The State of African Philanthropy: Setting the Agenda

Donald Gordon Auditorium
Wits Business School - Wits University
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University of the Witwatersrand Business School
2 S’ David’s Place, Parktown, Johannesburg, South Africa
Welcome Message

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The 21st century will culminate in a unique convergence of opportunities and challenges on the African continent. Its population will reach an estimated four billion people by 2100, by which point the majority of Africans will live in the cities. Wealth will continue to flourish: Despite decreased commodity prices, sub-Saharan Africa’s overall GDP increased by three percent in 2016, which is twice the rate of the United States. Meanwhile, the World Wealth Report 2018 estimated that the size of high net worth individuals (HNWI) reached 167,970 with a combined wealth of US$1.7 trillion. The size of the HNWI population increased by 6.9% compared to 2.1% growth in the Middle East and 9.9% in Europe. And the HNWIs Wealth increased by 10.3% in Africa compared to 2.9% in the Middle East, 7.8% in Europe, 8.8% in Latin America and 10.3% in North America. By all means, this growth makes for interesting reading and implications on philanthropy.

No doubt Africa has seen this growth since 2008, and in line with global projections by 2025 HNWI wealth could reach US$100 trillion with a concomitant increase in wealth in Africa. Yet in the backdrop of such immense growth and wealth sit dire humanitarian crises, a demographic boom, public health epidemics, and, most notably, the looming threat of climate change – a specter that undoubtedly haunts the poorest on the continent. In essence, Africa will serve as a major site of contestation for the most important issues of our time. This raises the question of the effectiveness of philanthropy in Africa. What is the blueprint for African philanthropy?

No doubt this century belongs to the African philanthropists, whose capital, influence, local knowledge, and moral authority have the power to address these pressing challenges. Philanthropy, in all of its various forms, engages stakeholders from the private, public, non-profit, and religious sectors. It nimbly cuts across geographies, social classes, and demographic groups in a way that governments and businesses often cannot. The impetus for giving is clear: donors identify rampant need in their communities and, for various religious, social, moral, and cultural reasons, choose to give freely of their resources. But what is the impact of their giving? How can they give effectively and in innovative ways? What role does academia play in facilitating effective giving? Finally, what are the strategies that need to be crafted to build an infrastructure for transformative change in Africa through philanthropy?
It still remains less clear, particularly amongst academics, what the nuts and bolts of African philanthropy are – how it operates, who sustains it, and what challenges it encounters. With this in mind, we propose a six-pronged conference agenda which prioritizes the following:

• **Assessing the Need for Philanthropy:** *With the plethora of challenges facing the continent, philanthropists must selectively and cautiously allocate resources.*

Which challenges will be most effectively addressed by African philanthropy? Which issues should be left to government or the private sector? How can all three engage productively? How do philanthropists decide how to allocate their resources?

• **Accurately Landscaping African Philanthropy:** *A dearth of accurate information exists about the size and scope of Africa’s philanthropic sector.*

Who are the major players in African philanthropy, both formal and informal? How do they allocate resources? How do they compete, converge, and connect with each other? What strategies do they use to address specific local needs? What do African philanthropists do differently from non-African counterparts operating on the continent? The existence of many foundations in Africa such as those formed by former presidents, sports personalities, international foundations and High Net Worth Individuals (HNWI) population raises questions about their role and effectiveness.

• **Religion and Philanthropy:** *Africa is the most religiously fervent continent in the world, with Islam and Christianity playing a particularly strong role in public life.*

How does religion impact the ways in which people give? Which religious institutions – formal and informal – serve as conduits for philanthropic giving? What constraints does religious philanthropy impose?

• **Legal and Policy Frameworks for Philanthropic Giving:** *Despite progress over the past decade, many countries in sub-Saharan Africa lack strong legal and regulatory systems.*
How are states developing legal structures to encourage philanthropy? How do various tax, incorporation, endowment, and inheritance policies have an impact on donors? How are these regulations enforced? Outside of the official state legal narrative, what other customary regulatory frameworks govern philanthropy and who mediates this minimal space? In addition, given new opportunities for giving, such as those provided by the imminent repatriation of African art from Europe and questions about preservation and exhibition, the state of Africa’s museums and curatorial practice, pressing issues in nature conservation and the preservation of historical sites, how can these be taken advantage of in making giving effective where Africa's historical, cultural and natural heritage are concerned?

- **Connecting African Philanthropy to the Diaspora:** The African Diaspora worldwide consists of some 150 million people and must play a major role in the uplift of the continent.

What is the size of their purchasing power? What philanthropic links do they maintain with Africa and by which mechanisms do they uphold these ties? How can African philanthropists better engage their counterparts in the Diaspora?

We hope that this conference, together with philanthropists (African and non-African), Non-Governmental Organizations that work in this area, policy makers, the private sector, and academic researchers, will explore how we can formulate a coherent framework for African philanthropy. The 21st century can be Africa’s, but Africans will have to claim it.

Yours Sincerely,

**Emmanuel Akyeampong**

Oppenheimer Faculty Director
Harvard University Center for African Studies

**Mosun Layode**

Executive Director
African Philanthropy Forum

**Bhekinkosi Moyo**

Director
Africa Centre for Philanthropy and Social Investment

**Ebrima Sall**

Executive Director
Trust Africa
Event Collaborators

Programme

to the African Philanthropy Conference, 16th to 17th May 2019

WEDNESDAY 15 MAY, 2019
Lecture and Reception

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17:00 – 19:00 | Harvard University Center for African Studies

Hakeem and Myma Belo-Osagie Lecture on African Business and Entrepreneurship feat. Kola Karim

Gordon Institute of Business Science (GIBS):
26 Melville Rd, Illovo, Johannesburg, 2196

THURSDAY 16 MAY, 2019
Conference Day One: Donald Gordon Auditorium - University of the Witwatersrand Business School
2 S’ David’s Place, Parktown, Johannesburg, South Africa

08:00 | Registration

09:00 | Opening Remarks

Tsitsi Masiyiwa (Founder & Executive Chair - Higherlife Foundation, Board Chair - African Philanthropy Forum)

Bhekinkosi Moyo (African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment, Wits Business School)

Emmanuel Akyeampong (Harvard University)

Ebrima Sall (Trust Africa)

09:20 | Panel One: Landscape of African Philanthropy

Moderator: Vuyiswa Sidzumo (Ford Foundation)

Speakers:

Tendai Murisa (SIVIO Institute, Zimbabwe)

Una Osili (Lilly Family School of Philanthropy)

Niamani Mutima (Africa Grant Makers Affinity Group)

Tracey Henry (Tshikululu Social Investments)

11:00 | Panel Two: The Need for Philanthropy

Moderator: Nancy Msibi (Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Germany)

Speakers:

Nicolette Naylor (Ford Foundation, Southern Africa)

Halima Mahomed (Independent Philanthropy Consultant)

Stigmata Tenga (African Philanthropy Network)

Susan Maposa (African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment)
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| 14:20 | **Panel Eight:** Legal and Policy Frameworks for Philanthropic Giving  
**Moderator:** Bridget Fury (Oppenheimer Generations)  
**Speakers:**  
Brian Kagoro (UHAI, East Africa)  
Faith Kisinga Gitonga (Kenyan High Court)  
Masego Madzwamuse (Southern Africa Trust)  
Bongi Mlangeni (CEO Social Justice Initiative) |
| 15:40 | **Way Forward**  
Ebrima Sall (Trust Africa) |
| 16:00 | **General discussion and closing remarks**  
**Moderator:**  
Emmanuel Akyeampong  
Bhekinkosi Moyo |
Frank Kilbourn, Executive Chairperson Strauss & Co.

