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Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida

As Governor of the State of Florida, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2017 World Strategic Forum. Florida is on a mission to be the number one destination in the world for job creation. Over the past six years, we have cut $6.5 billion in taxes and eliminated 4,800 burdensome regulations. As a result, Florida businesses have created more than 1.34 million new jobs since December 2010.

We are committed to doing all we can to continue this incredible growth and build an environment that helps Florida business compete across the world. Since 2011, we have invested more than $1.2 billion in Florida’s seaports, and we are continuing to fight to make Florida a global hub for trade. We are also fighting to continue cutting taxes and reducing regulations, as well as working to make strategic investments in education and public safety. Working together, we can ensure our families and job creators have the opportunities they need to succeed for generations to come.

I encourage you to consider expanding your business in Florida. As the gateway to Latin America, our state offers many advantages as a global hub for business. I hope each of you will take this opportunity to see for yourselves all the great things Florida has to offer. I look forward to welcoming you to the Sunshine State.

Sincerely,

Carlos A. Giménez, Mayor of Miami-Dade County

Greetings!

As Mayor of Miami-Dade County and on behalf of our 2.7 million residents, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the World Strategic Forum, 7th edition, hosted by the International Economic Forum of the Americas. This year’s theme is Mastering Change, Reigniting Growth.

Miami-Dade County is a vibrant and diverse community and the Miami World Strategic Forum is a great addition to our multicultural business events — gathering top global leaders, legislators, economists and prominent members of the banking community. Their insight about critical issues such as finance, innovation, energy, infrastructure and international trade will establish a platform to develop new partnerships and business opportunities for all participants.

If you are visiting, I encourage you to take advantage of our world-class beaches, hotels, restaurants, shopping, attractions, arts and culture, sports, and recreation.

I wish all of the organizers and attendees every success and an enjoyable experience.

Sincerely,
Welcome to the 7th edition of the World Strategic Forum!

An era of great transformation is underway! The rapidly changing political and economic environment, together with the awe-inspiring pace of technological progress, continue to underscore the importance of rethinking and reinventing business strategies and public policies. Amidst the myriad opportunities and challenges confronting global leaders and decision-makers, the central theme of this year’s Forum – Mastering Change, Reigniting Growth – examines the issues and trends driving the world economy today, and sheds light on the outlook for prosperity tomorrow.

This year’s Forum will benefit from the presence of an exceptional and diverse group of political and economic leaders. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our speakers, who have come from near and far to share their invaluable expertise on the challenges and opportunities we face as a global community.

I also wish to thank our sponsors and partners, particularly our Presenting Partner, Miami Dade College and our Strategic Partners, the Development Bank of Latin America – CAF, Atlantic Broadband, and Miami International Airport, for supporting us in hosting this exciting global event.

Since 1994, and through its three annual events, the International Economic Forum of the Americas has endeavoured to bring innovative thinkers, business leaders and decision-makers together with the aim of provoking interactive debates and providing constructive insights into the global economy.

We also look forward to welcoming you at our upcoming events: the 23rd edition of the Conference of Montreal from June 12 to 15, 2017; the 11th edition of the Toronto Global Forum from October 30 to November 1, 2017; and the 1st edition of the Conference of Paris that will be held on December 7 and 8, 2017. Last but not least, I hope to have the privilege of welcoming you at next year’s World Strategic Forum that will be held in this beautiful city on April 16 and 17, 2018.

On behalf of our team at the International Economic Forum of the Americas, I extend to you our best wishes for a successful and productive conference.
Wednesday, April 19
GLOBAL ECONOMY, FINANCE AND INNOVATION

7:00
REGISTRATION

8:30
OPENING OF THE 7th EDITION OF THE WORLD STRATEGIC FORUM (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
Welcoming Remarks Nicholas Rémillard, President and Chief Executive Officer, International Economic Forum of the Americas (IEFA)
Opening Address Luis Almagro Lemes, Secretary General, Organization of American States (OAS)

9:00
INAUGURAL PLENARY SESSION (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
The Global Economy: Responding to Uncertainty
Growing uncertainty due to disruption in global politics, the backlash against globalization and the rapid pace of technology is continuing to test the world’s economic stability and potential for growth. What are the major risks facing the global economy today? How can investors, stakeholders and decision-makers look past uncertainty to find new opportunities for growth? How will the rise of protectionist discourse we are currently witnessing in different parts of the world affect global markets, and can trust be restored?
Chair Frank L. Holder, Managing Director, Head of Latin America, Berkeley Research Group (BRG)
Moderator John Authers, Senior Investment Commentator, Financial Times
Introduction Arnold W. Donald, Chief Executive Officer, Carnival Corporation & plc
Welcomed by Juan M. Kuryla, Director and Chief Executive Officer, PortMiami
Speakers Shaukat Aziz, Former Prime Minister of Pakistan
Catherine D. Wood, Founder, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, ARK Investment Management
Nelson Jobim, Partner and Member of the Board of Directors, BTG Pactual
David Folkerts-Landau, Chief Economist and Global Head of Research, Deutsche Bank

10:30
FORUM 1 (MERRICK)
Navigating a World of Disruption
The relentless pace of today’s technological disruption is defining an age of unprecedented industrial transformation; a changing landscape in which companies can just as easily explode in value as they can disappear. How will the latest advances in connectivity, healthcare, robotics and artificial intelligence shape our future? How should companies rethink their strategies in light of rapid innovation? What challenges and risks do investors face when financing innovation and R&D?
Moderator Brian Brackeen, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Kairos
Speakers Bernard Meyerson, Chief Innovation Officer, IBM Corporation
Jim Cantrell, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Vector Space Systems
Janneke Niessen, Co-Founder and Chief Innovation Officer, Improve Digital
Andy Wild, Chief Revenue Officer, Planet
Hugh C. Welsh, President and General Counsel, DSM North America
Wednesday, April 19
GLOBAL ECONOMY, FINANCE AND INNOVATION

10:30  FORUM 2 (STONEMAN-DOUGLAS)
Cultivating an Ecosystem of Entrepreneurship
In collaboration with International Development Research Centre of Canada (IDRC)
With start-ups and SME’s accounting for 97% of all jobs in emerging economies, budding entrepreneurial activity is often viewed as an important source of innovation, productivity growth and employment. What strategies need to be implemented to create an ecosystem that promotes entrepreneurship and to build the high-level network of institutions able to stimulate and support its success? What types of innovation have the potential to drive economic growth? What are the main challenges facing start-ups and SMEs?
Moderator  Federico S. Burone, Director, Latin America and the Caribbean, International Development Research Centre of Canada (IDRC)
Speakers  Michael Schlein, President and Chief Executive Officer, Accion; and Chairman, New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC)
          Gonzalo Rivas, President, National Innovation Council of Chile (CNID)
          Maria Helena Jaén, Distinguished Chair Professor and Academic Director, Observatorio SCALA, Universidad de los Andes School of Management
          Michael Dunkley, Premier of Bermuda

12:00  LUNCHEON (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
Leading an Era of Change
Presented by Atlantic Broadband
Chair  Richard Shea, President and Chief Executive Officer, Atlantic Broadband
Speaker  Gérard Mestrallet, Chairman, ENGIE
Interviewed by  Sophie L’Hélias, President, LeaderXXchange; and Co-Founder, International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)
Introduced by  William Talbert III, President and Chief Executive Officer, Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau (GMCVB)
Acknowledgements  Steven Sonberg, Managing Partner, Holland & Knight

14:30  CONVERSATION (ALHAMBRA)
Women in Leadership: The Way Forward
Moderator  Susan Amat, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Venture Hive
Speakers  Catherine D. Wood, Founder, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, ARK Investment Management
          Janneke Niessen, Co-Founder and Chief Innovation Officer, Improve Digital
15:00 Afternoon Plenary Session (Alhambra)

Preparing the Workforce of the Future
In collaboration with Miami Dade College and World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE) – Qatar Foundation

As workforce requirements change with the advance of the fourth industrial revolution and the transformation of the global economy, public-private partnerships are playing an increasingly important role in education and training the workforce of the 21st century by creating alternative sources of funding, promoting technological innovation in instruction and deepening industry-related training to help reduce the education-to-employment gap. What are the main characteristics of the 21st century skill set and what are the most effective tools and methods to teach them? What potential do information and communication technologies present today for the creation and dissemination of knowledge? What types of partnerships are needed to foster an educational ecosystem that can enhance economic development?

Moderator: Stavros N. Yiannouka, Chief Executive Officer, World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE) – Qatar Foundation

Speakers: Mona Mourshed, Global Executive Director, Generation, a program of McKinsey Social Initiative (MSI)
Eduardo J. Padrón, President, Miami Dade College (MDC); and Recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom
Frank Azor, Co-Founder, Alienware; and Vice-President and General Manager for Premium PCs, Dell
Khaled Helioui, Chief Executive Officer, Bigpoint Group

16:30 Round Table (Alhambra)

Cybersecurity: A New Global Priority
In collaboration with Abacode

As our world continues to interconnect, cybersecurity, particularly in the areas of energy, telecommunications and finance, has emerged as one of the top risks that both governments and companies must address. What are the major challenges facing global cybersecurity today? What strategies do companies and governments need to adopt to protect critical information infrastructure? In what ways can private and public stakeholders work together to combat cyber threats?

