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# EMBA Profiles

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**Amal Alhefdhi**

Saudi Arabia

**Associate Professor and Consultant of Breast and Endocrine Surgery**  
King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Center, Saudi Arabia**Sector:** Healthcare

Dr Amal is an Associate Professor and Consultant of Breast and Endocrine Surgery. She is also a member of several committee's and boards, including Chairman of Morbidity and Mortality Committee, General Surgery Chairman of Research Committee and a member of the General Surgery Examination Committee (GSEC) for postgraduate studies. Dr Amal is also the Program Director of Breast and Endocrine Surgical Oncology Fellowship Training and Deputy Program Director of Surgery clerkship at AlFaisal University. She received a nomination to serve as an engaged member within the Saudi Food and Drug Authority, specifically contributing to the medical devices committee.

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**Elie Aloko**

Benin

**Vice President, Head of Business Development and Fundraising**  
Africa Finance Corporation, Nigeria**Sector:** Financial Services

Elie is Vice President, Head of Business Development and Fundraising at AFC Capital Partners (ACP), the asset management arm of Africa Finance Corporation (AFC). With an investment footprint of US\$10 billion across 36 African countries, AFC is a leading investment-grade Multilateral Finance Institution and preeminent infrastructure solutions provider in Africa. Elie has significant investment experience in Africa and Global Emerging Markets and executed several transactions worth over US\$ 5 billion in sustainable infrastructure investments.

**Natalia Amer**

Italy/Switzerland

**Co-Founder**

Onzite, Switzerland

**Sector:** Medical Devices

Natalia is a dynamic HR leader with over 15 years of expertise and a focus in Talent Acquisition and Engagement across Europe, Latin America, and North America.

She is now the co-founder of Onzite, the global leader's resource for purpose-driven work sprints tailored for remote and hybrid teams, drawing on her extensive experience to shape a new paradigm.

Natalia channels her commitment to building highly efficient and innovative work structures that not only fuel rapid growth but also elevate company culture and diversity, positioning Onzite as a trailblazer in the evolving landscape of the professional world.

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**Nicolas Arrellaga**

Paraguay

**Managing Partner**

Nube Capital, Brazil

**Sector:** Financial Services

Nicolas is a passionate serial entrepreneur, with a clear vision and dedication for the financial inclusion cause. His main objective is to bring digital disruption and innovation to Latin America, by developing new technology for the financial services sector.

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**Henrik Atteryd**

Sweden

**Head of AI Hub**

Tele2, Sweden

**Sector:** Telecommunications

As Head of AI Hub at Tele2 Sweden, Henrik established and manages a department dedicated to developing AI for various sectors of the business. The software developed personalises and automates customer interactions, producing smart summaries and forecasts, identifying service inefficiencies and potential quality deterioration. As a member of the Data Division Leadership team, Henrik advises on new areas for AI adoption and implementation.



**Alisa Ayvazyan**

Armenia

**Business Development Advisor**

Tetrattech Engineering and Consulting, Armenia

**Sector:** Consulting

Alisa is currently contracted by Tetra Tech Engineering and Consulting. There she provides market analysis, research, strategy and implementation plans. Her knowledge and contributions were used in an upcoming USAID funded project, with a budget estimation between \$12,000,000 and \$20,000,000 USD.

## B

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**Jan Baan**

The Netherlands

**CEO**

Omoda, The Netherlands

**Sector:** Retail (E-commerce)

As CEO and Co-Owner of Omoda, Jan heads one of the leading Dutch fashion retailers with a team of 800 and a long history, dating back to 1875. Omoda has a strong online footprint in Northern Europe with a sizeable offline store base, including a portfolio of 33 stores. His main ambition is to build a unique fashion proposition on- and offline, by combining the best of both worlds (offline boutiques and large e-commerce). All through the creation of a more personalised, inspirational shopping experience, based on a truly curated multi-brand collection and trend-setting offline boutiques.

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**Johann Baar**

Germany

**Member of the Executive Board**

Hilti Foundation, Liechtenstein

**Sector:** Corporate Philanthropy

Johann is a current member of the Executive Board of the Hilti Foundation. He heads their program area 'Affordable Housing and Technology'. In this role, he drives large-scale initiatives across the global south aiming to change how low-income families build and live. A priority is the development of technical solutions for better and safer homes.

