Creating Common Ground
APRIL 3
10:00am-10:15pm
ECOSYSTEM EVENT: MARMALADE 2017
Old Fire Station, Turf Street Kitchen

7:30-9:30pm
SERENDIPITY DINNERS
Dining Locations Throughout Oxford

9:30-11:00pm
AFTER-HOURS PUB NIGHT
King’s Arms, 40 Holywell Street

APRIL 4
8:00am–2:30pm
ECOSYSTEM EVENT: BEYOND DIALOGUE: THREE MODELS FOR HIGH IMPACT PARTNERSHIPS WITH SOCIAL ENTERPRISE
Macdonald Randolph Hotel

8:00–9:15am
REGISTRATION
Saïd Business School

11:00am–4:00pm
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Saïd Business School

12:00-1:30pm and 2:30-4:00pm
WALKING TOUR
From East Wing Entrance Hall

1:00-2:00pm and 2:00-3:00pm
FIRST CONNECTIONS
Seminar Room A

1:00-2:30pm
ECOSYSTEM EVENT: THE NEW ERA OF GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT: EMBRACING SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Oxford Union

4:30-6:30pm
OPENING PLENARY
New Theatre

7:00-9:00pm
DELEGATE DINNERS
Dining Locations Throughout Oxford

9:30-11:00pm
AFTER-HOURS PUB NIGHT
The Head of the River, Folly Bridge

APRIL 5
8:00am–4:00pm
REGISTRATION
Saïd Business School

8:00–9:45am
BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
Collaboration Café Marquee

8:30–9:30am
GUIDED MEDITATION
West Wing, Classroom 1

8:30–9:30am
SKOLL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATIONAL BREAKFAST
Saïd Business School Launchpad

SESSIONS
10:00–11:15am
Global Health: Getting from Innovation to Implementation
Nelson Mandela Lecture Theatre

Unlikely Allies: Partners in Progress
West Wing, Pyramid Room

Rethinking Refugee Response and Support
Rhodes Trust Lecture Theatre

A World Landscape in Flux for Young People
Lecture Theatre 4

Making Markets Accessible to the Most Marginalized
West Wing, Classroom 2

11:15–1:30pm
LUNCH
Collaboration Café and West Wing, Dining Room 1

Fault Lines Story Studio: Emerging Leaders Initiative
West Wing, Classroom 2

DELEGATE-LED DISCUSSIONS
11:45am–1:00pm
Public Interest Journalism: Open Data, Trust, and Citizen Governance
West Wing, Lecture Theatre 6

Accelerating Private Sector Sustainability Leadership
West Wing, Lecture Theatre 7

APRIL 6
8:00–9:45am
BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
Collaboration Café Marquee

8:30–9:30am
GUIDED MEDITATION
West Wing, Classroom 1

8:30–9:45am
ECOSYSTEM EVENT: SKOLL CENTRE RESEARCH FOR ACTION NETWORKING BREAKFAST
Saïd Business School Launchpad

8:45–5:00pm
ECOSYSTEM EVENT: INVESTING FOR IMPACT: DISRUPTION BEYOND DIGITAL
West Wing, Pyramid Room

SESSIONS
10:00–11:15am
Business as a Catalyst for Poverty Alleviation
Nelson Mandela Lecture Theatre

Blessed Unrest: A Theory of Change
Rhodes Trust Lecture Theatre

Aha! Moments: When I Changed Course
Lecture Theatre 4

Energy Leapfrogging or Carbon Imperialism?
Edmond Safra Lecture Theatre

Data-Driven Models for Change
Lecture Theatre 4

Mobilizing a Movement: More in Common
West Wing, Classroom 2

4:00–6:00pm
LUNCH
Collaboration Café and West Wing, Dining Room 1

11:45am–1:30pm
LUNCH
Edmond Safra Lecture Theatre

SKOLL AWARDS FOR SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
New Theatre

6:00–4:00pm
SKOLL AWARDS RECEPTION
Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology

DELEGATE-LED DISCUSSIONS
11:45am–1:00pm
Public Interest Journalism: Open Data, Trust, and Citizen Governance
West Wing, Lecture Theatre 6

Accelerating Private Sector Sustainability Leadership
West Wing, Lecture Theatre 7

APRIL 7
8:00–9:45am
BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
Collaboration Café Marquee

8:00–9:30am
UNDERSTANDING THE SKOLL AWARD FOR SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
East Wing, Pyramid Room

8:30–9:30am
GUIDED MEDITATION
West Wing, Classroom 1

10:00–11:15am
Media Matters: The Future of News
Nelson Mandela Lecture Theatre

Philanthropy for a Fractured World
Rhodes Trust Lecture Theatre

Civil Society Under Fire
Lecture Theatre 4

Building Bridges: Partnerships in Responsible Supply Chains
Edmond Safra Lecture Theatre

West Wing, Classroom 2

ECOSYSTEM EVENTS
3:30–6:00pm
The Future of Education for Social Impact
West Wing, Classroom 2

3:30–6:30pm
Porter on Populism: Real Solutions for Social Progress
Saïd Business School - 3:30-5:00pm

11:45–1:00pm
ENDING PANDEMICS IN OUR LIFETIME
Lecture Theatre 4 - 11:45am–1:00pm

1:30–8:00pm
TEDxSKOLL
Sheldonian Theatre

11:45–1:00pm
CLOSING PLENARY
New Theatre

1:30–8:00pm
TEDxSKOLL
Sheldonian Theatre
“We will surely get to our destination if we join hands.”
AUNG SAN SUU KYI
On January 21st, my daughter and I joined the sea of citizens marching in solidarity down Independence Avenue in Washington, D.C. Humanity in all colors, ages, and genders jostled along, people banging drums, linking arms, raising fists. A young Muslim girl wore a hijab from fabric printed in the Stars and Stripes and walked alongside first-time activist homemakers and seasoned protesters, many of whom had arrived that morning on overnight buses. As we passed the Supreme Court on our left and the Capitol dome came into view, a chant volleyed off the marble and asphalt:

Tell me what democracy looks like! This is what democracy looks like!

Periodically, the tectonic plates of social, political, and economic forces collide and the fault lines beneath us rupture violently. Though we sometimes fail to recognize these fissures, they’re always lurking. Eventually though, tensions reveal themselves, and with that exposure comes an opportunity to confront the underlying gaps of injustice, intolerance, and inequality—and to identify paths forward.

Recent history is rich with examples of ruptures followed by reconstruction—not just fractures repaired, but dramatic shifts in the societal status quo. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights emerged from the rubble of World War II. The apartheid system crumbled under international pressure, resulting in Nelson Mandela’s release and South Africa’s first multiracial elections. The devastating AIDS epidemic in Africa finally led to the creation of bipartisan PEPFAR, a cornerstone U.S. global health program that has saved the lives of millions.

Where new tensions emerge and territorial borders strengthen, along with vicious and antiquated markers of ‘us’ versus ‘them’, we must actively seek out opportunities to listen, to connect, and to heal. Climate change knows nothing of such divisions, nor does disease or water insecurity. As humans, we all want the same things for ourselves and our children: a chance and a voice, safety and opportunity, health and wellbeing. Distill the basic human desires and there is no ‘them,’ only a resounding ‘us;’ only common ground.

