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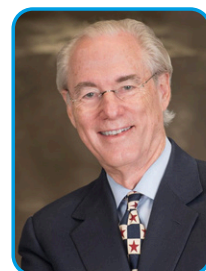
Suzanne Dickson

Professor Suzanne L Dickson is President of the European Brain Council and a neurobiologist and Professor of Neuroendocrinology at the University of Gothenburg. She graduated with a Ph.D. in Neuroendocrinology from the University of Cambridge in 1993, where she later became Senior Lecturer in Physiology. She is a leading figure in neuroendocrinology and works within many European Union and international organisations and societies to promote research, facilitate grant funding and training of Early Career Scientists. Her research into the neurobiology of appetite aims to unravel neurobiological pathways that respond to orexigenic signals, such as the hormone, ghrelin, and that drive feeding behaviours, not only food intake but also food choice, food anticipation, food reward and food motivation. This work involves mostly preclinical studies and includes behavioural tasks, viral vector mapping, chemogenetics and RNAscope. She is Secretary and Executive Board member of the European College for Neuropsychopharmacology, and also chairs ECNP's Workshop for Early Career Scientists in Europe. She also is founder and co-chair of ECNP's nutrition network and EBRA's BRAINFOOD cluster.



George Vradenburg

George is Founding Chairman of the Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative and Chairman of UsAgainstAlzheimer's, which he co-founded in October 2010 with his late wife, Trish (1946-2017). He was named by U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius to serve as a founding member of the Advisory Council on Research, Care, and Services established by the National Alzheimer's Project Act (NAPA Council) and has testified before Congress about the global Alzheimer's pandemic. Under his leadership, UsAgainstAlzheimer's co-convenes both the Leaders Engaged on Alzheimer's Disease (LEAD) Coalition and the Global CEO Initiative on Alzheimer's Disease. In 2021, again under his leadership, UsAgainstAlzheimer's launched a Swiss and U.S.-based global initiative to prevent Alzheimer's called the Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative, where Mr. Vradenburg serves as Founding Chairman. He is also a founding member of the World Dementia Council. He has long been a dedicated member of Washington's civic and philanthropic community, serving as Chairman of the Phillips Collection for 13 years. Mr. Vradenburg is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Economic Club of Washington. He has served in senior executive and legal positions at CBS, FOX, and AOL/Time Warner.



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Andy Keller

Andy Keller, PhD, is President, Chief Executive Officer, and Linda Perryman Evans Presidential Chair of the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute, a Texas-based nonprofit that provides nonpartisan policy and program research, development, and advice to local, state, and national leaders towards a single goal: improving mental health care delivery in Texas and across the country. Andy is a clinical and community psychologist with more than 25 years of experience in behavioral health policy, financing, and best practices. His work has centered on helping federal, state, and local health systems implement evidence-based and innovative care, as well as helping Federal, state, and governments develop the regulatory and financial frameworks to support them. Prior to moving full time into policy work, Andy was a managing partner for 15 years at a national behavioral health management consulting firm where he focused on health financing and system improvement.



Frédéric Destrebecq

Frédéric Destrebecq is the Executive Director of the European Brain Council since October 2014. In this capacity, he is responsible for providing strategic direction and leadership while managing the day-to-day operations of EBC and its ongoing relationships with its member associations and other stakeholders, as well as representing the organisation in various European and national forums.

Fred holds a Master Degree in Political Science and International Relations from the Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium). He also studied at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Paris) and University of Wales College (Cardiff), in the framework of the former EU Socrates exchange programme. Prior to EBC, Fred served the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) as Chief Executive Officer, and previously as Director for European Affairs.



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Harris Eyre

Harris is a scholar and entrepreneur dedicated to fostering awareness, data, tools and leadership for the brain-positive economic transformation aka the brain economy. To do this, he works across public, non-profit, and private sectors. The brain economy represents an objective to halt and reverse the depletion of brain capital (encompassing social, emotional, and cognitive brain resources). Harris serves as a senior fellow at Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute and provides advisory expertise to organizations such as the Euro-Mediterranean Economists Association, the MD Anderson Cancer Center's Cancer Neuroscience Program, the Business Collaborative for Brain Health, the Latin American Brain Health Institute (BrainLat), and the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation. Harris also assumes a leadership position at the Brain Capital Alliance and is a member of the Champion's Cabinet of the Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative. Eyre has had a career in health care business where he has held senior positions in sales, product development, and dilutive and non-dilutive capital-raising efforts. Eyre is an alumnus of the Forbes 30 Under 30 and the Fulbright Scholar program. He has garnered recognition with the prestigious EB1A Green Card, an honor typically reserved for Nobel and Pulitzer prize winners. He has authored over 200 papers in journals such as The Lancet Neurology, Neuron, World Psychiatry, The Brookings Institutions Policy Paper Series, and served as the lead editor of the book 'Convergence Mental Health' (Oxford Press).



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Kathy Hochul

She began her career in public service on her local Town Board, before serving as Erie County Clerk and as a Member of Congress for New York's 26th Congressional District.

As Lieutenant Governor, she chaired the statewide Regional Economic Development Councils, and served as co-chair of the State's Heroin and Opioid Task Force, Women's Suffrage Commission, and Child Care Availability Task Force.

Since being sworn into office in 2021, Governor Hochul has led by establishing a bold vision for New York's future. Governor Hochul has spearheaded comprehensive policies and initiatives to help New Yorkers and their families, while building an economy that is stronger and more inclusive than before. Governor Hochul is making historic investments in the people, places, and things to make that happen – from healthcare workers, small businesses, and working families to infrastructure, education, and workforce development. And in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's reckless decisions to strip away abortion rights and strike down commonsense gun regulations, Governor Hochul led the charge in Albany to protect reproductive health care and strengthen gun safety laws, ensuring New York continues to stand as a beacon of hope and freedom for the rest of the nation.

Governor Hochul was born and raised in Western New York. She and her husband, Bill Hochul, are the proud parents of two children and one granddaughter.



Zeinab Hijazi

Dr. Zeinab Hijazi is a clinical psychologist, and Global Mental Health Lead at UNICEF. Zeinab has over 18 years of experience supporting mental health and psychosocial programs globally and currently plays a global role supporting across UNICEF's 7 regions of operation. She provides program guidance and technical support across sectors and divisions to enhance UNICEF's multi-sectoral approach to the provision of mental health & psychosocial support for children and families in humanitarian and development settings, this includes policy, data, research, innovations & advocacy work at UNICEF headquarters, and supporting coordination across sectors of health, education, and child protection to aid UNICEF country teams and partners in designing and implementing locally relevant, comprehensive and sustainable MHPSS strategies.



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Werner Obermeyer

Werner Obermeyer is Director of the World Health Organization (WHO) office at UN Headquarters in New York. His portfolio includes the promotion of health in the General Assembly and other inter-governmental bodies and processes, the WHO's relations with the UN system entities based in New York, as well as non-governmental organizations that focus on public health. He was responsible for the negotiations which culminated in adoption of the 2011, 2014 and 2018 Political Declarations on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases, the 2016 Political Declaration on Anti-Microbial Resistance, the 2018 and 2023 Political Declarations on Tuberculosis, the 2019 and 2023 Political Declarations on Universal Health Coverage, the 2022 Political Declaration on Road Safety, and the 2023 Political Declaration on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response. He has steered many resolutions through the General Assembly, including the first ever decade on healthy ageing, and the decade of action on nutrition.

He oversees initiatives related to the sustainable development goals, global health and foreign policy, universal health coverage, health security and social protection, road safety, malaria, NCDs, climate change and health, disabilities, narcotics and drugs, mental health and tobacco control. Prior to joining the World Health Organization he was the representative of the UN Environment Program (UNEP) in New York, responsible for environmental governance, health determinants and sustainable development. Before joining the United Nations he served in the South African Foreign Service, holding various senior diplomatic assignments.



Josefina Cruzat

Dr. Josefina Cruzat, Professor at the Latin American Brain Health Institute, Universidad Adolfo Ibañez in Chile, is a distinguished neuroscientist dedicated to advancing brain health. With a PhD in Biomedicine, she integrates neuroimaging, data analysis, and mathematical modeling to unravel the complexities of brain dynamics and cognitive function. Dr. Cruzat's pioneering research extends beyond academia, significantly impacting real-world applications. She is deeply committed to translating scientific findings into actionable public policies and innovative workplace health strategies. Her passion lies in leveraging neuroscience to build brain capital and foster well-being across diverse communities. By bridging the gap between cutting-edge research and practical implementation, Dr. Cruzat is at the forefront of a movement to enhance cognitive health and quality of life on a broader societal scale.