**Alexandra Bailey**

United Kingdom

**Director of Operational Excellence**  
Babcock International, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Defence

Alexandra is responsible for the delivery of the Transformation of Babcock International Group PLC, a global aerospace, defence and security company. Currently, in its second year of a corporate turnaround, Alexandra was brought in to manage and deliver the transformation. As part of her group role she is also on the board of Babcock Nuclear; an international civil and nuclear defence business that operates globally.

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**Lujaen Basri**

Saudi Arabia

**General Director of Data Integration & Analytics**  
Ministry of Energy, Saudi Arabia

**Sector:** Energy

Lujaen Basri is an accomplished leader in the energy sector, currently serving as the General Director of Data Integration and Analytics at the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Energy. With a diverse background in business intelligence, data visualisation and analytics, and strategic planning. She has played a vital role in leading the development and implementation of several of the ministry's policies and strategies, including the Data Strategy. Lujaen's expertise extends to her work at world-renowned entities such as Saudi Aramco, KAPSARC, as well as working at the tech industry in the US for over two years, where she excelled in roles focused on data-driven decision making and collaboration with world-class clients. Her commitment to technical proficiency and strategic leadership makes her an invaluable asset to the energy industry.

**Fabian Bello**

United States/Cuba

**CEO**

Journey Aviation, United States

**Sector:** Aerospace

Fabian is CEO and founding member of Journey Aviation, an aircraft management and charter operator headquartered in Boca Raton, Florida. Under his leadership, the company has demonstrated notable growth since its inception in 2014. Within its first eight years in business, the company has exceeded \$500 million USD in total revenue and projected to exceed \$1 billion by its 12th year.

In addition to his responsibilities as CEO, he has become a serial entrepreneur with a significant focus in the aviation industry. He acquired Longtail Aviation, the only airline in Bermuda in 2019, and sits on its board as Chairman. He is also a partner and prominent shareholder of the largest aircraft maintenance facility in Allentown, PA, servicing every prominent general aviation aircraft product in the industry.

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**Jonathan Bouwer-Davies**

United Kingdom

**Dental Director**

Smile Together Dental CIC, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Healthcare

Jonathan is the newly appointed Managing Director of Smile Together Dental, a healthcare organisation and Community Interest Company. He is currently transforming the organisation's corporate governance to focus upon effective risk management. He is also responsible for developing strategic relationships with regional and national partners.

## C

**Fiorella Cardenas Zavaleta**

Peru

**Senior Manager, LATAM Region Regulatory, Risk and Compliance**  
Amazon**Sector:** Retail

Leader of the Regulatory, Risk, and Compliance group in the LATAM region, responsible for developing and implementing strategic plans to ensure compliance with regional regulations and Amazon policies, managing risk assessments to minimize customer dissatisfaction or potential danger and fostering a culture of regulatory excellence while promoting global collaboration with other regions' internal and external stakeholders.

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**Joe Carter**

United States

**CEO**

Heritage Land Solutions

**Sector:** Real Estate & Environmental

Joe is a proven CEO, Principal/Investor, CSO, and Board leader, recognised for integrity, passion, and commitment. For more than two decades, Joe has guided multiple organisations through the full lifecycle, from vision/brand creation and go-to-market strategy to infrastructure-build, organic, and M&A growth, integration, and exit. Joe has strategised and led many PE-backed M&A and integration initiatives, including PE-to-PE transactions, with an aggregate value of \$250M+.

Currently, Joe is leading Heritage Land Solutions. Heritage is a real estate investment firm investing in properties to facilitate sustainable energy generation and carbon capture projects.

**Allison Chandler**

United States

**Data Protection Officer**

Prescient Healthcare Group, UK

**Sector:** Healthtech

Allison is currently serving as Data Protection Officer at Prescient Healthcare Group. After earning a law degree, she spent several years practising regulatory law before pursuing a career pivot into legal roles in the clinical trial and real-world evidence space, including over five years at a health tech start-up that she saw through an acquisition. Her career has had a large focus on leading organisational compliance in regard to data governance.

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**Tom Charlton**

United Kingdom

**Clinical Oncology Specialist Registrar**

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Healthcare

Tom is an experienced oncology medical doctor who has worked in healthcare education and leadership for over 10 years. He currently serves as the Chief Registrar at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and Co-Chair of the Royal College of Radiologist's Oncology Registrars Forum, where he supports 500 trainee oncology doctors across the United Kingdom.

As a Clinical Oncologist, Tom works closely with a multidisciplinary team of doctors, nurses, and radiographers to deliver radiotherapy, chemotherapy, and innovative targeted cancer therapies.