Welcoming Remarks: Michael K. Ferris, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Abacode
Moderator: Jeremy Rasmussen, Director, Cybersecurity, Abacode
Speakers: Manuel D. Medina, Founder and Managing Partner, Medina Capital
Gary Davis, Chief Consumer Security Evangelist, McAfee
Thierry Dassault, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Groupe Dassault
Jason Manar, Supervisory Special Agent, Miami Cyber Crime Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
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7:00 REGISTRATION

8:30 WELCOMING REMARKS (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
Opening Address Hashim Thaçi, President of the Republic of Kosovo
Introduced by Bill Johnson, Former Secretary of Commerce, State of Florida; and Chairman, Advisory Committee, World Strategic Forum (WSF)
Special Address Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida
Introduced by Jose E. Padron, President, Miami Dade College
Acknowledgements Christian Paradis, Senior Vice-President, Strategic Development, Protective Services, GardaWorld

9:00 MORNING PLENARY SESSION (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
Infrastructure: Engine for Growth
In collaboration with Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)
Infrastructure development has proven to be a crucial driver of recovery and growth, carrying with it the potential to efficiently steer investment resources towards more inclusive and sustainable endeavours that shape emerging and developed markets alike. With global population expected to reach 8 billion by 2025 and rapid urbanization putting pressure on both emerging markets and developed economies, what are the major challenges and opportunities facing infrastructure today? What projects need to be prioritized? With spending expected to rise by the trillions, what novel financing models can private and public sectors use to advance infrastructure development and modernization?

Moderator Michael Parker, U.S. Infrastructure Advisory Leader, EY
Introduction Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport, Canada
Speakers Mathias Burghardt, Member of the Executive Committee and Head of Infrastructure, Ardian
Steven T. Halverson, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Haskell Company
Steven M. Cernak, Chief Executive and Port Director, Port Everglades Department of Broward County
Isaac Martin-Barbero, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Ineco
Jorge Kogan, Senior Advisor, Vice-Presidency of Infrastructure, and Head of Transport Group, Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)

10:30 FORUM 1 (ALHAMBRA)
Global Real Estate Outlook: Driving Investment and Innovation
In collaboration with Florida Realtors
As market volatility moderates the pace of global real estate investment, vast changes in demographics, urbanization and technology, as well as environmental concerns signal a need to re-evaluate the requirements of changing markets and the strategies needed to succeed in them. What are the major challenges and opportunities facing real estate construction today? How will new market demands drive property innovation and draw investment? Where will global investment opportunities shift to next?

Welcoming Remarks Maria Wells, President, Florida Realtors
Moderator Tere Blanca, President and Chief Executive Officer, Blanca Commercial Real Estate
Speakers Kai-Uwe Bergmann, Partner, Bjarke Ingels Group (BIG)
Shuguang Wang, General Manager, Broad Group
Roberto G. Martins Costa, Director, TRX Financial
Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz, Partner, Holland & Knight

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10:30 FORUM 2 (MERRICK)

Advancing the Energy Transition in the Americas

In collaboration with Holland & Knight

Largely due to a sustained increase in new projects and financial engagement by key players, renewable energy in the Americas has made remarkable progress and seems positioned to continue its positive trend over the next decade. Where are the major opportunities with regard to clean energy projects in the Americas today? How can clean energy technologies be scaled up to increase accessibility and lower costs? What policies are needed to accelerate the energy transition in the Americas?

Moderator: José Vicente Zapata, Partner, Holland & Knight
Introduction: Frank Demaillé, President and Chief Executive Officer, ENGIE North America
Speakers:
José Antonio Miranda, Chief Executive Officer, Latin America, Gamesa
Jorge Camargo, President, Brazilian Petroleum, Gas and Biofuels Institute (IBP)
Kyung-Ah Park, Managing Director, Head of Environmental Markets, Goldman Sachs
Matt Valle, Vice-President of Development, Florida Power & Light (FPL)

10:30 FORUM 3 (STONEMAN-DOUGLAS)

Strategies for Growth: Harnessing the Experience Economy

In collaboration with Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau (GMCVB)

After a decade of slow global growth, regional economies are increasingly tapping into their unique strengths to build strategies that will allow them to create long-term, sustainable growth. What impact can the different industries, in particular those associated with the experience economy, have in the creation of strategies for growth? How can technology and innovation expand user and consumer experiences? What is the role of policy innovation with regard to identifying and nurturing untapped potential?

Chair: William Talbert III, President and Chief Executive Officer, Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau (GMCVB)
Moderator: Richard Bradley, Editor-in-Chief and Chief Content Officer, The Worth Group
Speakers:
Annette Stapleton-Seaforth, Chief Executive Officer, Port of Spain City Corporation, Trinidad and Tobago
Wang Yao, Counselor and Former Director General, Boao Forum for Asia (BFA)
John Padgett, Chief Experience and Innovation Officer, Carnival Corporation & plc
Matt Haggman, Program Director, Knight Foundation
Michael Thompson, Councillor, City of Toronto; Chair, Toronto’s Economic Development and Culture Committee; and Chair, Invest Toronto
Closing Remarks: Mike Hampton, Dean, Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management, Florida International University (FIU)
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12:00 LUNCHEON (COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM)
Shaping the Agenda for Sustainable Growth

Part 1
Speaker John Carrington, Chief Executive Officer, Stem
Interviewed by Humberto Alexander Lee, Co-founder and Chief Technology Officer, Tesser Health

Part 2
Speaker Alberto Giovannini, Chairman, Salini Impregilo
Interviewed by Bertrand Badré, Chief Executive Officer, Blue Orange Capital; and Visiting Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics (PIIE)
Introduced by Maria Wells, President, Florida Realtors

14:30 SPECIAL ADDRESS (ALHAMBRA)
Mohamed L. Doumbouya, Minister of Budget, Republic of Guinea

15:00 CLOSING PLENARY SESSION (ALHAMBRA)
Globalization at a Crossroads: New Realities, New Opportunities
In collaboration with Miami International Airport and Port Everglades

Prompted by increasing economic inequality and the rise of automation and artificial intelligence, doubts concerning the advantages of globalization are creating uncertainty about the ways in which international trade and business opportunities will flourish in the near future. What strategies do multinationals need to implement in order to reach new consumer markets? How will technology and automation transform the future of trade? How can global governance successfully address the economic, social and environmental issues currently challenging globalization?

Chair Emilio T. González, Director and Chief Executive Officer, Miami-Dade Aviation Department
Moderator Marco Vicenzino, Global Affairs Analyst; and Founder and Director, Global Strategy Project
Speakers Donna Hrinak, Vice President, Boeing International; and President, Boeing Latin America and the Caribbean
Keliang Ji, Chairman, Kweichow Moutai
Tunde Kehinde, Co-Founder and Co-Chief Executive Officer, Lidya
Mark Wallace, Senior Vice-President, Global Engineering and Sustainability, UPS
Rafael Funes, Founder and Executive Chairman, LOVIS EOS
CITIES: WEATHERING THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE

In collaboration with Sister Cities

With global temperatures and sea levels continuing to rise at a troubling rate, climate change mitigation will play a crucial role in the future prosperity of cities around the world. What are the main challenges cities face with regard to climate change? What strategies need to be implemented to make cities resilient in the face of increasing climatic risk? What economic opportunities can arise from climate mitigation and adaptation?

**Moderator**
Stéphane Brutus, Interim Dean, John Molson School of Business (JMSB), Concordia University

**Speakers**
James Cason, Mayor of Coral Gables
Federico S. Burone, Director, Latin America and the Caribbean, International Development Research Centre of Canada (IDRC)
Irela M. Bagué, President, Bagué Group

**Closing Remarks of the 7th Edition of the World Strategic Forum**

Nicholas Rémillard, President and Chief Executive Officer, International Economic Forum of the Americas (IEFA)
Biographical Notes

Luis Almagro Lemes
Luis Almagro Lemes was elected Secretary General of the Organization of American States on March 18, 2015. A career diplomat, Mr. Almagro was Uruguay’s Minister of Foreign Affairs from March 2010 to March 2015, and has extensive regional and international experience. In October 2014, he was elected Senator in the national elections. Mr. Almagro was also Ambassador to China for five years, after occupying senior diplomatic posts in the Foreign Ministry of his country, and in the Uruguayan Embassies in Germany and Iran. In 2014, Foreign Policy magazine named him a Leading Global Thinker, one of ten regional decision-makers who received that international distinction. Almagro, a lawyer by profession, is married and has seven children. In addition to Spanish, he speaks English and French.

Susan Amat
Susan Amat is the CEO and founder of Venture Hive, an entrepreneur education company that provides accountability and transparency tools and content to support economic development, innovation management, and entrepreneurship programs. The platform and customized intensive training programs have supported entrepreneurs from more than 60 countries, through governments, accelerators partners, universities, and internal initiatives in Fortune 100 retail and technology businesses. While teaching at the University of Miami, Dr. Amat founded The Launch Pad, which was considered the top model in entrepreneurship education. Her program and platform were replicated internationally as Blackstone LaunchPads in universities, including USC and UCLA. Dr. Amat served as the founding Chair of the STEM Board for Miami-Dade County Public Schools and actively speaks about entrepreneurship and innovation education internationally. She has worked with the US State Department, the Kauffman Foundation, and the World Bank on program development, training, and evaluation and is on the international board of Global Entrepreneurship Week which is celebrated in more than 170 countries. In 2012, Dr. Amat was honored as a Champion of Change at the White House.