Frank Kilbourn is an experienced business entrepreneur whose love for art is matched by his commitment to philanthropy. He enjoyed careers in company and tax law, corporate finance and investment banking before founding the Bright Group, focusing on private equity and venture capital. Bright is invested in technology, beneficiation, tourism, art and agriculture businesses. Frank serves on the Board of City Lodge Hotels Ltd as Lead Independent Director. He is chairperson of Fastcomm (Pty) Ltd and on the board of Manganese Metal Company (Pty) Ltd, Zaark AB and the Village n Life Group. Frank is Executive Chairperson of Strauss & Co and a member of the Irma Stern Museum Committee (ISMCo).

He is a co-owner of Grootbos Nature Reserve near Gansbaai, a trustee of WWF (South Africa). He is also the co-founder of the Bright Foundation, a PBO involved in, amongst other things, education, empowering of people with disabilities, poverty alleviation, nature conservation and the promotion of the arts and culture.
Baffour Agyeman-Duah, CEO, The John A. Kufuor Foundation

Baffour Agyeman-Duah was appointed the Chief Executive Officer of The John A. Kufuor Foundation by the founder, H.E. John Agyekum Kufuor, former President of the Republic of Ghana in 2013. Prior to that, he worked for the United Nations from 2005 to 2013 - first as Senior Governance Advisor in Tanzania and subsequently as Senior Special Advisor to the United Nation Mission in Liberia (UNMIL). Other appointments held include: Associate Executive Director, Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana), an independent public policy think-tank which he co-founded in 1998. He continues to serve on the Center’s Executive Committee and Board of Governors.

He studied at the University of Cape Coast, Ohio University and the University of Denver, where he earned the PhD degree. A former university professor, he taught at Universities in North Carolina, USA, and, between 1994 and 1996, served as Fulbright Professor at the Legon Center for International Affairs, University of Ghana. He has published over a dozen articles in academic journals, three monographs, edited and authored four books, including his autobiography, My Ghanaian Odyssey, which was published in 2012.

Emmanuel Akyeampong, Oppenheimer Faculty Director, Harvard University Center for African Studies

Emmanuel K. Akyeampong is Oppenheimer Faculty Director of the Harvard University Center for African Studies and Professor of History and of African and African American Studies at Harvard University. He was appointed Loeb Harvard College Professor in July 2005. Akyeampong is a Fellow of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences (FGA) and a Corresponding Fellow of the Royal Historical Society (UK). He serves as the president of the African Public Broadcasting Foundation (US). He is a co-founder and director of the International Institute for the Advanced Study of Cultures, Institutions, and Economic Enterprise (IIAS) based in Accra, Ghana. He served as chair of the Committee on African Studies at Harvard from July 2002 to June 2006. Professor Akyeampong earned a doctorate in African history from the University of Virginia, a master of arts from Wake Forest University, and a bachelor of arts in history and religion from the University of Ghana at Legon.
Imhotep Alagidede, *Professor of Finance, University of the Witwatersrand*


Osayi Alile, *CEO, Aspire Coronation Trust (ACT) Foundation*

Osayi Alile is a quintessential leader with over 20 years in the Small and Medium enterprise (SME) and third sector with a wide array of experience covering international development, business and philanthropic management, fundraising and sustainability. Her degrees in Sociology and Public Administration from Rutgers University in New Jersey prepared her to be a catalyst for change as she has revolutionized the non-profit sector in Nigeria and beyond. Osayi Alile is currently the Chief Executive Officer, ACT Foundation, a grant-making non-profit organization that provides funding to social sector organizations focused in the areas of Health, Entrepreneurship, Environment, and Leadership. Through her hard work, dedication, and resilience, ACT Foundation has been adjudged the “Not-For-Profit of the Year” at the 2018 SERAS CSR Awards Africa. As a visionary leader, Ms. Alile has served in various leadership capacities, served the nation and the world at large in various amplitude, serves as a consultant on sustainability, non-profit management and strategy, and sits on several boards. Osayi Alile is passionate about women, youth empowerment, equality, and creating positive social impact in our world.
Godman Akinlabi, Lead Pastor, The Elevation Church & Chairman, Pistis Foundation

Godman Akinlabi is the Lead Pastor of The Elevation Church and Chairman, Pistis Foundation.

Pistis Foundation (PF) is a non-profit organisation established under the aegis of The Elevation Church (TEC) to be a model provider of empowerment opportunities for the economically challenged with its focus areas on education, health, and shelter. PF was responsible for holding a free, week-long medical and surgical intervention in March, 2019 which resulted in over 6,000 successful interventions. Under his leadership, TEC also founded a Prison Ministry focused on aiding the rehabilitation and welfare of inmates through medical and surgical interventions, facility and amenities renovation, and establishing a scholarship fund for inmate education.

Godman holds an MBA from Manchester Business School and was also part of the 2018 Class of Strategic Perspectives in Non-profit Management program of the Harvard University (SPNM18). He is a seasoned and highly sought-after speaker, trainer, author, and consultant who has taught and inspired people in conferences and churches around the world.

He is happily married to Bolarinwa and they have two beautiful daughters.
Ali Awni, Professor of Practice and Director, Department of Management, American University in Cairo

Awni is Professor of Practice at the Business School, and Director of the John D. Gerhart Center for Philanthropy, Civic Engagement and Responsible Business, The American University in Cairo (AUC). He has been full time faculty since September 2009. He teaches operations management courses at the undergraduate and MBA level. His areas of research are in applications of operations management in Egypt, and for SMEs in particular, operations and supply chain innovations for base of the pyramid, upgrading of operations for Egyptian exporters, and suppliers’ selection and evaluation. He teaches operations and supply chain management courses for EMBA and executive education at Egypt, Romania, and Germany. As a director of the Gerhart Center, he led the transition of the center to the School of Business, including the addition of responsible business theme. Prior to joining the AUC Awni was the Head of the Qualifying Industrial Zones (QIZ) Unit, at the Ministry of Trade & Industry, Government of Egypt.