His research interests include technical radiotherapy planning and using Artificial Intelligence to facilitate earlier detection of lung cancer recurrence. He delivers postgraduate medical education internationally.

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**Kaja Cheng**

China

**Head of Talent Acquisition for ESG Business and Partner Admission**

PwC Mainland China and Hong Kong, Hong Kong

**Sector:** Professional Services

Kaja oversees strategic workforce and planning for PwC's sustainable business growth across nine service lines in Greater China. Based in Hong Kong, she leads a regional team to expand the firm's outreach to designated talents and build a robust talent pipeline with 40% annual growth. With her prior experience deeply rooted in executive recruitment and talent development in the financial services sector across APAC, she cultivates talents to excel in today's changing environment.



**Lisa Chung**

Canada/United Kingdom

**Head of Strategic Growth, International**  
Marks and Spencer, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Retail

Lisa is an experienced and commercially-minded strategy leader with a Chartered Accountant background. In her current role as Head of Strategic Growth (International) at a listed multinational retailer, Lisa is responsible for identifying and developing the strategy for new growth opportunities and strategic projects in Marks and Spencer International. Acting as a partner to the International Leadership Team and broader senior leadership, she owns the process to take ideas from concept to execution. Prior to transitioning into retail/e-commerce, Lisa spent more than a decade in Financial Services in professional services, spanning both consulting and audit. She also brings a wealth of international experience having worked across Canada, the Netherlands and the UK.

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**Patrick Constantino**

United States

**International Expansion, Senior Manager**  
Amazon Prime Video, United States

**Sector:** E-commerce/Entertainment/Technology

Based out of Los Angeles, California, Patrick is a Senior International Expansion Business Manager at Amazon Prime Video. As part of his role, he oversees business expansion across the Middle East/North Africa, Sub-Sahara Africa, and Southeast Asia regions. Prior to that, he spent eight years working in North America and Europe with Amazon Fresh and Amazon Web Services, and an additional five years working for the US Government. He is a founding partner of Evergreen Terrace Investments, a California-based real estate investment group. He is the Chairman of the Board, of the recently established Constantino Family Foundation, a STEM-focused 501(c)(3) charitable organisation. He holds a Master's of Science in Information Security.

**R. Clarke Cooper**

United States

**Founder and President**

Guard Hill House, LLC, United States

**Sector:** Defence, Energy, and Sustainable Development

As the founder of Guard Hill House, LLC, a consultancy dedicated to clientele with global portfolio interests, Clarke brings over two decades of experience in diplomatic, intelligence, and military roles including service as U.S. Assistant Secretary of State where he led a global enterprise of 600 personnel, and on an annual basis oversaw \$170 billion in arms sales and \$16 billion in security assistance.

He concurrently serves as the International Affairs Advisor for the Hellenic Group, LLC and heads their analysis cell to advise on conditions and risks related to the sustainable development of major industrial, commercial, and community infrastructure enclaves worldwide.

Clarke is also a member of the Commonwealth of Virginia LGBTQ+ Advisory Board where he advises the Governor on the economic, professional, cultural, educational, and governmental links between the Commonwealth and the LGBTQ+ community.

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**Rowland Corr**

United Kingdom

**Vice President & Head of Government Relations**

Enea AB, Sweden

**Sector:** Telecommunications

A member of the Enea group leadership team, Rowland's role centres on helping cybersecurity agencies and regulators to execute their national strategies. Identifying and addressing systemic blind spots in societal resilience nationally and internationally has been central in Rowland's career spanning public and private sector roles. Regularly invited to speak at leading industry forums, Rowland is proudest where his work enables vulnerabilities and victims to be identified which would otherwise go undiscovered.

Rowland serves on a voluntary basis on the Strategic Management Advisory Committee of Mensa International.

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**Peter Davies**

United Kingdom

**Consultant**

United Kingdom

**Sector:** Multisector

Peter works as a financial consultant, leveraging data to provide strategic guidance to senior management teams and boards of directors. He specialises in data exploration, analysis, and insights generation - often from disparate sources - to drive informed decision-making and prepare for successful changes in ownership.

He was most recently Head of Business Analytics at Cult Beauty – a global leader in beauty e-commerce – where he led insights across finance, operations and marketing and worked closely with the executive chair and board on establishing growth plans for the company. Leading up to Cult Beauty's acquisition by THG plc in August 2021, Peter was an instrumental part of the management team completing the sale. He directed the business's due diligence and took a leadership role in its exit. His background is in hedge funds and renewable energy projects, both as a portfolio manager and a fundraiser.