Louis Audet
Louis Audet has been President and Chief Executive Officer of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Communications Inc. since 1993. He joined Cogeco in 1981, occupying several management positions including President and Chief Operating Officer. He is a member of the Boards of Directors of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Communications Inc., and a member of their respective Strategic Opportunities Committees. Mr. Audet is President of the major fundraising campaign of the Old Brewery Mission Foundation. He was also Chairman of the Collège Jean-de-Brébeuf Development Fund. Mr. Audet holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Harvard Business School (Boston, MA) and has graduated from Ecole Polytechnique (Montréal) with an Engineering Degree, Electronics and Communications. In 2013, he was named Member of the Order of Canada and in 2012, he was inducted into the Club des entrepreneurs du Conseil du patronat du Québec. He was awarded the Order of Merit of the Université de Montréal Alumni Association in 2010, as well as the Merit Award of the École Polytechnique Alumni Association in 2008.

John Authers
John Authers has been the Financial Times’ Senior Investment Commentator, based in New York, since September 2014. Previously, he was the global editor of Lex, the FT’s flagship daily opinion column, and its investment editor, where he introduced the popular daily Short View video, and took a leading role in shaping the FT’s coverage of the global financial crisis. Authers joined the FT in 1990; during his career he has served as its U.S. markets editor, Mexico City bureau chief, U.S. banking correspondent, UK education and local government correspondent, and as a personal finance correspondent. In 2009, Authers was named Senior Journalist of the Year by the Wincott Foundation, widely regarded as the most prestigious award in British financial journalism, for his coverage of the financial crisis. He also won Best in Business awards from The Society of American Business Editors and Writers in 2008 and 2010 for his online video reports, and has twice been named the UK’s Investment Journalist of the Year (National Newspapers) in the State Street Institutional Press Awards.
Kai-Uwe Bergmann

Kai-Uwe Bergmann is a Partner at BIG who brings his expertise to proposals around the globe, including work in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Kai-Uwe heads up BIG’s business development, which currently has offices in 20 different countries, and also oversees BIG’s Communications. Registered as an architect in the USA (eight states), and Canada (one province), Kai-Uwe most recently contributed to the resiliency plan BIG U to protect 10 miles of Manhattan’s coastline. He rounded out his professional work with previous teaching assignments at University of Pennsylvania, University of Florida, IE University in Madrid and his alma mater, the University of Virginia. Kai-Uwe also sits on the Board of the Van Alen Institute, participates on numerous international juries, and lectures globally on the works of BIG.

Shaukat Aziz

His Excellency Mr. Shaukat Aziz was elected Prime Minister of Pakistan and served from 2004 to 2007, after serving for five years as Finance Minister from 1999. Mr. Aziz was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan to complete a full term in office. Mr. Aziz restored his country’s credibility at home and abroad and is renowned for his strategic approach, structural reforms, transparency and ability to focus on what is best, not simply what is politically expedient. His policies were based on the principles of liberalization, deregulation and privatization, accompanied by strong regulatory oversight. Mr. Aziz’s tenure was marked by high economic growth, increased per capita income, a reduction in poverty, an upsurge in investments and improved debt and economic indicators. He became Finance Minister in 1999 and was named “Finance Minister of the Year” for 2001 by Euromoney and Bankers Magazine. Having presided over impressive economic growth in his country, Mr. Aziz offers an expert view and is a frequent speaker on the challenges facing the world including structural reforms, diplomacy, geopolitics and security.

Frank Azor

Frank Azor oversees Dell’s premium consumer business units under the brands of Alienware and XPS. He joined Alienware in 1998 and held many executive roles before creating the Alienware Product Group, which led to the company’s successful acquisition and integration into Dell. Frank assumed the role of worldwide GM for the Alienware business unit and has helped grow it to the worldwide PC gaming leader. In 2014, Frank’s role was expanded to include responsibility for Dell’s XPS business unit, one of the company’s most innovative and award-winning brands. As of January 2017, Frank holds 16 patents granted under his name and has been named a milestone inventor by Dell. Frank sits on the advisory board for Miami Dade College’s MAGIC program and serves as a volunteer judge for the FIRST robotics South Florida regional competition.

Bertrand Badré

Bertrand Badré is the CEO and Founder of BlueOrange Sustainable Capital. As former Managing Director and World Bank Group Chief Financial Officer, Badré was responsible for the World Bank Group’s financial and risk management and IT strategies. He contributed to international dialogue on financial standards and practices through his representation of the Group at the Financial Stability Board, as Chair of the World Economic Forum Global Action Council on Sustainable Development, and through his participation in meetings of the G20 and G7 as well as the heads of multilateral development banks. Previously, he was Group CFO at Société Générale and Crédit Agricole, and Managing Director of Lazard. During the 2003 Evian G8 summit, Badré served as President Chirac’s deputy personal representative for Africa and as a spokesperson on new international financial contributions to fund development. He was on the World Panel on Financing Water Infrastructure, chaired by Michel Camdessus, and served in the French Ministry of Finance. He currently co-chairs the World Economic Forum’s Global Future Council on International Governance and Public-Private Cooperation; he is also on the advisory board of the International Water Bank.
Biographical Notes

Tere Blanca
Blanca is President and CEO of Blanca Commercial Real Estate, Inc., the leading independently owned commercial real estate brokerage firm in South Florida. Established in 2009, the firm is noted for delivering unique client value through data-driven insight and deep market intelligence resulting in the completion of over 6 million square feet of office lease transactions. Ms. Blanca has over 25 years of experience in the South Florida real estate sector, having participated in many notable projects ranging from land acquisition to the master planning, design, construction, marketing, lease-up, and sale of office and mixed-use assets. As one of South Florida’s most civically engaged commercial real estate professionals, Ms. Blanca serves on the Board of Directors for BankUnited, is an active member of the Board of Directors for The Miami Foundation, and immediate past Chair of City Year Miami. Recent accolades include being named Ultimate CEO and Power Leader by South Florida Business Journal, Office Broker of the Year and Power Leader of the Year by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, and Women of Influence by the Real Estate Forum.

Brian Brackeen
Brian Brackeen is founder and CEO of Kairos, a Miami based Human Analytics platform providing face recognition and emotion analysis to businesses with developer friendly APIs and SDKs. Kairos was started in 2011 and was selected by Wall Street Journal as one of the top 25 startups in the country for 2013. Kairos is an Endeavor company, and currently services more than ten thousand clients in 70 countries — processing millions of faces each month. Brian leads the senior management team in establishing the company’s strategic direction, while engaging directly with customers and investors from around the globe. Prior to founding Kairos, Brian served as a Senior Project Manager for Apple Inc., and before Apple he was a Senior Managing Consultant for IBM. In addition to his work at Kairos, Brian lectures extensively around the world on entrepreneurship, code, digital economy, AI and machine learning — and participates in mentorship programs for organizations like Girls Who Code, Black Girls CODE and School District of Miami Dade County.

Richard Bradley
Richard Bradley is Editor-in-Chief and Chief Content Officer of The Worth Group. He is also the #1 New York Times best-selling author of American Son: A Portrait of John F. Kennedy, Jr. A seasoned and respected editor and journalist, Bradley’s career has always combined journalism and academia. American Son generated tremendous national attention, including the cover of People magazine and a guest appearance on NBC’s Today Show. Mr. Bradley was also the subject of a Barbara Walters interview on ABC’s 20/20. American Son spent seven weeks on The New York Times non-fiction bestseller list, ultimately climbing to number one. In addition to his jobs as a magazine editor and his book writing, Richard Bradley has authored articles for numerous publications, including: The New York Times, The Washington Post, Vanity Fair, George, The New Republic, Rolling Stone, Boston Magazine, Salon.com, The Washington Monthly, Worth, and Mother Jones. He has also written a column of media analysis for the website TomPaine.com.

Stéphane Brutus
Stéphane Brutus is interim Dean of the John Molson School of Business (JMSB) at Concordia University in Montreal, where the university is in the midst of a $400-million urban planning project aimed at better defining the environment surrounding its downtown campus. Through Quartier Concordia, the university is working with city administration, local businesses, organizations and schools to breathe new life into the community. Brutus earned his PhD in Industrial-Organizational Psychology from Bowling Green State University in 1995 and completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Center of Creative Leadership (CCL) in Greensboro, North Carolina. In the past, he has served as Associate Dean, Graduate Professional Programs, Chair of JMSB’s Department of Management and Director of the Bell Research Center for Business Process Innovation. Dr. Brutus’s research focuses mainly on feedback processes in organizations. His research has been published in the following journals and academic publications: Academy of Management Learning and Education, Personnel Psychology, Leadership Quarterly, Journal of Management, Human Resource Management Review, and Journal of Business and Psychology. Dr. Brutus also holds the RBC Professorship of Motivation and Employee Performance.
Mathias Burghardt
Mathias Burghardt joined Ardian in 2007. Previously, he joined the AXA Group in 2005 to set up and head its infrastructure investment business. He began his career in 1989 within Crédit Lyonnais’ Media Telecom team before heading HSBC’s Advisory and Project Financing section in France. He has 25 years of experience in the field of infrastructure financing, having created and led this type of activity in France and in Spain.