Ali Awni holds BS in Computer Science & Statistics from Kuwait University, MS in Systems Science from the University of Ottawa, and a Ph.D. in Operations Research from North Carolina State University.
Max Boqwana, CEO, Thabo Mbeki Foundation

Xolani Maxwell Boqwana is an internationally respected lawyer, having occupied leadership roles in the Legal Profession at home and abroad. Max is the former Secretary General and later the President of the National Association of Democratic Lawyers (NADEL), a Co-Chairperson of the Law Society of South Africa for an unprecedented three-year term and a Treasurer of the Regional body, Southern African Development Committee (SADC) Lawyers Association and is currently serving as its President. He has served as the Member of the Bureau of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL), as well.

Currently, Max is also serving as the Chief Executive Officer of the Thabo Mbeki Foundation, a Foundation set up by former President in 2008, to pursue the ideals of Africa’s Renaissance. Max’s responsibilities are to guide the strengthening and growth of the Foundation’s Leadership Institute, the History and Memory Project and providing assistance to former President Mbeki in his effort of resolving conflicts and ensuring lasting peace in the African Continent.

Max has gone a long way since his obtaining of BA Law and LLB degrees at Rhodes University in 1992 and 1994, respectively, to becoming the true embodiment of the “Rhodes mantra", where leaders learn".
Elana Brundyn, Chief Executive Officer, the Norval Foundation

Elana Brundyn’s career in the contemporary art industry spans 18 years. She has been instrumental in launching two of Africa’s most prominent museums, namely Zeitz MOCAA and Norval Foundation. Brundyn has also contributed to the cultural eco system as a consultant, corporate advisor, family and school collections, charity art auctions, and as a commercial gallerist, with a strong focus on philanthropic projects and fundraiser art projects and events.

She joined Norval Foundation in November 2017 as CEO and launched the foundation in April 2018. Norval Foundation (Tokai, Cape Town) is a cultural platform exhibiting, researching, and educating on 20th and 21st century art from Africa and beyond. From 2014 to 2017 she was The Director of Institutional Development and External Affairs at Zeitz MOCAA (Cape Town, South Africa), part of the inaugural team to launch the institution in September 2017. Her role included fundraising through partnerships, sponsorships, membership programmes and special events like the Christie’s Auction in March 2017 - the preview weekend and the Grand Public Opening on the 22nd of September.

She was the Founding Director of Brundyn Gallery, which was a contemporary art gallery based in Cape Town. Founded in 2006, the gallery’s focus was on art from Africa and the diaspora but closed at the end of 2014, when she joined the team of Zeitz MOCAA full time.

Mrs Brundyn currently seats on the Board of Trustees for the Gerard Sekoto Foundation, Stellenbosch Outdoor Sculpture Trust, and Norval Foundation. She is also a member of the Africa Advisory Board for the Harvard University Center for African Studies. She studied political science and African Studies at the University of Cape Town (Cape Town, South Africa) and University of Stellenbosch (Stellenbosch, South Africa).
Lady Linda Davies, Founder and Chair, the KT Wong Foundation

Lady Linda Wong Davies is the founder and chair of the KT Wong Foundation and a producer working across the arts.

Over the last eleven years, the Foundation and Lady Davies have served as a bridge between the arts and cultural industries in China, Africa, and the West. Lady Davies remarks:

“Creating a platform for dialogue and exchange is the impetus behind the Foundation’s cross-cultural initiatives, which aim to inspire collaboration, partnership, and creative innovation. Bringing cultural leaders and thinkers together to address strategic issues, such as education and cultural preservation, emphasizes their relevance in a society that is becoming increasingly globalized and digitized.”

Born in Singapore and raised in Malaysia, Lady Davies completed her education in the US, majoring in economics. She founded the KT Wong Foundation in memory of her late father, Dato Wong Kee Tat, the Chinese-Malaysian businessman and philanthropist, who instilled in her a love of music and the arts.

As a producer, Lady Davies’ wide-ranging credits include two BBC documentaries: one about Sir Daniel Barenboim and the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra’s first tour to China, and the other about the renowned Chinese pianist Lang Lang. The KT Wong foundation has also collaborated with the Northern Ireland Opera on an innovative production of Benjamin Britten’s Noye’s Fludde for the 2012 Cultural Olympiad.

A mother of three, Lady Davies divides her time between Europe, South Africa, and China. She works to harness the creativity and energy of contemporary Chinese and African artists, presenting them to a global audience.
Marwa El-Daly is reviving and modernizing traditional philanthropic mechanisms such as the rooted tradition of waqf or civic endowments/donor-advised funds that were used for hundreds of centuries in the Arab and Islamic Worlds. Merging academic excellence with grass-roots development, she has managed to establish the first Waqfeyat Foundation which pioneered the use of a modernized waqf model as illustrated in the establishment of the first community foundation in Egypt, the Waqfeyat al Maadi Community Foundation (WMCF).

The WMCF focuses on mobilizing local resources by creating awareness about the role of local giving in development, not just charity. In doing so, WMCF invests in and counts on local donors, whether they be philanthropists, social entrepreneurs, or youth or school children, in its grant-making activities. Their philanthropies form grants and funds that support income-generating projects for the marginalized and less fortunate members of the community to enable them to stop the vicious circle of poverty and dependence. WMCF works with all members of the community to collectively find solutions, lobby for change and execute projects that bring them closer under principles of social justice. Its primary focus is on art and education in its interventions.
Biographies

Gibril Faal, Director of GK Partners & IGA Visiting Professor in Practice Institute of Global Affairs, London School of Economics (LSE)

Prof. Gibril Faal is a multi-disciplinary business and development executive. He is a visiting professor at London School of Economics (LSE), and co-founder and director of GK Partners, which advises socially responsible businesses and development institutions across the world. He is the vice chair of Bond – the platform of UK Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working on international development. He is the founding director of ADEPT (Africa-Europe Diaspora Development Platform), former chairman of African Foundation For Development (AFFORD), which pioneered concepts and practices on diaspora-development, and founder of RemitAid™.

Gibril served as technical expert on negotiations for the Global Compact on Migration, delivered keynote addresses at the UN General Assembly at the 2013 High Level Dialogue and the 2016 UN Summit for Refugees and Migrants. He chairs the Entrepreneurship Committee of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) Business Mechanism, and previously served as co-chair, grand rapporteur and common space moderator at GFMD summits. Gibril was a lecturer on The Open University’s MSc on Global Development Management and external evaluator of Centre on Migration, Policy and Society (COMPAS), University of Oxford. He was a board member of European Commission-United Nations (EU-UN) Joint Migration & Development Initiative and Department for International Development’s (DFID) Global Poverty Action Fund. Since 1998, Gibril has accepted public function ministerial appointments made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Secretary of State for International Development, the Lord Chancellor, and the Home Secretary.
Biographies

Alan Fowler, Honorary Professor, Chair in African Philanthropy, Africa Centre for Philanthropy and Social Investment, University of Witswatersrand

For some forty years Alan Fowler has been advising on, studying and publishing numerous books and articles covering the origins, governance, management, efficacy, and sociopolitical role of diverse non-profit organisations dedicated to international development. He is a past President of the International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) and was an elected board member of Civicus, the World Alliance for Citizen Participation. A position as programme officer with the Ford Foundation in East Africa provided first-hand experience assisting him, as a visiting professor, to establish the profile of a Chair in African Philanthropy as well as the participatory design of a new academic programme at Wits University. In addition to qualifications in engineering and education, he holds a DPhil from the University of Sussex and is an emeritus professor of civil society at the International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University. Professionally, he is probably best described as a ‘pracademic’.