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**Mark Devine**

United Kingdom

**Director/CFO/COO**

MDBAS et al, United Kingdom

**Sector:** FMCG

In 2015, Mark founded corporate finance, strategy and performance improvement consultancy MDBAS, having spent eight years previous turning the McCambridge Group from annual losses of £17m and a £100m debt pile to annual profits of £14m before divesting the Group to generate significant returns. Mark advises the boards of a \$0.5bn protein business with operations across Europe, Africa and Asia and a €0.7bn FMCG business with operations across Europe as well as working with family offices and mid-market PE investors. In his spare time Mark is also Chief Operating Officer and CFO of a fast growing £120m turnover FMCG/Pharma business.

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**Tinashe Garapo**

Zimbabwe

**Head of Motor Business**

Sanlam Emerging Markets, South Africa

**Sector:** Financial Services

Tinashe is Head of Business within the General Insurance operations of Sanlam Emerging Markets. He oversees subsidiary businesses in several countries spanning Southern and East Africa. In this role, Tinashe is responsible for designing market strategies that ensure strong market performance in retail and Corporate segments, ensuring responsive internal processes, and delivering a powerful value proposition within the market.

Tinashe is a Qualified Actuary of the Society of Actuaries (USA), holds an MSc in Insurance and Risk Management from Bayes Business School (Formerly Cass Business School) in London, and has over a decade of experience in the insurance industry – spanning Health & Life, and Property & Casualty. Tinashe has a passion for business turnarounds, and aims to leverage the Oxford EMBA to enhance his skills and professional network to this end.

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**Aziz Emre Gunel**

Turkey

**Technology Entrepreneur and Consultant**

Zuva International Technology LLC, Turkey

**Sector:** Technology

Aziz started his career in Unilever and worked in various commercial roles in big multinationals such as PepsiCo and Mondelez for 20 plus years until he decided to make a shift in his career almost eight years ago. He is co-founder and first COO of an instant delivery app Getir and a founder and CEO of Asktrology. He is also an advisor to the UK government Department for International Trade, representing startups in East Europe and Central Asia. He is an author of an award-winning book about entrepreneurship and also an active mentor for a number of female founders. He has recently joined the Royal Academy of Engineering in the UK as an assessor in the LIF programme.

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**James Hampton**

Australia

**Founder/Director**

Private Enterprise, Australia and United Kingdom

**Sector:** Health and Fitness/Technology

James is a Co-Founder and Director of multiple businesses spanning various sectors, including hospitality, health and fitness, and technology. Before becoming a serial entrepreneur, he led teams across consulting, business improvement, risk management and analytics. He is passionate about making an impact, including working with and mentoring others to support the next generation of business leaders.

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**Tatiana Johnston**

United Kingdom

**Head of Legal and Compliance Risk and Risk Framework**

Euroclear, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Financial Services/Banking

Tatiana is the Head of Enterprise Risk Framework for the Euroclear Group. A systematically important European financial market infrastructure, she is responsible for monitoring and assessing the risks faced by the Group. This includes the effectiveness of the controls in complex and broad areas. She is a specialist in risk framework, legal and compliance risk management – providing both, expertise of risk policies, processes and models, performance measurement as well as significant in-depth knowledge of market, product and/or organisation characteristics and developments. As part of her role, she supports and advises on product and services developments, from a risk management perspective.

## K

**Prajakta Kalmegh**

India

**Entrepreneur**

Anifen, Inc., India

**Sector:** Technology

Prajakta is the founder and CEO/CTO of Anifen Inc, an AI-driven food-tech startup focused on recommending personalised food products to consumers. She is a technology expert with a Ph.D. in Computer Science from Duke University and has vast experience building highly scalable enterprise-grade cloud-based platforms and apps. Before Anifen, Prajakta worked in multi-disciplinary collaborative environments at various research labs and a Series-B startup in Silicon Valley. She has published and presented her research at top-tier conferences in her field.

**En Kelly**

United States

**Senior Engineering Program Manager**

Apple, Inc., United States

**Sector:** Emerging Technology/Augmented Reality

En is a Senior Engineering Program Manager leading teams of technical project managers, engineers, technical creatives, and user researchers in the Vision Products Group at Apple, Inc.