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Zul Merali

Dr Zul Merali is a neuroscientist and pharmacologist (with training from McGill University, University of Ottawa and Wharton), with over 250 peer-reviewed scientific publications. He has been instrumental in the conceptualization and launch of two major research institutes focused on Brain and Mental health (The University of Ottawa Institute of Mental Health Research (IMHR) and the Brain and Mind Institute (BMI) at the Aga Khan University with hubs in Kenya (serving East Africa) and in Pakistan (serving South and Central Asia). He believes in integrative approaches, building and bridging academic and community-based approaches, promoting a 'neuron to neighbourhood' approach. Furthermore, he is dedicated to the development of innovative solutions for low- and middle-income countries deploying digital models for multi-layered mental healthcare that is accessible, resource-sensitive, rights-based and scalable.



Rajinder K. Dhamija

Prof. Rajinder K. Dhamija is a distinguished Neurologist, Professor of Neurology and Director at the Institute of Human Behavior and Allied Sciences, New Delhi, India.

Prof Dhamija brings about 30 years of extensive experience and exceptional accomplishments in Neurology and Public Health. He has led pioneering research in Neurology especially in field of Stroke and Movement Disorders which is well recognised internationally. Recognized for his scholarly contributions, he has received numerous awards, including the S. Radhakrishnan Memorial National Medical Teacher Award and National Award for Science and Technology 2021 by Govt of India. He is also Chair of Movement Disorders at World Federation of Neuro-rehabilitation (WFNR) and International adviser Royal College of Physicians (London).

Prof. Dhamija has been an expert /advisory member for several organizations including WHO, EAN, NHRC, NIMHR, UPSC, J &K Public Service Commission, ICMR, UGC, DMC and National Medical Commission. He has published more than 150 peer review indexed research papers and book chapters including publications in Nature group, Lancet, Neurology, JAMA Neurology and BMJ. More recently he has been appointed Chair of National Task Force on Brain Health by Govt. of India and Lancet Commissioner for Lancet for his work in Neurorehabilitation. A sought after advisor, he has contributed to prestigious organizations globally. Prof. Dhamija's impact extends across borders shaping Neurology, Brain Health and Medical Education worldwide.



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Mika Pyykkö

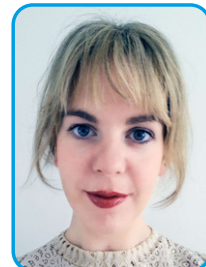
Mika is a Master of Social Sciences from The University of Tampere. He is also a Director of The Centre of Expertise for Impact Investing, which is a part of The Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment of The Finnish Government. Prior to this, Mika led Sitra's development operations in terms of impact investing for around five years. Thanks to the work of Mika and his team, there are now several SIB and EIB projects underway or set for launch in Finland. Mika's team also worked extensively on the economy of well-being and social outcomes contracting as a part of Finland's EU Presidency during the second part of 2019.



Orla Galvin

Dr. Orla Galvin came to patient advocacy with a PhD in Medicine and background in drug discovery and design in both academic and industry environments. Transitioning to advocacy work at the umbrella patient organisation Retina International, Orla led high impact, multi-stakeholder socio-economic studies, patient preference studies, and accessibility studies across the globe assessing both rare and common conditions.

Orla is an internationally invited speaker to both research and clinical learned societies (for example EURORDIS, EU Retina, ERN-EYE), patient organisations, and industries on topics such as: patient and public involvement in advocacy, research and policy, research in advocacy and policy/evidence-based advocacy, education in advocacy, generation of real-world data, patient reported outcomes, and health economics.



She is currently Executive Director of the European Federation of Neurological Associations (EFNA).

Tarek Samad

Tarek Samad, Ph.D., is Senior Vice President and Head of Global Research and Corporate Patents & Trademarks at Lundbeck. He has over two decades of experience in academia and industry, leading small molecule and antibody biologic programs into the clinic. Prior to joining Lundbeck, Dr. Samad was the chief scientific officer at Immunitas Therapeutics and Head of Multiple Sclerosis and Neuroimmunology Research at Sanofi, overseeing a portfolio spanning from early discovery to phase 2 clinical stage. Before joining Sanofi, Tarek was Head of Neurodegeneration Research, and Neuroinflammation Research at Pfizer.



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Kana Enomoto

Kana is the director of brain health for the McKinsey Health Institute, where she specializes in behavioral health, public health, and delivery-system reform. Kana has more than 20 years of experience as a federal executive in mental-health and substance-use policy, data, programs, and practice improvement. Kana is a global thought leader and accomplished executive with a strong record of achieving public-policy goals, delivering programmatic impact, and inspiring organizational and social change.

Since joining McKinsey in 2019, Kana cofounded the Center for Societal Benefit through Healthcare to address underinvested areas of health with a focus on behavioral health. In addition, Kana has supported a wide range of clients, including government entities, payers, providers, investors, employers, and not-for-profit organizations to better serve people with, or at risk for, mental and substance-use disorders.

Prior to joining McKinsey, Kana was acting administrator for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, where she provided executive direction and policy leadership. She also served as senior advisor in the US health and human services agency, where she provided strategic guidance on efforts to combat the opioid epidemic.

Prior to entering government, Kana did health research and clinical services with a focus on mental health and trauma for minority patients. She has received awards in recognition of her work, including the Arthur S. Flemming Award, the American College of Mental Health Administration King Davis Award, and the Secretary's Award for Distinguished Service.

Kana earned her bachelor's degree in psychology and master's degree in clinical psychology from the University of California, Los Angeles and is a graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, Senior Managers in Government Program.



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Peter Aksel Villadsen

Peter Askel Villadsen leads the GN Group's global alliances, ventures, and corporate affairs. His primary focus is special innovation programs that combines data science, new digital platforms, and consumer engagement to set new standards in hearing experiences and preventive care – within and beyond hearing loss. Prior to joining the hearing health industry, he spent nearly two decades in the pharmaceutical industry working across various functional and therapeutic areas. His industry experience includes business development, digital innovation, corporate strategy, and market access. Peter Aksel is the co-founder and board member of several companies, academic advisory boards, and non-profit initiatives, including co-founder of the US-based biotech company Utility Therapeutics which submitted its NDA in 2024. He is also the founder of the Danish-based BioBusiness & Innovation Program which has grown to become a best-in-class and globally recognized industry-academic master's program. Peter holds a Master's degree in Economics of International Strategy and Governance, a Bachelor's degree in Commercial Law from Copenhagen Business School, an executive degree from IMD Business School in Lausanne and has trained in health economics at Oxford University.



James M. Garvie

James Garvie leads multiple HR functions at Southern Company including Total Rewards, Workforce Intelligence/Analytics, and HR Technology. James' role includes strategy development, plan and policy design, management's liaison with the Compensation Committee/Board of Directors, and ongoing administration of HR programs. James began his career with Southern Company in 2012. Prior to joining Southern Company, James was a Director at Alexander Group, a management consulting firm, where he advised Fortune 500 companies on sales strategies, sales compensation and operational efficiencies. Prior to his time in consulting, he held a leadership position at BlueLinx and analytical positions in accounting/financial and compensation at Georgia-Pacific. James is a native of Scotland and now resides in Atlanta, GA.



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Brian Jebb

Brian is Global Co-Head of Compensation, Employment & Governance at A&O Shearman, an international law firm. Brian has particular expertise advising global employers on employment laws, compensation and employee benefits issues, and acting on domestic and cross-border transactions. Brian is individually ranked by Chambers USA as one of the leading lawyers in Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation, and his work with global clients has been noted in Legal 500. Brian is also a member of the A&O Shearman's Global Wellbeing Advisory Board, the U.S. Recruitment Committee and the firm's LGBT diversity committee.



Karen Moseley

Karen Moseley is President & CEO of HERO, a national think tank dedicated to connecting science and practice in employee health and well-being. Having worked in the non-profit sector for more than 30 years, she has served organizations in many capacities, including governance, operations, education and events, grant management, and member engagement. Karen is the 2021 recipient of the Leader in Workplace Wellness Award presented by the Global Wellness Summit and recognized in the American Journal of Health Promotion's "The Most Influential Women Leaders in Health Promotion" in 2023. She received her Bachelor of Science in business administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. To stay healthy, she enjoys yoga, testing new healthy recipes and being outdoors with her family and dogs.



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David Stark

David Stark is a physician, executive, and technologist with a track record of working across the life sciences and care delivery continuum to improve healthcare access, quality, experience, and affordability. Currently he is Morgan Stanley's Chief Medical Officer and Global Head of Benefits where he leads an organization responsible for the health and wellbeing of the Firm's 80,000+ employees and their families in 40+ countries. David is also a Trustee of the Morgan Stanley Foundation and serves on the Investment Committee of Morgan Stanley's in-house accelerator, Inclusive Ventures Lab. David joined Morgan Stanley in 2018 from Mount Sinai Health System, where he was the founder and director of Lab100, Medical Director of the Institute for Next Generation Healthcare, and an Assistant Professor of Health System Design and Global Health. David serves on the Board of the Business Group on Health and is on the Advisory Board of Employer Health Innovation Roundtable. David also serves on the Board of HealthRight International, a global nonprofit that addresses health and human rights issues in marginalized populations. David is a licensed physician, board certified in pediatric neurology and clinical informatics. He received his B.S. in biology from Yale University, his M.D. from Harvard Medical School, and his M.S. in biomedical informatics from Stanford. He lives in New York City with his husband and their three children.