Federico S. Burone
Federico Burone is Director for Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), at Canada’s International Development Research Centre (IDRC), a lead institution that supports knowledge, innovation and solutions to improve the lives of people in the developing world. He holds a PhD in Economics and an MSc in Environmental Sciences from the University of Valencia, Spain. He has been Executive Director of the Latin American Environmental Management Secretariat, pioneering the design of public-private partnerships providing lasting environmental services to cities, and responsible for the Latin American Mining Policy Research Initiative, informing innovation strategies for sustainable development of the extractive sector in Latin America. As Director for LAC at IDRC, he currently coordinates work and partnerships with public and private sector actors to advance ideas and innovation and enhance economic opportunities for and the social inclusion of women and youth in the region through large-scale implementation.

Jorge Camargo
Jorge Camargo is President of the Brazilian Petroleum, Gas and Biofuels Institute (IBP). Before starting his professional career, he graduated from the University of Brasilia with an undergraduate degree in Geology, and from The University of Texas at Austin, with a Master’s degree in Geophysics. He worked 27 years for Petrobras, including serving as a member of its Executive Board from 2000 to 2003, responsible for International Area. From 2003 to 2009, Mr. Camargo worked for Statoil, first as Senior Vice-President and later as the company’s Brazil President. Currently, he is a member of the Boards of Directors of Ultrapar, Prumo Logistica and Mills Engenharia.

Jim Cantrell
Jim Cantrell is a well-known space entrepreneur, expert in small spacecraft systems and was on the founding team of SpaceX with Elon Musk, serving as SpaceX’s first VP of Business Development. Jim has 30 years of experience in commercial space efforts including StratSpace, Skybox imaging, and the privately developed Lightsail. Early in his career, Jim worked for the French Space Agency CNES in Toulouse, NASA/JPL and has helped grow more than 20 space startups to profitability and acquisition through StratSpace where he was the Founder and CEO. Jim has been involved in the corporate development or financing of Silicon Valley’s most notable space startups including Skybox, Planet Lab, Rocket Lab, World View, PlanetIQ and Orbital Insight.
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John Carrington

John Carrington, Chief Executive Officer of Stem Inc. has a distinguished track record with over 25 years of proven leadership in technology, energy and industrial companies. Mr. Carrington was Chief Executive Officer of MiaSole, the largest CIGS-based solar company in the world. Prior to MiaSole, Mr. Carrington served as Executive Vice-President of Marketing and Business Development at First Solar where he grew the company revenue from $400 million to $2 billion, opening markets in the U.S., Asia and Europe. Mr. Carrington spent over 16 years at General Electric, most recently as General Manager and Chief Marketing Officer of the $7 billion GE Plastics global organization where he led global innovation, new technology efforts and product strategy for over 30,000 customers. He was also part of a small executive team that executed on the $12 billion sale of GE Plastics to SABIC in 2007. While at GE, Mr. Carrington led innovation efforts in the healthcare, electronics, business equipment, transportation and aviation, solar, wind, defense, telecommunications, security and media sectors.

James Cason

James Cason was first elected Mayor of the City of Coral Gables on April 12, 2011. He was elected again with 71 percent of the vote in April 2013, and was reelected for a third term in April 2015. He is a retired U.S. Foreign Service officer with more than 45 years of national and international public service, including extensive experience in Latin America as a leader of multi-agency Embassy communities. He is fluent in five languages. A resident of Coral Gables with a family history in public service, Mayor Cason and his wife, Carmen, have two grown sons; one is a Naval Aviator and the other is in international business. Mayor Cason had 10 years of higher education at several of the nation’s most prestigious institutions, where he studied international affairs and economics. He is a Fulbright Scholar and a graduate of Dartmouth College, Johns Hopkins University and the National War College.

Steven M. Cernak

Steven Cernak serves as Chief Executive and Port Director for Port Everglades, a self-supporting enterprise fund of Broward County, Florida that generated approximately $163 million in FY2016 and is ranked among the nation’s leading container ports and a world leader in the cruise industry. Mr. Cernak joined Port Everglades in March 2012, having previously served as the Port Director and Chief Executive Officer for the Port of Galveston, Texas, and as President of the Galveston Port Facilities Corporation, a non-profit corporation formed to promote redevelopment. Prior to moving to Texas, Mr. Cernak was the Manager of Port Development for The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. He also held engineering positions with several private engineering consultancies in New Jersey. Mr. Cernak has a bachelor’s degree in Civil Engineering from Colorado State University and a master’s degree in Business Administration from Dowling College in Oakdale, New York.

Marianela Curi

Marianela Curi is the Executive Director of Fundación Futuro Latinoamericano – FFLA, an organization based in Quito-Ecuador that promotes sustainable development in Latin America. She is an expert in the design and management of sustainable development policies and strategies. Marianela has served as a director of both national and international organizations in Bolivia and also has experience managing nation-wide conservation projects. She led the BOLFOR II project for sustainable forestry management in Bolivia, which brought together community forestry organizations in order to strengthen their capacities and promoted dialogue among stakeholders in the forestry Colliquim. In the governmental sector, Marianela worked as Under Secretary and later as Vice-Minister of Natural Resources and Environment in Bolivia’s Sustainable Development Ministry. She led the National Biodiversity Strategy and created both the Watershed Management and Sustainable Bio-Commerce programs. In 2010, Marianela joined Fundación Futuro Latinoamericano as Director of Strategic Initiatives and in 2012 was named Executive Director. Marianela graduated with a degree in Social Psychology from the Catholic University of La Paz, Bolivia.
Gary Davis

Gary Davis is Chief Consumer Security Evangelist. Through a consumer lens, he works closely with internal teams to strategically align products with the needs of the security space. Gary also oversees Intel Security’s online safety education to educate businesses and consumers by distilling complex security topics into easily understandable and actionable advice. During his more than five years at the company, he has held leadership roles in the consumer and enterprise divisions where he has helped shape various product portfolios and strategic direction along with advocating for cybersecurity education. Gary has appeared on several business, security and consumer lifestyle media outlets, including CNBC, NBC, FOX, and CBS Bay Area stations; and quoted in The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, CNN, Forbes, TIME Magazine, MSNBC, PC Magazine, CNET, CSO Magazine, and PC World. Gary serves on the Board of Directors of the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA).

Frank Demaille

Frank Demaille is President and CEO of ENGIE North America Inc., which manages a range of energy businesses, including electricity generation, natural gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG) distribution and sales, retail energy sales, and services to help customers run their facilities more efficiently and optimize energy use and expense. Prior to this role, Frank served as Executive Vice-President of ENGIE’s international division of the Energy Services Branch (BES), in charge of the BES business development and its activities in the Pacific, Asia, and the Americas. He was previously the CEO of CPCU, the district heating system of Paris (4,200 MWth, 600 km of network), and worked in Dubai and Santiago, Chile, for ENGIE’s Energy International business. Before joining the company in 2009, he held various positions in the French Ministry of Finance and as an advisor of the French Prime Minister. Frank graduated from the Ecole Polytechnique and the “Corps des Mines” in France. He also obtained a Master’s degree in Finance.

Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz

Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz is a partner in Holland & Knight’s Miami office and serves as the deputy section leader of the Real Estate Section. Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz has extensive experience in complex real estate transactions for both private and public clients, representing institutional lenders in commercial lending for various types of projects and developments in the United States, and in asset-based loans secured by real estate, inventory, equipment receivables and securities. In addition, Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz has experience representing developers in a range of projects, including land development, condominium, office and single family development and hotels. Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz represents clients in the purchase and sale of commercial and residential properties, development of commercial properties, commercial leasing and related transactions. Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz’s special assets experience includes representation of lenders and developers across the U.S. with respect to forbearance, negotiation of loan modifications, restructuring and workouts on behalf of lenders and borrowers for various types of loans, deeds-in-lieu of foreclosure, note purchase agreements, and sales and foreclosures affecting numerous commercial properties located throughout the state of Miami and nation.
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Arnold W. Donald
Arnold Donald is President and Chief Executive Officer of Carnival Corporation & PLC, the largest travel and leisure company in the world. Mr. Donald has been President and CEO of Carnival Corporation since 2013; prior to that he served on the board for 12 years. In January 2017 he was appointed Chair of Cruise Line Industry Association (CLIA) and currently serves on the board of Bank of America Corporation and Crown Holdings, Inc. Mr. Donald spent more than twenty years at Monsanto Company as Corporate Senior Vice-President, and President of the Consumer and Nutrition sector and President of the Agricultural sector. Mr. Donald was also Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Executive Leadership Council, a professional network and leadership forum for African-American executives of Fortune 500 companies, and the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, the largest charitable funder of diabetes research in the world.

Andrew Duffell
Andrew Duffell is a recognized thought-leader on the strategic role of business recruitment, retention and expansion as a foundation for the Florida economy. In his current role as president and CEO of the Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, Andrew has brought renewed energy to the alliance between FAU and the Research Park. The opportunity for technology tenants to collaborate with students and academic staff at the FAU College of Engineering and Computer Science, the FAU Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine and the FAU College of Business has sparked a new round of growth at the Research Park. Previously Duffell helped orchestrate the recruitment and expansion of local, national and international companies, which continue to add approximately $3 billion annually to the regional economy. Due in part to Duffell’s work, South Florida is now home to Max Planck Florida Institute, one of the most revered bioscience research institutes in the world. In 2010 he was awarded the “Young Leader of the Year” award from the Urban Land Institute Southeast Florida/Caribbean Chapter. He was named the 2008 South Florida Business Journal’s “Up and Comer of the Year” for finance and economic development.