Among the notable technologies En has contributed to include Apple Vision Pro, Apple's first spatial computer and ARKit / RealityKit / Reality Composer enabling spatial computing experiences for iPhone/iPads around the world.

Prior to Apple, En worked with Microsoft as a producer shipping Microsoft HoloLens, one of the world's first wearable Augmented Reality computers.

**Itumeleng Kgafela**

South Africa

**Global Head of Actuarial**

Milvik UK, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Insurtech

Global Head of Actuarial at BIMA Milvik. Itumeleng is responsible for designing microinsurance offerings suitable for the needs of under-served families in Asia and Africa. She provides pricing and actuarial support on new and existing products, as well as collaborating and negotiating with external stakeholders in the markets in which BIMA operates. These include insurers, regulators and re-insurers. Itumeleng has 10.5 years of experience in the insurance industry and the actuarial profession.

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**Ayesha Khan**

United Kingdom

**Senior Data and Strategy Leader**

United Kingdom

**Sector:** Multisector

Ayesha is a Senior Data and Strategy Leader with experience in a variety of digital, data and strategic areas. These include advanced data and analytics, strategy in design and digital transformation. The focus within her role is to work across multiple sectors, identifying new growth opportunities, driving innovation, exploration and impactful change.

**Alexey Kormilitsyn**

Austria

**Partner**

MFK &amp; Co, Global

**Sector:** Consulting

Alexey is a Partner at MFK, a boutique consulting firm headquartered in Vienna, Austria.

Alexey and his team support a wide range of global clients, including private firms, public firms and SOEs, in their expansion, transformation, and capital projects; from origination and strategy development to fund raising and execution.

Alexey's most recent project is the expansion of port infrastructure and development of a port terminal in Odessa, Ukraine. The most notable, is the development of the Moscow Central Circle, its transfer stations and adjacent commercial real estate.

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**David Kozak**

Canada

**Vice President of Research**

Solea Energy, Canada and United States

**Sector:** Finance/Energy

David leads research and quantitative strategy at Solea Energy. Solea is the most active participant in North America's next-day financial power markets. David is currently focused on expanding Solea's footprint beyond energy trading, towards enabling faster renewable energy adoption within the global power markets. Holding a PhD in Statistics, his expertise is in guiding transitions towards AI-enabled corporate strategy with an emphasis on understanding and adequately modeling quantitative risk and uncertainty.

David is passionate about social responsibility and chose Oxford specifically for its position as the leading university in global philanthropic thought and action. He is interested in dedicating progressively more time on social ventures and is using the EMBA to become more involved in the global impact community.



## L

**Wren Laing**

Canada

**Investment Director, Impact Investing**

McConnell Foundation, Canada

**Sector:** Institutional Investment/Impact Investing

Wren is an Investment Director at the McConnell Foundation, a private Canadian foundation, where she leads the foundation's impact investing work. Since joining McConnell in 2022, Wren has been the driving force behind a new investment strategy that commits to transitioning the entire endowment (\$670m CAD) to 100% impact investing over the next five years. Prior to McConnell, Wren was an Investment Director at Big Society Capital, the UK's leading social impact investor. Wren holds an MSc from the London School of Economics, a BA (Joint Honours) from McGill University, and is a recipient of the Oxford EMBA Director's Award.

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**Shasha Liu**

China

**Group Purchasing Manager**

Lufthansa Group, Germany

**Sector:** Aerospace/MRO

Shasha has been working with the Lufthansa Group's Engineering and MRO branch Lufthansa Technik AG ('LHT') for 11 years. She has hands-on experiences in Purchasing, Negotiation, Strategy, Product Management, Digitalisation, Key Account Management and Sales. Shasha was the youngest Department Manager in Lufthansa Technik's China subsidiary, and one of the very first non-DACH citizens working at Lufthansa Technik headquarters' strategy functions. Shasha is also the Founder of a Chinese female professionals' network. After one and a half years the network has grown to more than 400 members across Germany covering almost every industry.

# M

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**Moss Makhoulia**

United States

**Senior Vice President**

Richline Group, A Berkshire Hathaway Company, United States

**Sector:** Luxury Goods/Consumer Goods

Moss serves as the Senior Vice President of Merchandising and Operations for New York Based Multinational Richline Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway. He has broad oversight over procurement, R&D, and product development. As the lead merchant, he oversees Richline's strategic planning, budgeting, manufacturing, and procurement, both at vendor factories and Richline owned and operated global facilities. As part of his wider role, Moss is charged in identifying and deploying new and relevant technologies to Richline's factories.

