

Speakers' bios

Antholis William, *Managing Director, Brookings Institution*

William J. Antholis is managing director at Brookings, where he works directly with the institution's president, vice presidents and board of trustees to set Brookings strategic direction and manage its policy research. Dr. Antholis is also a senior fellow in Governance Studies. He is the author of the forthcoming book: *Inside Out, India and China: Local Politics Go Global*, to be released on September 1. It explores how country-sized provinces and states in the world's two biggest nations are increasingly becoming global players. He also co-authored (with Strobe Talbott) *Fast Forward: Ethics and Politics in the Age of Global Warming*.

From 1995 until 1999, Dr. Antholis served at the White House and U.S. Department of State. He was director of international economic affairs at the White House's National Security Council; and he served in the State Department's Policy Planning Staff, as well as in the Economic Affairs Bureau. From 1999-2004, he was director of studies at the German Marshall Fund of the United States. Dr. Antholis earned his Ph.D. from Yale University in politics (1993), and his B.A. from the University of Virginia in government and foreign affairs (1986). He lives in Charlottesville, Virginia, with his wife Kristen Suokko and two daughters.

Antonakos Maria, *Director of Advancement, Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics*

In her role at Perimeter Institute, Maria works with volunteers, the board and Advancement team to initiate and steward strategic philanthropic partnerships with a broad base of individual, corporate and foundation supporters.

Prior to joining Perimeter, Maria founded and led OPUS Philanthropic Strategies, a boutique consulting firm which provided strategic counsel to private foundations, high-net worth families and charitable organizations throughout North America.

From 2002-2006, Maria was the Senior Director of Philanthropic Services for the Canadian Women's Foundation where she directed the foundation's national philanthropic programs, and helped establish *Women Play BIG*, a think-tank for women philanthropists which featured Doris Buffet, Helen Hunt and Abigail Disney.

Maria teaches strategic philanthropy to Commerce Students at McMaster University's DeGroote School of Business. In this course, students learn about the charitable sector by giving away \$10,000 as a class, each semester, to a worthy cause in the community. This course is supported by the Learning by Giving Foundation, a private US foundation, which was established with funds from Doris Buffet.

In her early career, Maria was the Capital Campaign Manager for the \$20 million project to renovate Roy Thomson Hall, Canada's preeminent concert hall. She also worked at the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and Orchestras Canada. Maria is a graduate from the University of Toronto's, Faculty of Music. She pursued further studies in opera at The Juilliard

School and New York University. Her music, a fusion of world, opera and pop can be found on two CDs, *Mystras*, *Siren Songs of the Mediterranean* and *Four Corners No Walls*. She lives in Dundas, Ontario with her husband, Harald Stover, a professor of Chemistry and their three-year old twins.

Antypas Tzanetos, President, PRAKSIS

Mr. Tzanetos Antypas has a fourteen year experience in planning, programming, managing and implementing various initiatives and projects within Greece and abroad in Europe and developing countries. He has coordinated and supervised a wide range of health and social work projects, while he served as Head of Delegations in many emergency and crisis situations in countries requiring emergency aid as a result of physical catastrophes. His record of project implementation includes countries like Armenia, Georgia, Serbia, Zambia, Malawi, Palestine, Russia, Ethiopia, Kosovo, Turkey, where he has worked as project manager in the international NGO Medicines Sans Frontiers. In Greece and under his current position in the NGO PRAKSIS, as AC President & General Director, he is responsible for the management of the organization, the scientific supervision of the projects, the formulation of communication strategy / fundraising, as well as the supervision of financial issues. His responsibilities also include communicating with the donors in all stages of project implementation and the connection of the organization with the Board of Directors. Moreover, he has an extended experience in managing human resources and dealing with donors in national and international level.

The projects Mr. Antypas has participated have been financed by various European and national departments, such as the European Commission, the Greek State, the European Social Fund and others. The projects have targeted different social groups, ranging from staff training and specialisation of scientists to the provision of health services to groups at risk of being socially excluded. This experience has served in the development and improvement of capabilities such as flexibility, strong interpersonal and communication skills, innovative ways of thinking, problem solving etc.

Furthermore, in his capacity as project manager and General Director, during the last decade, Mr. Antypas has been responsible for the planning and implementation of multitude European Commission and national education, sensitization and development projects in Greece in conjunction with participating in the preparation and implementation of several European Commission Initiatives dedicated to the Assistance of Local and Regional Decentralized Areas' Development. He has participated and coordinated projects dealing with the provision of health care and social services and has participated in the development of numerous educational and vocational training tools, whilst he has given a number of lectures to university students, professional and members of sensitive social groups. He has been praised twice by the President of the Hellenic Republic for his work.

In addition, Tzanetos Antypas is: a. Vice President in the Greek network against Poverty, b. vice president of the Hellenic Federation of Voluntary and Non-Governmental Organization, c. vice president of the Non-Governmental organization "GoingArt", d. member of the

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administration council of the networking FEANTSA (for homeless in Greece), e. member of the steering committee for HIV in Greece f. member of the Hellenic network of Managers for Health and g. Member of the administration council of the Non-Governmental Organization “Movement of Citizens for an Open Society”

Åslund Anders, Senior Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics

Anders Åslund is a senior fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics since 2006 and an adjunct professor at Georgetown University. He is a leading specialist on the East European economies. Dr. Åslund has worked as an economic adviser to the Russian and other East European governments. He has also been a professor at the Stockholm School of Economics, worked as a Swedish diplomat in Moscow, Geneva and Kuwait. He earned his doctorate from the University of Oxford.

He is the author of twelve books, including *How Capitalism Was Built: The Transformation of Central and Eastern Europe, Russia, the Caucasus, and Central Asia* (2012), *Russia’s Capitalist Revolution* (2007), *How Ukraine Became a Market Economy and Democracy* (2009), and with Latvian Prime Minister Valdis Dombrovskis, *How Latvia Came through the Financial Crisis*. He has also edited 16 books.

Bagley Gary, Executive Director, New York Cares

Gary Bagley joined New York Cares in 2004 and served in the capacities of Senior Director of Programs and Associate Executive Director before becoming the Executive Director in 2008. Gary directs all aspects of the organization’s work, including strategy, programming, fundraising, public relations, finance/operations, and board relations. He is responsible for more than tripling annual volunteer service delivery, filling more than 150,000 volunteer positions on 18,000 projects and serving over 1,300 nonprofit organizations and schools last year. Gary led New York Cares in garnering The 2009 *New York Times* Company Nonprofit Excellence Award for Overall Management Excellence and the 2010 Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation. Gary has over 15 years of nonprofit management experience, including positions at Young Audiences New York and TADA! Youth Theater. He holds an M.P.A from Baruch College of The City University of New York, where he is now an Adjunct Lecturer.

