of Social Innovation Exchange or SIX - a global community of 5000 individuals and organisations involved in social innovation – when it formerly became an independent organization in January 2013. Louise has been responsible for the SIX network for the last 4 years whilst it was being incubated at the Young Foundation, where she ran the network and its two associated websites (SIX and Social Innovator); delivered large international events; and supported SIX’s global community. Louise also manages the European consortium which runs the flagship European Commission project -Social Innovation Europe, a European network for social innovation.

Previously, Louise worked at the Young Foundation from 2007 until 2012 and has been involved in a variety of projects including the development of the UpRising programme –a leadership programme encouraging young people to be more involved in public life and decision making.

Louise also is Chair of the Alec Dickson Trust which provides small amounts of funding to encourage to get involved in volunteering across the UK.

Jeremy Reiss joined Henry Street in March 2013 in the newly created position of Deputy Officer of Development/External Relations. His responsibilities include creating opportunities for programmatic resources development, attracting financial support, maximizing the contributions of volunteers and advancing public policy agendas. A graduate of Wesleyan University, he also has a master's degree in social policy and planning from the London School of Economics. He most recently served as the Vice President of Communications and External Affairs at East River Development Alliance and was also a member of its Board of Directors.

Sophie Riviere is the Advisor for International Relations and Strategic Affairs of Paul Ginies, General Director of 2iE. 2iE is an international Higher Education and Research Institution specialized in water, energy, environment, civil engineering and sustainable mining based in Burkina Faso.

Sophie Riviere has been working on capacity building in African universities since 2007. Prior to that, she worked at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UNHCR and UNDP.

Sophie Riviere holds a Bachelor’s Degree in International Development from McGill University and a Master’s Degree in Political Science from Paris I-Sorbonne University.
Megan Roberts is the Executive Director of iZone360, within the Office of Innovation, a division of the New York City public school system. She and her team work to support the development of new and innovative models of schooling as well as radical collaboration efforts with schools across the district. She is a former teacher, principal and district leader and her areas of focus are policies and practices of urban school reform and adult learning theory within the context of education. Megan earned her doctorate in Science Education & Urban Policy from Columbia University.

Aditya Dev Sood is an architect who has also received doctorates in anthropology and philosophy. He runs the Center for Knowledge Societies, an innovation consultancy based in New Delhi, India, which uses ethnography, design thinking and user experience modeling to make new things possible.

Working with international partners, he is now setting up the Adianta School for Leadership and Innovation, which will provide postgraduate training in innovation using a radical new curriculum and an interactive, hands-on, project-based pedagogy. Sood has recently led the establishment of the Bihar Innovation Lab, a public-private partnership funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation that aims to improve government services in healthcare and other sectors using an innovation approach. Over the past two years he has also convened the Design Public Conclave, which brings together leaders from the public, social and private sectors to explore new topics and means for collaborative innovation.

On weekends he can be found hiking with his wife and young son, or else brewing beer, building sculptures, and editing his book on India's Innovation Path.

Eugenie Teasley is the founder and CEO of Spark+Mettle—an aspirations agency that likes to help people flourish. Its projects all serve to shape, support and accelerate the emerging talent in 18–24 year olds from marginalised backgrounds. Its vision is to build the character strengths, soft skills and networks needed to succeed in both work and life for millions of young people. Eugenie is experienced in co-creating non-academic education and development programmes that harness technology in their design and delivery. She has a special interest in youth-led services, cross-sector and intergenerational collaboration and the measurability of ‘soft’ outcomes. Prior to founding Spark+Mettle, she was Programs and Events Coordinator for 826 Valencia, an innovative educational US non-profit that serves over 6,000 young people annually in the Bay Area with a variety of successful, one-on-one programmes. Eugenie taught English and was Head of Media Studies in south London. There she also taught Latin GCSE to a cross-year group of Gifted and Talented students.

Eugenie has worked as a consultant for other social sector organisations including BuzzBnk, Teach for All and Pearson. She was one of nine RSA social entrepreneurs selected for their 2012-13 Spotlight programme, and is an active member of a number of third sector communities. She is also a founding trustee of Code Club.

Nicholas Torres currently consults to organizations and on projects that have the potential for high social impact. He serves as a Senior Consultant for Community Wealth Ventures conducting ecosystem business planning; faculty at the University of Pennsylvania’s Fels Institute of Government; President of Education-Plus, Inc., scaling higher education models for low-income students, school-based health centers, and cyber education for specialized populations; and is co-founder and publisher of the Philadelphia Social Innovations Journal.

Nicholas served as President of Congreso de Latinos Unidos, Inc., one of the nation’s premier multi-service organizations, from 2000-2010. As President of Congreso, he launched a K-College continuum of educational services, incorporated mental health and primary care into its integrative approach, standardized a model of case management across child welfare, welfare to work, health, behavioral health, workforce, and education services, and aligned the organization through standardized outcome measurements. Nicholas Torres also launched a nonprofit venture philanthropy firm that leverages and invests financial resources to improve the quality of education across Philadelphia’s school system.

Mr. Torres plays a leadership role in Pennsylvania and beyond. In January of 2008, he was one of 10 Americans to receive the prestigious Eisenhower Fellowship, which honors emerging leaders from around the world. Mr. Torres has also been recognized by Leadership Philadelphia as one of the 101 Philadelphia Connectors. Currently, Mr. Torres serves on the boards of the Free Library of Philadelphia, Children’s Scholarship Fund, Pan American Academy Charter.
School, and serves as a Human Relations Commissioner for the City of Philadelphia. Previously he served as Advisor to Knight Foundation Philadelphia, Chair of the Southeastern Pennsylvania United Way's Professional Advisory Council, and Co-Chair of the National Council of La Raza's Northeastern Affiliates.

| Ada Wong | is a solicitor, cultural advocate, former elected District Council Chair. She is also founder of the Hong Kong Institute of Contemporary Culture (HKICC) and supervisor of its creative education arm, the HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity (www.creativehk.edu.hk). The School of Creativity is both a senior secondary school offering an alternative creative curriculum as well as an experiment of education for a more compassionate and socio-culturally minded generation. The School embraces diversity and brings a more humanistic and personalized approach to education amidst an increasingly uniform and standardized mainstream school environment in Hong Kong.

Ada was an elected politician for over 13 years. As Chair of the Wan Chai District Council, she opposed the bulldozer approach to urban regeneration in the district and proposed a more people-led, community-initiated and sustainable approach to urban renewal.

Recently she launched the Make A Difference (MaD) Forum (www.mad.asia) as a continual project of HKICC. MaD believes in the power of young people and is a platform to inspire and empower them to think big and lead the change to create a better world. |