Bridget Fury, Head, Oppenheimer Philanthropies

Bridget is the head of Oppenheimer Philanthropies, the private philanthropic arm of Oppenheimer Generations. Oppenheimer Philanthropies seeks to generate positive social impact by unlocking catalytic investment in underfunded areas and to preserve our natural environment by funding ground-breaking research. Bridget has worked in social investment for more than 15 years and has advised a range of family foundations, corporates and governments in both the UK and South Africa. Prior to joining Oppenheimer Philanthropies she was the Director of the Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs (ANDE) South Africa, as well as an advisor to the Jobs Fund.
Adam Habib, Vice- Chancellor and Principal, University of the Witwatersrand

Adam Habib is a South African professor of political geography, and the Vice Chancellor and Principal of the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) in Johannesburg, South Africa. He officially assumed the position of Vice Chancellor on 1 June 2013. He is also a former deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of Johannesburg. Studying at a mix of South African and American Universities, Habib graduated as a political scientist having received his Bachelor and Master of Arts degrees from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Bachelor of Arts (Honours) from the University of the Witwatersrand, and his MPhil and PhD from the Graduate School of the City University of New York. He has held academic appointments over the last decade at the Universities of Durban-Westville and KwaZulu-Natal and the Human Science Research Council. Prior to being appointed Deputy Vice Chancellor Research, Innovation and Advancement at the University of Johannesburg, he served as the Executive Director of the Democracy and Governance Programme of the Human Science Research Council. Before that, he was the founding director of the Centre for Civil Society and a research professor in the School of Development Studies at the University of KwaZulu-Natal.
Tracey Henry, CEO, Tshikululu Social Investment South Africa

Tracey is one of the founding team members of Tshikululu Social Investments, established in 1998. Tracey was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Tshikululu in 2008 and has since grown the number of trusts under management from six to 24. Subsequently, new service offerings have been launched, including advisory services; project management, research, the management of social infrastructure projects; designing and managing monitoring and evaluation tools, evaluating and implementing social and labour plans in the mining sector; the establishment and operationalisation of B-BBEE trusts and developing and managing community-based programmes in the renewable energy sector.

Tracey is a Fellow of the Africa Leadership Initiative that forms part of the Aspen Global Leadership Network and is actively engaged in a number of non-profit boards, namely the ACFS-African Children’s Feeding Scheme, Johannesburg Holocaust and Genocide Centre, the Kagiso Shanduka Trust (KST), and the Sishen Iron-Ore Community Development Trust (SIOC-DT).

Prior to joining Tshikululu, Tracey was employed at Anglo American from August 1995 to June 1998 in the Anglo American and De Beers Chairman’s Fund unit, she also held the position of counsellor and trainer at the Chamber of Mines of South Africa, (January 1992–July 1995) focused on employee productivity and wellness in South Africa and Botswana.
Brian Kagoro, *Executive Director, Uhai Africa Private Limited*

Brian Kagoro is the Founder and Executive Director of UHAI* Africa Group, a Pan-African Governance, Leadership and Development Consulting firm with operations in Johannesburg, and Harare.

Brian is a committed Pan Africanist. He is a constitutional and international economic relations lawyer with extensive regional and global experience. Brian was the Regional Governance and Public Administration Programme Advisor for UNDP and also UNDP’s Governance Team Leader for the Africa Region within the UNDP Regional Service Centre for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2010-2014). Prior to that Brian served as Pan African Head of Policy and Advocacy at Action Aid International. And before that he was a Law Partner in a leading Law Firm in Zimbabwe. He served as Board Chair, Greenpeace Africa (2015-2017). Brian is an Alumni of both the World Economic Forum -Young Global Leaders Forum (2005) and YALE World Fellows Programme (2003).

Brian has extensive leadership, policy research and advocacy experience and expertise in a wide range of development issues, including philanthropy and governance.

* UHAI is the Swahili word for life
Paula Kahumbu, CEO, WildlifeDirect

Considered a driving force behind Africa’s conservation movement, Paula Kahumbu, Chief Executive Officer of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO) WildlifeDirect, has demonstrated an enduring passion for preserving threatened wildlife and habitats in Kenya and beyond. Mentored by legendary conservationist Richard Leakey, Kahumbu has from her earliest days believed that saving the world’s endangered species is only possible by involving people from all sectors of society. In Africa, Africans must drive conservation in Africa Kahumbu spearheaded by the remarkably successful Hands Off Our Elephants campaign with Margaret Kenyatta, Kenya’s First Lady to mobilize the justice sector in combatting elephant poaching and trafficking of ivory by exposing problems in Kenya’s court system. The urgent need for law enforcement, prosecution and judicial reforms to achieve justice for wildlife is Mrs. Kahumbu’s main focus.

To create mass public engagement in conservation across Africa, she is currently producing and hosting the first wildlife documentary series produced by Africans for African and global audiences. Shot on location in wild locations across her native Kenya, WILDLIFE WARRIORS shines a light on African Wildlife rescuers, scientists, conservationists, and wildlife managers to inspire future generations of African conservationists. Among her many roles, Kahumbu has previously worked for private sector, the government, and other conservation charities. Kahumbu is the winner of many awards that recognize her achievements in fostering conservation. These include the Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN) Continuation Funding Award (2015) and a Whitley Award (2014), the Presidential Award, Order of the Grand Warrior of Kenya (2014), and the National Geographic/Buffet Award for Leadership in Conservation in Africa (2011). She was named Brand Kenya Ambassador (2013), won the Disruptive Innovation award at the Tribeca Film Festival, and is a National Geographic Emerging Explorer (2011).
Faith Kisinga Gitonga, *Independent Consultant*

Faith Kisinga Gitonga is a lawyer specializing interest in civil society. She consults in work aimed at the development of an enabling environment for civil society organizations (CSOs). In particular, she has been actively engaged in efforts to formulate and advocate for the laws and policies that support the establishment, growth and sustainability of civil society organizations. Her experience working with CSOs spans fifteen years and includes facilitating a number of civil society initiatives. She is currently engaged in providing technical support to civil society organizations (CSOs) that are involved in safeguarding the civic space in Kenya.

Mosun Layode, *Executive Director, African Philanthropy Forum*

Mosun Layode is a development professional with over fifteen years of experience in international development and non-profit leadership. She currently serves as the Executive Director of the African Philanthropy Forum (APF), working extensively across Africa with established and emerging philanthropists who are committed to the sustainable and inclusive development of Africa. Prior to this, she served as the Executive Director of WIMBIZ and LEAP Africa. Mosun is the founder of Social Runway, a non-profit organization that supports social innovators.