Barker Pierre, MD, Senior VP, Institute for Healthcare Improvement

Pierre M. Barker, MD, Senior Vice President, Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) (www.ihl.org), is responsible for IHI’s expanding portfolio of large-scale health systems improvement initiatives in low- and middle-income countries. Previously he served as Senior Advisor to IHI’s programs in Africa and India, and as Director of IHI’s South Africa Projects. Dr. Barker, a pediatrician by training and a South African by birth, is a renowned authority on

improving health systems, particularly in the areas of maternal and child health and HIV/AIDS care. Before joining IHI he was Medical Director of University of North Carolina (UNC) Children's Hospital clinics and was responsible for leading health system-wide initiatives on improving access to care and chronic disease management. He advises the World Health Organization on health systems strengthening and redesign of HIV care and infant feeding guidelines

Bartlett Kathy, Executive Director, Global Education Fund

Kathy Bartlett has over 25 years of experience in Education and Early Childhood programming across Central America, Eastern and West Africa, South and Central Asia and the Middle East. In early 2013, Kathy joined the Global Education Fund where she is currently the Executive Director. Previously, Kathy worked with the Aga Khan Foundation for 20 years, the last 8 years of which she served as Co-Director of its' Education Program. Kathy has also worked as Co-Director of and then served on the Executive Board for the Consultative Group on Early Childhood Care and Development (CGECCD), a consortium of donor agencies, NGOs and regional networks. She is active in the International Education Funders Group and has authored and co-authored a range of articles and reports related to education and ECD. She has a Ph.D. from the University of Iowa in International Education.

Boachie-Adjei Oheneba, MD, Founder & President, FOCOS

Dr. Oheneba Boachie-Adjei was born in Kumasi, Ghana, on December 16, 1950. He emigrated to the United States in 1972 and completed undergraduate studies at Brooklyn College, where he received a Bachelor of Science (summa cum laude) in 1976. He received his Doctor of Medicine Degree from Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1980.

He completed his orthopedic residency at New York's Hospital for Special Surgery (HSS) and pursued advanced training in spine and scoliosis at the Twin Cities Scoliosis Center and the Minnesota Spine Center. He was Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at the University of Minnesota (1987-1990); Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Southern California (1990-1994) and Assistant Clinical Professor, University of California College of Medicine, Irvine (1993-1994). His clinical appointments included the position of Associate Medical Director at the Southern California Complex Spine and Scoliosis Center in Whittier (1990-1994). Since July of 2006, he has been Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College and Chief of the Scoliosis Service and Associate Attending Orthopedic Surgeon at Hospital for Special Surgery and New York-Presbyterian Hospital. He is also the Chief of the Scoliosis Service at HSS, where he holds the David B. Levine Chair in Spine Research

Dr. Boachie-Adjei has published and lectured extensively on Spine Surgery, with special emphasis on surgery to correct spine deformity. He is an inventor who holds several patents

for devices used in spine surgery. He started F.O.C.O.S. (Foundation of Orthopedics and Complex Spine) to provide orthopedic medical care to underserved populations in West Africa and other third world nations. He was also elected President of the Scoliosis Research Society for the 2008-2009 year. Among Dr. Boachie-Adjei's awards are: the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons' Humanitarian Award, the Hospital for Special Surgery Wholeness of Life Award, the Albert Schweitzer University Science and Peace Gold Medal, and the Scoliosis Research Society Blount Service Award for unique humanitarian services. He has received numerous citations in New York Magazine as one of New York's best doctors. He has been featured in several prime TV programs on ABC, Discovery Health and Discovery for his unique talents in spine surgery and patient care. Dr. Oheneba Boachie-Adjei's professional reputation has contributed significantly to FOCOS' credibility and its ability to attract patients, volunteer medical providers and funding.

Dr. Boachie-Adjei feels the greatest accomplishment of his life is his family. He has been married to his wife, Hilda Boachie-Adjei, for 40 years and together they have raised three grown children, Kwadwo, Yaw and Kwame. All three sons are in the medical field and assist him with the FOCOS mission in Ghana.

Boutaris Yannis, Mayor, Municipality of Thessaloniki

Yiannis Boutaris was born in Thessaloniki, 1942. He obtained his degree in Chemistry in 1965 from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and his Diploma of Enology from the Wine Institute of Athens In 1967. From 1969 through 1996, he served successively as Assistant Director, Technical Director, and Managing Director at the family wine industry J.BOUTARI & SON S.A. In 1996 he left the family business and founded YANNIS BOUTARIS & ASSOCIATES Ltd., a consulting company in the wine sector. In 1998 he created "KIR YIANNI S.A." winery, located at the privately-owned vineyards of Yiannakohori and Amyndeon, run today by his two sons. He retained his position in both posts until 2010.

Yiannis Boutaris served as a Municipal Counselor for two terms (2002-2006 and 2006-2010). He leded "Protovoulia for Thessaloniki" at two consequent municipal elections in 2006 and 2010 as candidate for Mayor and in November 2012 was elected Mayor of Thessaloniki.

He has served as President and member of the Board of Directors of many professional, cultural, and environmental organizations since 1980, such as the Assembly of European Wine Regions (AREV), the Academie Internationale du Vin, the Federation of Greek Wines and Spirits Industries, the Thessaloniki Film Festival, W.W.F. Greece, and the Thessaloniki Tourism Organization. He was also the founder of the Macedonian Museum of Modern Art (Thessaloniki) and "Arcturos", a non-profit organization aiming at the protection and management of the environment and wildlife. He has received many national and international awards and distinctions.

Castille Christine, *Membership Services Director, European Venture Philanthropy Association*

Christine is a Belgian national and recently joined EVPA as Membership Services Director. She has a 10 years' experience in senior management positions in the Belgian foundation sector and for 7 years she led a young not-for-profit association in improving management competencies in social purpose organizations. Previously Christine worked in Colombia and Spain. Christine speaks fluently English, French, Spanish and Dutch.

Chrysoulaki Stella, *Head, KST' Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities, Greek Ministry of Culture*

Dr. Stella Chrysoulaki studied archeology at the School of Philosophy of the University of Athens and literature at the University of Grenoble in France.

She completed her doctorate in 1981 at the University of Sorbonne - Paris IV. She studied museology at the School of the Louvre Museum.

She worked as a researcher at the Institute of Fine Arts in New York from 1989 to 1991.

Her field of expertise is the archeology of Minoan Crete where, from 1985 to present, she is the director of "Minoan Roads", a research program conducted by the Directorate for Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities.

She has been working since 1984 at the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and has supervised the organization of many archaeological exhibitions in Greece and abroad. She currently serves as Director of the 26th Antiquities' Ephorate for Piraeus and the islands.

Civico Gabriella, *Director, European Volunteer Center*

Gabriella Civico is from the UK but has lived for many years in Spain and Portugal. She has a degree in Social Policy and Education from Surrey University (UK) and a Master's in Education in E-learning from the University of Hull (UK). Her professional background is in business and the Youth NGO Sector where she has worked as an administrator and also as a trainer and expert. Through her work in the youth field she was involved in the campaign to establish 2011 as the European Year of Volunteering. Gabriella has volunteered since childhood in a variety of fields including Youth Advocacy, International Development, Disability, Environment, Immigration, Human Rights, Sports etc. She has worked closely with CEV since July 2010 in her role as Project Manager for the EYV2011 Alliance until the end of the project in March 2012 before becoming CEV Director in April 2012.