Great disruption, with its exposed fault lines, points the way to the first two stages of social entrepreneurship: truly understanding a system and envisioning a new future. Social entrepreneurs are naturally drawn to these exposed fissures, compelled by compassion to save those teetering on the edge.

With divisions now made clear, and a new sense of urgency, we prepare ourselves to set the bar high for change. Our work may now be more difficult than ever, but our responsibility to respond and act has increased. Once erupted, these fault lines unleash tremendous energy. It’s up to us to harness that force for good.

As I joined the throng in the streets of Washington, D.C., I felt propelled by a new momentum, an inescapable push in the right direction, always forward. The work of democracy and justice is never finished. Now is a moment to renew our common cause, to forge bold partnerships, to bridge all that divides. Now is the moment we must reuniﬁe with those left behind or spurned. Now is the moment to embrace our common humanity.

Sally Osberg, President and CEO, Skoll Foundation

I deeply believe in the human spirit—the capacity to renew itself, to embrace different cultures, different ways of being, and to recreate our world. The huge steps we have made as a human family are due to that capacity of a human spirit to change, to broaden, but always for the good of all of us.”

GRAÇA MACHEL

“...My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together.”

ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU
“It is under the greatest adversity that there exists the greatest potential for doing good, both for oneself and others.”
HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

“Tolerance, inter-cultural dialogue, and respect for diversity are more essential than ever in a world where people are becoming more and more closely interconnected.”
KOFI ANNAN

“Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle.”
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

“…universal respect for the inherent dignity and equal rights of all members of the human family.”
PHUMZILE MLAMBO-NGCUKA

“Our hopes for a more just, safe, and peaceful world can only be achieved when there is universal respect for the inherent dignity and equal rights of all members of the human family.”
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WELCOME TO
THE 14TH SKOLL WORLD FORUM

This year, we organize our conversations at the Forum around the theme of **Fault Lines: Creating Common Ground**. Globally, rifts are emerging along cultural, class, and political lines as globalization and the digital revolution have benefited some, and left others behind. The divide grows in how people perceive—and experience—the world, which represents a threat to a peaceful and prosperous future.

Can we design a world where our common humanity outshines our ideological, cultural, and political differences? Together we’ll give rise to new ideas, new perspectives, and ultimately, new relationships built on trust and a mutual desire for human progress. We’ll highlight innovators around the world creating common ground through their drive, creativity, and leadership.
Jeff Skoll is an entrepreneur devoted to creating a sustainable world of peace and prosperity. Over the last two decades, he has created an innovative portfolio of philanthropic and commercial enterprises, each a distinctive catalyst for changing the trajectory of issues that most affect the survival of humanity and its ability to thrive. This portfolio includes the Skoll Foundation, Skoll Global Threats Fund, Participant Media, and Capricorn Investment Group—all coordinated under the Jeff Skoll Group umbrella.

The Skoll entrepreneurial approach is unique: driving large-scale, permanent social impact by investing in a range of efforts that integrate powerful stories, data, capital markets, technology, partnerships, and organized learning networks. Operating independently from one another yet deeply connected through a shared vision, Skoll organizations galvanize public will, support innovators on the ground, and mobilize resources to accelerate the pace and depth of change.

Jeff was the first full-time employee and President of eBay, where he experienced firsthand the power of combining entrepreneurship, technology, and trust in people. His work today embodies those fundamental lessons. All of Jeff’s organizations rely on the premise that people are basically good, and that if good people are given the opportunity to do the right thing, they will.

The mission of the Skoll World Forum is to accelerate the impact of the world’s leading social entrepreneurs by connecting them with essential partners in collaborative pursuit of learning, leverage, and large-scale social change.
Check out the Forum Live page at skoll.org/live for videos, photos, and conversations as they happen in real time. The live-streamed coverage begins at 4:30pm GMT+1 on April 4, 2017.

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- View session and speaker details.
- Build your own schedule for your time in Oxford.

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Virtual reality has unlimited potential for gaming and entertainment, but it’s also a powerful way to drive important social change. Filmmakers everywhere see this and are pushing the boundaries of cinematic VR to tell stories with an impact. There’s also a large community of nonprofit organizations eager to embrace VR as a tool to raise awareness for causes in need of a voice.

The Oculus team is excited to bring their latest innovations and storytelling achievements to the 2017 Skoll World Forum on Social Entrepreneurship. Come by the Virtual Reality Experience (located in the Courtyard Marquee) during the Forum, and catch a special workshop Thursday 11:45am-1:00pm with filmmakers and representatives from the Oculus VR For Good program.

Delegates can also catch screenings of the latest VR films from the VR for Good program, which helps nonprofits and rising filmmakers bring a variety of social missions to life. Please see the screening schedules in the Entrance Hall and Virtual Reality Experience for more details.

Films on view:
Amor de Abuela (A Grandmother’s Love)
In Harmony
Notes to My Father
Out of the Blue
Rise Above
See Beyond Labels
Use Your Imagination
Women on the Move

In December 2014, Shared_Studios launched Portals, a global public art initiative. Portals is a network of gold-colored spaces equipped with immersive audiovisual technology and spread out in public sites around the world. When individuals enter a Portal, they feel as though they are sharing the same space as someone in an identical Portal somewhere else on Earth. As many participants have put it, they “feel like they are breathing the same air.”

Since launch, Portals have connected more than 30,000 people across 20 countries in one-on-one dialogues. Community partners have built permanent Portals in diverse locations around the globe, including Syrian refugee camps, American inner-cities, Afghan universities, and Mexican public parks. Notable guests have engaged the Portals network, including Barack Obama, Ban Ki-moon, Sergey Brin, and Fareed Zakaria.

The Portal this week will connect to our sites around the world to facilitate discussions around migration, arts, and entrepreneurship. Sign up for your slot today at www.sharedstudios.com/skoll.

April 4
10:00-11:00am - Gaza, Palestinian Territories
11:30am-1:30pm - Erbil, Iraqi Kurdistan
2:00-4:00pm - Milwaukee, U.S.A.

April 5
9:00-11:00am - Isfahan, Iran
11:30am-2:00pm - Herat, Afghanistan

April 6
9:00-11:00am - Berlin, Germany
11:30am-2:30pm - Herat, Afghanistan
3:00-5:00pm - Mexico City, Mexico
(locations and times subject to change)
**ECOSYSTEM EVENTS**

This year the Skoll World Forum has invited partners to create a series of additional events to become Skoll Week, an even more comprehensive platform for global social and environmental progress. We see an opportunity to bring more voices from across sectors and regions to Oxford during the week to participate in rich dialogue, forge connections, and seize on the energy sparked by the Forum.