Mosun studied Urban and Regional Planning at the Federal University of Technology in Akure, Nigeria and obtained an MSc. in Environmental Resources Management from Lagos State University. She has an MBA from Lagos Business School and benefited from Executive Education Programmes offered by the IESE Business School, Barcelona and Harvard Business School. Mrs. Layode currently sits on non-profit boards and is an alumnus of the United States International Visitors Leadership Program.
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Masego Madzwamuse, CEO, Southern Africa Trust

Masego Madzwamuse has over 20 years working experience in the development and social policy field. Her career background stems from conservation, environment, and development. She brings with her a wealth of experience and knowledge working with social movements fighting for the rights of communities. Mrs. Madzwamuse is a social justice activist and practitioner in the development and economics space. Prior to joining the Trust as a Chief Executive, she worked at the Open Society initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA), where she was the team leader for Economic and Social Justice Cluster. Masego holds a Master’s degree in Environmental Science from the Rhodes University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Environmental Science and Sociology from the University of Botswana.

Halima Mahomed, Independent Philanthropy Consultant
Associate Researcher, African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment (ACPSI)

Halima Mahomed is an independent consultant whose work has included a combination of research, advocacy and advisory services on strengthening the knowledge, practice and impact of philanthropy in Africa and advancing social justice philanthropy. Over the last 18 years she has been closely affiliated with, amongst others, the Ford Foundation, TrustAfrica and the Global Fund for Community Foundations. She is a member of the Philanthropy for Social Justice and Peace (PSJP) management team and of the Alliance Magazine Editorial Board. Halima has written extensively on African philanthropy and holds a Masters in Development Studies, with a focus on social justice philanthropy.
Nelson Makamo, *South African Artist*

Nelson Makamo is a Johannesburg-based artist. He was born in 1982, in a town called Modimolle, in South Africa’s Limpopo province. Born with an astounding artistic aptitude he honed his craft at Artist Proof Studios in Johannesburg where he studied printmaking for 3 years.

Makamo has exhibited in group and solo exhibitions in South Africa, France, Italy, America, Netherlands, The United Kingdom, Germany, Amsterdam, and Scotland. His first solo exhibition, Walk with Me, was held at the Obert Contemporary Gallery in Melrose Arch, Johannesburg. His most notable group exhibition was alongside established South African artists in Ten Years of Printmaking: David Krut Print Studio in 2006. Invited artists included David Koloane, Colbert Mashile, Deborah Bell, and William Kentridge.

Nelson’s work is strongly influenced by the candid innocence of children. He is particularly drawn to children in rural South Africa and believes that they embody the peace and harmony we all strive for in life. The search for eternal joy lies in the child within us all. We are just so consumed with worldly things that we forget the simplicity of life through a child’s perspective. He evolved his scope of experience as did his medium of expression, namely charcoal, acrylic, water colours, mono-types, silk screen, and oil paintings.

Makamo’s work forms part of a few collections such as those of fashion mogul Georgio Armani, musician Annie Lennox, TELKOM, and Hanzehof Zutphense KunstCollectis.

Nelson currently works as a full-time artist from his studio in the heart of the city of Joburg - a space he deems to be the most sacred place in the world.
Susan Wilkinson Maposa, Visiting Researcher, African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment (ACPSI)

Dr Susan Wilkinson Maposa is a senior research fellow at WBS. She is the co-author of the research monograph entitled “The poor philanthropist: how and why the poor help each other”. Her research areas include both horizontal and institutionalised community philanthropy in Africa. She has written on giving among “ordinary people”, the poor as well as small and medium enterprises. Additionally, she has conducted research into why donors fund community philanthropy, emergent forms of community philanthropy organisations and narrated the stories of community philanthropy leaders. PhD work developed and validated an instrument to gauge the horizontality of the behaviour of community philanthropy organisations. In 2017 she completed a fellowship at the Centre for the Study of Philanthropy and Public Good, St. Andrews University, Scotland. A PhD focusing on community philanthropy complements a degree in gender and development and one in political science.

Dr. Wilkinson Maposa’s academic career is combined with practical advisory work. Professional experience has been acquired within numerous organisations, including UN Women, GTZ, Cowater International, the Graduate School of Business University of Cape Town, The Firelight Foundation and Social Impact. She is currently a senior associate at Social Development Direct – a United Kingdom based consultancy.
Tsitsi Masiyiwa, Founder & Executive Chair, Higherlife Foundation

Tsitsi Masiyiwa is an African philanthropist and social entrepreneur. She is Executive Chair and Co-Founder of the Higherlife Foundation, whose primary goal is to invest in human capital development to build thriving communities and sustainable livelihoods. To that end, Higherlife Foundation’s portfolio encompasses investments in education and leadership development, healthcare and sanitation, job creation, rural transformation, and girls’ empowerment. As a result of her work and experience establishing and growing Higherlife Foundation over the last twenty years, Tsitsi has become an advisor and thought partner to universities, national leaders, and social entrepreneurs on issues of education, leadership development, and youth empowerment. In 2017, Tsitsi established Delta Philanthropies as a vehicle for impact investing and grant making. Delta Philanthropies seeks to unlock and catalyse innovative solutions to the elimination of poverty by convening strategic partnerships and incubating new development models.

Her work has garnered global recognition, including Honorary Doctorate degrees from Morehouse University in Atlanta, Georgia; Africa University in Mutare, Zimbabwe; as well as the prestigious Champions for Change Award for Leadership from the International Center for Research on Women (ICRW). In 2018, Tsitsi received the Points of Light Award from the UK Prime Minister in recognition for her philanthropic work in Education. Tsitsi is a founding board member and the current Board Chair of the African Philanthropy Forum, and also serves on the Board of Trustees of the Legatum Institute, the END Fund, and UNICEF’s Generation Unlimited Initiative. She lends her advisory expertise to several entities including the Sesame Workshop Global Advisory Group, the International Advisory Board for Texas A&M University, and the Kenjin-Tatsujin International Advisory Council. Previously, she served as a board member of PATH.
Jacob Mati, Lecturer, Sociology and Social Policy, School of Social Sciences, The University of the South Pacific, Fiji

Dr. Mati is a social scientist trained in Kenya and South Africa, currently working at the School of Social Sciences, The University of the South Pacific. His formal education includes an undergraduate degree in Political Science, Public Administration and Economics from Moi University (Kenya); a Master of Arts (Development studies), and Doctor of Philosophy (sociology) (University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa). His professional experience spans over 20 years of work in academia and international development as a researcher, lecturer and programme manager in several multi-country research and development projects. His current professional activities involve teaching sociology and social policy at the school of social sciences at The University of the South Pacific, Fiji. He is also an Associate Research Fellow at both the African Centre for Philanthropy and Social Investments and the Society, Work & Politics (SWOP) Institute at The University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa).
Kathleen McCarthy,
Director, Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society
Professor of History, The Graduate Center
The City University of New York (CUNY)