Clarke Jennifer, *Capacity Building Training Moderator, Africa Educational Trust*

Jennifer Clarke is a third sector capacity building specialist with 15 years' experience in this field. Formerly a program manager for the EU civil society building program, the 'European Initiative for Democracy and Human Rights', since 2005 she has been involved in designing,

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teaching and, currently, moderating accredited NGO capacity training courses for Africa Educational Trust in London. Now based in Athens, Jennifer has recently contributed to two NGO capacity building projects funded by the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, run respectively by the University of the Peloponnese and the University of Athens. Jennifer holds a BA in Social and Political Science from the University of Cambridge, an MA in International Politics from the Université Libre de Bruxelles, and recently completed her PhD thesis, which in part compares the development of civil society in different European countries, at the University of Kent.

Dedegikas Costa, *Technology Manager, SNF New Media Lab, Simon Fraser University*

Mr. Costa Dedegikas is the Technology Manager for the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Centre for Hellenic Studies New Media Lab at Simon Fraser University. He has an extensive background in educational technology, brand identity development and interactive design. Mr. Dedegikas has overseen the development of cutting edge online learning platforms, interactive websites and mobile applications for various educational and philanthropic institutions in North America, Europe and China.

His current work includes the expansion of Hellenic Studies in China through online education, developing Arabic language applications in partnership with the Qatar Foundation, First Nations Language preservation tools for key First Nations communities across the Province of British Columbia, and a mobile application initiative with the Hellenic Ministry of Tourism that assists Greece in the promotion of its cultural heritage to strategic markets.

Dracopoulos Andreas, *Co-President, Stavros Niarchos Foundation*

Andreas Dracopoulos was born and raised in Athens, Greece. He graduated from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics.

He is Director and co-President of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, an international philanthropic organization, which was established by his great-uncle, the late Stavros Niarchos. Mr. Dracopoulos is a Trustee of The Rockefeller University, and a member of the Board of the Dalton School in NYC; a member of the Board of the Peterson Institute for International Economics, and a member of the Board and member of the International Council of the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C.; a Trustee of The Johns Hopkins University, and a member of the Advisory Board of the Berman Institute of Bioethics. He is an Honorary Trustee of the New York Public Library (NYPL), where he also served as a Trustee from 2003 to 2010. In June 2012, the NYPL honored him and his wife Katerina for their contributions to the Library's educational programs.

In February, 2012, Andreas Dracopoulos was awarded by the Greek State the Grand Commander of the Order of the Phoenix. Mr. Dracopoulos is also the recipient of the 2002 Odyssey Award from the Hellenic Community of Astoria, New York, in recognition of his contributions towards the promotion of Greek education. He resides in New York City.

Economou Daphne, President, Cerebral Palsy Greece

Born in India and educated in England, Daphne Economou is a founding member and current chairman of Cerebral Palsy Greece (formerly Spastics Society Athens). She has instigated many of the major steps taken by the Society over the years, all of which aim at offering children and adults with cerebral palsy the opportunity to live a normal life, reach their full potential and claim their rightful place in the world.

The “Open Door” Centre in Argypolis offers medical, educational, social and therapeutic services of the highest standard to over 240 children and adults, as well as a wide range of recreational and artistic activities. Cerebral Palsy Greece is also committed to the support of parents, the training of specialized staff, public enlightenment and research.

The research project: ‘Athens an inaccessible city’ received an Helios Award in 1990.

For her work with the disabled, Daphne Economou was awarded the Gold Cross of the Order of Bienfaisance by the President of the Greek Republic and from 1999-2003 she was the elected Chairman of the International Cerebral Palsy Society (ICPS). She has been invited to present topics pertaining to disability, bereavement and art for the disabled, at numerous international meetings and many of her articles have been published by scientific journals all over the world.

Daphne directs CPG’S drama group for disabled and nondisabled performers, which was awarded the first prize at the Euroline International Festival in Oporto for *“Ithaca, long journey home”*.

She writes for her own pleasure and in 2007 her first book *“Saturday’s Child. A journey through an Indian Childhood”* was published by Oceanida Publications and is now in its second edition.

Evans Martyn, Chief Executive, Carnegie UK Trust

Previously he was the Director of the Scottish Consumer Council (SCC) from 1998–2009 - a consumer policy and research body.

Martyn was a visiting Professor of Law at the University of Strathclyde from 1995-2001. He was Vice-Chair and then Chair of NHS Quality Improvement Scotland a public body which regulates the quality of the Health Service Scotland

He was Chief Executive Officer of Citizens Advice Scotland for five years prior to taking up his post with SCC. Martyn was the Director of Shelter (Scottish Campaign for Homeless People) from 1987-1992.

He has been a member of a number of Scottish Government and UK government advisory groups. He is currently a member of the Scottish Government's Expert Group on Welfare Reform.

Fembek Michael, *Program Manager, Zero Project, ESSL Foundation*

In 2010 Michael Fembek joined the ESSL Foundation, a leading Austrian charitable foundation founded by Martin ESSL, owner of the bauMax group (11.000 employees, turnover 1,6 bn €), a leading company in the home-improvement business in nine countries in Central- and Eastern Europe.

Michael Fembek is responsible for the ESSL Social Prize and the Zero Project, the two flagship projects of the ESSL Foundation, and at the same time is the head of the social affairs department, which is in charge of the employment program for persons with disabilities within bauMax.

He has successfully integrated people with disabilities into the numerous bauMax markets in Austria as well as in bauMax markets in CEE. Michael Fembek is also heading the Zero Project which is initiated by the ESSL Foundation and organized in partnership with the World Future Council - it advocates the rights of persons with disabilities internationally.

Before Michael Fembek has joined the ESSL foundation he has started his career in journalism in 1985 for the GEWINN magazine, a leading Austrian business magazine. Between 2000 and 2007, he was editor-in-chief. In 2007 he started the non-profit organization ANTARA Solutions, an incubator and bridge builder for aid-worthy education projects. In 2009 he launched the first Yearbook on Corporate Social Responsibility in Austria (CSR Jahrbuch) and initiated the Austrian philanthropy group "Sinnstifter".

Foster Lionel, *Writer / Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth*

Lionel Foster is a writer and educational outreach specialist at the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth. An alumnus of Johns Hopkins University's Writing Seminars program (B.A.), he earned master's degrees in Social Policy and Planning and Regional and Urban Planning Studies (London School of Economics) as well as Creative and Life Writing (Goldsmiths College, University of London) during his tenure as a British Marshall Scholar. Lionel has appeared as a commentator on the ASPIRE cable television channel, written opinion columns for *Baltimore City Paper* and *The Baltimore Sun*, been published nationally in *The Chronicle of Philanthropy* and *Grist.org*, and spoken at events organized by The Annie E. Casey Foundation and The Brookings Institution.