Krystal Sexton

Krystal Sexton is a globally recognized leader in health and well-being. Over the past two decades, Krystal has held positions in academia and industry, with her work spanning across health disparities and inequities and workplace mental and physical health. Krystal was faculty at Baylor College of Medicine with a research focus on breast cancer disparities in diagnosis and survival of minority women. At Shell, she helped develop the holistic approach to health that covers physical, mental, and social health. She wrote the scientific evidence base for the new approach to health, and she led the well-being team for North and South Americas for several years. Krystal now leads a global team of epidemiologists and health analysts who support cross-discipline and cross-functional work across Shell with a primary focus on holistic health and its association with business and health outcomes.



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Kacie Kelly

As Chief Innovation Officer at the Meadows Institute, Kacie leads work to integrate scalable, data-driven innovation into systems of care to detect mental health risks earlier and increase access to quality care. She works to harness public and private partnerships to advance innovative funding models that incentivize best practices and seeks opportunities to integrate technology into the systems of care. She is a Senior Fellow in the Policy Entrepreneurs Network, an Advisor in the OneMind Accelerator & the Texas Medical Center's HealthTech Accelerator and is on the American Academy of Arts and Sciences Mental Health in the Modern World Steering Committee.

Prior to the Institute, Kacie was the Director for Health & Wellbeing at the George W. Bush Institute's Military Service Initiative and spent 15 years leading mental health and suicide prevention initiatives at the Department of Veterans Affairs. Kacie earned her bachelor's degree and Master of Health Sciences from Louisiana State University, a Graduate Certificate in Women in Public Policy and Politics from the University of Massachusetts, and a Certificate in Harnessing AI for Breakthrough Innovation and Strategic Impact from Stanford University Graduate School of Business.



John Bailey

John serves as a strategic advisor and investor, leveraging cross-sector experience in government, philanthropy, and the private sector to drive solutions in AI, technology, climate technology, and behavioral health. He currently serves as a fellow at the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative and a Non-Resident Senior Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute. He has supported a range of investors and philanthropies with designing their strategies, launching initiatives, and developing policy agendas. John served as a domestic policy advisor in the White House and Deputy Policy Director to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce. In 2022, 2023, and 2024 the Washingtonian named him as one of Washington's Most Influential People in policy. He serves on advisory boards for Trustible.ai, the FPF Center for Artificial Intelligence, the Tech Talent Project, and the XPRIZE Brain Trust. He also serves on the board of directors for Zearn Math, U.S. Digital Response, and the Federation of American Scientists.



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Katie Jones-Yeutter

As the COO and CFO of the Florida Chamber of Commerce and President of the Florida Chamber Leadership Cabinet on Safety, Health and Sustainability, Katie Yeutter's dual-focus perspective as a leader promotes member education and spearheads action to achieve enterprise results. Katie's drive to envision and actualize new possibilities to fuel organizational growth and continuous improvement has remained a constant throughout her career and life.

A six-time full distance Ironman finisher who also swam across the English Channel and summited Mount Kilimanjaro, Katie never stops striving for excellence in everything she does. In 2022, INFLUENCE named her one of their "The Most Influential People in Florida Politics." She is an active member of the Young President's Organization (YPO), a global leadership community of over 30,000 leaders in 142 countries, and she was recently accepted into the Harvard Kennedy School Leaders Program.



Dan Gwinnell

Dan Gwinnell is presently a Senior Advisor for Innovation at the Clinton Health Access initiative and a Senior Partnerships Advisor for the International Rescue Committee. In his current role with CHAI, Dan is focusing on a variety of new topics of interest, including brain health conditions. Prior to these roles, Dan was the Project Director for Partners in Health's COVID response work in the US; the CEO of Kepler, a college in Rwanda serving thousands of vulnerable and refugee youth across sub-Saharan Africa; a Country Director in the Clinton Health Access Initiative's Sierra Leone office; and a Director at Global Health Strategies an international consulting firm. He holds an MPA in Nonprofit Management and Public Policy from New York University.



Kent Jancarik

Kent Jancarik has 25 years of experience working in global public policy, regulatory policy, and government affairs. At EMD Serono, Kent heads the policy team focused on supporting the global neurology & immunology franchise and the oncology pipeline. He also supports the LATAM business.

Prior to joining EMD Serono in 2013, Kent worked at Idec, Biogen, Pfizer, and Abbott in a variety of regulatory, government affairs, and public policy roles, at various times supporting the U.S., Europe, and emerging markets. Before joining the innovative biotechnology industry, Kent worked in policy roles at the White House and in British Parliament. Kent received his master's degree from the University of Southern California (USC) School of Pharmacy and his bachelor's degree from Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles.



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Max Adams

Max Adams brings over 19 years of experience to Perkins&Will. He is a Senior Project Designer who has delivered numerous award-winning work over the years. His portfolio spans a variety of market sectors, from science and technology projects to complex healthcare projects to several significant K-12 educational facilities. Max is adept in collaborating with clients and design teams to produce design solutions that efficiently incorporate all program requirements. His technical skill allows him to ensure that the client's original design intent and goals are successfully translated into the final built environment.



Debbie Beck

Debbie is a Principal and Healthcare Operations and Strategic Planning Executive at Perkins&Will, specializing in how the built environment impacts well-being and brain health. She brings more than 25 years' experience in healthcare as a clinician, healthcare executive, and public health leader. She guides trauma-informed environments that improve patient outcomes and destigmatize mental illness. Experienced in facility planning as a client and a principal, she uses evidence-based strategies and neuroarchitecture principles to help create efficient spaces that promote safety, healing and brain health. In addition, Debbie helps lead the research and innovation initiatives in the Dallas studio.



Diana Davis

Managing Director and Healthcare Practice Leader of the Houston office of Perkins&Will, Diana has over 25 years of experience working with academic medical center and community hospital clients and an extensive background in the design, planning, and delivery of healthcare projects. She brings a special interest in Lean planning and evidence-based design to her work, paired with a commitment to improving the healthcare environment for caregivers, staff, patients, and families.



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Stephen M. Glazier

Stephen Glazier is a hospital administrator with over 40 years of senior level experience and is currently the VP of Business Development and Government Relations for UTHealth Behavioral Sciences Campus. A Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives, he has held the position of CEO or COO in hospitals including freestanding psychiatric, general acute care & long-term acute care hospitals and responsible for 3 new hospital construction/development projects a major hospital renovation. He has held leadership positions in several large academic medical centers. Mr. Glazier is the current past Chair of the Joint Committee on Access /Forensic Services and serves on the Texas Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council, the Mental Health Needs Council & Network of Behavioral Health Professionals.



Hala El Khorazaty

Hala is a Senior Healthcare Project Designer at Perkins&Will, bringing over 13 years of experience with the firm across multiple countries. She is a thoughtful designer with a diverse range of research interests, focusing on wellness and sustainable design across various markets. Hala is also one of the firm's Living Design Champions and an expert researcher on brain capital.



Robert Wall

As a Senior Associate in the Healthcare Practice, Robert brings a broad background in architecture, engineering and construction to his interdisciplinary approach to the management of complex projects of all scales. He leverages his diverse experience and expertise in healthcare planning, design and construction to ensure that a project's vision and goals are established early and successfully translated from concept to completion. In addition, Robert helps lead the research and innovation initiatives in the New York office.



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Sameer Zuberi

Sameer is Paediatric Neurologist at the Royal Hospital for Children and Honorary Professor, University of Glasgow, leading research on epilepsy, genetics, neurodevelopment & innovation. He is immediate past President of the European Paediatric Neurology Society (EPNS), Neurodevelopment Theme Lead for the Epilepsy Research Institute UK and sits on the Board of the European Brain Council. In 2020 he co-designed vCreate Health, a smartphone video diagnosis and management web-app now used throughout the UK and internationally. He was Editor-in-Chief of the European Journal of Paediatric Neurology (2015-21) and chaired the International League Against Epilepsy Commission on Classification & Terminology (2013-17). During his term as EPNS President the organisation prioritised advocacy, patient & family engagement and collaboration with fellow international neurology associations.