Michael Dunkley
The Honourable Michael H. Dunkley, JP, MP, was appointed Premier of Bermuda on May 20, 2014. He entered politics in 1997 and was subsequently elected to Bermuda’s House of Parliament. He has held several Shadow Ministerial Portfolios in his Parliamentary career as both an MP and a Senator. When the One Bermuda Alliance won the General Election in December 2012, he was appointed Deputy Premier and Minister for the Ministry of Public Safety, later named the Ministry of National Security. Widely recognized throughout Bermuda as a successful and astute businessman, Premier Dunkley serves as the Vice-President and Chief Executive Officer of Dunkley’s Dairy, a milk processing plant and one of the largest food importers in Bermuda. He is also President of Dunkley’s Management Holdings Ltd, a management consultant company, Vice-President of Island Properties Ltd, a property management company, and former President of the Mid Ocean Club, one of Bermuda’s signature golf courses. He attended Saltus Grammar School, Trinity College School, and the University of Richmond where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Scholar Athlete Award.

David Folkerts-Landau
David Folkerts-Landau is Deutsche Bank’s Chief Economist and Global Head of Research. Before joining Deutsche Bank in 1997, David was the division head of International Capital Markets surveillance and financial markets research at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), a position he held since 1982. He was on the Faculty at the University of Chicago’s Graduate School of Business before joining the IMF. David holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Economics from Harvard University and a PhD in Economics from Princeton University. He is the author of several books and numerous articles on financial economics.
Alberto Giovannini started his career as an academic: professor of Finance and Economics at Columbia Business School in New York and Fellow of the National Bureau of Economic Research and of the Centre for Economic Policy Research. Subsequently he held a number of positions in the private sector and the public sector, including with the Italian Treasury and the European Commission, dealing with a wide range of issues ranging from sovereign debt management to financial markets infrastructure. He has been a member of a number of boards, including the Italian electric utility ENEL, and the premier government bond trading platform MTS. Since 2012 he has been an Independent Director of the Board of Salini Impregilo S.p.A. He was appointed Chairman of the Board in July 2015. Mr. Giovannini holds a PhD in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
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**Emilio T. González**

Emilio González is the Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, overseeing operations at Miami International Airport (MIA) and four general aviation (GA) airports in the Miami area. Dr. González completed a distinguished 26-year career in the U.S. Army and retired with the rank of Colonel. He served as Director for Western Hemisphere Affairs at the National Security Council in the White House and was later appointed – and subsequently confirmed by the U.S. Senate – as Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. González has also held several executive-level positions in the private sector, including Senior Managing Director for Global and Government Affairs at a major Miami law firm, CEO of his own international and governmental affairs consulting firm, and President and CEO of Indra USA. Dr. González is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a recognized civic leader, having been awarded the Boy Scouts of America 2014 Hispanic Heritage Award, the Latin Builders Association 2014 Public Administrator of the Year Award, the Friends of the American Latino Museum American Latino Influencer Award, and the 2015 Greater Miami Aviation Association Juan Trippe Award.

**Matt Haggman**

Matt Haggman joined the Knight Foundation in 2011. In his role as Miami program director, Haggman leads Knight’s communities program in South Florida and launched the foundation’s initiative aimed at connecting and propelling Miami’s emerging entrepreneurs and startups as a way of building community. Previously, Haggman was an award-winning journalist covering issues of local and national importance. He initially covered legal affairs for the *Daily Business Review* in Miami before moving to the *Miami Herald*, where he spent nearly eight years covering real estate and local politics, and worked as an investigative reporter. Haggman won numerous awards for his work, including a Gerald Loeb Award, the highest honor in business journalism. In his last full year as a journalist, the *Miami New Times* named him the Best Miami Herald Reporter in its annual “Best of Miami” awards. Haggman serves on the boards of Endeavor Miami, New World Symphony and The LAB Miami and is a longtime volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Miami.

**Steven Halverson**

Steven Halverson is Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Haskell Company, one of the nation’s largest integrated design-build organizations, headquartered in Jacksonville and with operations throughout the United States, Latin America, and Asia. During his 17-year tenure as CEO, Haskell expanded its operations internationally and its stock value increased over 1,600%. Steve has served as national Chairman of the Construction Industry Roundtable, the Design Build Institute of America and the National Center for Construction Education and Research. He currently serves as a Corporate Director of CSX Corporation (NASDAQ:CSX), Guidewell Mutual Insurance Company, a $13 billion health solutions company, and ACIG, a Texas group captive insurance company. Steve is past Chairman of the Florida Council of 100, the Florida Chamber of Commerce, and the Jacksonville Civic Council. He is also past Chairman of Teach for America Jacksonville, the Jacksonville Symphony and the United Way of Northeast Florida campaign. He is a recipient of the University of North Florida Alumni Association’s B oard of Directors); the A m erican H otel &  Lodging A ssociation (A H & LA ); the H otel Electronic Distribution Network Association (HEDNA); and the Hospitality Sales &  Marketing A ssociation International (HSMAI). He has also been involved in the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) and the American Statistical Association (ASA).

**Mike Hampton**

Mike Hampton has over 20 years of direct experience in the hospitality industry and has served as a professional speaker, trainer and educator. In January 2011, he was appointed Dean of the Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management at Florida International University. In 1986, he founded HSA International, a global training and education management organization specializing in the hospitality industry – a company that has been acknowledged as one of the leading resources for performance improvement worldwide. Through his experience and educational pursuits he has become a recognized expert in human resources development, strategic planning and sales development. Dr. Hampton has been active in industry associations, including the American Resort Development Association (ARDA); the American Society for Training and Development (ASTD); the Council of Hotel and Restaurant Trainers (CHART – where he has served as president and a member of the association’s Board of Directors); the American Hotel & Lodging Association (AH&LA); the Hotel Electronic Distribution Network Association (HEDNA); and the Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International (HSMAI). He has also been involved in the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) and the American Statistical Association (ASA).
Khaled Heloui
Khaled Heloui is the Chief Executive Officer of Bigpoint and is committed to advancing its mission: namely, provide great gaming for everybody. With over 500 employees and a player base of over 400 million registered players, Bigpoint has the ambition of expanding the boundaries and quality standards of free-to-play gaming. Khaled is Tunisian-French, an engineer by trade, and remains an active angel investor (Uber, Deliveroo, Hello) and promoter of entrepreneurship as a driver of economic and social development, notably in Tunisia where he acts as mentor and coach for entrepreneurs and students.

Frank L. Holder
Frank Holder leads BRG’s Latin America Practice. With over 20 years of experience, he has directed corporate investigations and security consulting assignments in Latin America and the United States. The investigative matters include large-scale internal fraud and public corruption investigations, product protection, litigation support, due diligence, and hostile takeovers. As a security expert, he designed the security for international airports, seaports, and complex multijurisdictional distribution networks. Mr. Holder began his career with the U.S. Air Force as a political-military analyst for the U.S. embassy in Argentina and as a special agent for the Office of Special Investigations at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia, with responsibilities in areas including counterintelligence and force protection. He is an accomplished public speaker and has given numerous presentations throughout the United States, the United Kingdom, Argentina, Chile, Mexico, and Brazil on a broad range of topics such as money laundering, risk management, homeland security, and operational risk. Mr. Holder has written articles on similar topics for U.S. and Latin American newspapers and professional journals and has taught courses in Political Science and Law on the Inter-American system at the Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires.

Donna Hrinak
Donna Hrinak was appointed President of Boeing Brazil in October 2011 and President of Boeing Latin America and the Caribbean in November 2014. Prior to this appointment, Hrinak was Vice-President, Global Public Policy and Government Affairs, for PepsiCo, Inc. She joined PepsiCo in 2008 from Kraft Foods, where she was Corporate Affairs Director for Latin America and the European Union. Before entering the private sector, Hrinak was a career officer in the U.S. Foreign Service. Hrinak serves on the boards of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Inter-American Dialogue and Fundação Dom Cabral and is a member of the International Women’s Forum (IWIF) and of the Organization of Women in International Trade (OWIT). Hrinak’s awards include the Order of the Barão do Rio Branco from the government of Brazil and the Order of Duarte, Sánchez and Mella from the government of the Dominican Republic. She also received the Career Achievement Award from the U.S. Department of State and the Distinguished Public Service Award from the U.S. Coast Guard.

María Helena Jaén
María Helena Jaén is a Distinguished Chair Professor at the Universidad de los Andes School of Management, Colombia. She has previously been Professor, Dean and Vice-President of IESA, Venezuela. From 2012 to 2013, she was Visiting Scholar at the HBS and Harvard University’s DRCLAS. Her research focuses on leadership, corporate ethics and responsibility, change management, and management education. She has written and collaborated in books, teaching cases and articles for the SEKN network and the Journal of Business Research, Management Decision, ARLA and Debates IESA. She has presented at international conferences for AACSB, CLADEA and BALAS. She has been a consultant for multilateral organizations such as the World Bank, PAHO, USAID, UNDP and UNICEF. Ms. Jaén holds a PhD in Development Studies from the Universidad Central de Venezuela.
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Keliang Ji

Keliang Ji has been working in Guizhou Moutai Winery Company since 1964. He served as a technician, engineer, senior engineer, engineering researcher, deputy director, director, chief engineer, chairman, general manager and Kweichow Moutai Wine Company chief engineer, Moutai Group Chairman, honorary chairman, chief technical adviser, and senior consultant for Guizhou Wine Industry. Ji is an expert in China’s well-known beverage industry and the country’s leading entrepreneur. He is also an important participant and leader of Moutai company’s transformation from a small company to a large, modern enterprise.