Friedman Steven, MD, Chairman, Department of Surgery, New York Downtown Hospital

Steven G. Friedman, M.D., M.B.A., is the Chairman of the Department of Surgery and Associate Chief Medical Officer at New York Downtown Hospital, part of the New York Presbyterian Health System. He received a B.A. degree from Queens College of the City University of New York, in 1976, and he received the rarely-conferred degree M.D. with Distinction in Research from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, in 1980. Dr. Friedman received an M.B.A. from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in 2011. Dr. Friedman completed a general surgical residency at Harvard's Brigham & Women's Hospital, in Boston, in 1985, and a vascular surgery fellowship at N.Y.U. Medical Center, in 1986. In 1996, Dr. Friedman founded and directed the North Shore University vascular surgery fellowship program in Manhasset, N.Y., and in 2001, he founded and directed the vascular surgery fellowship program for the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System. Dr. Friedman is the author of more than 70 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals, numerous book chapters, and the book, "A History of Vascular Surgery." His work has also appeared in the N.Y. Times, Midstream Magazine, and Downtown Magazine. Dr. Friedman is a member of all of the major national and international vascular surgery societies and he is a distinguished member of the Society of Vascular Surgeons. Dr. Friedman is a past president of the New York Society of Vascular Surgery and he is a Professor of Clinical Surgery at the Weill Cornell Medical College.

Gazi Eleni, President, ELIX

Eleni Gazi was born in Athens, in 1942.

A graphic artist by profession, has created together with 3colleagues, the children's magazine "TO RODI", in 1979. She has worked illustrating children's books, as well as in advertisements in the newspaper "Kathimerini" and various magazines, for more than 20 years.

In 1987, following her dream of involving young people in volunteer actions, she founded the N.G.O. ELIX-CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS GREECE. The main aim of ELIX is the promotion of the ideals of volunteering, as a means for the personal development of young people from all over the world, thus promoting active citizenship in Greece and abroad.

E. Gazi is the president of ELIX and is working, on a volunteer basis, since 1987.

Gaztelu Clara, Director of Development Unit, Fundación ONCE

Clara Gaztelu is Director of the Development Unit at Fundación ONCE, Spain's leading foundation dedicated to the social inclusion of people with disabilities. In her previous job as Managing Director of AECEMFO (association of social employment centers), Ms. Gaztelu promoted the work of special employment centers in Spain. She has also held positions as Director of Operations of "Credit Where Credit is Due" in New York City, a microfinance

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organization targeting people with limited access to credit, and as Assistant Coordinator at the European Foundation Centre in Brussels. Ms. Gaztelu began her career at Fundación ONCE as Program and Policy Officer in the Social and International Affairs Department. Clara holds a Law degree and a Master's degree in Needs and Rights of the Child from the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, as well as a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree from Columbia University, with a concentration in non-profit management.

Gerolymatos Andre, *Director, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Centre for Hellenic Studies, Simon Fraser University*

Dr. Andre Gerolymatos is a Professor of History, Chair of Hellenic Studies, Director of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Centre for Hellenic Studies at Simon Fraser University as well as concurrent Professor at the History College on Nankai University, China. He received his M.A. in Classics, his PhD in History from McGill University and has been acknowledged with numerous awards and fellowships including, most recently, the Hellenic Republic's Order of the Phoenix in recognition of his contributions to Greek culture, the HRH Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee Medal acknowledging his important contribution to Canadian national security, the Simon Fraser University President's Award for Service to the University through Public Affairs and Media Relations, and the BC Sugar Achievement Award (SFU) for activities that have brought international recognition to Simon Fraser University. Dr. Gerolymatos has published a number of books including *Castles Made of Sand: A Century of Anglo-American Espionage, Black Ops and Intervention in the Middle East*, St. Martins Press, New York, November 2010; *Red Acropolis, Black Terror: The Greek Civil War and the Origins of Soviet-American Rivalry*, New York: Basic Books, 2004; *The Balkan Wars: Conquest, Revolution and Retribution from the Ottoman Era to the Twentieth Century and Beyond*, New York: Basic Books, 2002; *Espionage and Treason: A Study of the Proxenia in Political and Military Intelligence Gathering in Classical Greece*, Amsterdam: J.C. Gieben Publishers, 1986; *Guerrilla Warfare and Espionage in Greece 1940-1944*, New York: Pella Publishing Company, 1992 and has edited several volumes and written numerous refereed articles. As well, Dr. Gerolymatos regularly contributes to The National Herald, The Globe and Mail, The Vancouver Sun and other newspapers on topics of national security, Greek, Balkan and Middle Eastern politics and military affairs.

Grabowski Mareva, *Founder & Vice Chairman, Endeavor Greece*

After 12 years in the investment banking and asset management divisions at Deutsche Bank, in 2007, Mareva Grabowski founded MG Capital Advisors S.A., an independent advisory firm which focuses on deal origination and private equity.

In 2012, Mareva co-founded Zeus and Dione. Z+Δ is an exquisite capsule collection of handmade lifestyle items, based on the idea of reviving the Greek heritage and craftsmanship in a contemporary way. Zeus and Dione brand is a collection of handmade,

high quality products based on refined craftsmanship. Different entities such as manufacturers, small workshops, artists and designers from all over the country translate the rich Hellenic heritage into fashion and life style items.

In September 2012, Mareva founded Endeavor Greece and became Vice Chairwoman of the Board of Endeavor Greece. ENDEAVOR is a non-profit organization, aiming at identifying and supporting the top local entrepreneurs that will help transform the Greek economy and establish a new era of hope, optimism and sustainable economic growth.

Mareva holds a BA in Political Science and History from Boston College, a MIA from Columbia University and a MBA from Harvard Business School.

She is also a member of the Asia Pacific Acquisitions Committee at the TATE Modern, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Athens Biennale and a member of the Contemporary Art Support Committee of the Museum of Cycladic Art.

Haggerty Rosanne, *President and CEO, Community Solutions*

Rosanne Haggerty is the President of Community Solutions, a New York City-based NGO. She is an internationally recognized leader and innovator in creating solutions to homelessness and housing need. Earlier she founded Common Ground, a pioneer in the development of supportive housing and research-based practices that end homelessness. Rosanne founded Community Solutions in 2011 to work on large scale solutions to the problems that create and sustain homelessness. She is a MacArthur Foundation “genius” grant recipient, an Ashoka Senior Fellow and a Hunt Alternative Fund Prime Mover. In 2012, she was awarded the Jane Jacobs medal for new ideas and activism by the Rockefeller Foundation.

Herweijer Rosien, *Director, GrantCraft*

Rosien Herweijer is since 2011 Director of GrantCraft at the European Foundation Centre. GrantCraft is a series of professional development resources for funders. GrantCraft – a project of the Foundation Center, New York and the European Foundation Centre, Brussels - looks at how foundations do what they do and why, drawing on the wisdom of practitioners. Previously Rosien worked in international cooperation with not-for-profits in the Netherlands, with UNDP (in the Dominican Republic, Bolivia, Ecuador and New York), with the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Department of Women and Development and independently as consultant in program evaluation, diversity and organizational development.

Rosien tweets irregularly @herweijer and blogs at <http://blog.grantcraft.org/>. GrantCraft resources can be downloaded without any charge at www.grantcraft.org

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Ho Hang, Vice President, Philanthropy & Sponsorship EMEA, JP Morgan Chase Foundation

Hang Ho is responsible for the JPMorgan Chase Foundation's portfolios in the UK, France, the Nordics, Poland, Greece and Russia, working with non-profits and social enterprises in the areas of Economic Development and Workforce Development. Hang is currently serving on the CityUK Social Mobility Steering Group which is responsible for bringing CityUK members together to share best practice and raise awareness of activities to promote social mobility among financial and professional companies. Hang also served on the London Child Poverty Delivery Group for place based programs, set up by UK Ministers to tackle child poverty in London.