Walter Koroshetz

Walter Koroshetz is the Director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). He works to advance the mission of the Institute, to improve fundamental knowledge about the brain and the nervous system, and to use that knowledge to reduce the burden of neurological disorders. He joined NINDS as the Deputy Director in 2007. Before coming to NIH Dr. Koroshetz was a Harvard Professor of Neurology, Vice Chair of Neurology at the Massachusetts General Hospital, director of Stroke and Neurointensive Care, and a member of the MGH Movement Disorders clinic. His research activities spanned basic neurobiology to clinical trials. He directed Neurology training at MGH for 16 years. A graduate of Georgetown University and University of Chicago Medical School Dr. Koroshetz specialized in Internal Medicine and Neurology.



Andrew Post

A lifelong educator, Andrew has served as the Chief Innovation Officer of Invo Health, the President of Catapult Academy, an Assistant Superintendent in Duval County Public Schools, a school site administrator in Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and a classroom teacher. He also founded a 501(c)(3) non-profit which infuses literacy and sports to increase students' chances at becoming high school graduates. Andrew holds an M.S. in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University and a B.A. in political science and secondary education from the University of Miami.



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Alexander Billioux

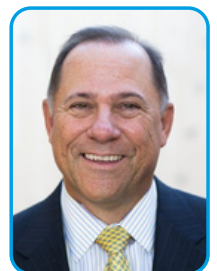
Dr. Alex Billioux is the chief medical officer (CMO), Government Programs, and senior vice president for population health and social care at UnitedHealthcare. As CMO, he is responsible for the individual care, population health, and provider partnership strategies for UnitedHealthcare's Medicare and Medicaid plans. He also leads enterprise-wide strategy and capabilities to address individual health-related social needs and community social drivers of health. He is an internal medicine doctor focused on supporting whole-person health by delivering coordinated physical, behavioral, and social care and advancing cross-sector population health strategies and sharing data to foster coordinated, learning health systems. Dr. Billioux was formerly the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Public Health and a senior advisor and division director at the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation.



Dr. Billioux received his M.D. from Johns Hopkins University and his D.Phil. in clinical medicine from the University of Oxford. He holds a B.A. from the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern State University in Louisiana.

Steve Carnavale

Steve is a successful entrepreneur, founding businesses including the University of Michigan's Center for Entrepreneurship; the UCSF Dyslexia Center, and Point Cypress Ventures. He is a Commissioner of the California Mental Health Commission. His current focus on Brain Capital explores how biological neuroscience can unlock the potential of companies and countries.



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Jacqueline Coleman

Jacqueline Coleman is the 58th Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky. She is a life-long Kentuckian, educator, basketball coach, writer and founder of a nonprofit.

Public service is a way of life for Jacqueline and her family. She was raised on a farm in Burgin, where her family owned a small business for five generations. Her upbringing, including her father's tenure as state representative, taught her to help those in need and, as a result, she has devoted her personal and professional life to service.

As the state's highest elected teacher, Jacqueline is a vocal and passionate advocate for public education. She believes education is the key to providing Kentuckians opportunities for transformational change that can create new cycles of success. She began her career as a high school civics teacher in her hometown at Burgin High School. Jacqueline also taught at East Jessamine High School and, most recently, served as an assistant principal at Nelson County High School. She is currently completing a doctorate in educational leadership at the University of Kentucky.

Her experience in Emerge Kentucky inspired her to found her own nonprofit, Lead Kentucky, in 2013. Lead Kentucky ensures Kentucky's college women are prepared, encouraged, and empowered to seek leadership positions on their campuses and later in their professional lives. Since its inception, Lead Kentucky has empowered students on more than a dozen college campuses.

Jacqueline remains focused on the challenges Kentucky families face. During her first term, through the Team Kentucky Student Mental Health Initiative, she worked with student leaders to secure more than \$40 million in federal funding to increase student mental health resources in schools across the commonwealth. In January 2020, she led the charge to waive the testing fee for adults earning their GED. Since then, more than 8,100 Kentuckians have earned a GED and changed the trajectory of their families' futures. She revived the Kentucky Commission on Women after its office was shuttered and funding was removed during the previous administration. As a rural Kentuckian, she aims to ensure Kentucky's booming economy reaches every zip code.



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Angélica Infante-Green

Angélica Infante-Green has served as the Rhode Island Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education since April 29, 2019. As Commissioner, she instituted several major efforts to improve K-12 education across the state, most notably a comprehensive review of the Providence Public School District. She is now leading the state intervention in the city's schools to overcome decades of neglect and poor performance. In the midst of the pandemic, the Commissioner convened the Learning, Equity & Accelerated Pathways (LEAP) Task Force, which released its report and recommendations in April of 2021 to help guide accelerated learning opportunities to rebuild Rhode Island's educational system post-pandemic. Prior to joining RIDE, she served as the Deputy Commissioner of the New York State Education Department's Office of Instructional Support. Infante-Green began her career as a bilingual classroom teacher in the South Bronx. Since leaving the classroom, she has served in a variety of roles focused on improving instruction for all students, particularly multi-lingual learners. She held several leadership positions for the New York City School Department, and she was a member of the first cohort of the Chiefs for Change Future Chiefs program. As a first-generation American, Infante-Green sees her first day as a teacher as a life-changing moment where she realized her personal calling. Having herself learned English in school, and as the parent of a child with special needs, she has fought to replace a "deficit" view with an "enrichment" view for students who need more. Infante-Green earned an M.A. in Education and in School Administration & Supervision from Mercy College. She is married with a son and daughter.



DAY 1

Katie Fry Hester

Senator Katie Fry Hester is serving in the Maryland Senate representing Maryland's 9th district, which includes parts of Howard and Carroll Counties. Before entering public service in 2018, Senator Hester spent 20 years working in the private sector to foster sustainable development, multi-sector partnerships, stakeholder engagement, and effective strategic planning with the aim of solving large, complex problems. Throughout her career, she has worked with Fortune 500 companies, small businesses, governments, communities and non-profits to create win-win partnerships for sustainable international development.

Senator Hester has put these skills to use in the General Assembly, passing more than 30 pieces of bipartisan legislation by bringing together diverse groups of experts, advocates, and legislators to work on tough issues such as economic development and supporting small businesses during COVID-19; improving the State's cybersecurity capacity and environmental resilience; and building a bright future for Maryland farmers. She serves on the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee.

Senator Hester graduated from Cornell University with a degree in Agricultural and Biological Engineering, and has lived in western Howard County for 15 years with her husband, Bill, and their two daughters.



DAY 2

Catherine Kopil

Catherine (Katie) Kopil, PhD, is the senior vice president of clinical research at The Michael J. Fox Foundation (MJFF) where she focuses on building the Foundation's capacity as an unprecedented stakeholder in Parkinson's drug development - a nimble, patient-focused problem-solver whose efforts are demonstrably accelerating progress toward treatment breakthroughs. Kopil leads a team investing in solutions to de-risk clinical development for Parkinson's and related disorders. Katie and her team support field-enabling efforts including seminal natural history studies like the Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative, alignment on regulatory acceptable endpoints for clinical trials, and integrating patient perspectives throughout R&D.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Kopil completed doctoral and postdoctoral training in Neuroscience and Bioengineering respectively at the University of Pennsylvania. Her research focused on brain injury that occurs during acute trauma such as cardiac arrest and concussion. Kopil also helped speed clinical research as a clinical trial coordinator at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in NYC, which is where her dual passions for science and serving patients first intersected.

Kopil graduated from Princeton University with a BA in Psychology and holds a PhD in Neuroscience from the University of Pennsylvania.



Sarah Lenz Lock

Sarah Lenz Lock, JD is SVP of Policy and Brain Health for AARP where she leads initiatives on brain health and care for people living with dementia, including serving as the Executive Director of the Global Council on Brain Health, an independent collaborative of scientists, doctors, and policy experts. Ms. Lock represents AARP in the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations.

Ms. Lock is a frequent writer and public speaker on issues related to healthy aging. Previously, she served as Senior Attorney/Manager at AARP Foundation Litigation conducting health care impact litigation on behalf of older persons and authoring numerous amicus briefs on health care issues impacting older Americans.



DAY 2

Liane Ong

Liane Ong is a Senior Research Scientist at the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation. She has over 15 years of experience in population health at the national and global levels. She has worked on the Global Burden of Disease project for over 7 years and currently leads the team responsible for global estimates of Alzheimer's and other dementias. Prior to IHME, she worked at the US CDC and USDA-FSIS.



Bitá Moghaddam

Bitá Moghaddam is a distinguished neuroscientist known for her research on the neurobiological mechanisms underlying mental health disorders including schizophrenia, anxiety and depression. She has published extensively in leading scientific journals. Her work is widely cited and has been influential in shaping current theories about the neurobiological underpinnings of mental health disorders and guiding future research directions. Moghaddam is the recipient of many prestigious research and mentoring awards. She has served on numerous editorial and advisory boards as well as educational and service-oriented organizations to raise awareness about mental health issues and the importance of neuroscience research. She is currently the Ruth Matarazzo Professor of Behavioral Neuroscience and professor of Psychiatry at Oregon Health and Science University.