Kathleen D. McCarthy is Professor of History and founding director of the Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society at the Graduate School and University Center of the City University of New York (CUNY). She received her Ph.D in history from the University of Chicago, and was a post-doctoral Visiting Research Fellow at the Rockefeller Foundation and an historical consultant to the Ford Foundation. Professor McCarthy’s books, edited volumes, and articles explore philanthropy and civil society in local, national, and international contexts, and she has lectured on these topics worldwide. McCarthy is a former President of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action. She has also served as Treasurer of the International Society for Third Sector Research, and as a member of and participant at the first White House Conference in 1999. She currently serves as a member of the advisory board of the new African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment (ACPSI).
Bongi Mlangeni, 
*Executive Director, Social Justice Initiative*

Bongiwe Mlangeni is Executive Director of the Social Justice Initiative (SJI), a South African non-profit that promotes philanthropy in support of human rights and social justice work. Through collaboration with high-net-worth individuals, the SJI has mobilised funding for more than 70 social justice advocacy organisations based in South Africa. Previously, Mlangeni served as the communications director for The Graça Machel Trust and was the founding deputy director of Corruption Watch – an initiative that created a platform for the South African public to report corruption and hold the government accountable.

Mlangeni began her career in 1994 as a journalist. She has worked for leading print and broadcast media houses in her country, mainly covering socio-economic and women’s rights issues in Southern Africa. In 2004, she transitioned from journalism into the field of communications and has consulted for various international organizations. She holds a Masters of Management degree from the Wits School of Governance and has completed postgraduate studies at the Wits Business School and the London School of Economics. She is a member of the eleventh class of the Africa Leadership Initiative and a member of the Aspen Global Leadership Network.
Yvonne Moore, Principal Philanthropic Advisor, Moore Philanthropy

Yvonne is the Principal Philanthropic Advisor at Moore Philanthropy. She brings over 25 years of experience in the government, civil society, and philanthropic sectors. Prior to launching Moore Philanthropy, Ms. Moore was the Chief of Staff to U.S. filmmaker and philanthropist Abigail E. Disney where she oversaw the family’s network of media, philanthropic, and advocacy organizations. She led the family’s expansion into international giving in 2008 and continues to provide advisement on their personal philanthropic giving, both charitable and political.

With the creation of her advisory firm, Ms. Moore has expanded her international work, advising multiple families and individuals on their giving in the Eastern U.S. and Sub-Saharan Africa, and has significant experience in economic security, energy, clean water, education, and health. She has successfully forged connections with foreign government officials, built strong relationships with grassroots organizations and community advocates, and successfully co-developed projects in the most challenging of environments, including post-conflict and slum communities; her most recent project being the Ebola outbreak in Liberia.

Ms. Moore holds a BA from Texas Tech University and a MS in Nonprofit Management from the Milano School of International Affairs, Management, and Urban Policy at the New School. She has completed post-graduate studies in democracy and civil society at the University of Cape Town, and nationalism, post-conflict violence and gender at the University of Lower Silesia in Poland. Ms. Moore serves as a trustee of the Daphne Foundation, the New York Women’s Foundation and Faces of Giving. She also serves as an advisor to the Triskeles Foundation, the Accountability Council, Jola House Liberia, and the Periwinkle Initiative.
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Bhekinkosi Moyo, Director, African Centre on Philanthropy and Social Investment (ACPSI) University of the Witwatersrand Business School

Before joining WBS, Bhekinkosi Moyo was Chief Executive Officer of the Southern Africa Trust, and prior to that spent seven years with TrustAfrica as Director of Programmes, contributing significantly to the body of knowledge on African philanthropy and public policy. He is also currently a member of the Alliance magazine editorial advisory board.

Previously, Mr. Moyo was Research Fellow and subsequently Director of Programmes at TrustAfrica, where he spent almost seven years focusing on African philanthropy, civil society, and democratic governance. He is also the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the African Grant Makers Network (AGN), a platform for a collective voice on African philanthropy. A well published author on issues of civil society, philanthropy, governance and democracy, Mr. Moyo is a regular contributor to the Mail and Guardian’s Thought Leader blog, a columnist for the African Decisions Magazine, as well as a political analyst for print and electronic media.
Bishop Malusi Mpumlwana, Bishop, Ethiopian Episcopal Church

Bishop Malusi Mpumlwana currently serves as the Bishop of the Diocese of Maropeng of the Ethiopian Episcopal Church, where he provides strategic direction to the mission of the diocese and overseeing the pastoral ministries of priests and lay leaders in his diocese.

As of April 2014, Bishop Mpumlwana has been part time General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches, spearheading its work to lead common Christian action that works for moral witness in South Africa, addressing issues of social and economic justice, national reconciliation, the integrity of creation, eradication of poverty, and contributing towards the empowerment of all those who are spiritually, socially, and economically marginalized.

Trained at the Federal Theological Seminary, University of Cape Town and the University of Notre Dame, he follows the contextual theology approach that reflects on momentous challenges and distills those elements that cry out for intervention and failing, which history would judge adversely - a Kairos Theology.

Previously, Bishop Mpumlwana served for 10 years as the Director of Africa Programs of the Kellogg Foundation. While at the Kellogg Foundation, he oversaw an integrated programme designed to promote the socio-economic transformation of the southern African region in this post-Apartheid period.
Biographies

Nancy Msibi, *Project Manager, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung*

Nancy Msibi is a Project Manager at Konrad Adenauer Foundation. She is responsible for stakeholder management and coordination. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Limpopo. She holds an MPhil: Political Management degree from the University of Stellenbosch and an MA Policy Evaluation degree from the University of Johannesburg. She co-authored a Journal article which appeared in Administratio Publica Vol 23. No 3, September 2015, with Prof G S Cloete, titled *The Relationship between the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung in South Africa and its Recipients*: 2006-2011.

Tendai Murisa, *Director, SIVIO Institute*

Tendai Murisa is a development practitioner and researcher in public policy, social movement, philanthropy, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and pro-poor development across Africa. Murisa was educated at the University of Zimbabwe (BSc Hons, Political Science), Leeds University (MA, Development Studies) and Rhodes University (DPhil, Sociology). He has more than 15 years of experience working across Africa, at organisations such as the African Institute for Agrarian Studies (now, the Sam Moyo Africa Institute for Agrarian Studies – SMAIAS) and TrustAfrica where he joined as a Program Officer and rose up the rank to Executive Director. Since then, he established the SIVIO Institute in 2018 (www.sivioinstitute.org). He has published extensively on philanthropy, financial inclusion, social entrepreneurship, agrarian reforms, citizens and civil society, and social policy in peer reviewed journals and book chapters. He has also edited three books on Zimbabwe and Southern Africa. Murisa is also a blogger, and his recent blogs can be accessed at www.beyonddecrisis.org and www.tendaimurisa.org.
Naimani Mutima, Executive Director, Africa Grantmakers’ Affinity Group (AGAG)

Throughout her career, Niamani has developed a reputation for her skill in connecting people and ideas. She joined AGAG in 2001 and has guided its evolution from an idea to a vibrant network of funders promoting philanthropy to benefit African communities. While managing the AGAG network, she has conceptualized and facilitated a wide range of funder convenings and managed a research project focusing on American funding targeting Africa.

