



2018-2019 Oxford Seed Fund Team

Diana Kolar – Chair, Managing Director



Diana is a finance professional with 6+ years experience in Investment Banking at J.P. Morgan in New York, specializing in Debt Capital Markets and Leveraged Finance. Her expertise is in relationship management, strategic communication and connecting growing companies with relevant investor partners. She also has extensive experience in advising Technology, Media and Telecommunications companies on debt capital raising and strategic acquisitions.

Diana is a strong supporter of women in finance, and led the Junior Women in Banking group at JPM and most recently served on the Operating Committee of the firm’s Vice President Women’s Network. Diana is also passionate about start-ups and finding (and funding) the “next big thing”, and represented J.P. Morgan NEXT at the Forbes 30 Under 30 Conference in 2017.

Diana graduated from Georgetown University’s McDonough School of Business with a major in Finance and minors in Spanish and Justice & Peace Studies (with distinction). She is attending Oxford as a Saïd Foundation Scholar. Diana enjoys singing, attending live music shows, skiing and traveling.

Miguel Velazquez – Deputy Managing Director, Portfolio Management & Due Diligence



Miguel has 8+ years of experience in the tech industry in Silicon Valley, where he has focused on business operations at both large and small companies. He worked for 5 years at Facebook, where he managed user support and content moderation for 150 million users in Latin America. He also helped integrate Instagram’s user operations into Facebook’s following the latter’s acquisition of the former.

After Facebook, Miguel transitioned to working with small startups and helping them scale. He managed operations for Secret, a social media startup, and later became Head of Operations at Fin, a digital personal assistant startup. At both companies, Miguel oversaw various business functions including core operations, HR, finance, and legal.

Miguel grew up in Venezuela and holds B.A.s in Government and Economics from Dartmouth College. He is passionate about technology and has a growing interest in ethical design. He is an avid runner, skier, and sailor and is a novice rower at Oxford.

Sundeep Singh – Deputy Managing Director, Sourcing



Sundeep is a corporate lawyer and social entrepreneur with problem-solving experience from the public, private and non-profit sectors.

Sundeep specialized within the private equity and venture capital industry as a corporate lawyer. As legal advisor to the most prominent Nordic private equity funds, investors and the investment arm of the Norwegian Government, he has vast experience from the whole fund investment cycle. Sundeep has advised investors on international fund investments across Europe and North America worth more than £100 million through his career.

In addition to his legal career, Sundeep has co-founded two ventures addressing social challenges in Norway. He was selected as a World Economic Forum Global Shaper for his social initiatives, and named one of Norway's top 100 multicultural male role models in 2014.

Sundeep holds a Master of Laws from the University of Oslo where he was a scholar at the Norwegian Parliament. Sundeep is attending the University of Oxford as an Annual Alumni Fund scholar.

Paul Rowlinson - Director



Paul brings an extensive background in valuation and financial modelling. He worked in Ernst & Young's Technology M&A practice in San Francisco.

Paul has advised clients ranging from early-stage start ups to large multinationals on a wide range of strategic initiatives including pre and post deal analysis, due diligence and fund raising efforts. In a personal capacity, Paul has worked with a number of early stage start-ups in their attempts to secure funding and scale.



Prior to working in San Francisco, Paul advised clients across the oil & gas, resources and retail industries in Australia.

Paul holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Melbourne and in-part at the University of Edinburgh. He is also a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and New Zealand. Outside of work, Paul is an avid golfer and runner and has studied and worked in six countries.

Amelie Busch - Director



Amelie spent the last seven years working in financial technology in New York City and London in roles ranging from consulting to business development.

In her most recent role, she managed the EMEA relationships, sales, and negotiations with clients in her firm's Strategic Client Group, which represents the largest multi-national banking, investment management, and wealth management clients. For the past decade, Amelie has been involved in the social impact space and has experience working with microlenders, local governments, foundations, entrepreneurs, and impact investors.

Amelie holds a BSc in Business Administration, with a double major in Finance and Economics, from Elon University in North Carolina. She is a native German speaker and enjoys playing tennis and travelling in her free time.

Christina He - Director



Christina brings extensive experience in international education and education technology. She is passionate about providing better and broader education to learners from all walks of life. Christina was the investment manager at Navitas Ventures, the corporate venture arm of a leading global education company, where she managed the investments in EdTech companies around the world with a vision for better and smarter learning. Prior to her venture role, Christina was responsible for strategy development and large-scale M&A activities at company's group level.

Before pursuing her passion in Education, Christina had four-year strategy and operation consulting experience in Australasia where she worked closely with people across all levels of organisations, from front-line operational staff to board level executives, to solve complex business problems and help organisations to grow.