Mikele Epperly

Mikele is a Global Integrated Program Leader at Roche, focusing on Brain Health & Women's Health. During her 25-year career, she has earned a reputation for building innovative functions and departments to address nebulous, future-forward topics.

While serving the healthcare-provider industry, Mikele oversaw Quality and Clinical Effectiveness including all clinical data collection, analysis, and initiatives to enhance patient safety, patient satisfaction, clinical outcomes, and value. She served in leadership and executive roles at Stanford Hospital and Scripps Health. Initiatives developed under her leadership exceeded \$100M+ in cost savings during the same time that quality metrics improved.

Within the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industry, Mikele collaborates with external stakeholders to shape a groundbreaking healthcare ecosystem for optimal access to care. Initiatives spearheaded by Mikele solve patients' pain points, enable timely diagnosis and treatment (ensuring optimal outcomes), and appear in multiple peer-reviewed journals.



DAY 2

Tasia Asakawa

Tasia Asakawa is Executive Director of FENS, the Federation of European Neuroscience Societies, based in Brussels, Belgium. Her professional experience spans over two decades in non-profit research, educational and funding organizations with a focus on scientific capacity building, sustainable development and informed policymaking. She has focused especially on supporting economically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities and increasing access to scientific research and training at FENS and previously at IBRO, the International Brain Research Organization, and TWAS, the World Academy of Sciences. Her work is committed to reinforcing and improving human welfare within common ethical and equitable frameworks through collaborative and inclusive consensus building, the promotion of best practices and effective evidence-based decision-making.



Matilde Leonardi

Matilde Leonardi is a neurologist, paediatrician, neonatologist, and paediatric neurologist specialising in bioethics. She is Director of Unit at IRCCS National Neurological Institute Besta. Her activity in the field of disorders of consciousness allows her team to have one of the largest epidemiological databases on such patients worldwide. She is a WHO expert on disability and ageing, co-chair of the WHO-FIC (Family of International Classifications) Functioning and Disability Reference Group- FDRG and Director of the Italian WHO Collaborating Centre Research Branch. Leonardi has co-ordinated and partnered on several, EU-funded and non-EU-funded research projects, including within the FP6, FP7, Horizon2020 programmes (MHADIE, MURINET, COURAGE in EUROPE, PATHWAYS and partner in PARADISE, MARATONE ATHLOS, CHRODIS Plus, EMPOWER). Dr. Leonardi is also a consultant on public health, UNCRPD monitoring and disability policy development for several European and non-European Governments and is an expert for the European Commission on public health, ageing, disability and neurosciences.



DAY 2

Alfred Kongnyu Njamnshi

Alfred Kongnyu NJAMNSHI, MD, MA, DMS, FMH, FCAS, FAAS, FRCP (UK), is professor of Neurology and Neuroscience at the Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences of The University of Yaoundé I (Cameroon), where he founded and heads the Neuroscience Laboratory, chairs the neurology and neuroscience residency programmes and coordinates the School's 31 residency programmes. He is also Chief of Neurology at the Yaoundé Central Hospital, the base of his clinical practice and training of students/residents. He obtained his MD from the University of Yaoundé, Cameroon and is Swiss-Board Certified (FMH) in Neurology and Clinical Neurophysiology; holder an MA Education (medical education) from the UK, where he is also Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP). Prof Njamnshi is fellow of the Cameroon Academy of Science. He has published over 180 peer-reviewed scientific articles in high impact journals. His current research focus is: brain health as well as basic, clinical, translational and environmental neuroscience.

Prof. Njamnshi is Founder and Executive Director of Brain Research Africa Initiative (BRAIN) (www.brain africa.org) with the vision, mission and passion of promoting neuroscience research, brain health and development (R&D) in Africa. The BRAIN global office is in Geneva-Switzerland, where she has obtained the status of a public utility organisation and the continental office is in Yaoundé, Cameroon. BRAIN has a network of partner institutions that help her accomplish her mission, including university/research institutions in the USA, Europe and Africa, including the African Union Commission and 24 Faculties of Medicine from 15 African countries.

Prof. Njamnshi is President of the Society of Cameroonian Neurologists (SCAN), Delegate for Cameroon to the World Federation of Neurology (WFN) Council of Delegates, WFN emeritus Director for Africa, Life Past President of the Pan African Association of Neurological Sciences (PAANS) and Founding Member-Past-Vice President of the African Academy of Neurology (AFAN).



DAY 2

HRH Princess Dr. Haya Bint Khaled Bin Bandar Al Saud

Dr. Haya AlSaud's distinguished career includes roles at the King Abdulaziz City for Science & Technology (KACST), both as Director of the Saudi National Center for Genomics Technology, and as Director of the Saudi National Pre-Marital Screening Program. She also served as a scientist at the King Faisal Specialized Hospital and Research Center, where she carried out a range of research projects focusing on population genetics.

Dr. AlSaud served as a past and present member of a number of notable national and international committees. These include serving as a member of the National Nutrition Committee and Oversight Executive team for the Saudi Genome Project 2.0 at KACST, the S20 Future of Health Taskforce at the G20 Summit, and a committee member for the Princess Noura Award for Women's Excellence.

Dr. AlSaud holds a PhD in Genomics of Common Diseases and a Master's degree in Genetics and Toxicology from McGill University, as well as a Bachelor's degree in Clinical Nutrition from King Saud University, Riyadh. Dr. AlSaud has also received training in different institutions including Harvard University and Broad Institute.



DAY 2

Vaibhav Narayan

Dr. Vaibhav A. Narayan is Executive Vice President at the Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative (DAC). Previously, he spent over 13 years at Johnson & Johnson as Vice President of Digital Health Innovation and Head of Data Science for Neuroscience R&D, leading AI/ML-driven programs for Alzheimer's and neuropsychiatric diseases. He also held leadership roles in biotech and pharma, including contributing to the Human Genome Project at Celera Genomics. Vaibhav has led multi-stakeholder consortia in digital health, holds multiple patents, and has co-authored over 80 scientific publications. He earned a PhD in computational biology from Yale and an Executive MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.



Evelyn Gitau

Evelyn is a seasoned scientist with nearly 20 years of medical research experience, currently Chief Scientific Officer at the Science for Africa Foundation. She joined the SFA Foundation from the African Population and Health Research Center, where she was the Director of Programs for almost a decade. Committed to mentoring Africa's next generation of research leaders, she brings expertise in impact evaluation, immunology, molecular biology, and infectious diseases. A 2015 Next Einstein Forum fellow, Evelyn earned her PhD in Life Sciences from the Open University/Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, focusing on neurological infections in malaria-endemic areas.



Chris Lynch

Chris Lynch is Deputy CEO and Director of Policy & Communications at the Alzheimer's Disease International with over 25 years of experience in global policy, communications, marketing, and business development across various sectors. At Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI), he oversees the World Alzheimer Report, World Alzheimer's Month campaign, and engagement with WHO and UN. Previously, at Alzheimer Scotland, he led communications, external affairs, international liaison, and digital strategy, and was named a Scottish Government Digital Champion in 2016. Chris also founded a marketing consultancy and a successful hospitality business, with additional pro-bono work in startup and third-sector business advice.



DAY 2

Shahib Khalsa

Dr. Sahib Khalsa MD, PhD is a psychiatrist and neuroscientist whose research investigates the role of interoception in mental and physical health. He serves as Associate Professor in Residence, Director of Anxiety Disorders Research, and West Innovation Chair at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Behavior and Department of Psychiatry at UCLA. Dr. Khalsa's studies utilize pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches, functional neuroimaging, electroencephalography, and computational modeling to map body perceptions associated with experimental stress manipulations. Central aims of this work are to discover modifiable neuroscience-based treatment targets for anxiety disorders, to develop clinical tests to identify these targets in individual patients, and to design neuroscience-based therapies capable of ameliorating the symptoms and signs of mental illness.



Adriana Di Martino

Adriana Di Martino, MD, is an internationally recognized autism researcher and the founding research director for the Autism Center at the Child Mind Institute.

Dr. Di Martino has a long-standing research interest in autism spectrum disorder and how to best understand its neurobiology using brain imaging and a range of other clinical and cognitive approaches. Her study places a particular emphasis on detecting autism-related differences in brain connectivity that emerge in early childhood, with the goal of identifying objective biological markers that can one day be used to improve early intervention efforts and the selection of treatments.

Dr. Di Martino is one of the United States' most prolific researchers in the neuroimaging of autism, with publications in the most scientifically respected journals in the field of psychiatry, including the JAMA-Psychiatry, American Journal of Psychiatry, Biological Psychiatry and Molecular Psychiatry. She has also received honors and funding support from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) and the Simons Foundation and has been invited to lecture at multiple national and international scientific conferences.