**Ecosystem Events** will take place throughout Oxford and throughout Skoll Week. For a full listing and to RSVP, please visit [skoll.org/ecosystem-events](http://skoll.org/ecosystem-events)
Overview

**ECOSYSTEM EVENT: MARMALADE 2017**
10:00am–10:00pm throughout the week.
Old Fire Station, Turl Street Kitchen and other locations in central Oxford
Hosted by Marmalade

Join us for Marmalade in Oxford at the Old Fire Station, and other venues, for a week where social change and friendship collide. Marmalade is the informal, dynamic, free, and open-access fringe event to the Skoll World Forum on Social Entrepreneurship. The core of Marmalade is user-centered content, generated by participants, focused on tackling intractable social and environmental challenges. Visit the Marmalade website [http://www.marmalade.io](http://www.marmalade.io) for more information.

**SERENDIPITY DINNERS**
7:00–9:00pm
Dining locations throughout Oxford

For those arriving Monday, join fellow delegates for “Serendipity” dinners—tables reserved for Skoll World Forum delegates throughout Oxford for pre-forum networking and dining. Start those remarkable conversations and connections early! Delegates should sign up online. Please note that availability is on a first-come, first-served basis. Food and drink are on your own.

Sign up at [skoll.org/serendipity-dinner-signup](http://skoll.org/serendipity-dinner-signup)

**AFTER-HOURS PUB NIGHT**
9:30–11:00pm
King’s Arms, 40 Holywell Street

Continue the conversation and pre-forum networking at the famous King’s Arms, built in 1607 and renowned for fine cask ales and hearty homemade food. Food and drink are on your own.
Overview

**ECOSYSTEM EVENT: BEYOND DIALOGUE: THREE MODELS FOR HIGH IMPACT PARTNERSHIPS WITH SOCIAL ENTERPRISE**

*8:00am–2:30pm*

Macdonald Randolph Hotel

*Hosted by Acumen*

The workshop will explore the different models of partnership between corporations and social enterprises that can help achieve inclusive and sustainable business solutions, and will feature specific examples and case studies that illustrate what has worked and where major challenges remain. This event is by invitation only, visit [http://skoll.org/ecosystem-events](http://skoll.org/ecosystem-events) for more details.

**ECOSYSTEM EVENT: BEYOND DIALOGUE: THE NEW ERA OF GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT: EMBRACING SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

*1:00–2:30pm*

Oxford Union

*Hosted by Devex LIVE*

Approximately 100 leaders from across the global development industry will come together in a dynamic and interactive program—including the launch of a new report—to listen, learn, and engage with each other about how to best collaborate with social entrepreneurs to channel their systems-change approaches and practices into solving increasingly complex global challenges. This event is by invitation only. Please email caitlin.jolly@devex.com if you are interested in learning more and attending.

**WALKING TOUR**

*12:00–1:30pm and 2:30–4:00pm*

*From East Wing Entrance Hall*

Take a tour through the historic center of Oxford. Learn about the University while visiting some of the city’s oldest buildings, grandest dining halls, and most atmospheric chapels, cloisters, and quadrangles.

**FIRST CONNECTIONS**

*1:00–2:00pm and 2:00–3:00pm*

*Seminar Room A*

Accelerate your Forum experience with an energetic, facilitated networking session. Think speed dating for social entrepreneurs! This is one of many Forum opportunities to make lasting connections. First Connections facilitated by fellow delegate, Rachael Clay.

**SHARED STUDIOS - PORTAL**

*9:00am–4:00pm*

*East Wing Entrance Hall*

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**REGISTRATION**

*11:00am–4:00pm*

*Saïd Business School*

Pick up your badge, program, and other conference materials at the registration tables in the lobby of the Saïd Business School. Coffee, tea, and light snacks available in Courtyard Marquee.
Opening Plenary

TUESDAY 4:30–6:30PM
APRIL 4
NEW THEATRE

As our community gathers, we’ll begin to explore the theme of **Fault Lines: Creating Common Ground** and how social entrepreneurs can navigate this landscape so marked by division while working towards peace, prosperity, and equality. We will hear from innovators, activists, and business leaders to lay the foundation for a weeklong conversation around repairing the rifts that hinder social progress.

Doors open at 4:00pm. Seating is general admission. Stewards will guide you to New Theatre, a 10-minute walk from Said Business School.
HONORARY SKOLL AWARD

DON HENLEY EIGHT-TIME GRAMMY WINNER, FOUNDER, WALDEN WOODS PROJECT

Best known as a founder of the legendary rock band, the Eagles, as well as an influential solo artist, Don Henley has maintained an extraordinary commitment to music and to various philanthropic efforts throughout his career, including a dedication to environmental issues and artists’ rights. As a solo artist and as a member of the Eagles, Henley has received myriad accolades, numerous gold and platinum records, and performed sold-out concert tours worldwide.

Henley has been a tireless champion of land conservation. Since 1990, he has focused on protecting the historic woods around Walden Pond in Massachusetts, site of the seminal work of author and philosopher, Henry David Thoreau. Henley is the founder of the Walden Woods Project, a nonprofit organization leading the effort to preserve this iconic landscape for future generations. The Walden Woods Project’s conservation work and its acclaimed education programs introduce Thoreau’s influential philosophies on natural resource conservation and social reform to students and educators across the globe.

In 1992, Henley also founded the Caddo Lake Institute, a nonprofit organization dedicated to wetlands science education in conjunction with the preservation of Caddo Lake, a 27,000-acre maze of flooded Bald Cypress forests, bayous, sloughs, and backwaters located on the Texas-Louisiana border. Due to the efforts of the Caddo Lake Institute, Caddo Lake was designated a “Wetland of International Importance” under the Ramsar Convention, an international treaty for the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands. On October 23, 1993, Caddo Lake became the thirteenth Ramsar Site in the United States.

TUESDAY 7:00–11:00PM

DELEGATE DINNERS
7:00–9:00pm
Dining locations throughout Oxford
Dine with fellow delegates beyond the mysterious walls of Oxford’s oldest and best-known colleges! The University of Oxford has been a seat of learning since the 12th century. Follow an Oxford tradition of connecting with fellow thinkers during an atmospheric evening of dining and conversation. Locate your dinner invitation and your college destination in your badge pack. Stewards will help guide you to the colleges. Dinners start promptly at 7:00pm.

AFTER-HOURS PUB NIGHT
9:30–11:00pm
The Head of the River, Folly Bridge
Continue the conversation and forum networking at The Head of the River, a classic English pub right on the banks of the River Thames. Food and drink are on your own.

TWEET YOUR EXPERIENCE AT #SKOLLWF
Wednesday

REGISTRATION
8:00am–4:00pm
Said Business School
Pick up your badge, program, and other conference materials at the registration tables in the lobby of the Said Business School. Coffee, tea, and light snacks available in Courtyard Marquee.

SKOLL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATIONAL BREAKFAST
8:30–9:30am
Said Business School Launchpad
Do you know someone who is committed to solving a social or environmental challenge and looking to grow their business acumen? Join the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship and the MBA Recruitment Team at Said Business School for this information session about the Skoll Scholarship and the Oxford MBA Programme. Breakfast will be served, and Skoll Scholars will be present to share their experience.

BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
8:00–9:45am
Collaboration Café Marquee
This time is designed to accommodate breakfast meetings, personal time, or networking with other delegates at Said Business School. A hearty breakfast will be served in the Collaboration Cafe.