Nelson Jobim

Nelson Jobim is a lawyer who recently became a partner and Member of the Board of Directors of Bank BTG Pactual. In the Executive Branch, he was Minister of Defense (2007-2011) in the governments of Presidents Lula and Dilma Rousseff and Minister of Justice (1995-1997) in the government of President Fernando Henrique Cardoso. In the Judiciary, he was Minister of the Supreme Federal Court (1997-2006), presiding for the 2004-2006 biennium; he was also President of the National Council of Justice (2005-2006) and Minister of the Superior Electoral Court (2001-2003). In the Legislative Branch, Jobim was the Federal Deputy for Rio Grande do Sul (1987-1990 and 1991-1995) and member of the Constituent Assembly (1987-1988).

Bill Johnson

Bill Johnson is the Former Secretary of Commerce/President and Chief Executive Officer of Enterprise Florida, Inc. EFI, a public-private partnership between business and government leaders, is charged with facilitating job growth for the state through business recruitment and expansion. Prior to his appointment, Secretary Johnson’s 35-year career with Miami-Dade County government earned him a reputation as a key trouble-shooter, problem-solver and proponent of economic development. Career highlights included oversight of the airport, seaport and water and sewer departments as well as construction of landmark projects, including the American Airlines Arena and the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts. A native of Akron, Ohio, Secretary Johnson holds a Master’s degree in Public Administration from the University of Tennessee.

Tunde Kehinde

Tunde Kehinde is the Co-Founder and Co-Managing Director of Lidya (www.lidya.co), a leading Africa-focused fintech platform working to ease access to finance for SMEs across Africa. Through its digital platform, Lidya analyzes over 100 data points to build a customized credit score, assess a customer for a loan and disburse loans to qualified businesses in as little as 48 hours. Lidya currently operates in Nigeria where over 20,000 businesses have signed up for its service and is backed by Accion and Newid Capital. Tunde is a seasoned emerging markets entrepreneur who Co-Founded Africa Courier Express, the leading last-mile eCommerce delivery company in Nigeria and Jumia Nigeria, the leading eCommerce platform in Nigeria. Tunde has prior experience as a business development executive with Diageo in London and as an Investment Banking professional with Wachovia Securities in North Carolina and New York City. Tunde holds a degree in Finance with honors from Howard University and an MBA Harvard Business School.
Jorge Kogan
Jorge Kogan is the Senior Advisor to the Vice-President of Infrastructure at CAF – Development Bank of Latin America since 2003, and Head of the Transport Group. He has more than 40 years of experience in the transportation and infrastructure fields working for both the public and private sectors. Mr. Kogan also served as Secretary of Transport of Argentina (1999 – 2001). He is a graduate from the Faculty of Engineering, University of Buenos Aires, and is a Master of Science from the Imperial College of London.

Juan M. Kuryla
Mr. Kuryla began his career with Miami-Dade County in the Parks and Recreation Department in 1987. He moved to the County’s Finance Department in 1993 as an administrative officer, where he managed a grants program funded by tourist tax dollars. After approximately a year and a half in the Finance Department, Mr. Kuryla took the position of Section Head at the County’s Public Works Department’s Road, Bridge and Canal Maintenance Division. In 1996, Mr. Kuryla was promoted to work in the County Manager’s Office as an Assistant Administrator. He was promoted again in May 1998 to the Port of Miami as Assistant to the Port Director. From February 2001 through February 2007 Mr. Kuryla held the positions of Assistant Port Director for Intergovernmental Affairs and Assistant Port Director for Intergovernmental Affairs and Promotions. In 2007, Mr. Kuryla was promoted to Assistant Port Director for Maritime Services. In 2009, Mr. Kuryla was promoted to Deputy Port Director. On April 1, 2014, Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez appointed Mr. Kuryla to the position of PortMiami Director and CEO, where he oversees operations and capital development for the cruise capital of the world and cargo global gateway.

Sophie L’Hélias
Sophie L’Hélias began her career as an M&A attorney in New York and Paris. She later joined an event-driven hedge fund in New York as Managing Director and founded a strategic corporate governance advisory firm with a focus on shareholder activism. An expert on governance issues, she is co-founder of the International Corporate Governance Network and founder of LeaderXchange™, a purpose-driven organization that delivers innovative solutions to investors, companies and other market participants that seek to radically increase leadership and board diversity. Sophie holds an MBA from INSEAD, an LLM from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Masters of Laws from the law schools of the University of Pantheon-Sorbonne-Paris I, following law studies at the University of Saarbrücken, Germany. She serves on the Board of Kering (KER), chairs the Compensation Committee and serves on the Audit Committee. Sophie is a member of the Global Advisory Board of the Lazardis Institute for the Management of Technology Enterprises, and a Senior Fellow at The Conference Board, Governance Center and at the Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance at Cardozo Law School in New York.

Isaac Martin-Barbero
Isaac Martin-Barbero is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ineco and has been a trade specialist and economist for the state since 1999. Mr. Martin-Barbero has also worked as the General Director of Internationalisation for Icex. In this company, he also served as General Manager in General Management Services and Director of the Service Division. Prior to this, he was the Economic and Commercial Advisor in the Economical and Commercial Offices of the Spanish Embassies in Ankara (Turkey), Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam) and Riyadh (Saudi Arabia). Mr. Martin-Barbero holds a degree in Law from the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid.
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Manuel D. Medina

Manuel D. Medina is the Founding and Managing Partner of Medina Capital, a private equity firm investing in innovative companies in the cybersecurity, big data, software-as-a-service and mobility markets. Medina is also the Founder of eMerge Americas, a non-profit effort to showcase technologies and innovations disrupting industries and to connect innovators from across Latin America, North America and Europe. In just three years, eMerge Americas has grown to attract more than 13,000 attendees from over 60 countries, more than 400 participating companies, and many world-renowned speakers. Prior to founding Medina Capital and eMerge Americas, he was the Founder, Chairman of the Board and CEO of Terremark Worldwide, Inc., a publicly traded company on the NASDAQ exchange until April 2011 when it was acquired by Verizon. Medina’s leadership in the IT industry and insightful analysis of market trends have resulted in appearances on NBC News, CNBC, Bloomberg TV and Fox Business as well as interviews with global media outlets. Medina received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Florida Atlantic University and began his career as a certified public accountant at Price Waterhouse.

Gérard Mestrallet

Gérard Mestrallet is a graduate of the French engineering school, École Polytechnique, and of the École Nationale d’Administration. Having held various positions at the Treasury Department and on the staff of the Minister of Economy and Finance (Jacques Delors), Gérard Mestrallet joined Compagnie Financière de SUEZ in 1984. In 1986 he was appointed Senior Executive Vice-President in charge of industrial affairs. In 1991 he was named Chairman of the Management Committee of Société Générale de Belgique. In 1995, he became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Compagnie de SUEZ. Gérard Mestrallet was appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of GDF SUEZ (now ENGIE) when SUEZ merged with Gaz de France on July 2008. Since May 3 2016, he has been Chairman of the Board of ENGIE and Chairman of the Board of SUEZ.

Bernard Meyerson

Bernard Meyerson joined IBM in 1980 and invented silicon-germanium technology, ultimately founding and leading IBM’s highly successful Analog and Mixed Signal business. He went on hold to many executive positions, leading global semiconductor development and forging strategic alliances for the Systems and Technology Group, before assuming his present role in 2010 as IBM’s Chief Innovation Officer. His team leads the definition and integration of corporate wide technical and business strategic initiatives. On a global basis, he has served as Chairman of the World Economic Forum’s Meta Council on Emerging Technology for the past two years. Dr. Meyerson is a Fellow of the American Physical Society and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and a member of the United States National Academy of Engineering. He has received numerous awards, such as the SEMI Lifetime Achievement Award, and the 2011 Pake Prize from the American Physical Society. Most recently, Dr. Meyerson was honored with the 2015 National Medal for Public Service by the Government of Singapore for his many years of service and contribution as advisor to the nation.

José Antonio Miranda Soto

José Antonio Miranda Soto was named Chief Executive Officer of GAMESA, Latin America in January 2015, leading all operations in the region, with special focus on Mexico and Brazil. Prior to his work in Latin America, Mr. Miranda was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of GAMESA China from April 2011 to January 2015. From September 2007 to April 2011, he worked as Division Manager of Electrical Components, Manufacturing Division of GAMESA. Mr. Miranda also worked for multinational company ABB in numerous roles, including Business Unit Director of Medium Voltage in Spain. He studied Industrial Engineering at the Superior Technical Institute of Industrial Engineers of Gijón (Oviedo University) and in 1997, earned his Masters of Business Administration from the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas (ICADE) in Madrid.
Mona Moursched

Mona Moursched leads McKinsey & Company’s Global Education Practice. She is a senior partner with the Washington D.C. office and previously co-founded the Dubai office, where she was based for ten years. She supports public, private, and social sector institutions to achieve school system improvement and education-to-employment outcomes around the world, and has authored multiple reports and articles on both topics. Dr. Moursched serves as the Board of Directors’ Vice-President of the McKinsey Social Initiative, an independent non-profit. She leads its first effort, Generation, which provides assistance to one million young people in acquiring jobs and skills across five countries in five years. Mona was selected as one of Fortune magazine’s “40 Under 40” (2011), serves on the Board of Governors of the International Baccalaureate Organization, and is a member of the global advisory council of Teach for All. She has a B.A. from Stanford University and a PhD from MIT.