DAY 2

Giovanni A. Salum

Giovanni A. Salum MD, Ph.D., is the Vice President of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Initiative in Greece (CAMHI). CAMHI is a program dedicated to enhance child and adolescent mental health care capacity and to help strengthen the infrastructure for the prevention, assessment, and treatment of mental health struggles faced by children and adolescents across Greece.

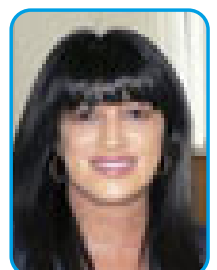
Dr. Salum is a tenured Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS) in Brazil, currently on leave to work at the Child Mind Institute. He directed the mental health services of the Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre from 2021-2022, the adult and the child & adolescent unit of the community center for mental health services in the same hospital from 2019 to 2021, and the mental health system of Porto Alegre, a Brazilian city with 1.5 million inhabitants, from 2017 and 2019, being responsible for all the mental health care services of the town.

He has experience in epidemiology, developmental psychopathology, and treatment research in the public health system.



Soraya Seedat

Prof. Soraya Seedat is a Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and Executive Head of the Department of Psychiatry at Stellenbosch University. She held the South African Research Chair in Posttraumatic Stress Disorder for 15 years (until the end of 2022) and currently directs the South African Medical Research Council Unit on the Genomics of Brain Disorders. She has more than 20 years of clinical, epidemiological, and basic neuroscience research experience as a psychiatrist working in the field of traumatic stress, anxiety, and neuroAIDS. She has published over 500 peer-reviewed journal manuscripts and co-edited four books and 30 book chapters. She has served two terms as the President of the College of Psychiatrists of South Africa and three terms as Secretary and is currently a member of the Board of Directors and an Honorary Registrar of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. Prof Seedat is an expert in the field of posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and anxiety disorders, in adolescents and adults, and in the investigation of mechanisms of risk and resilience in adolescent and adult samples and has published widely in these areas. She has ongoing projects in PTSD, anxiety disorders, neuroAIDS, and fetal alcohol spectrum disorders. She has also been involved in multiple research training, capacity building, and leadership development activities in sub-Saharan Africa and internationally, supported by NIMH grants and other funding initiatives.



DAY 2

Ting Xu

Ting Xu, PhD, is the director of the Center for Integrative Developmental Neuroscience (IDN) at the Child Mind Institute. She's also a research scientist on the senior research scientist track, a tenure-track equivalent. Dr. Xu has over a decade of active engagement in cognitive neuroscience and neuroimaging research, with her work primarily focusing on understanding the brain evolution across species and unraveling the normal brain development and alternations associated with mental health disorders.

The IDN Center, formerly recognized as the Center for the Developing Brain, stands as a collaborative research team with a broad focus on brain development and human cognition processes. In her role as director, Dr. Xu guides a team of researchers in utilizing multimodal imaging techniques and large-scale data to develop computational approaches investigating the structural and functional connectome, with a goal of unraveling the biological principles that govern dynamic brain function and support high-level cognition.



Pedro Antonio Valdes-Sosa

Pedro Antonio Valdes-Sosa is the General Vice-Director for Research of the Cuban Neurosciences Center, which he cofounded in 1990. He is also Member of the Editorial Boards of top journals in the field. His work includes statistical analysis of electrophysiological measurements, neuroimaging (fMRI, EEG and MEG tomography), nonlinear dynamical modeling of brain functions and Software and electrophysiological equipment development. Prof. Pedro has long been dedicated to the research in EEG and fMRI both in theory as well as methodology. He's contribution, such as the inverse solutions of LORETA and VARETA, have been recognized worldwide and he continues to make major advances in the field of multimodal data integration with EEG, MEG, MRI and fMRI. His papers (more than 180 with H index of 42) have appeared in all of the major electrophysiological and neuroimaging journals. Besides, he is on the advisory board of numerous prestigious institutions around the world. He is an active council member within the Organization for Human Brain Mapping (OHBM) and he was an elected member of the Program Committee (2012-2014). He presided the XX Conference of the OHBM in Hamburg as Program Chair, with more than 4,000 delegates. In 2015, he has been awarded the title of "1000 talent foreign professor" by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China, working in University of Electronic Science and Technology of China as a full professor, and he is also the director of the Joint China-Cuba Laboratory for Frontier Research in Translational Neurotechnology.



DAY 2

Michael P. Milham

Dr. Joanna Lai is a health specialist with UNICEF Headquarters where she serves as a technical focal point for school, adolescent, and mental health. Her work focuses on supporting planning, delivery, and evaluation of health programs and services for children and adolescents through schools, community platforms, and clinical settings.



Prerna Banati

Dr Prerna Banati is a Scientist and Research lead for Adolescent and Young Adult Health at the World Health Organization in Geneva. She has over 20 years of international development experience as a researcher and advisor with the United Nations and other international organizations. Her work involves evidence generation, translation and guideline development to support scaling of inclusive, quality adolescent and youth policies and programmes. She brings extensive experience at the intersections of adolescence, gender and social inclusion, and has worked widely in cooperation with governments, civil society and young people themselves. Prerna is a Commissioner on the 2024 Lancet Commission for Adolescent Health and Wellbeing, and an Associate Editor of the Global Social Challenges Journal. In 2018, she co-edited the Oxford Handbook of Adolescent Development Research and its Impact on Global Policy. In 2021, she released her new edited volume on Sustainable Human Development Across the Life Course: Evidence from Longitudinal Research on Children, Adolescents and Youth by Policy Press. She has a Ph.D. from the University of Cambridge.



Faraaz Mahomed

Dr. Faraaz Mahomed is a clinical psychologist and researcher at University of the Witwatersrand with an interest in human rights, public policy and mental health.



DAY 2

Alexandra Martins

Dr. Alexandra Martins is the Team Leader of the END Violence Against Children Team in UNODC. She also heads the UNODC Global Programme to End Violence against Children from its headquarters in Vienna, Austria. Her work involves the development of international laws and policies; and the provision of technical assistance on violence against children in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice to countries across the world. In recent years, she has focused on preventing and responding to serious forms of violence against children, including the role of the juvenile justice system in promoting child rights. Dr. Martins has amassed over 25 years of experience in the field of criminal law and child rights through her work as a criminal lawyer in Brazil; with international NGO, Save the Children; and - since 2005 - with UNODC. She graduated in law from the University of Sao Paulo, Brazil; and holds a postgraduate qualification in Criminal Procedural Law and a Ph.D. in Criminal Law from the University of Florence, Italy, where she wrote a thesis on juvenile justice. She played a key role, as a staff of the UN Secretariat, in the development of the international normative instrument titled UN Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence against Children in the Field of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, which was adopted by the UN General Assembly in 2014.



Abba Ali Yarima Mustapha

Mr. Abba Ali Yarima Mustapha is a National Project Officer with UNODC End Violence Against Children Team where he leads projects aimed to promote child and youth participation in peace and reconciliation processes in Northeast Nigeria. His efforts focus on leveraging strategic communication and media literacy in promoting child and youth mental health, leadership development, and social cohesion. With a Bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Maiduguri, and ongoing studies for a Master's degree in International Relations, Abba has built a career dedicated to peacebuilding, in conflict-affected regions with a community led model. His work and journey gives first-person insights into how evidence-based approaches to behaviour change, community resilience, and social cohesion can be adapted and made relevant.



DAY 2

Deborah W. Denno

Deborah W. Denno, Ph.D., J.D., is the Arthur A. McGivney Professor of Law and Founding Director of the Neuroscience and Law Center at Fordham Law School. She has published on issues relating to criminal law, criminal procedure, and the social sciences, including the constitutionality of execution methods. Seven of Professor Denno's articles have been cited by the United States Supreme Court, some multiple times. Her forthcoming book, *Changing Law's Mind: How Neuroscience Can Help Us Punish Criminals More Fairly and Effectively* (Oxford University Press), analyzes an original data set of every criminal case in the United States (over 9,000 cases) that addressed neuroscientific evidence over twelve decades (1900-2022). Professor Denno contends that, when used correctly, neuroscience can contribute to more accurate assessments of blameworthiness and, therefore, greater fairness in the criminal justice system.



Oliver Rollins

Oliver Rollins is an Assistant Professor of Science, Technology, and Society at MIT. He explores how systemic practices of social difference and inequity influence and are affected by the making and use of neuroscience. Professor Rollins's book, *Conviction: The Making and Unmaking of The Violent Brain* (Stanford University Press, 2021), traces the evolution of neuroimaging research on antisocial behavior, emphasizing this controversial brain model's limitation to address aspects of social inequality that actively shape our interactions with institutions of criminal justice and mental health. His current research focuses on 1) the legacies of scientific racism in the mind and brain sciences, 2) social justice-based policy and research potentials for neuroscience, and 3) the relationships between neuroethics and data governance.