GUIDED MEDITATION
8:30–9:30am
West Wing, Classroom 1
Silent meditation reunites body and mind in the present moment. An hour-long guided morning meditation is offered daily at 8:30 am. Led by your fellow delegate, Skoll Awardee and Zen priest, Bart Weetjens, the guided meditation provides an opportunity to practice together, and prepare yourself for a mindful Skoll World Forum. Open to all, no experience required. In addition to the guided morning meditation, a small, private room (Seminar 7 in the West Wing) is available for use at any time by delegates for personal reflection and silent meditation.
Global Health: Getting from Innovation to Implementation  
NELSON MANDELA LECTURE THEATRE  

Breakthrough and lifesaving innovations in global health like new vaccines or treatments for widespread diseases are exciting. But after the innovation is unleashed, often the hardest part remains: how to get these life-saving products and insights into adoption in places with the greatest need. Global and national regulations, a vast array of national and private health systems, insufficient medical staff or training, and often tough terrain can all stand between a patient and a cure. We’ll hear how global health leaders are attacking these problems creatively.

MODERATOR  
Barbara Bush  
President and CEO, Global Health Corps

SPEAKERS  
Yap Boum  
Regional Representative for Africa, Epicentre, Médecins Sans Frontières  

Steve Davis  
President and CEO, PATH

Dr. Atul Gawande  
Director, Ariadne Labs


Making Markets Accessible to the Most Marginalized  
WEST WING, CLASSROOM 2  
ROUND TABLE

Some 800 million people still live in extreme poverty, suffering disproportionately from marginalization and exclusion related to gender, disability, ethnicity, and other forms of inequality. Evidence suggests that many market-based approaches don’t reach the most marginalized groups, and when they do, social movements play a key role. This workshop will cover opportunities to advance market-based approaches to improve the livelihoods of the most marginalized, through the lens of disabled women. Along the way, we’ll explore and debate the critical enabling factors necessary to move forward.

MODERATOR  
Tim Wainwright  
Chief Executive, Action on Disability and Development

SPEAKERS  
Fhazhil Wamalwa  
Managing Director, Disa Energy Management Ltd.

Marwa Moaz  
CEO, INJAZ Egypt

Dina El Mofty  
CEO, NJAJ Egypt

Marwa Moaz  
CEO, Banyan Media

Fhazhil Wamalwa  
Managing Director, Disa Energy Management Ltd.


Rethinking Refugee Response and Support  
RHODES TRUST LECTURE THEATRE  

Factors ranging from conflict and poverty to climate change and extremism have driven a surge in mass migration. The plights of violent and impoverished regions have found the doorsteps of some of the world’s wealthiest countries. A lack of resources and inability to address systemic problems have led to calls for innovation. Collaborations between multilateral institutions, corporations, NGOs, social entrepreneurs, and refugees themselves have emerged to address camp conditions, education, and economic opportunity. Learn about approaches on the frontlines of refugee response and support.

MODERATOR  
Samata Reynolds  
Policy Lead, Rights in Crisis, Oxfam International

SPEAKERS  
Emily Arnold-Fernandez  
Founder, Executive Director, Asylum Access

Jay Asad  
Managing Co-Director, Refugee Company Foundation

Anancha Gonzalez  
Executive Director, International Trade Centre

Tun Khin  
President, Burmese Rohingya Organisation UK


A Work Landscape in Flux for Young People  
LECTURE THEATRE 4  

Panel Discussion

In some ways, the growth of the “gig economy” in the West mirrors the informal, small-scale entrepreneurship model long familiar in the developing world. As technological advances and automation increase, workers and those entering the workforce must rethink their paths. Do these models help young people access employment on their own terms, or are they new means of exploitation? In places where the youth population booms while formal work opportunities dwindle, is peace and stability at risk? We’ll explore how social entrepreneurs adapt to this reality and innovate within a new work paradigm.

MODERATOR  
Ross Hall  
Director of Education, Ashoka

SPEAKERS  
Dina El Mofty  
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Unlikely Allies: Partners in Progress  
WEST WING, PYRAMID ROOM  
INTERVIEW SERIES

Often, successful partnerships are bold; where unexpected allies form across a deep divide. What are strategies for working towards peace and progress with unlikely partners? Journalists Adrien Sindayigaya and Agnes Nindorera reached across Burundi’s ethnic divide at the height of the civil war to establish the first multi-ethnic-staffed radio outlet in the region, credited by John Kerry with helping to prevent genocide. Abigail Disney, activist and filmmaker, partnered with Reverend Rob Schenck, evangelical minister and pro-life leader, to advocate for gun control, while documenting the process.

MODERATOR  
Shamil Idriss  
President and CEO, Search for Common Ground

SPEAKERS  
Abigail Disney  
President, Fork Films

Agnes Nindorera  
Journalist, Burundi Women Journalists’ Association (BWJA)

Rob Schenck  
President, The Dietrich Bonhoeffer Institute


Sessions Wednesday 10:00–11:15 AM

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Public Interest Journalism: Open Data, Trust, and Citizen Governance
WEST WING, LECTURE THEATRE 6
Over the last decade-plus, local newspapers and broadcast TV stations have been decimated, leaving much of the United States with a big gap between local and national newspapers, and local radio stations/cable news. How can public interest journalism be bolstered to build bridges between local, national, and global communities and renew trust among citizens, civil society, and government officials?
Pat Mitchell Founder and President, Pat Mitchell Media

Understanding Each Other’s Impact
WEST WING, SEMINAR 2
Find common ground in how we talk about, measure, and manage impact. How can we shape new norms for understanding impact expectations and managing performance?
Clara Barby Partner, Bridges Ventures

Defending Common Resources
WEST WING, SEMINAR 3
Deforestation is a “wicked hard” problem that still threatens tropical forests worldwide. How can we adapt and scale promising approaches that have reduced Brazilian Amazon deforestation by more than a third and preserve global rainforests?
Beto Verissimo Senior Researcher, Imazon

Funders: Opportunities Beyond Capital
WEST WING, SEMINAR 5
Come discuss ways funders can catalyze social impact beyond providing capital.
Jim Bildner CEO, Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation

Accelerating Private Sector Sustainability Leadership
WEST WING, LECTURE THEATRE 7
Private sector leadership is crucial to transition to a low-carbon, clean energy economy. Explore how capital market leaders can engage governments on social and environmental issues in a challenging political time.
Mindy Lubber President, Ceres

Building the Conscious Consumer Meta-Movement
WEST WING, SEMINAR 2
Is it time to forge a grand alliance across responsible business networks, sustainability certification systems, consumer activation organizations, and activist movements? We’ll discuss next steps toward a visionary movement.
Paul Rice President and CEO, Fair Trade USA

Bridging Boundaries Through Access to Education
WEST WING, SEMINAR 4
Higher education is a key ingredient to advance peace and economic development. How can online educational tools support a new generation of global citizens struggling with socioeconomic, cultural, or other constraints?
Shai Reshef President, University of the People