Juan Carlos Navarro

Juan Carlos Navarro is widely regarded as one of Panama’s most prominent national figures. In 1994, he was selected as as one of the planet’s 100 most promising leaders by TIME magazine and as one of the key Latin American Leaders for the new millennium by both TIME and CNN in 1999. In 1985, he founded ANCON, Panama’s leading non-profit environmental NGO. After winning his party’s primaries in October 1998, and the general election in May 1999, Mr. Navarro was elected Mayor of Panama City for a five-year term from 1999 to 2004. In May of that year, he was re-elected in a landslide, with 60% of the vote, for a second five-year term, from 2004 to 2009. Mr. Navarro is currently the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of NSOLAR, one of Panama’s leading solar energy startups, founded in 2015. He received his Bachelor’s degree in Geography and Government from Dartmouth College in 1983, and a Master’s degree in Public Policy from Harvard University in 1985.

Janneke Niessen

Janneke Niessen is a serial entrepreneur, and currently co-founder and Chief Innovation Officer of Improve Digital, a leading European marketing technology firm. She also invests considerable time serving as a member of company (advisory) boards, she is a mentor for startups, and she is active as an angel investor. Janneke is co-initiator of InspiringFifty, an initiative that aims to increase diversity in tech by making female role models more visible. As part of the InspiringFifty initiative, in conjunction with an award winning child book’s author, Janneke has published Project Prep, a novel for young girls. The goal of the project is to inspire young girls to pursue a career in technology and invest in an educational foundation focusing on math and computer science. Janneke is a member of the supervisory board of UNICEF, advisory board member of FutureNL, and writes a column about technology for LINDA magazine. Janneke was named 2014 EY Entrepreneur of the Year and Most Innovative Leader in 2016, two of many in a long list of honors for Janneke in her time with Improve Digital.

Benedict O. Oramah

Benedict Okey Oramah assumed the position of President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) in September 2015. Prior to his current role, Dr. Oramah served as Executive Vice-President responsible for Business Development and Corporate Banking (BDCB) from October 2008 to September 2015. Prior to joining Afreximbank, he held the position of Assistant Research Manager at the Nigerian Export Import Bank (NEXIM) from 1992 to 1994. Dr. Oramah holds an Advanced Management Certificate from the Colombia University, as well as a MSc and PhD in Agricultural Economics from Obafemi Awolowo University. Dr. Oramah is a Member of the Emerging Markets Advisory Council of the Institute of International Finance (IIF), an Executive Committee Member of FCI/IFG (Factors Chain International/International Factors Group), a Member of the Consultative Board on the World Cocoa Economy of the International Cocoa Organization (ICCO) and a Fellow of the Institute of Credit Administration (FICA). He also serves on the Editorial Boards of Trade and Forfaiting Review (TFR) and the Journal of African Trade (JAT).
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John Padgett
John Padgett joined Carnival Corporation in 2014 as Chief Experience and Innovation Officer, responsible for the company’s 10 global cruise line brands and with a holistic focus on creating exceptional guest experiences. Prior to Carnival Corporation, Padgett had an 18-year career with Walt Disney Parks and Resorts where he served as Vice-President of game changer experience development. He spearheaded the invention, development and implementation of guest engagement innovations that include the MagicBand, FastPass+, Disney’s Magical Express, Be Our Guest restaurant, Main Entrance access portals and Bibbidi Bobbidi Boutique retail locations. Padgett holds 19 patents and multiple innovation awards for wearable devices, experience itinerary scheduling and optimization, digital experience interaction platforms and operational processes. He earned a Master’s degree in Business Administration with a concentration in management science and a Bachelor’s degree in Finance from Virginia Tech’s Pamplin College of Business. He remains an active alumnus serving on Virginia Tech’s Hospitality and Tourism Advisory Board and Virginia Tech’s Rice Center for Leadership Development Board.

Eduardo J. Padrón
Eduardo Padrón emigrated to the United States as a teenage refugee in 1961 but has remained there as a citizen by choice. Since 1995, he has served as President of Miami Dade College (MDC), the largest institution of higher education in America. An economist by training, Dr. Padrón earned his Ph.D. from the University of Florida. In 2016, President Barack Obama awarded him the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor in the United States. In 2009, TIME magazine included him on the list of “The 10 Best College Presidents.” In 2010, Florida Trend magazine named him “Floridian of the Year.” In 2011, The Washington Post named him one of the eight most influential college presidents in the U.S. and he was awarded the Carnegie Corporation Centennial Academic Leadership Award. More recently, he received the Citizen Service Award from Voices for National Service and the Aspen Institute Ascend Fellowship. He serves on the boards of the Council on Foreign Relations, Achieving the Dream, and is the Chairman of the Business-Higher Ed Forum. He has been appointed to key national posts by six American Presidents and has more than 15 honorary doctorates.

Christian Paradis
The Honourable Christian Paradis joined GardaWorld in January 2016 as Senior Vice-President, Strategic Development, Protective Services. His mission is primarily to promote the benefits of public-private partnerships of public services in Canada. When implemented with rigor and common sense, outsourcing is equally capable of making a significant contribution to public services. Recognized as a results-driven political figure, Christian Paradis was the Member of the Parliament of Canada for Mégantic-L’Érable from 2006 to 2015, and a Federal Minister between 2007 and 2015: of Public Works and Government Services, Natural Resources, Industry and International Development, and Francophonie. Over the last years, Christian Paradis could see and appreciate the importance of protection services for the general population, both in Canada and around the world. A native of Thetford Mines, Christian Paradis graduated from the University of Sherbrooke in Civil Law and holds a graduate degree in Law from Université Laval.

Kyung-Ah Park
Kyung-Ah Park is a Managing Director and the Head of Environmental Markets at Goldman Sachs. In that capacity, she oversees and supports the global environmental initiatives of Goldman Sachs, including environmental risk management, and works closely with businesses on environmental market opportunities. She also heads the Center for Environmental Markets, which partners with corporate entities, nongovernmental organizations, and academic institutions to facilitate research and develop pilot projects that inform public policy and further market-based solutions to environmental issues. Kyung-Ah serves on the Firmwide Physical Commodity Review Committee. Previously, she was a Vice-President in the Industrials Group in the Mergers & Acquisitions Department in New York. Prior to joining the firm, Kyung-Ah worked as a Management Consultant at McKinsey & Company in Seoul, Korea, and Johannesburg, South Africa. Kyung-Ah earned an MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA from Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea. She serves on the Board of Directors of Girls Inc. of NYC.
Nicholas Rémillard, President and Chief Executive Officer, International Economic Forum of the Americas (IEFA), is responsible for the direction and strategy of the IEFA’s four major economic events: the Conference of Montreal, the World Strategic Forum, the Toronto Global Forum, and the Conference of Paris. Since the organisation’s inception over 20 years ago, Mr. Rémillard has held a variety of management roles, ultimately serving as President and CEO starting in 2010. His contribution led to the rapid expansion of the organization when he launched the Toronto Global Forum and the Palm Beach Strategic Forum in 2007 and 2011, respectively. The latter event is now held in Miami under its new appellation: the World Strategic Forum. In addition to these North American conferences, the IEFA has announced its shift towards Europe and will be hosting its first edition of the Conference of Paris in December 2017. Beyond his role at the IEFA, Mr. Rémillard also serves as Honorary Consul General of Iceland in Montreal and President of RDÉE Canada’s working group, the Economic Corridor of La Francophonie.
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Gonzalo Rivas
Gonzalo Rivas is an Economist from Universidad de Chile, and a Master of Economics at the Université catholique de Louvain. During his career, he has been Chief of the Division for Productive Development of the Ministry of Economy, Executive Vice-President of CORFO (Chilean Economic Development Agency), Member of the Council of Fundación Chile, Chief of the Division of Science and Technology at the Inter-American Development Bank. He has also been a consultant for multilateral agencies, governments and enterprises and has published a number of articles on innovation and development policy. Currently he is the head of the National Innovation Council in Chile.

Michael Schlein
Michael Schlein is the President and CEO of Accion, a global non-profit dedicated to building a financially inclusive world. For more than half a century, Accion has been a pioneer in providing financial services for the world’s three billion financially underserved women and men. Accion has helped build financial service providers in nearly 40 countries around the world that serve millions of clients. It leverages digital tools like big data, alternative credit scoring, and mobile technology, and challenges the entire industry to respect and value their clients. Previously, Mr. Schlein served as the President of Citigroup’s International Franchise Management. Prior to that he ran Citigroup’s communications, philanthropy, government relations, branding and human resources. He served as Chief of Staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under President Bill Clinton, and with New York City Mayors David Dinkins and Ed Koch. In 2014, Mayor Bill de Blasio appointed him Chairman of the NYC Economic Development Corporation.

Rick Scott
Rick Scott is the 45th Governor of the great State of Florida. Following graduation from University of Missouri – Kansas City (UMKC) with a degree in Business Administration, Gov. Scott earned a law degree from Southern Methodist University. After law school, Gov. Scott remained in Dallas, working for the city’s largest law firm, Johnson & Swanson, primarily representing companies in the healthcare, oil and gas and communication industries. In 1987, while still practicing law, Gov. Scott made an offer to purchase HCA, Inc. When the offer was rejected, he founded Columbia Hospital Corporation (CHC). He also started Conservatives for Patient’s Rights, which advocated for free market principles of choice, competition, accountability and personal responsibility in healthcare. When Gov. Scott left Columbia in 1997, it was one of the most admired companies in America. It had grown to become the world’s largest healthcare company with more than 340 hospitals, 135 surgery centers, and 550 home health locations in 37 states and two foreign countries. CHC employed more than 285,000 people, making it the 7th largest U.S. employer and the 12th largest employer worldwide.