DAY 2

Gloria Tan

Gloria Tan has served on the Massachusetts Juvenile Court since 2013 and currently serves as First Justice in Middlesex County Juvenile Court. She previously served as the Deputy Director at Harvard Law School's Criminal Justice Institute, where she taught and supervised law students representing indigent adults and youth in criminal and delinquency proceedings in Boston. She began her legal career as a public defender representing indigent juvenile and adult clients at the Committee for Public Counsel Services in Boston and was a recipient of the Massachusetts Bar Association Access Justice to Award in 2013. Judge Tan graduated with a B.A. from Rice University magna cum laude and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She earned her J.D. from Yale Law School.



Diego Borbón

Professor and Researcher at the Center for Studies on Genetics and Law. Director of the Research Group in Biological Sciences and Law at the Universidad Externado de Colombia. Professor of medical law, neurolaw, and artificial intelligence. Lawyer, Master's in Legal Psychology and Philosophy, and PhD candidate in Philosophy of Science. Founder of the Ibero-American Network of Neurolaw and Neuroethics. Selected for two consecutive two-year terms in the International Neuroethics Society, Student/Postdoc Committee; Founding Member and Board Member of the Foundation for the Advancement of Neurosciences Applied to Law (FNAD); Honorary Member of the Colombian Criminology Association where he founded the Observatory of Neurolaw and Criminology.



DAY 2

Steve Hyman

Steve Hyman, M.D., is a core institute member of the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard University, director of the Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research, Harvard University Distinguished Service Professor, and Harald McPike Professor of Stem Cell and Regenerative Biology. Hyman served as provost of Harvard University from 2001-2011, and from 1996-2001, he was director of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), where he invested in neuroscience and emerging genomic technologies and initiated a series of large clinical trials to inform practice. He has served as editor of the Annual Review of Neuroscience, founding president of the International Neuroethics Society, president of the Society for Neuroscience, and president of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology.

He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a distinguished life fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, and a member of the National Academy of Medicine (NAM). Hyman chairs the Board of Directors of the Dana Foundation, as well as the Wyss Center for Bio and Neuroengineering in Geneva, Switzerland.



Virginia Mahieu

Virginia Mahieu is the Neurotechnology Director at the International Center for Future Generations (ICFG). She is responsible for exploring and analysing the ethical, societal and legal implications of advances in brain-computer interfaces, particularly for the EU. She previously worked in the Policy Foresight Unit of the European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS) as a strategic foresight practitioner, with a focus on emerging technologies, health, behavioural insights, and scenario planning. Virginia holds a PhD in sensory neuroscience from the University of Sussex, and a PGC in EU policymaking from the Vrije Universiteit Brussel. She is interested in the impact of technology on the mind and society, and how to ensure the best possible outcomes of emerging technologies – particularly for brain health.



DAY 2

Karen S. Rommelfanger

Dr. Karen S. Rommelfanger is a neurotech ethicist and strategist. She founded and directs the Institute of Neuroethics, the first think tank dedicated to neuroethics, working across sectors to promote trusted neuroscience for all.

Pioneering neuroethics-by-design approaches, she launched the first neuroethics consultancy Ningen Neuroethics Co-Lab. Her early career as a biomedical neuroscience researcher organically evolved into neuroethics research exploring how neuroscience challenges definitions of health across cultures and the ensuing societal implications of neurotechnology employment.

She maintains a professorship at Emory University in Neurology and Psychiatry, has published extensively, and given 150 talks worldwide. A recognized global leader in neuroethics, she has collaborated with and advised organizations such as the Council of Europe, DARPA, OECD, and World Economic Forum.



Arleen Salles

Arleen Salles, MA, PhD, is the co-founder of the Institute of Neuroethics Think and Do Tank (IoNx) and the founder and director of Neuroética Buenos Aires in Argentina. Trained in philosophy, her scholarly work focuses on the ethical, social, and philosophical issues emerging from brain research and neurotechnology. She served as the Deputy Leader of the Responsible Research and Innovation Work Package of the EU-flagship Human Brain Project and leader of the Neuroethics and Engagement task, and she continues to work towards bridging theoretical insights with practical applications. Salles is affiliated with Weill Cornell Medical College and serves as a member of the IEEE BRAIN Neuroethics Implementation Task Force and as an executive board member of the International Neuroethics Society.



DAY 2

Darrell Porcello

Darrell Porcello combines expertise in public engagement and education in his role at the Institute of Neuroethics, Think and Do Tank. He serves as the Director of National STEM Networks at the Children's Creativity Museum in San Francisco, and as a leader in the (U.S.) National Informal STEM Education Network. As a principal investigator on NSF, NASA, and NIH grants, he has created exhibits, activities, websites, and apps that have reached millions of learners and educators. Holding a Ph.D. in neuroscience from Stanford University, his current work focuses on engagement tools to help anticipate emerging neurotechnologies and foster multidirectional dialogue.

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Lucille Tournas

Lucille Tournas, J.D., is a legal scholar and strategist working on US and international governance and law. Her work lies at the crossroads of law, regulatory science, and international political economics. Additionally, she serves on the board of the Institute of Neuroethics (IoNx), the only think-and-do tank focused on neuroethics and governance. She publishes on legal and governance issues surrounding neurotechnologies, artificial intelligence, soft law, as well as the role of international political economics in technology governance. She will defend her dissertation on the Global Governance and Political Economics of Neurotechnologies November 2024.



DAY 2

Paweł Świeboda

Paweł Świeboda is Founder of NeuroCentury, a brain health policy hub as well as Senior Fellow for Neurotechnology at the International Centre for Future Generations, Senior Visiting Fellow at the European Policy Centre and Senior Advisor for Brain Health at FIPRA. He is Co-Founder of the Brain Capital Alliance and Member of the Board of Advisor of the Euro-Mediterranean Economists' Association. In his previous role, he was Director General of the Human Brain Project and CEO of EBRAINS AISBL. In this capacity, he oversaw the building of the Research Infrastructure for the study of the brain - EBRAINS. In the earlier period, he was Deputy Head and Head of Research of the European Political Strategy Centre at the European Commission. He is a member of the European Commission's Expert Group on the Economic and Societal Impact of Research and Innovation. He had served on the Global Agenda Council on Europe of the World Economic Forum. He is an advisor to European and global companies and policy organisations. Paweł hosts the NeuroCentury podcast on key trends in brain health, mental health, neurotechnology, brain capital and ethics.



Travis Gayles

Dr. Gayles previously served as the Health Officer and Chief of Public Health Services for Montgomery County, Maryland, where he oversaw the county health system, including the county's school based health program. He brings significant pediatric clinical experience to Hazel, and has been a published researcher on topics such as the impact of exposure to bullying and interpersonal violence on adolescent risk-taking behavior. Dr. Travis is a faculty member at NYU and the co-chair of the CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment (CHACHSPT). He holds a BA from Duke University and an MD/PhD from University of Illinois.



DAY 2

Mara Madrigal-Weiss

Mara Madrigal-Weiss is the Executive Director of Student Wellness and School Culture, Student Services and Programs Division, San Diego County Office of Education.

Her experience includes working with school communities as a Family Case Manager, Protective Services Worker and Family Resource Center Director.

Madrigal-Weiss received her M.A. in Human Behavior from National University, a M.Ed in School Counseling, and a M.Ed in Educational Leadership from Point Loma Nazarene University. Madrigal-Weiss has been dedicated to promoting student mental health and wellness for over 19 years. She is a past president of the International Bullying Prevention Association (IBPA) the only international association dedicated to eradicating bullying worldwide.

Madrigal-Weiss is a member of the California Department of Education's Student Mental Health Policy Workgroup. Commissioner Madrigal-Weiss serves as the designee of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction as a Commissioner on the Commission.



Suzanne Crouch

Proud to have been born and raised in Evansville, 52nd Lieutenant Governor of Indiana Suzanne Crouch is a lifelong Hoosier.

Throughout her years of public service, Lt. Gov. Crouch has been committed to programs and services for Hoosiers with disabilities or who are struggling with mental illness or addictions.

Lt. Gov. Crouch is co-chair of the Indiana Mental Health Roundtable and plays a key role in planning the Indiana Mental Health Roundtable Summit. The Summit annually attracts more than 500 community leaders from across the state to develop action steps to combat the mental illness and addiction crisis in Indiana.

During the 2023 General Assembly, Lt. Gov. Crouch made history by passionately testifying in support of Senate Bill 1, an uncommon effort for a sitting governor or lieutenant governor. The bill established infrastructure and funding for mental health and addiction services in Indiana.

Constitutionally, as lieutenant governor, Crouch serves as the President of the Indiana Senate. Statutorily, the lieutenant governor oversees a portfolio of agencies that includes the Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA), Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD), Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) and Indiana Destination Development Corporation (IDDC). Additionally, she chairs the Intellectual and Development Disabilities Task Force, The Indiana Main Street Council, INVets and the Civics Education Commission.