Addressing the Asset Financing Gap
WEST WING, SEMINAR 8
Join a discussion on barriers and emerging solutions to improve access to productive assets, such as farm equipment, storage solutions, and solar energy systems.
Tim Rann Senior Advisor, Social Ventures, Mercy Corps

Adopting Global Development Innovations
WEST WING, SEMINAR 9
When designing innovations to solve humanity’s greatest challenges, what are best practices to test and enable adoption across the development industry? Share your insights and barriers, incentives, and cultural challenges.
Alexis Bonnecarr Cheif, Applied Innovation & Acceleration, US Global Development Lab

Leveraging the Power of Your Peers
WEST WING, SEMINAR 10
Build community in the impact space. Learn how Tendrel, a new global association for social entrepreneurs, is creating greater connectivity and collaboration through a chapter network of peer forums and advocacy.
Rodrigo Baggio Founder and President, CDI Global, Tendrel

Fault Lines Story Studio: Emerging Leaders Initiative
WEST WING, CLASSROOM 2
The world’s growing divides require new viewpoints and solutions, now more than ever. This session features the next generation of social entrepreneurs, selected worldwide for the 2017 Emerging Leaders Initiative. Hear their powerful and authentic voices, as they share their inspirations and unique perspectives on the fractures and fissures we face today.
MODERATOR
Erin Harrington Associate Grants Manager, Skoll Foundation

SPEAKERS
Michelle Chimuka Founder & Executive Director, Sani Foundation
Oliver Courtney Head of News, Global Witness
Olivia Mulu Bi Lab East Africa
Andrew Ozanian Program Manager and Development Associate, International Bridges to Justice
Zeeshan Sumerani Assistant General Manager - Programs, Educate Girls Foundation
Phahil Wamalwa Managing Director, Dsa Energy Management Ltd
Civil Discourse in the Social Media Age

In 2016, approximately 62 percent of Americans accessed news through social networking sites. Both the US and UK experienced political movements last year that underscored how these platforms spread fact and fiction—and the inability of some citizens to know the difference. When clicks drive commercial value, not truth, unsavory incentives for content providers emerge. Is technology accelerating our retreat into divided camps? We’ll ask how social media platforms and content providers might also provide solutions to challenges of civil discourse and responsibility in the digital age.

MODERATOR
Manoush Zomorodi Host + Managing Editor, WNYC Radio

SPEAKERS
Philip Howard, Professor of Sociology, Information and International Affairs, Oxford Internet Institute
Eli Pariser, Co-Founder, Upworthy
Matthew Segal, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, ATTN

Global Goals in an Uncertain World

In 2015 the member nations of the UN arrived at an unprecedented agreement on 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)—an ambitious vision for transforming the world. While it was always clear no one sector alone could realize the SDGs, geopolitical changes over the last two years have made cross-sector collaboration even more central to the vision encapsulated in the goals. How can the UN work in concert with other institutions and sectors to achieve the global goals? We will discuss promising developments and share lessons learned from across sectors and geographies.

MODERATOR
Susan Myers, Senior Vice President, United Nations Foundation

SPEAKERS
Lauren Fletcher, CEO, BioCarbon Engineering
Elissa Golberg, Assistant Deputy Minister, Global Affairs Canada, Government of Canada
Vivek Maru, Chief Executive Officer, Namati

Designing the Sustainable, Inclusive Cities of the Future

The global population continues to grow and shift to urban centers. As countries in the developing world rapidly urbanize, their people face myriad risks including urban poverty, disease, and conflict. How do urban planning, transportation, and architecture contribute to peace and a sense of community? How might these factors exacerbate existing rifts? From architecture to service provisions and resilience planning, this session will explore how the built environment can create common ground in a world with so many differences.

MODERATOR
Pooran Desai, Co-Founder, Bioregional Development Group

SPEAKERS
Liz Agbor-Tabi, Associate Director, City and Practice Management, 100 Resilient Cities
Christian Banimana, Director, Rwanda Program, MASS Design Group
Sheela Patel, Founding Director, Society for the Promotion of Area Resource Centers (SPARC)

Mobilizing a Movement: More in Common

For many of us, the world feels upside down. Fault lines appear to be deepening and widening, between countries and within the communities we call home. How will we stop working against each other and begin to come together? “We are far more united and have far more in common with each other than that which divides us,” said the late MP Jo Cox. In this workshop, we’ll collaborate to identify scalable solutions for more inclusive societies that look past our differences and embrace our common humanity.

MODERATOR
Jake Porway, Founder and Executive Director, DataKind

SPEAKERS
Jesil Baker, Founder, Provenance
Ania Calderon, Executive Director, Open Data Charter
Sarah Jakiel, Chief Program Officer, Polaris
Ma Jun, Ma, Director, Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs
Oren Yakobovich, CEO, Videre
The Skoll Awards Ceremony is the highlight of an exciting and inspiring week. The Skoll Foundation invites you to honor the recipients of the 2017 Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship, and to celebrate the importance of finding common ground in advancing a more peaceful, prosperous, and sustainable world.

Doors open at 3:30pm and seating is general admission.

Masters of Ceremonies
Sally Osberg
President and CEO,
Skoll Foundation

Jeff Skoll
Chairman, Jeff Skoll Group,
Skoll Foundation, Skoll Global Threats Fund, Participant Media, and Capricorn Investment Group

Recipients of the 2017 Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship
Kola Masha
Babban Gona

Dr. Elizabeth Hausler
Build Change

Dr. Raj Panjabi
Last Mile Health

Bradley Myles
Polaris

Skoll Global Treasure Award
Bono
Lead Singer of U2; Co-founder, ONE and (RED)

Musical Performance
Michael Franti
Musician; Humanitarian; Co-Founder, Do It For The Love Foundation

Wednesday 4:00–6:00pm
New Theatre
BONO LEAD SINGER OF U2; CO-FOUNDER OF ONE AND (RED)

Bono is the lead singer of Irish rock band U2 who have sold over 157 million albums worldwide, and won numerous awards, including 22 Grammys.

He is a well-known activist in the fight against extreme poverty, whose belief in public advocacy led him to co-found ONE and (RED). ONE has 7 million members worldwide campaigning to persuade governments to adopt and resource policies proven to tackle extreme poverty and fight corruption. (RED) partners with iconic brands to raise public awareness and corporate contributions to fight AIDS, and has contributed more than $360 million to the Global Fund.

Bono has also spearheaded efforts in the private sector with TPG Growth to encourage and increase foreign direct investment to countries in Africa, and, alongside Jeff Skoll and Bill McGlashan, recently co-founded Rise, a pioneering social impact fund.

Bono has received a number of awards for his music and activism, including the Légion d’Honneur, TIME Magazine’s Person of the Year, and an honorary British knighthood.
In Nigeria, Africa’s most populous nation, smallholder farming is a perilous occupation. Although agriculture represents a quarter of the economy, the sector is not ready to meet the food needs of a population expected to double over the next generation. Meanwhile, the burgeoning youth population faces 50 percent unemployment against a backdrop of three insurgencies in the past 20 years.