Steven Sonberg
Steven Sonberg is the Managing Partner of Holland & Knight. As Managing Partner, Mr. Sonberg is the Chief Executive Officer of the firm, overseeing the strategic growth and direction of the firm and the management of all aspects of the firm’s operations. Prior to his election as Managing Partner in 2008, he served as Chair of the firm’s Business Law Section for five years, and previously led the Corporate Practice Group in South Florida. He also served as a member of the firm’s Directors Committee for eight years, from 1995 to 2003. With more than 30 years of experience, Mr. Sonberg is a corporate lawyer whose practices have focused on the areas of securities law and mergers and acquisitions. His practice has included the representation of domestic and international businesses in public and private offerings of debt and equity securities and in complex acquisitions, divestures and sales of business entities. Mr. Sonberg has represented clients engaged in a variety of business sectors, including healthcare, pharmaceuticals, real estate and transportation.
Hashim Thaçi
Hashim Thaçi became President of the Republic of Kosovo on February 26, 2016. Before becoming President, from 2014 to 2015, he was Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, and served two terms as Prime Minister of Kosovo from 2007 to 2014. On February 17, 2008, Mr. Thaçi declared Kosovo an independent state. From 1997 to 1999, he was also the Political Chief of the Kosovo Liberation Army during the war. For his commitment to peace and stability, in 2014, Mr. Thaçi was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. Mr. Thaçi’s political career began with his involvement in the People’s Movement of the Republic of Kosovo (LPK), a political movement that aimed to emancipate Albanians in the Former Yugoslavia. As a student in the University of Pristina, he was leader of the Student’s Movement from 1990 to 1993; these were the years when the Belgrade regime closed all university institutions operating in the Albanian language. Mr. Thaçi graduated with a degree in History from the University of Pristina. From 1996 to 1998, he did post-graduate studies in the History and Political Sciences of Southeast Europe at the University of Zurich in Switzerland.
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Michael Thompson

Michael Thompson is a Toronto City Councillor, Chair of Toronto’s Economic Development and Culture Committee and Chair of Invest Toronto’s Board of Directors. Mr. Thompson’s strong advocacy for public safety resulted in a city-wide Community Safety Plan, a police task force on guns and gangs and positive programs for young offenders. As Chair of Scarborough Community Council, he led the campaign to create the first ever TTC transit strategy for Scarborough to enhance public transit for residents. He also spearheaded the Taste of Lawrence Festival, which has attracted tens of thousands of people celebrating cultural diversity. Prior to entering politics, Mr. Thompson earned his business credentials as an entrepreneur in the business and financial services sector. He is the recipient of the African Achievement Award for Excellence in Politics, the York University International Achievement Award, the Jain Society of Toronto Community Award, the Bob Marley Award and the Bob Marley Lifetime Achievement Award. He continues to work with a number of charitable organizations, including the LiUNA Local 506 Scholarship Fund. Mr. Thompson is a graduate of Concordia University in Montreal.

Matt Valle

Matt Valle is the Vice-President of Development at Florida Power & Light (FPL) in Juno Beach, Florida. In his role, Matt is responsible for leading new generation development for the company across technologies, including solar and natural gas. Currently, his team is responsible for the development of 600 MW of solar in 2017 and brought online 225 MW of solar in 2016. Prior to his current role, Matt was Vice-President of Development at NextEra Energy Transmission, and was responsible for the company’s competitive development of transmission across the U.S and Canada. Prior to joining NextEra Energy, Matt was a Principal with The Boston Consulting Group (BCG) in their Dallas office from 2007 to 2011. Prior to The Boston Consulting Group, Matt served five years as a nuclear submarine officer in the U.S. Navy. Matt received his Bachelor of Science with Merit from the U.S. Naval Academy in Systems Engineering, and his Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School.

Marco Vicenzino

Marco Vicenzino is an internationally renowned geo-political expert who combines successful private sector experience with deep insight into the events, issues and developments that drive world affairs. A graduate of Oxford University and Georgetown University Law Center, Mr. Vicenzino has serviced a wide array of private and public sector entities operating globally such as Shell, HSBC, Barclays Capital, Banco Itau, Credit Agricole, World Bank, NATO, Organization of American States (OAS), the U.S. State Department and many others. He has also served as political strategist and advisor for campaigns internationally. Consistently featured in leading international media outlets such as CNBC, CNN, and BBC, Mr. Vicenzino’s sought-after opinion has also appeared in The New York Times, Financial Times, Huffington Post, Reuters, The Guardian, Folha de Sao, El Universal, El Mundo and many others. Mr. Vicenzino was also a Founding Member, General Counsel and Head of Business Development of MapNetwork, an international technology enterprise taken over by Nokia. Mr. Vicenzino also serves as Senior Advisor to Cybertising, a digital advertising firm and certified Google-partner which has ranked in the top one percentile of Google partners globally.

Mark Wallace

As Senior Vice-President for Global Engineering and Sustainability at UPS, Mark Wallace is responsible for the optimized and efficient operations of the company’s facilities, drivers and package flow technologies. He also is responsible for overseeing UPS’s broad spectrum of industry-leading sustainability programs and initiatives in the 220 countries and territories it serves. Mark is a member of the UPS Management Committee, a group of senior executives responsible for the company’s strategic direction. He was formerly president of UPS Supply Chain Solutions where he led the company’s global contract logistics operations, helping customers in numerous industry segments optimize supply chain planning, warehousing and distribution services. Mark also served as Vice-President of industrial engineering and directed international engineering to support UPS’s global expansion, operations support and network planning. In addition to his corporate responsibilities, Mark serves on the Board of Directors of USA for UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees).
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**Maria Wells**
Maria Wells, broker-owner with Lifestyle Realty Group in Stuart, is the 2017 President of Florida Realtors®, the state’s largest professional association with 165,000 members. A leader in regional, state and national real estate organizations, Wells has served as President of the Realtors® Association of St. Lucie and the Realtors® Association of Martin County. She is currently a member of the Realtors® Association of the Palm Beaches (her primary board), Realtors® Association of Martin County, Miami Association of Realtors® and The Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors® Association in Pennsylvania. She has been Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President and district Vice-President of the state association, and has also served on numerous boards, forums and committees. She is also a Director of the National Association of Realtors®, serving on several committees, and is Chair of NAR’s Insurance Committee and Research Committee. In the community, Wells has been a member of the Martin County Orchid Society, LEADERship Martin County Planning Committee, and has organized fundraisers for the Alzheimer’s Association and Library Foundation Pearls of Wisdom Ball.

**Hugh C. Welsh**
Hugh Welsh is the President and General Counsel of DSM North America a global leader in Life Sciences and Material Sciences. Traded on the Amsterdam stock exchange, and with 24,000 employees worldwide and $12 billion in annual sales, DSM develops, manufactures and sells nutritional and food ingredients, biomedical materials, specialty plastics and resins, fibres and renewable energy. Mr. Welsh currently serves on several DSM global and regional management teams and has direct responsibilities in DSM’s nutrition and food specialties operations as well as responsibility for legal, government affairs, corporate communications, finance, HR and other shared services, corporate partnerships and DSM sustainability, inclusion and diversity initiatives in North America. Hugh currently serves on the Board of Directors of Partners in Food Solutions, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Seafood Nutrition Partnership, Patheon, and Africa Improved Foods. He previously served on the board of BIO, the American Chemistry Council.

**Catherine D. Wood**
Catherine Wood founded ARK Investment Management in January 2014. The firm is focused on thematic investing in disruptive innovations that are changing the way the world works and delivering outsized growth as industries transform. Prior to ARK, Catherine completed twelve years at AllianceBernstein as Chief Investment Officer of Global Thematic Strategies, with $5 billion in assets under management and superior long-term investment returns. Catherine joined Alliance Capital from Tupelo Capital Management, a hedge fund she co-founded; in 2000, the fund managed $800 million in global thematic strategies. Prior to her tenure at Tupelo Capital, she worked for 18 years with Jennison Associates as Chief Economist, Equity Research Analyst, Portfolio Manager and Director. She started her career in Los Angeles at The Capital Group as an Assistant Economist. Catherine received her Bachelor of Science, *summa cum laude*, in Finance and Economics from the University of Southern California in 1981. Catherine received the 2016 Women In Finance: Outstanding Contribution Award from Market Media.
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Wang Yao
Wang Yao is the former Executive Director of Boao Forum for Asia, Executive President of Boao Forum for Asia Institution and Secretary-General of the Organizing Committee of Education Forum for Asia. He now also serves as Vice-Chairman of the China Association of International Trade, Vice-Chairman of the China Convention and Exhibition Society, Chairman of the Beijing Association of International Exhibition and Convention, Head of the Canadian branch of the Europe-America Fellow Students Association, and holds a number of other significant posts. He graduated with a Bachelor of Engineering from the School of Computer Science and Technology of Beijing University of Technology in 1982 and received a Bachelor of Law from the School of Sociology of Tsinghua University in 1988. He was a Visiting Scholar at Toronto University from 1995 to 1997, specializing in the study of International Business. He obtained his doctorate, in 2006, from the School of Economics of Beijing University of Technology.

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