Huliaras Asteris, Professor of Comparative Politics and International Relations, University of the Peloponnese

Asteris Huliaras is Professor of comparative politics and international relations in the Department of Political Science and International Relations at the University of the Peloponnese, Corinth, Greece, holder of a Jean Monnet Chair on European Union Relations with Less Developed Countries (2012-5). He specializes in North-South relations and Greek civil society. He has recently co-edited a book entitled *Transnational Celebrity Activism in Global Politics: Changing the World?* (Chicago University Press, 2011). His articles have appeared in leading international academic journals including *African Affairs*, *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, *Commonwealth and Comparative Politics*, *European Foreign Affairs Review*, *Geopolitics*, *Global Society*, *International Journal*, *The Journal of Modern African Studies*, *The Journal of North African Studies*, *The Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans*, *Orbis*, *The Round Table*, *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, *Survival* (*The World Today*). He has won the Marcel Cadieux Distinguished Writing Award 2008.

Kaminis George, Mayor, Municipality of Athens

Yorgos Kaminis was born on July 15th, 1954 in New York.

Studied Law at the University of Athens. In October 1982 he awarded a Master's Degree in Public Law, from the University of Paris II. In June 1989 he defended his doctoral thesis on constitutional observations of the transition from dictatorship to democracy in Greece and Spain, for the University of Paris I.

In December 1990 he was elected lecturer of the University of Athens Law Faculty and in June 1998 assistant professor. From 1998 to May 2003, he served as Assistant Greek Ombudsman, responsible for Human Rights. In 2003, he was unanimously elected Greek Ombudsman at a Presidents of Parliament roundtable meeting. In August 2010 he announced his resignation and intention to stand as mayoral candidate for the City of Athens.

He was elected Mayor of Athens on November 14th, 2010 and assumed his Mayoral duties on January 1st, 2011.

Kasparov Garry, *Chairman, Kasparov Chess Foundation*

Born in Baku, Azerbaijan, in 1963, Garry Kasparov became the under-18 chess champion of the USSR at the age of 12 and the world under-21 champion at 16. He came to international fame as the youngest world chess champion in history in 1985 at the age of 22. He defended his title five times, including a legendary series of matches against arch-rival Anatoly Karpov. Kasparov broke Bobby Fischer's rating record in 1990 and his own peak rating record remained unbroken until 2013. His famous matches against the IBM super-computer Deep Blue in 1996-97 were key.

Kasparov's outspoken nature did not endear him to the Soviet authorities, giving him an early taste of opposition politics. From 1989-91 he was outspoken in opposition to the Soviet system. It was still a shock when Kasparov, then in his 20th year as the world's top-ranked player, abruptly retired from competitive chess in 2005 to join the vanguard of the Russian pro-democracy movement. He founded the United Civil Front and organized the Marches of Dissent to protest the repressive policies of Vladimir Putin. In 2012, Kasparov was elected to the Coordinating Council of the united opposition movement. In the same year, he was named chairman of the New York-based Human Rights Foundation, succeeding Vaclav Havel.

The US-based Kasparov Chess Foundation non-profit promotes the teaching of chess in education systems around the world. Now in over 3500 US schools, KCF recently launched centers in Europe and Africa with South America soon to come. Garry and his wife Daria travel frequently to promote the proven benefits of chess in education.

Mr. Kasparov has been a contributing editor to *The Wall Street Journal* since 1991 and is a frequent commentator on politics and human rights. He speaks frequently to business audiences around the world on innovation, strategy, and peak mental performance. Kasparov's book "How Life Imitates Chess" on decision-making is available in over 20 languages. He is the author of two acclaimed series of chess books, "My Great Predecessors" and "Modern Chess". He lives in Moscow. More information is available at kasparov.com.

Kefalogianni Olga, *Minister of Tourism of the Hellenic Republic*

Olga Kefalogianni is the Minister of Tourism of Greece since June 2012.

She was born in Athens, Greece, in 1975.

She is an attorney at law, member of the Athens Bar Association. Since 1998 she has been working as a lawyer in major law firms in Athens, Greece and New York, U.S.A. She has also worked at the Legal Service of the European Commission in Brussels. From May 2004 up to September 2006 she served as legal advisor to the Prime Minister of Greece.

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She has studied law and international affairs. She holds a Bachelor degree in Law (National Kapodistrian University of Athens), a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree in Commercial and Corporate Law (King's College, University of London) and a Master degree (GMAP) in international relations, (Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston).

She is the author of the book "The role of the European Union on the Cyprus issue", which has been published by the Livanis publishing house.

She was elected Member of Parliament for the constituency of Rethymno, Crete representing the "New Democracy" party in the general elections of 2007 and 2009. On May 6th 2012 she was elected in the first position of the "New Democracy" ballot in the first constituency of Athens. She was re-elected in the same position in the June 17th 2012 elections.

She has served as secretary of the Greek Parliament (2007-2009), as secretary of the standing committee on Defense and International Affairs (2007-2009), as a member of the standing committee of Education (2009-2012) and the special committee on Environmental issues (2009-2012).

Kleszczowski Julien, *Projects and Establishments Department, Apprentis d'Auteuil*

Julien Kleszczowski is currently project manager on social impact assessment at Apprentis d'Auteuil head offices. He is at the same time a Ph.D. candidate in business science at Ecole Polytechnique Paris Tech on the topic of social impact assessment in nonprofit organizations. Julien Kleszczowski joined Apprentis d'Auteuil in February 2012. He is also a lecturer in the social business / Enterprise and Poverty chair at HEC Paris, and solidarity-based economy master at Catholic Institute of Paris.

Previously, he graduated from HEC Paris (business school) in 2008. From 2008 to 2011, project manager at HEC Paris on equal opportunities programs and social entrepreneurship teaching programs. He worked also for the Social Business / Enterprise and poverty chair: he taught in the course "enterprise and poverty in France", he was responsible for hands on experience in social integration firms and wrote a case study about a social enterprise.

Koulouvaris Panagiotis, *MD, Consultant, Olympic Village Polyclinic*

Dr. Koulouvaris is Consultant Orthopedic Surgeon in Polyclinic Olympic Village. He is Lecturer in A' Orthopedic Clinic Medical School University of Athens. He is International Ambassador of Hospital for Special Surgery Cornell University New York. He is member of FOCOS team. His primary research concern is joint reconstruction, trauma, sports medicine and he has been author of several publications. He is currently one of the leaders of National Health Program for residents of Aegean Sea with the generous donation of Stavros Niarchos Foundation.

Kourbetis Vassilis, *Counsellor A, Head of the Office of European and International Educational Policy, Institute of Educational Policy*

Vassili Kourbetis, a teacher by profession, received his Master of Education in the Education of the Deaf in 1982 and his Doctor of Education in Applied Psycholinguistics and Deafness in 1987 from Boston University.

Vassili is a senior Counsellor and Head of the Office of European and International Educational Policy at the Institute of Educational Policy. He is also an adjunct professor at the University of Athens. From 2000 to 2012 he has served as a Special Education Counselor and Vice Chairman of the Department of Special Education at the Hellenic Pedagogic Institute.