To help prevent the spread of insecurity in Nigeria, a revitalized agricultural sector that offers its youth attractive prospects for a viable income is urgently needed. Babban Gona is an investor-owned social enterprise serving small networks of smallholder farmers with a model created specifically to attract youth.

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More than nine in every ten natural disaster-related deaths occur in developing countries. Many of these occur in overcrowded and unsafe neighborhoods where housing is likely to collapse—as in the 2010 Haiti earthquake that killed more than 230,000. Faced with such calamities, international aid agencies often move in to build new housing as fast as possible. That process can cause even more damage by relying on international contractors whose products are not culturally appropriate, disaster resilient, or affordable.

With an emphasis on prevention, Build Change trains homeowners, local builders, engineers, and government officials to construct or retrofit disaster-resistant houses and schools in emerging nations vulnerable to earthquakes and typhoons.

Build Change makes the work affordable by leveraging cost savings through standardized retrofitting designs, existing subsidy and incentive programs, and partnerships with local universities providing seismic engineering experts. It works with governments and development agencies to promote standards, building codes, and financial incentives for disaster-resilient construction.

Build Change helps homeowners balance both the safety and the value of their homes, and helps local builders and engineers develop capacity and offer value.

Unsafe housing, particularly informal housing in developing countries, causes hundreds of thousands of deaths in natural disasters.
In developing countries, people who live far from rural health clinics suffer disproportionate rates of maternal and child mortality from preventable diseases.

Last Mile Health assures delivery of health services by well-trained community providers supported and supervised by the national Ministry of Health.

In communities Last Mile Health serves, newborn mortality has decreased and the percentage of children receiving treatment for diarrhea, malaria, and pneumonia has increased. As a result of this success, Last Mile Health is now supporting the Liberian Ministry of Health to implement the approach nationwide, preparing policy documents, training curricula, and impact measurement tools, and coordinating with NGO partners.

Last Mile Health partners with government to deploy and manage networks of community health professionals integrated into the public health system. With training in maternal and child health, family planning, treatment adherence, and surveillance of epidemics, together with mentorship from nurse supervisors, these CHWs deliver quality healthcare to remote communities.

Raj Panjabi envisions collaboration among governments, NGOs, and finance agencies to provide professional health services in all of the world’s remote communities.

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Human trafficking is a low-risk, high-profit criminal industry, enslaving more than 20 million people each year in forced labor and commercial sex and generating some $150 billion in profits. Law enforcement agencies lack data about trafficking patterns, specific sub-types, and locations. Victims rarely have access to channels of communication for help. Fewer than one percent of victims are identified globally each year.

Polaris systematically disrupts human trafficking networks and restores freedom to survivors. Grounded in data gathered from victims' experiences, Polaris directly supports victims, equips key stakeholders with data to address and prevent human trafficking, and intervenes in specific industries through targeted campaigns.

With experience and expertise from direct victim services such as hotlines and resource centers to policy advocacy, Polaris provides a data backbone for the sector. This data enhances law enforcement access to tips and actionable information, identifies gaps in services and resources, and facilitates collaboration to support organizations and agencies across the United States and eventually, around the world.
**NETWORKING AND EVENING ACTIVITIES**

**WEDNESDAY 6:00-11:00PM**

**AWARDS RECEPTION AT THE ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM**
6:00-8:00pm
Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont Street
Immediately following the Awards Ceremony, help us celebrate and honor the 2017 Skoll Awardees with a private reception at the Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology, Britain’s first public museum. Enjoy drinks and canapés among the art exhibits and ancient artifacts.

**AFTER-HOURS PUB NIGHT**
9:30-11:00pm
The Oxford Retreat, Hythe Bridge Street
Join us at the designated after-hours local pub for Skoll World Forum delegates, the Oxford Retreat. Catch up on the day’s events, enjoy an energetic debate, sip on a relaxing pint, or perhaps even partake in a little karaoke with fellow Forum delegates! Food and drink are on your own.

**FILM SCREENING: BENDING THE ARC**
8:00–10:00pm
New Theatre
**Bending the Arc** is a stunning documentary about a team of young people—Paul Farmer, Jim Yong Kim, Ophelia Dahl—whose charitable medical work 30 years ago in remote Haiti ignited a healthcare movement. Their mission: to deliver basic health care to those who had no access to even the most rudimentary medical help. Their obstacles: The World Bank, the medical establishment, dysfunctional governments and the poverty and isolation of their patients.

“A glorious and uplifting film... *Bending the Arc* is a heartwarming and radiant offering. Most magically, it transcends the colossal power of its own story to show how individual beings, one step at a time, can right the course of inequality and injustice.”
Duane Byrge, Hollywood Reporter

Q&A to follow featuring:

**MODERATOR**
Tabitha Jackson Director, Documentary Film Program, Sundance Institute

**SPEAKERS**
Dr. Agnès Binagwaho Professor of the Practice of Global Health Delivery, University of Global Health Equity
Dr. Paul Farmer Co-founder and Chief Strategist, Partners In Health
Dr. Jim Yong Kim President, World Bank Group
Melquiades Huauya Oré Subject, *Bending the Arc*
Cori Shepherd Stern Producer, Strongheart Group

**ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM**

*Seating is first-come, first-served. The film screening is free of charge, open to the public, and no ticket is necessary.*
Thursday

Overview

BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
8:00–9:45am
Collaboration Café Marquee

This time is designed to accommodate breakfast meetings, personal time, or networking with other delegates at Said Business School. A hearty breakfast will be served in the Collaboration Café.

GUIDED MEDITATION
8:30–9:30am
West Wing, Classroom 1

Silent meditation reunites body and mind in the present moment. An hour-long guided morning meditation is offered daily at 8:30 AM. Led by your fellow delegate, Skoll Awardee and Zen priest, Bart Weetjens, the guided meditation provides an opportunity to practice together, and prepare yourself for a mindful Skoll World Forum. Open to all, no experience required. In addition to the guided morning meditation, a small, private room (Seminar 7 in the West Wing) is available for use at any time by delegates for personal reflection and silent meditation.

ECOSYSTEM EVENT: SKOLL CENTRE ‘RESEARCH FOR ACTION’ NETWORKING BREAKFAST
8:30–9:45am
Said Business School Launchpad—Hosted by Skoll Centre For Social Entrepreneurship

Social entrepreneurship is an approach to creating transformational, systems-level change in unjust or unsatisfactory systems and practices. Hosted by the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship, this is a facilitated networking event with the objective of bringing together researchers and practitioners for greater social impact. Researchers: connect with systems change professionals to share your insights and develop new action-oriented research ideas. Practitioners: come explore how connections to research can help accelerate your impact and there’s breakfast too! This event is open to the public.