Before joining AGAG, Niamani worked with the Africa-American Institute and held positions in the Office of the Corporate Secretary, Media, Policy Issues, Conference, and Education programs.

As the Chief of Field Services for the USAID-funded African Leadership and Advanced Skills project she managed a grants program for African-based organizations, and organized conferences and meetings in two countries in Africa to promote networking among African professionals working in different sectors. She was editor of two project newsletters and numerous reports. In her extensive travel throughout Africa, Niamani worked with government and university officials, international Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), and civil society organizations.

Mrs. Mutima has a bachelor’s degree in Anthropology from Princeton University and a master’s degree in Philanthropic Studies from Indiana University’s Lilly Family School of Philanthropy.
Nicolette Naylor,  
*International Program Director, Gender, Racial & Ethnic Justice*  
*Regional Director, Office for Southern Africa*  
*Ford Foundation*

Nicolette Naylor is a South African human rights lawyer, who has completed two law degrees at the University of the Western Cape and a Latin Legum Magister (LLM) in International Human Rights at University College London. Nicolette started her career practicing law in the commercial, human rights, and public interest law arena in South Africa and London. In 2007, she joined the philanthropic community as an appointed Program Officer at the Ford Foundation, responsible for human rights programming. Nicolette has focused on issues of human rights and governance with a specific focus on women’s rights, as well as the practice of social justice philanthropy.

In July 2015, she assumed the role of Regional Director for Ford Foundation’s operations in Southern Africa, where she directs strategy, program, and operational decisions of the Office for Southern Africa. In January 2019, she assumed an additional role of International Program Director: Gender, Racial & Ethnic Justice, responsible for directing the Foundation’s global programming on violence against women and girls and continues to direct the program and operations in Southern Africa.
Raphael Ndiaye, Director General, Leopold Senghor Foundation

Mr. Alphonse Raphaël Ndiaye of Senegalese nationality, has followed higher education and professional training as a UNESCO Expert for training workshop on Intangible Cultural Heritage (Libreville, 2011), a professional training course in book publishing (Paris, 1986). He has Ph.D. in Linguistics, with a concentration ethno-linguistics (1981, Sorbonne-Nouvelle, Paris III) and a Higher diploma in Library Science, (Paris, 1972). He has made many research works, publications, and contributions to collective books.

He has been Professor of Librarianship at the School of Librarians, Archivists and Documentalists of Dakar (Cheikh Anta Diop University, UCAD, 1975 - 1987); cultural mediation at Higher Institute of Arts and Cultures (UCAD, 2009, for Master II students); and Intangible Cultural Heritage at Gaston Berger University of Saint-Louis in Senegal, (for Masters II students 2014). Mr. Ndiaye has been the Director General of Leopold Sedar Senghor Foundation since March 2013, and Publication Director of Ethiopiques Review, since 1975.
Almaz Negash, Founder & Executive Director, African Diaspora Network

Ms. Almaz Negash is the founder and Executive Director of the African Diaspora Network (ADN). In 2010, Negash founded the African Diaspora Network (ADN) to inform and engage Africans in the Diaspora and facilitate direct collaboration with social entrepreneurs, innovators, and business leaders to invest in and improve the lives of everyone on the continent. Under her leadership and vision, ADN is now the home of the African Diaspora Investment Symposium (ADIS), an annual conference in Silicon Valley and the Builders of Africa’s Future Program.

Negash served as Sr. Managing Director of Step Up Silicon Valley, a social innovation network and anti-poverty lab focused on increasing economic self-sufficiency. During her tenure, the County of Santa Clara implemented the first Pay for Success (social impact bond) through public and private partnership of about $24 Million to help reduce chronic homelessness and mental health. Negash is an Executive in Residence at the School of Global Innovation & Leadership, Lucas College, and the Graduate School of Business, SJSU. Among other appointments, from 2017-19, she served on the UN Economic Council for Africa High Level Panel on Migration.
Henry Nii Wellington, *Independent Scholar, Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies, University of Ghana, Legon*

Henry is an independent scholar affiliated to the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies at the University of Ghana, Legon. He is also currently appointed as National Project Consultant for the Fort Amsterdam Restoration and Conservation Project, Abandze, Central Region. His experience includes supervising PhD candidates, surveying the state of traditional management systems for conservation of selected World Heritage Sites in the coastal and forest regions of Ghana (commissioned by UNESCO, Accra Office), presenting exhibitions on research findings on the intangible and tangible cultural heritage of the Osu Community. His education background includes a certificate from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), a Doctorate in Engineering from the Technical University of Braunschweig, Germany, and a Masters in Architecture from the University of Science and Technology, Kumasi.
Una Osili,  
*Associate Dean for Research and International Programs  
Professor of Economics and Philanthropic Studies  
Dean’s Fellow, Mays Family Institute on Diverse Philanthropy  
Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy*

Una O. Osili, Ph.D., is an economist with significant experience in research and policy in the fields of household behavior and economic policy. She serves as Associate Dean for Research and International Programs and Dean’s Fellow, Mays Institute on Diverse Philanthropy, at the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, the world’s first school dedicated to increasing the understanding of philanthropy and improving its practice worldwide.

Dr. Osili directs the school’s research program with its partners including US Trust, United Way Worldwide, Coutts Inc., and National Collegiate Athletic Association. She leads the research and publication of Giving USA, Global Philanthropy Indices, and pioneered new approaches to using data to better understand global and national philanthropic trends. Dr. Osili is a member of the graduate school faculty at Indiana University. She earned her B.A. in Economics at Harvard University, and her M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics from Northwestern University.
Ebrima Sall, Executive Director, TrustAfrica

Ebrima Sall is the immediate past Executive Secretary of the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), Africa’s leading social research council that was ranked top think tank of Sub-Saharan Africa in the 2016 Goto-Global Think Tanks Report of the University of Pennsylvania.

Prior to becoming the Executive Secretary (April 2009 to June 2017), he was a Senior Programme Officer and Head of Research at CODESRIA for five years (2004-2009). He has also held senior positions in other institutions, including as Managing Director of the Center for the Promotion of Village Savings and Credit Associations (VISACA) in BrikamaBa, The Gambia, which was then under the Gambian Ministry of Agriculture (1992-1994); and Senior Research Fellow and Programme Coordinator at the Nordic Africa Institute in Uppsala, Sweden (2001-2004). He taught as an adjunct professor at the political science department of Gaston Berger University, in Saint-Louis, Senegal, from 1996 to 2000.

He holds a ‘Maitrise’ (MA) degree in Economic and Social Administration from the University of Grenoble in France, a Diplome d’Etudes Approfondies (DEA) in the socio-economics of development, and a Doctorate in sociology from the University of Paris I-Pantheon-Sorbonne.