He has over 40 publications in Greek and foreign journals and books, 5 monographs and over 100 presentations in Greek and foreigner congresses.

His main research interests span the areas of educating students with disabilities, the community of the Deaf and the structure and use of Greek Sign Language.

MacKenzie Kate, *Director, Policy & Government Relations, City Harvest*

Kate MacKenzie, M.S., R.D. joined City Harvest in 2007 as the Director of Program Development and Policy. In that capacity, she oversaw the program design, implementation, and evaluation of project plans to improve the food security of low-income New Yorkers and the communities in which they live, increased the capacity of emergency food programs, and further developed and operationalized sustainable neighborhood food system projects. In 2009, she moved into the position of Director of Policy and Government relations where she established City Harvest as a respected voice and responder in the food policy arena through maintaining high-level relationships with elected officials, government offices, community organizations, and media. She developed and implemented the organization's policy strategies and actions to maximize support for City Harvest and the people it serves.

Kate graduated from Cornell University, and received her Master's degree in Public Health Nutrition from Teachers College, Columbia University, where she also became certified as a Registered Dietitian. She is an adjunct faculty member there now, teaching graduate students about food and nutrition challenges in low-income communities.

Michailidis Myron, *Artistic Director, Greek National Opera*

Greek conductor and artistic director of the Greek National Opera, he holds a law degree (University of Athens). He studied piano with Dimitri Toufexis in Athens and conducting with Hans-Martin Rabenstein at the Berlin University of the Arts. He attended master classes with Miltiades Caridis (Carl Maria von Weber University of Music, Dresden) and Simon Rattle. He conducted many prestigious orchestras such as the Berlin, Rome, Mexico and Jerusalem

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Symphony Orchestras, George Enescu and Slovak Philharmonic Orchestras, Prague Radio Symphony Orchestra and National Radio Orchestra of Romania, all Greek orchestras and the GNO Orchestra. For seven years he has been permanent conductor of the Opera of Eastern Saxony. During 2004/11 he was artistic director of the Thessaloniki State Symphony Orchestra. In December 2007 he conducted the Thessaloniki State Symphony Orchestra in the Forbidden City, Beijing. He has recorded extensively and worked with distinguished artists such as pianist Aldo Ciccolini, with whom he has recorded Beethoven Concertos for EMI Classics. He received awards and enthusiastic reviews (Five diapasons by *Diapason* magazine and Supersonic Award by *Pizzicato* magazine, Grammy nomination). In 2009 he was given an honorary award from the Union of Greek Critics for Drama and Music.

Nader Andres, *Program Manager, Freudenberg Stiftung*

Andrés J. Nader, PhD, directs the Regional Center for Education, Integration and Democracy in Berlin, Germany, a program of the Freudenberg Foundation. He is a consultant for the Amadeu Antonio Foundation on anti-Semitism and racism. A Holocaust studies specialist, he was an interviewer for the “Archive of Memory: Interviews with Survivors of the Shoah” in Potsdam. His book *Traumatic Verses: On Poetry in German from the Concentration Camps, 1933-1945* received the MLA Prize for Independent Scholars in 2008. His current research project, *Citizens of Memory: Immigrants and Holocaust Remembrance in Contemporary Germany*, a book co-authored with Michael Rothberg and Yasemin Yildiz, was supported by a Collaborative Research Fellowship (2011-2012) from the American Council of Learned Societies.

Ngongang Decker, *Senior Associate, OSF Black Male Achievement Fellowship, Echoing Green*

Decker provides day-to-day management of search, selection, and support processes for the Open Society Foundations Black Male Achievement Fellowship at Echoing Green. Prior to joining Echoing Green, Decker worked with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation College Ready Education Program and with Mobilize.org where he invested in millennial generation driven solutions to pressing social issues.

Decker’s career began at Bank of America where he was a Risk Manager for the banks Corporate Investments Trading Group. In 2007, he left Bank of America to start a local organization (presently a program of Mobilize.org) that invested time and resources in local community college students holding ideas to solve local challenges that prevented completion of their academic degree or certificate.

Nowak Marie, *President, Adie*

Marie Nowak is a graduate of the Institut d’Etudes Politiques in Paris and a post graduate of the London School of Economics. She has pursued a career in the development field,

working for the "Agence Française de Développement". As Director of Policies and Research, she transferred, in the eighties, the Grameen Bank approach from Bangladesh to West Africa.

Seconded to the World Bank in Washington, in 1991, she started the first micro lending programs in Central and Eastern Europe. She implemented microcredit in France, in the framework of the "Association pour le Droit à l'Initiative Economique", which she founded in 1988 and of which she was Chairwoman until 2011, on a voluntary basis. She is presently Chairwoman of Adie International, which promotes microfinance in Europe and in the Mediterranean region.

She was co-founder and the first Chairwoman of two European microfinance networks. Between 2000 and 2002, she was a Special Adviser to Laurent Fabius, Minister of the Economy, Finance and Industry, in charge of enterprise creation and social economy.

She is author of « La Banquière de l'espoir », Albin Michel 1994, «On en prête(pas) qu'aux riches », JC Lattès, 2005, and « L'Espoir Economique : JC Lattès, 2010 .

Oppenheimer Gary, Founder and Executive Director, AmpleHarvest.org

Gary Oppenheimer, a CNN Hero, lecturer and speaker (including a TEDx presentation), Huffington Post's "Greatest Person of the Day" and «2011 Game Changer" and an Echoing Green semifinalist is the founder and executive director of AmpleHarvest.org. He is also a Master Gardener, Rutgers Environmental Steward, former community garden director, Environmental Commissioner, an avid gardener and long distance cyclist.

A self-described aging geek and an early pioneer in both micro-computers as well as the e-mail industry, Gary helped the then fledging MCI Mail e-mail service become a global leader – all while working from a boat in New York City. He also produced what is believed to be the first electronic newsletter published from 1985 to 1996.

Well aware of America's increasing hunger/nutrition problem that has coexisted side by side with vast amounts of excess harvest in home and community gardens, and with a strong distain for missed opportunities, he created AmpleHarvest.org in 2009 as a technology based solution to enable America's 40+ million home gardeners to share their excess bounty with a nearby food pantry.

His model "connects the dots" between local freshly harvested produce and the local need by moving information instead of food. It also eliminates the need for extra refrigeration and food storage which had previously kept fresh food out of the food pantry system. The focus AmpleHarvest.org, educating, encouraging and enabling growers to donate food is driven by the core mantra of "No Food Left Behind".

The ultimate impact is a whole new sustainable supply channel for the American food pantry network that replaces salt and sugar laden processed food with freshly harvested produce – at no cost to the community. This impacts the nation's long term health care costs,

improves the environment while also nourishing the community – all because growers can reach into their backyard instead of their back pocket to help their neighbors in need.

"More Than me" (by Kelly Eldredge, published 2010), a book on "people reaching out to help others and in turn experiencing beautiful and unexpected changes of their own" has an entire chapter on Gary and his creation of AmpleHarvest.org.

He is a firm believer in the notion that to do the impossible, you must first believe it isn't.