ECOSYSTEM EVENT: INVESTING FOR IMPACT: DISRUPTION BEYOND DIGITAL
8:45am–5:00pm
West Wing, Pyramid Room—Hosted by Capricorn Investment Group

Technology is the greatest revolutionary force for change. Industrial technologies and scientific breakthroughs radically improve lives and produce long-term economic value—more so in this century than ever before. The exponential pace of change and scale of value creation is causing investment managers to rethink strategies. The narrative among large asset managers is evolving from the risks of such investments to the risks of not leveraging them. Join leading forces investing in technology for impact to assess the emerging imperatives of this undeniable trend. Visit skoll.org/ecosystem events to learn more.
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THURSDAY 11:15AM–1:30PM

DELEGATE-LED DISCUSSIONS 11:45–1:00PM

Dark Money, Politics...and Corruption: Who Will Tell the Story?
WEST WING, LECTURE THEATRE 6
Politicians, businesses, and criminals all have vested interests in who runs a country. We will explore how civil society can reveal and explain the networks behind these forces, and how these collective efforts can best be supported by partnerships, technology, and funding.
David Kaplan CEO, Global Investigative Journalism Network (GIJN)
Drew Sullivan Co-Founder and Editor, Organized Crime and Corruption Project (OCCRP)

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WEST WING, LECTURE THEATRE 7
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WEST WING, SEMINAR 4
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Anushka Rathnayake Founder and CEO, myAgro

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Addressing Spinal Health Disability
WEST WING, SEMINAR 9
Spinal pain affects 1 billion people and disproportionately affects vulnerable communities. The shift in the global burden of disease from communicable to non-communicable diseases makes it essential to raise the profile and discuss these challenges.
Scott Haldeman President, World Spine Care

Social Impact Bonds: Feasibility & Implementation
WEST WING, SEMINAR 8
Learn how mothers2mothers and DCapital have partnered to launch the Impact Bond Investment Fund to fund early childhood development programming in South Africa. What challenges and opportunities are ahead for this three-and-a-half year, $3.75 million partnership?
David Torres Special Advisor to President and CEO, mothers2mothers

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Amidst political disorder, how can changemakers stay focused on impact and avoid consensus thinking? Come discuss how to build flexible, bespoke coalitions, organized for impact.
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Development Assistance for Health: Maximizing Private Funding
WEST WING, SEMINAR 5
With the anticipated reduction in public sector funding for global health, and the shortcomings of traditional private sector donor models, how can we maximize private sector funding? What mechanisms can advance the design and impact of development assistance for health?
Peter Navario Executive Director, HealthRight International

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Common Ground Story Studio: Emerging Leaders Initiative
WEST WING, CLASSROOM 2
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How to increase inclusive agricultural solutions and financing for women and youth, the backbone of smallholder farmers.
Anushka Rathnayake Founder and CEO, myAgro

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Many young people today are eager to tackle the local, national, and global challenges standing in the way of a sustainable, prosperous, and just world but find that their educational experience doesn’t prepare them for the kind of leadership they aspire to. We’ll explore two cutting-edge approaches based on student-centered, experiential learning. These programs are flipping the script, emphasizing experience and responsibility as vehicles to build the character and capabilities required of ethical, innovative, purpose-driven leaders.

In both the US and UK last year, voters voiced anxiety over demographic and economic shifts. Campaigns against the status quo on both the left and the right swept some of the world’s most prosperous nations, calling into question the strength of the social fabric that binds them. We’ll dive into the historical context, the economic drivers, and consider where governments have blind spots when it comes to the needs of certain groups. We’ll ask how we might constructively address the politics of “the elite” vs. “the ignored” and start working together toward a system that works for us all.

The problems we seek to solve—from failed school systems to infectious disease—are too big and tangled for any single organization to address, no matter how innovative or well-funded. We need “systems entrepreneurs” who see large-scale problems require close collaborations across sectors—including governments, nonprofits, and businesses. This workshop will introduce the concept of systems entrepreneurship as an approach to drive large-scale change. We’ll see how more responsible sourcing, transparency, and governance can ensure fair and humane livelihoods for workers and better stability for companies.

Suspicious of foreign intervention and protective of power, governments have begun cracking down on foreign funding to civil society organizations, cutting off support for critical human rights groups in Russia, China, India, and beyond. This session will examine the closing space for civil society in different regional contexts, and highlight organizations adapting to this new normal with innovative approaches to survive—and even thrive. We’ll ask how social advocacy groups in countries with emergent fault lines can learn from their global peers.

In most industries, supply chains are incredibly complex and opaque, and rely on a vast array of suppliers, contractors, and labor pools. Lack of transparency in workplaces far-flung from corporate headquarters can expose companies, workers, and consumers to the risk of human trafficking, child labor, and dangerous, degraded conditions. This session will take a close look at partnerships between social entrepreneurs and corporate giants. We’ll see how more responsible sourcing, transparency, and governance can ensure fair and humane livelihoods for workers and better stability for companies.

We the People: Populism and Progress

Building Bridges: Partnerships in Responsible Supply Chains

Making Leadership Great Again: Breakthrough Educational Models

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Friday

Overview

BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING
8:00–9:45am
Collaboration Café Marquee

This time is designed to accommodate breakfast meetings, personal time, or networking with other delegates at Said Business School. A hearty breakfast will be served in the Collaboration Cafe.

GUIDED MEDITATION
8:30–9:30am
West Wing, Classroom 1

Silent meditation reunites body and mind in the present moment. An hour-long guided morning meditation is offered daily at 8:30 AM. Led by your fellow delegate, Skoll Awardee and Zen priest, Bart Weetjens, the guided meditation provides an opportunity to practice together, and prepare yourself for a mindful Skoll World Forum. Open to all, no experience required. In addition to the guided morning meditation, a small, private room (Seminar 7 in the West Wing) is available for use at any time by delegates for personal reflection and silent meditation.

UNDERSTANDING THE SKOLL AWARD FOR SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
8:00–9:30am
West Wing, Pyramid Room

Join Skoll Foundation staff for an open discussion about the Skoll Award, its criteria, and selection process. This session is intended for both social entrepreneurs and funders who are interested in understanding the Award, its intent, and signalling power.

SPEAKERS
Hannah Damton Analyst, Skoll Foundation
James Nardella Principal, Skoll Foundation
The field of impact investing has exploded in the last decade, with billions of dollars committed to various impact investment vehicles, and increasing research into financial and social returns. The consensus seems to be that impact investing is a powerful tool, producing both impressive social and financial returns. Are expectations of market rate returns unrealistic? How can we best assess impact? Four experts will share their evidence and argue the case. You'll decide: has impact investing been oversold, or will it live up to the hype?

MODERATOR
Julia Sze
Managing Director, Impact Investing, Arabella Advisors

SPEAKERS
Mara Bolis
Senior Advisor, Private Sector Department, Oxfam America
Cathy Clark
Director of CASE i3, Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship
Lisa Kleissner
Co-Founder, Toniic
Chris West
Partner, Sumerian Partners

Rights and Resources: Indigenous Communities and Environmental Conservation
RHODES TRUST LECTURE THEATRE

Indigenous people are often considered the world’s best stewards of land. But lack of clear legal rights to property and land use has led to environmental exploitation including deforestation, extractive industrial waste, and pollution. This session will explore tensions between indigenous peoples’ land rights and development—or protection—of the land by government, corporations, and conservation organizations. It will also highlight successful collaborations between these actors and indigenous people.