Grown up in China and lived in Australia, Christina has been committed engaging young professionals into the Australia-China relationship. She was an active contributor and an emerging leader in the Australia-China community prior to her Oxford journey.

Christina graduated with 1st Class Honours in Accounting and Corporate Finance from the University of Adelaide in Australia. In her spare time, she is a classical pianist, a keen tennis player and a hopeful photographer.

Alexandra Perez – Director



Alexandra has spent the last five years working in the commercial real estate industry, covering investment, consulting, marketing, and innovation.

Her passion lies in applying technology to create solutions to real estate's biggest problems. Most recently, Alexandra has been freelance consulting for 'PropTech' start-ups in London, gaining a sense of the entrepreneurial landscape and what is required to get a young venture to a minimum viable product.



She began her career in shopping centre development in Miami as an intrapreneur, founding an online platform to reduce the friction in retail leasing. She then built and led the marketing department for a boutique consultancy in London, before pivoting into management consulting focused on helping major multinationals optimise their real estate strategy.

Alexandra holds a BA in Journalism from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In her leisure time, she enjoys traveling, skiing, and competing in triathlons.

Nikul Roshania - Director



Nikul has a background that combines strategy consulting, operational execution and new venture work with over 5 years of experience.

Prior to pursuing an MBA at Oxford, Nikul worked across Asia and Africa. He started his career as an analyst in Private Equity at New Silk Route in India. He then joined Strategy& (formally Booz & Co.) in South Africa where he focused on financial services, consumer goods corporate issues and was part of the founding South African team. In 2016 he moved to Rwanda to work with TechnoServe, an NGO, as a Fellow to assist them and the government in optimizing the in-country coffee value chain. He then moved to Tanzania to help Africa Healthcare Network, a dialysis service provider chain, expand across East Africa.

In his spare time he rows, is learning French (he also speaks Japanese and Swahili) and is an avid art enthusiast with a particular passion for surrealism.

Nikul holds a dual engineering degree in Biomedical Engineering from the University of the Witwatersrand and Electrical Engineering from the University of Cape Town where he graduated with an honours award.

Alexandra MacBain - Director



Alexandra is passionate about helping entrepreneurs build great products that shape the world.

Alexandra's experience at Google taught her about how to use technology to tackle global problems. In corporate law, Alexandra worked hand-in-hand with entrepreneurs and helped their start-ups grow through financing rounds. These financings included the largest ever Series A artificial intelligence financing and financings in diagnostic health technology and fintech.

Alexandra is a licensed barrister and solicitor in Canada.

Alexandra also holds a First Class Honours undergraduate degree from the University of St. Andrews, an MSc from LSE and a law degree from McGill University.

In her spare time, Alexandra served as a board member and board secretary of a theatre company helping the theatre company scale its operations and draft corporate governance documents.

Randolf Luttner - Director



Randolf is passionate about innovation, strategy, and advising ventures and their management teams. He has extensive experience in supporting companies overcome operational issues, define growth strategies and execute transformational projects. Before joining the Oxford Seed Fund and the Oxford MBA, Randolf has spent more than four years at The Boston Consulting Group working mostly with clients from the Healthcare and Energy industries on corporate development topics.

During his time at BCG, Randolf has supported founders of early-stage ventures as part of BCG's collaboration with the Impact Hub, a global network of impact-focused ventures. Previously, Randolf has also worked for a Berlin-based tech startup on new business and product development.

In his free time, Randolf enjoys spending his time travelling the globe, rowing for his College (an Oxford must-do!) and doing other sports, as well as sampling new restaurants and cuisines.

Randolf holds business and management M.Sc. degrees from Maastricht University and Universidade Nova de Lisboa and a B.Sc. from Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt. He has studied and worked in more than 8 countries.

Alice Truswell – Director



Alice is interested in enhancing financial literacy and global access to affordable and fair banking products, in particular the use of technology to empower better financial management, security and independence.

She spent the last four years working in internal strategy for the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, most recently within the digital division developing the Bank's online platforms. There she was responsible for research partnerships and producing responses to global market and customer trends (including mobile banking and wallets) for investment prioritisation. She led the introduction of a new customer KPI and designed an approach to incorporate customer sentiment into digital product design at scale, standardising complaints analysis and capturing customer feedback across the portfolio of 50+ scrum teams. She also helped digitalise the Bank's home buying process through national, industry-wide projects that established an online settlement platform (PEXA), electronic certificates of property title and online legal conveyancing.

Prior to banking, Alice worked as a management consultant with Accenture, specialising in finance and risk strategy for public and private sector organisations. She previously held roles in corporate strategy with Coffey International and accounting with PwC.

She holds a Bachelor of Business degree with First Class Honours from the University of Technology Sydney and enjoys drawing, pilates and rowing.