Papastavrou Xenia, Co-Founder, Boroume

Since February 2012, I have been working as a volunteer at Boroume, the NGO that I initiated in May 2011. I studied Ancient Greek and Philosophy at the University of Edinburgh and Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management at the London School of Economics. In 2006, I completed the UK Open University's Creative Writing Course. From 1999 until 2012, I worked as a journalist for the website in.gr of the Lambrakis Press where I designed the first portal for Agrotourism, as a project manager at the Lambrakis Foundation where I designed the Foundation's Education portal e-paideia.net and as a senior editor of Discovery & Science Magazine of the Lambrakis Press. I am a mother of two boys, a poet, a marathoner and a member of the UK Poetry Society.

Peck W. Robert, Canadian Ambassador to Greece

H.E. Ambassador Robert William Peck is a career Foreign Service Officer born in Montréal, Canada. He studied History and Journalism at Concordia University (Montreal). Upon graduation he served in the prestigious national Parliamentary Internship as one of ten Parliamentary Interns selected from across Canada to serve in the Canadian House of Commons.

Since joining the Canadian Foreign Service in 1982, Ambassador Peck has served in Lagos, Nigeria and Berne, Switzerland. From 1995 to 1998 Mr. Peck served as Political Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Athens and was awarded "Grand Commander of the Order of the Phoenix" by the Hellenic Republic for his exceptional contribution to the advancement of bilateral relations.

From 2000 to 2002 Ambassador Peck worked in the private sector as Director of Corporate Affairs and Investor Relations at CAE Inc., a leading, Montreal-based Canadian aerospace company.

Ambassador Peck was Canada's Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria from 2004 to 2007. Before his appointment in 2011 as Canada's Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic and High Commissioner to the Republic of Cyprus, Ambassador Peck served as Chief of Protocol of Canada from 2007 to 2010.

Pouskouri-Reiche Anna, *Founding Member, Junior Achievement Greece*

Anna Pouskouri-Reiche received her first degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the Technical University of Munich and an MBA in Economics from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich. She then went on to follow the Advance Management Programs at Harvard Business School and INSEAD, and the Program for Global Management Development at the University of Michigan/IESE.

From 1979 to 2010 she worked for Unicredit, Hypovereinsbank and Bayerische Vereinsbank in various positions in Germany and Greece. In her last position, she was Managing Director at Unicredit, responsible for the Corporate and Investment Banking Business of the bank in Southern Europe (Portugal, Spain, France and Greece).

Ms. Pouskouri-Reiche was a Member of the High Level Steering Committee of the Hellenic Banking Association (2006-2010), a Member of the Board of the Harvard Business School Alumni Association in Boston (2005-2009) and has been a Member of the Board of the Greek HBS Club since 2005.

She has also been a Member of the Greek Advisory Committee of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation (2005-2009) and a Founding Member of the Board of SEN.

She is married with two children.

Rapier Donella, *Chief Development and Administrative Officer, Accion*

Donella Rapier joined Accion in January 2012 as Chief Development and Administrative Officer. In this capacity, Ms. Rapier oversees Accion's Resource Development activities including individual giving, foundation and corporate giving, and grants from governments and multilateral institutions. She leads Accion's performance measurement programs, overseeing a robust process of operational and strategic reporting. She is responsible for devising and implementing an organization-wide social performance plan, and oversees several organization-wide initiatives including institutional relationship management and risk management. In addition, Ms. Rapier helps to ensure coordination of Accion's domestic and international activities.

Prior to joining Accion, Ms. Rapier served as Chief Financial Officer at Partners In Health, a not-for-profit organization that provides health care and socioeconomic services to at-need communities in 12 countries around the world, including Haiti and Rwanda. Prior to PIH, she served as Harvard University's Vice President for Alumni Affairs and Development and before that as Harvard Business School's Chief Financial Officer. She began her career at Price Waterhouse, ultimately serving as a Senior Manager for the firm.

Ms. Rapier received an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School and a Bachelor of Science degree, summa cum laude, in business administration from California State University, Northridge.

Rosenberg Francesca, *Director of Community, Access, and School Programs, Museum of Modern Art*

In her 18 years with the Museum of Modern Art, Ms. Rosenberg and her team have won national and international respect for MoMA's efforts to make the Museum accessible to all. Most recently, MoMA received awards from the Alzheimer's Association; American Association of Museums; and Museums and the Web for its efforts on behalf of people with dementia. Ms. Rosenberg is a founding member of the Museum Access Consortium and currently serves on its steering committee. She is the co-author of *Meet Me: Making Art Accessible to People with Dementia* and *Making Art Accessible to Blind and Visually Impaired Individuals*.

Sabi Imad, *Programme Officer, Oxfam International / Board member, Global Campaign for Education*

Imad Sabi is at Oxfam Novib's Global Link Department where he is responsible for the right to essential services portfolio, as well as the responsible markets and financial systems cluster. Imad is active in mobilization, policy work, and campaigning for the right to education as an elected member of the Board of the Global Campaign for Education (www.campaignforeducation.org), which he serves on since 2008. He is also the civil society constituency representative on the Global Partnership for Education's Financial Advisory Committee. In addition to this, Imad serves on the Board of the EDGE Funders' Alliance (www.edgefunders.org), where he is seeking to build more bridges between EDGE members in the US and like-minded foundations and philanthropic initiatives in Europe and other parts of the world. As such, he is an observer and monitor of trends in the philanthropy sector.

Saiz Ignacio, *Executive Director, Center for Economic and Social Rights*

Ignacio Saiz is Executive Director of the Center for Economic and Social Rights, a New York-based international NGO working to promote the recognition and enforcement of these rights worldwide. The Center has been addressing the human rights impacts of the global economic crisis since 2009, and is currently active in efforts to construct a more rights-based international development agenda to replace the Millennium Development Goals in 2015. Prior to joining the Center in 2006, Ignacio was director of policy at Amnesty International and served for several years as deputy director of Amnesty International's Americas Program. He has also worked as a consultant for several other international organizations in areas relating to the prevention of torture, post-conflict accountability and LGBT rights. Ignacio holds an LLM in international human rights law with distinction from the University of Essex.

Salole Gerry, Chief Executive, European Foundation Centre

Gerry Salole is the Chief Executive of the European Foundation Centre (EFC) since 2005. The EFC is an association of over 230 public-benefit foundations and corporate funders active in philanthropy in Europe and elsewhere.

His previous posts have included serving as Representative at the Ford Foundation's Southern Africa office, based in Johannesburg, and director of the Department of Programme Documentation and Communication of the Bernard van Leer Foundation, based in The Hague. He has also worked for Save the Children Federation (USA) in Ethiopia and Zimbabwe, and Redd Barna (Norwegian Save the Children) and OXFAM UK and UNHCR in Ethiopia.

Gerry Salole studied Social Anthropology and African History at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. He holds an M.A. (Econ.) and Ph.D. from the University of Manchester.

He is the Chair of TrustAfrica, an independent private foundation set up in Dakar, the Chair of the Global Fund for Community Foundations based in Johannesburg, a board member of the General Education Sub Board of the Open Society Foundations and sits on the Strategic Advisory Committee of the European Venture Philanthropy Association. From 2007 to 2012, he served on the board of the Alliance Publishing Trust based in London.

Solsona Marta, Program Manager of International Programs, "la Caixa" Foundation

She joined "la Caixa" Foundation in 1998, initially working at CosmoCaixa, the Science Museum of "la Caixa" Foundation in Barcelona where she was in charge of the exhibitions.