MODERATOR
Nicole Rycroft
Founder and Executive Director, Canopy

SPEAKERS
Flaviano Bianchini
Founder and Director, Source International
Mandy Gull
Deputy Chief, Cree First Nation of Waswanipi
Víctor López Ilescas
Executive Director, Utz’ Che’ – Guatemalan Community Forestry Association

Has Impact Investing Been Inflated?
LECTURE THEATRE 4

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MODERATOR
Pat Mitchell
Founder and President, Pat Mitchell Media

SPEAKERS
Andrew Jack
Head of Curated Content, Financial Times
Katharine Viner
Editor-in-Chief, Guardian News & Media, The Guardian
Kinsey Wilson

Philanthropy for a Fractured World
WEST WING, PYRAMID ROOM

How should philanthropy adapt to fault lines deepened by Brexit and the election of Donald Trump? Nonprofits say they’ll have more work than ever—filling in where government services wane, protecting vulnerable populations, and resisting the rise of hate speech against women and minorities. Are funders mobilizing resources to tackle these new challenges or redoubling their efforts in targeted ways? Will philanthropy pay closer attention to the tectonic shifts caused by our modern globalized trade regime, and expand or direct their efforts to areas like rural communities?

MODERATOR
Marc Gunther
Journalist, Nonprofit Chronicles

SPEAKERS
Pia Infante
Co-Executive Director, The Whitman Institute
Laith Ihsaneddin
Director - Democracy Fund, Open Society Foundations
Lilianne Ploumen
Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, Government of The Netherlands
Darren Walker
President, Ford Foundation

Common Ground Activism: Tools to Bridge the Divide
WEST WING, CLASSROOM 2

A time of unprecedented global cooperation, somehow our communities can feel more divided than ever. To deal with conflicts constructively, we must seek to understand differences, identify areas of agreement, and seize the opportunity to create common ground together. This interactive workshop will equip you with an approach to social change that advances impact while fostering greater trust, understanding, and cooperation across divided communities.

FACILITATOR
Shamil Idriss
President & CEO, Search for Common Ground

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After a week of conversations and provocations around the theme of how we create common ground in a landscape of rifts and divisions, we conclude the 2017 Skoll World Forum with a performance that embodies the enduring project of partnerships that reach across great divides. The Silk Road Ensemble is an inspiring model of multicultural artistic exchange, a collective of musicians and composers from around the world creating work informed by the historical connections forged between East and West along the ancient trade route.

Silk Road Ensemble members Cristina Pato and Kinan Azmeh will perform a selection of songs and join us in conversation.

Stephan Chambers
Director, Marshall Institute, London School of Economics

Anya Grundmann
Vice President, of Programming and Audience Development, NPR

Brendan Cox
Founder, Great Get Together

Kinan Azmeh
Clarinet, Silk Road Ensemble

Cristina Pato
Galician Bagpipes and Piano, Silk Road Ensemble

LUNCH
1:00–2:45pm
Collaboration Café Marquee

After the Closing Plenary, join us back at Saïd Business School in the Collaboration Café for lunch, a final occasion to connect with new and old friends and solidify new opportunities before bringing this year’s Skoll World Forum to conclusion.
Post-truth. Fake news. Alternative facts. The very definition of truth seems to be up for grabs, and our relationship with truth is in a state of flux. New technologies have radically decentralized the means of producing and distributing information. Data, facts, and figures filter through narratives that tap into our emotions and personal beliefs. Give this dynamic, how can we promote critical thinking whilst also cultivating empathy?

The power of a story well told has never been greater, and reality is subject to interpretation and manipulation. Truth, though, isn’t completely mutable. The quest to uncover truth is a bedrock of human history, and some truths are enduring and undeniable.

On Friday 7th April, let’s meet at the Sheldonian Theatre in Oxford for TEDxSkoll Under a 17th century ceiling, we’ll take stock of the concept of truth and its evolving role in social, economic, and political progress. We will hear from those who have harnessed truth as a central driving force in their life and work, and those who have dedicated their life’s work to producing fiction. Together, we’ll explore truth as a concept that is not always easy to find, define, or grasp, and we’ll embrace that challenge as a unifying—and uniquely human—element.

Visit tedxskoll.com for tickets and additional information.
In Memoriam

Pamela Hartigan
DIRECTOR, SKOLL CENTRE FOR SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Skoll community deeply mourns the loss of Pamela Hartigan, head of the Skoll Centre and tireless champion for social entrepreneurship, who passed away in August after a two-year battle with cancer. To her work in public health with the WHO, her founding executive role for the Schwab Foundation, her co-founding role for Volans Ventures, and ultimately, her brilliant leadership of the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship, Pamela brought immense gifts: relentless energy, a formidable mind, and a radiant spirit that infused everything she did with life and meaning. Pamela was infectiousbly impatient for change, and over her eight years with the Skoll Centre, she not only touched thousands of students, she transformed their thinking and shaped their life decisions profoundly. Thanks to Pamela’s efforts, those thousands of capable women and men have since fanned out all over the globe to work toward human progress.


In Memoriam

Peter Hero
FOUNDER AND PRINCIPAL, THE HERO GROUP

Peter Hero, our brilliant founding board member, passed away from cancer in August after a distinguished three-decade career shaping social change from his seat in Silicon Valley. The Skoll Foundation community mourns the incomparable loss of Jeff Skoll’s first partner in philanthropy. He served 15 years as president of the Silicon Valley Community Foundation and played a critical role in nurturing a fledgling Skoll Foundation in its earliest days.

“Peter will forever be my hero, and original philanthropic mentor,” said Jeff Skoll. “Peter believed deeply in the potential of harnessing the power of Silicon Valley’s wealth to address the world’s thorniest problems, and was one of the early architects of a new kind of ambitious, creative, and even risky philanthropic culture.”

“Peter wasn’t attracted to problems, he was drawn to solutions. His legacy inspires countless others to approach philanthropy with innovation and insight. He was a true pioneer, the man who many credit with teaching Silicon Valley how to give.”

“When my story, your story, our collective story is told, it will be about depicting the triumph that occurs when human ingenuity, empathy, and integrity rise to dominance together to address unprecedented threats.” - Pamela Hartigan
ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

To minimize the footprint of the Skoll World Forum, we have taken great care to ensure that the entire event prioritizes sustainable practices. Therefore, each and every product you see at the Forum, from signage and production sets to the furniture, was made using local, sustainable products and reused from prior years whenever possible.

In addition, all paper materials were made using responsible sources. Whenever possible meals include fair-trade products and local produce.

Specific practices include:

- Using local, sustainable, and fair-trade items in lunches and delegate meals when possible
- Placing composting and recycling stations throughout meeting venues
- Using reusable signage to eliminate one-time usage as much as possible
- Printing programs using responsibly-sourced paper and ink
- Eliminating all extraneous packaging, such as bags and folders
- Collecting and reusing bamboo lanyards and plastic badge holders
- Providing water stations and reusable water bottles
- Encouraging mass transit to the Forum from London
- Providing a carbon-offset link for attendees to offset their travel

This program was printed on paper made with 100% post-consumer waste, and printed with soy-based ink.

Please leave your badge and lanyard at Saïd Business School to be reused. Thank you!