DAY 2

Kody Kinsley

Kody Kinsley serves as North Carolina's Secretary of Health & Human Services, overseeing a department with over 18,000 staff and a \$38 billion budget.

With experience centered on health policy and operations, Kinsley worked on digital healthcare transformation, national education and labor policies, and served as COO and CFO of the U.S. Treasury.

Secretary Kinsley's three priorities for the department include: Investing in behavioral health and resilience, improving child and family well-being, and building a strong and inclusive workforce. Under his leadership, North Carolina expanded Medicaid and received the largest investment to bolster the mental health system in over a decade.

Kinsley grew up in Wilmington, earning his bachelor's degree from Brevard College and his master's in Public Policy from the University of California at Berkeley.



Sharon Tomiko Santos

Trained as a civil rights and social justice activist, Sharon Tomiko Santos was elected to the Washington State House of Representatives in 1998.

Rep. Santos' legislative proposals reflect her strong advocacy for delivering high performing learning programs, ensuring a well-trained educator workforce, and eliminating educational inequities. She believes Washington state must provide excellence and opportunity to each and every student, giving them the tools they need to thrive in school and succeed in life.

In addition to education, her key policy interests include civil rights, women's rights, economic and environmental justice, affordable housing, and community preservation. She strives to level playing fields and to enable every Washingtonian to be safe, be productive, and be successful.

Rep. Santos chairs the House Education committee and serves on the Finance committee and Consumer Protection & Business committee. She also serves appointments to the Washington State Education Opportunity Gap Accountability and Oversight committee, the Legislative Oral History committee, and the Public Stadium Authority advisory committee.

Rep. Santos is committed to community service and has served on the boards of many local and national organizations. She currently serves on the Board of Neighborhood House, one of the oldest social service organizations in Seattle serving the constituents of the 37th District since 1906.

A product of the public schools in her district, Rep. Santos also graduated from The Evergreen State College and Northeastern University. She has worked in the banking industry, on staff to local public elected officials, and in senior management positions for non-profit organizations.



DAY 2

Dianne Primavera

Dianne Primavera is serving her second term as Colorado's 50th Lieutenant Governor. In her role, she leads six programs: the Office of Saving People Money on Health Care, the Office of eHealth Innovation, the Colorado Disability Funding Committee and Disability Policy, the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs, Serve Colorado, and Aerospace and Defense. Dianne is a lifelong Coloradan and longtime Broomfield resident. Prior to her role as Lieutenant Governor, she worked as chief executive officer (CEO) of Susan G. Komen Colorado and served eight years in the State Legislature, representing Broomfield, Superior, and parts of Erie and Westminster.



Aaron Kaufer

State Representative Aaron Kaufer represents the 120th Legislative District, which includes Courtdale, Edwardsville, Exeter, Forty Fort, Kingston, Luzerne, Pringle, Swoyersville, West Pittston, West Wyoming and Wyoming boroughs, as well as Exeter, Jackson and Kingston townships in Luzerne County.

The 2019-20 legislative session marks Kaufer's third term proudly serving the people of the 120th District. During this session, Kaufer was selected to be a member of the House Finance, Gaming Oversight, Health, and Transportation committees.

A Wyoming Valley native, Kaufer believes in a smaller and a more effective state government, which provides more power to the people of Pennsylvania. He is focused on eliminating the school property tax burden placed on Pennsylvania's homeowners. His top priorities include workforce development, expanding job creation and economic development, addressing the ongoing heroin and opioid epidemic, reforming the state's bloated welfare system and making Pennsylvania more job friendly for the businesses that create them.

Before being elected to the state House, Kaufer managed his family's businesses, and worked as a marketing representative for Mohegan Sun Casino in Wilkes-Barre. He also serves as a guest lecturer, focused on public policy and many related subjects.



From an early age, Kaufer has been working to serve others, and has been recognized for his community and civic work throughout the country. He has dedicated time to tutoring young students, refereeing basketball games, and volunteering at the Jewish Community Center. While in college, he devoted time serving at the Spring Garden Children's Center, a program that works with under privileged, inner-city kids. For his work, he was named one of the region's "Best and Brightest in Civics" by the Times Leader.

Kaufer is a graduate of Wyoming Valley West High School and holds two degrees in Government and Law and International Affairs from Lafayette College.

ORGANISERS

The **European Brain Council (EBC)** is a non-profit organisation based in Brussels encompassing scientific societies, patient organisations, professional societies and industry partners. Its main mission is to promote brain health and research with the ultimate goal of improving the lives of the estimated 179 million Europeans living with brain conditions. Aiming to speak with one voice, EBC stands as the platform to foster cooperation between its member organisations and other stakeholders, consistently promoting dialogue between scientists, industry and society. As the network of key players in the “Brain Area” in Europe, EBC uniquely conjured to be the go-to organisation to strengthen ties within the broader community at the European and global levels.

EBC Full Members:



Other Members/Partners include: [Industry](#) | [Associate](#) | [National Brain Councils](#)

CO-ORGANISERS

The **Brain Capital Alliance** was launched following on from the success of the OECD Neuroscience-inspired Policy Initiative (NIPI) as an expanded, multi-national and multi-organizational program. The program focuses on neuroscience-inspired investment and public policy innovation as the two most powerful levers for change. It brings together radically diverse stakeholders spanning fields from brain science to policy, economics, and finance. Brain Capital is a new asset class which recognizes brain skills and brain health as indispensable drivers of the brain economy. The Alliance brings together world-class contributors from various backgrounds to explore approaches to building Brain Capital on a societal scale.



CO-ORGANISERS

The [Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative \(DAC\)](#) is a global partnership of like-minded organizations that is mobilizing the world against Alzheimer's disease. Advised by leaders in science, finance and healthcare, DAC is working with international organizations, governments, and the private sector to accelerate innovation and deliver solutions around the globe. Led by the World Economic Forum (WEF) and The Global CEO Initiative on Alzheimer's Disease (CEOi), the Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative (DAC) is investing over \$700 million over 6 years to accelerate innovation in drug development and transform the way healthcare systems diagnose and treat Alzheimer's for all people in all places.



The [Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute](#) works at the intersection of policy and programs to create equitable systemic changes so all people in Texas, the nation, and the world can obtain the health care they need, providing independent, nonpartisan, data-driven, and trusted policy and program guidance to improve mental health services in Texas. It's about more than funding at the state level. It's about leveraging our resources statewide at a grassroots level—sharing best practices, making resources available, accessing information, building protocol—and using that information to help those who need it most.



[UNICEF](#), the United Nations Children's Fund, is an agency of the United Nations responsible for providing humanitarian and developmental aid to children worldwide. The organization is one of the most widely known and visible social welfare entities globally, operating in 192 countries and territories. UNICEF's activities include providing immunizations and disease prevention, administering treatment for children and mothers with HIV, enhancing childhood and maternal nutrition, improving sanitation, promoting education, and providing emergency relief in response to disasters.



CO-ORGANISERS

UsAgainstAlzheimer's is engaged in a relentless pursuit to end Alzheimer's, the sixth leading killer in America. Its work centers on prevention, early detection and diagnosis, and access to treatments – all regardless of gender, race, or ethnicity. To achieve its mission, UsAgainstAlzheimer's gives voice to patients and caregivers while partnering with government, scientists, the private sector, and allied organizations. The Business Collaborative for Brain Health, an initiative of UsAgainstAlzheimer's is uniting leading private sector companies and institutions to optimize cognitive health for better business results and healthy longevity.



For two decades, the **United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)** has been helping make the world safer from drugs, organized crime, corruption and terrorism. It is committed to achieving health, security and justice for all by tackling these threats and promoting peace and sustainable well-being as deterrents to them. Because the scale of these problems is often too great for states to confront alone, UNODC offers practical assistance and encourages transnational approaches to action.



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PREVIOUS EVENTS

Over the last few years, EBC has served as a convener for experts in brain science, brain health, brain resiliency and mental health to share best practices, exchange ongoing work and align priorities to forge a joint path forward to understand and address the brain rather than in silos across continents. 2024 kicked off with a first event on Brain Health for Society: Insights From Brain Capital and will build towards the UNGA79 event with related meetings at the World Health Assembly, FENS Forum and possibly the G20 Meeting, as well as other relevant events at national and/or regional levels such the Brain Awareness Week 2024 and Academy of National Brain Councils Meeting.

Two main discussions took place in 2023:

- Brain Health and Research Day @ Science Summit at the 78th United Nations General Assembly
- Global Partnerships in Brain Research @ Brain Awareness Week 2023

Prior to 2023:

- Global Partnerships in Brain Research Roundtable @ Science Summit at the 77th United Nations General Assembly
- Global Brain Research Collaboration - Special Interest Event at the FENS Forum 2020