In 2008 she started working in the International Department of "la Caixa" Foundation, where she is currently in charge of the Awareness raising Activities, such as exhibitions, conferences, workshops and educational issues. She is also in charge of Socioeconomic Development Projects aimed at creating employment and generating economic activity for the most vulnerable people in developing countries

Marta Solsona studied Geology at the University of Barcelona and has a PHD on Paleontology. She has participated in several training courses on development and coordinated 15 developing projects in 7 countries.

Soros George, Founder, Open Society Foundations

George Soros is Chair of Soros Fund Management LLC and the Founder of the Open Society Foundations. Born in Budapest in 1930, Soros survived the Nazi occupation and fled communist Hungary in 1947 for England, where he graduated from the London School of Economics. He then settled in the United States, where he accumulated a large fortune through an international investment fund he founded and managed. Since 1979, Soros has

been active as a philanthropist and established a network of philanthropic organizations active in more than 50 countries. These organizations are dedicated to promoting the values of democracy and an open society. In addition, Soros is the author of over a dozen books, and his articles and essays regularly appear in major newspapers and magazines around the world.

Spinnewijn Freek, *Director, European Federation of National Organisations working with the Homeless (FEANTSA)*

Freek Spinnewijn has been the director of FEANTSA since 2001. FEANTSA, the European Federation of National Organisations Working with Homeless People, is a European network of NGOs working on the issue of homelessness. It has members in 30 European countries. FEANTSA is the only major European network that focuses exclusively on homelessness at European level. Freek sits on the steering group of several European and national research and exchange projects on homelessness.

Sundaresan Suresh, *Chase Manhattan Bank Professor of Economics and Finance, Columbia University*

Suresh M. Sundaresan is the Chase Manhattan Bank Professor of Economics and Finance at Columbia University. He is responsible for the Debt Markets course in the MBA and EMBA programs. He offers a mini course to MBA students on “Markets for the Poor.”

Research Interests: Treasury auctions, credit risk, habit formation, term structure of interest rates, asset pricing, pension asset allocation, swaps, options, forwards, futures, fixed-income securities markets, credit risk, optimal capital structure, liability structure, bank contingent capital, hedge funds, and risk management.

Publications: *Journal of Finance, Review of Financial Studies, Journal of Business, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, European Economic Review, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Political Economy*, etc. He has also contributed articles in *Financial Times*, and World Bank Conferences. He has served as an associate editor of *Journal of Finance, Review of Financial Studies, Management Science, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, and Review of Derivatives Research*.

Policy Experience: He has served on Treasury Bond Markets Advisory Committee and on the Financial Markets Round Table at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. He has served as a Resident Scholar at the Fed and as a visiting scholar at the IMF.

Industry Experience: He is a consultant to Capula Investment Management, LLP, and has worked full time with Lehman Brothers and Morgan Stanley in Fixed Income Research and Investment Management. He has served as an Expert witness in Enron bankruptcy trial, and has testified on rate hearing.

Trohopoulos Ioannis, *CEO and Managing Director, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center*

Ioannis Trohopoulos has served as the Director of the Central Public Library of Veria from 1990 to 2012. In August 2010 he was awarded on behalf of the Library the annual “Access to Learning” award from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. In 2011, with funding from Stavros Niarchos Foundation, he created and started implementing the PanHellenic program “Future Library”. From June 2012 he is Managing Director of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Law from the Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki and a postgraduate M.Lib from the University of Wales.

Vasilakis Stelios, *Senior Program Officer for Strategy and Initiatives, Stavros Niarchos Foundation*

Stelios Vasilakis is Senior Program Officer for Strategy & Initiatives and Co-Chief of Public Affairs at the Stavros Niarchos Foundation. He holds a Ph.D. in Classical Philology from New York University.

Zenetou Artemis, *Executive Director, Fulbright Foundation in Greece*

Artemis A. Zenetou is the Executive Director of the Fulbright Foundation in Greece. Since 1948, she is the first Greek citizen and woman to head the Foundation. Educated in Greece and in the United States, in History of Art, Museum Studies and Management of Non-for Profit Organizations. She spent 18 years in the U.S. and has worked for several national and international organizations including the: Federal Reserve Bank- Cultural Affairs, Boston; Smithsonian Institution Headquarters, 42nd U.S. Presidential Inaugural Committee for Art and Cultural Initiatives, and the World Bank, Washington, D.C.; where she established the first Art and Cultural Program. She has developed cultural and educational programs internationally and has published extensively on museology, arts administration and has co-authored two books: *Museums: a Place to Work* (Routledge Press, 1996) and *Gender Perspectives: Essays on Women in Museums*, (Smithsonian Press 1991). She served on the Board of the Cultural Olympiad, Ministry of Cultural Affairs (2000-2004) and on the Advisory Committee on Cultural Diplomacy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2002-2004). She is a founding member of Ecofilms - Rodos International Films & Visual Arts Festival and Vice-President of the Association of Museologists in Greece. Board Member of the College Year in Athens-DIKEMES.

Zelderloo Luk, *Secretary General, European Association of Service Providers for People with Disabilities*

Mr. Luk Zelderloo, born on 08/10/1956 in Belgium, has been professionally active in the disability sector for more than 30 years. Mr. Zelderloo holds Master degrees in Management

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and Social science and philosophy. For more than 15 years he was active as manager of a social service for persons with disabilities in Flanders. For the last 13 years, he has been active on the European level as well. He is one of the founding fathers of EASPD, an umbrella network representing over 10000 services for persons with disabilities. Furthermore, he has an extensive knowledge of managing and successfully delivering EU funded projects. He has acted as speaker and organizer of conferences on: Employment of persons with Disabilities, Education of persons with disabilities, Staff training, State aid, Empowerment of persons with disabilities, Poverty reduction, Sexual abuse, Social policies, Capacity building in EEC and Cooperation between stakeholders. He is the President of Cebob – De Link- a service providing organization & training center in Flanders providing vocational training and job coaching for persons with disabilities, and a Board member of the Global Partnership for Disability and Development (GPDD).

Zouras Christos, Co-Founder, Organization Earth

Christos Zouras is one of the founders of Organization Earth. He is the one that envisioned the Center of the Earth, shaped its role and its relationship with the Organization. He acts as President and Managing Director of Organization Earth. For 5 years he was the Managing Director of ARCTUROS NGO (for the protection of Big Carnivores in Greece - Bears & Wolves) which he restructured into the most well-known Greek Environmental NGO. For the period 2008-9, he was appointed as a Permanent Member of the Greek National Council of Country Planning and Sustainable Development. For the period 2008-2011 he was a member of the IENE Committee (Infra Eco Network Europe). He has also acted as a member of other Greek NGOs, such as the Hellenic Society for the Protection of the Environment and the Cultural Heritage, in which he was a Board member. He has experience in Public-Private Partnerships, having worked in the field with Ernst & Young Consultancy Office in Athens. He holds a Master's Degree in "Public Administration & NGO Governance" from Bocconi University - Milan Italy and he has completed the "Art & Science of Negotiations" Executive Education Program" of Harvard University - Kennedy School.