He was a post-doctoral fellow of Yale University’s Program in Agrarian Studies in 1997-98, and is currently a Senior Research Fellow of the Center for African Studies, Harvard University. Ebrima is the (co-)author/editor of several publications on higher education, academic freedom, the social sciences, social movements, citizenship, governance, and post-conflict transitions in Africa.
Ombeni Sefue, Member of the Board of Trustees, Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete Foundation

Ambassador Ombeni Y. Sefue was previously the Chief Secretary to the President of Tanzania from 2011-2016. He began his work as Tanzania’s Ambassador to the US on June 15, 2007. Sefue studied public policy and administration at what is today Mzumbe University, and later earned an MA (with distinction) in the same field at the Institute of Social Studies (ISS) at The Hague, The Netherlands, in 1981. He also holds a post-graduate diploma in international relations and diplomacy from the Tanzania-Mozambique Center for Foreign Relations in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and has earned certificates in international negotiations, and in economic and social problems of developing countries.

Sefue served as counselor at the Embassy of Tanzania in Stockholm, Sweden, from 1987 to 1992. The embassy had multiple accreditations to Denmark, Norway, Finland, and Iceland. He left the Foreign Service in 1993 to serve as speechwriter and personal assistant to then-President Ali Hassan Mwinyi.

Following general elections in 1995, the new president, Benjamin William Mkapa, retained Sefue as his speechwriter and personal assistant with added responsibilities until 2005 when the president’s term came to an end. During this time, Sefue worked with Hernando de Soto’s Institute for Liberty and Democracy to establish a Property and Business Formalization Program for Tanzania. He was also worked with the Clinton Foundation’s HIV/AIDS Initiative to develop an HIV/AIDS Care and Treatment Plan for Tanzania, as well as the Mkapa National HIV/AIDS Fellows Program.
Barbara Shubinski, Director of Research and Education, Rockefeller Archive Center

Barbara Shubinski is the Director of Research and Education at the Rockefeller Archive Center (RAC) in Sleepy Hollow, New York. She joined the RAC in 2010 to work on a web-based Centennial History Project for the Rockefeller Foundation. In 2013, she co-authored the volume *Democracy and Philanthropy: The Rockefeller Foundation and the American Experiment*. Dr. Shubinski has designed digital history projects for several foundations including the Rockefeller Brothers Fund and the Commonwealth Fund.

Dr. Shubinski directs a team of historians and educators working to communicate the history of American philanthropy to both non-profit sector audiences and the general public through the rich resources held by the RAC. She lectures regularly on the US and global impact of foundation grant-making, as well as individual and family philanthropy. Her research interests include Green Revolution agriculture, environmental and climate change activism, and the development of the social sciences.

Prior to joining the RAC, Dr. Shubinski worked in non-profit management at institutions including theaters, art museums, and environmental education centers. She received her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Virginia and Stanford University, and her Ph.D. in American studies from the University of Iowa.
Vuyiswa Sidzumo, Senior Program Officer, Southern Africa, Ford Foundation

Vuyiswa Sidzumo is a Senior Program Officer based in the foundation’s Johannesburg office. Her grant making focuses on youth opportunity, sexual and reproductive health, women’s rights, and philanthropy.

Prior to joining the foundation in October 2017, she spent 12 years at the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation serving as an Associate Program Officer and Program Officer before becoming country director for South Africa in 2009. Vuyiswa oversaw evaluations of the country program and strategy development within the office as well as positioning the office for a Pan African focus. She also designed programs to strengthen the organisational capacity and sustainability of organizations supported by Mott. She also played a key role building relationships between government, philanthropy, and civil society, as well as civil society and social movements.

Vuyiswa also spent time working within government as Director of Donor Relations in the former Department of Provincial and Local Government in South Africa where she focused on donor monitoring and evaluation. Prior to working in government, she worked as a program officer within the United Nations Development Program and for the Sedibeng Centre for Organisational Effectiveness. She has also worked as a consultant on organizational effectiveness and impact assessments. Vuyiswa has pioneered work in the local philanthropy space in South Africa and in the US and currently serves as chair of the steering committee of the Africa Grantmaker’s Affinity Group (AGAG). She also serves on the board of the Listen Charity South Africa.

Vuyiswa is a scientist by training, with an MS in biochemistry.
Henning Suhr, Head, KAS (South Africa Office)

Henning Suhr studied Political Science at universities in New York City, Florence and Potsdam. He concluded his studies with a Master’s degree in International Relations at the Free University of Berlin, the Humboldt University of Berlin and the University of Potsdam in 2006. After a short stay as a consultant for the German Technical Cooperation, he started working for the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) as a trainee in Rio de Janeiro in 2007. Two years later he was transferred to the foundation’s head office in Berlin to work as a desk officer for Southern Africa. From 2012 until 2017 he had assignments as Resident Representative in the KAS offices in Venezuela, Costa Rica and Panama. Since April 2017 he has been in charge of the KAS office in South Africa.
Stigmata Tenga, *Executive Director, Africa Philanthropy Network*

Stigmata Tenga is the Executive Director of the Africa Philanthropy Network (APN) and the President of the Foundation for Civil Society in Tanzania. She is an accomplished anthropologist with more than twenty years consultancy experience in institutional development and process facilitation. Ms. Tenga has practiced with central and local governments, civil society, and communities in Tanzania and in selected counties in African region. She also serves on various boards.

Zouera Youssoufou, *Managing Director and CEO, Aliko Dangote Foundation*

Ms. Zouera Youssoufou is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Aliko Dangote Foundation, based in Lagos. In this role, she leads the Foundation’s efforts to improve the health, nutrition, and educational outcomes for the less fortunate, primarily in Nigeria and Africa. Youssoufou is responsible for the Foundation’s short, medium and long term strategies, and provides overall management oversight for the Foundation. She reports to the Board of Directors of the Aliko Dangote Foundation. Prior to joining the Aliko Dangote Foundation, Youssoufou was the World Bank Country Manager for Gabon, Equatorial Guinea and Sao Tomé and Principe. Youssoufou was responsible for developing the World Bank’s engagement strategies and overseeing the implementation of World Bank projects in the three countries. Prior to this, Youssoufou spent 6 years at the International Finance Corporation, where she led the Global Women in Business Program (WIN). In that role, she was responsible for creating opportunities for women entrepreneurs in the developing world, specifically in Access to Finance. She joined the World Bank Group in 2005 from Citigroup’s Smith Barney unit in New York and Atlanta where she covered emerging markets and 13 industry sectors as an Equity Research Analyst.

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In the early 2000s he worked as a consultant for the Ford and MacArthur Foundations on their initiatives to revitalize higher education in Africa. His research project on the African academic diaspora conducted for the Carnegie Corporation of New York in 2011-12 led to the establishment of the Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program in 2013 that has, to date, sponsored nearly 400 African born academics in the United States and Canada to work with dozens of universities in six African countries. He was President of the U.S. African Studies Association in 2008-2009. He currently serves as Editor-in-Chief of the Oxford Bibliographies Online in African Studies.

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