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**Smiti Mehra**

Stockholm, Sweden

**Head of Project Delivery & Engineering**

Northvolt: Sweden, Germany

**Sector:** Energy, Renewables, Mobility, Innovation

Smiti has solid experience in the Energy industry, having worked for 17 years in the Oil and Gas sector before transitioning to the Electric Vehicles (EV) sector. Currently, she leads a team of engineers responsible for designing Northvolt's upcoming battery production factory. Her team works closely with both international manufacturers and in-house research and development (R&D) divisions, aiming to incorporate the latest advancements in rapidly evolving battery technologies.

Throughout her career, Smiti has worked in various regions including Asia, Europe, North America, and the Middle East, gaining extensive expertise in contractor management and engaging with diverse stakeholders. She excels in navigating complex relationships with governments and regulatory authorities.



### **Ray Mhere**

South Africa

#### **Executive Head**

Momentum Investments

**Sector:** Investment Management

Ray is the executive head responsible for Momentum Investments retail asset management strategy. With a wealth of expertise from distribution to operations, Ray plays a pivotal role in shaping and executing strategic initiatives for the company.

Ray also serves as a board member for subsidiaries located in key international hubs, including Luxembourg and Guernsey, in addition to his responsibilities in South Africa.

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### **Kumar Mohit**

Australia

#### **Senior Manager - Data Platforms and Advanced Analytics**

Versor Pty Ltd, Australia

**Sector:** Consulting

Kumar is an experienced leader in data analytics. His focus is to lead client teams, across multiple industries, to formulate optimal digital transformation strategies, develop actionable plans and execute to become a better data driven organisation. Kumar also contributes to mentoring and building internal team's capabilities.

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### **Sumit Munjal**

United Kingdom

#### **Vice President**

Takeda Pharmaceuticals, Belgium

**Sector:** Pharmaceuticals/Healthcare

As Vice President of Global Patient Safety Evaluation, Sumit works within the research and development function of Takeda Pharmaceuticals. He serves the role of European Union (EU) and United Kingdom (UK) Qualified Person responsible for Pharmacovigilance (QPPV) for the company. QPPV is a requirement for the Marketing Authorisation Holder (MAH). Sumit is also the Responsible Officer for Takeda Designated Body for General Medical Council UK registered physicians. He engages externally via industry federations and universities.

## O

**Paul O'Shea**

United Kingdom

**Senior Vice President**

Colmore, United States

**Sector:** Financial Services

Born in the United Kingdom, Paul is currently based in the US working as the Senior Vice President and Head of Fee and Diligence services at Colmore. Colmore is a technology driven service provider for private market investors. Paul created and currently runs the company's fee validation and legal diligence product lines, as well as the product development and research team. He manages teams in the US, UK and Bangalore and as a Senior Manager at Colmore, he sits on the company's Management Committee.

Prior to joining Colmore, Paul was a Vice President at the Private Equity Firm Capital Dynamics working out of Switzerland and before that began his career working in Global Markets for BNY Mellon.

## P

**Jeffrey Paine**

Singapore

**Managing Partner**

Golden Gate Ventures, Singapore

**Sector:** Venture Capital

Jeffrey is a Co-founder and Managing Partner of Golden Gate Ventures, an early stage technology venture capital fund based in Singapore investing in Southeast Asia with over US\$275 million under management investing in over 65 companies since 2012.

Jeffrey started and manages the Founder Institute in Singapore where he is currently overseeing its expansion in Southeast Asia, and Japan. Since 2010 the Founder Institute in Singapore has graduated over 100 companies. He is a recipient of the Founder Institute Director Award 2012 for 'Greatest Ecosystem Impact' Worldwide (Singapore).

He is a Singapore native and graduated with a Bachelors of Business Administration (Information Systems) from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

**Emma Paterson**

New Zealand

**Managing Director**

Floreat Group, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Investment and Wealth Management

Emma is the Managing Director at Floreat, a London-based investment group and multi-family office serving ultra-high-net-worth individuals and financial institutions. Emma is a senior investment professional working on strategy, product and business development.

Prior to joining Floreat, Emma was at Schroders, a global asset manager, working with intermediary clients and strategic partners. She has previously worked in UK, US and Australasian markets.

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**Julius Patta**

Canada

**Technology Consultant**

Digital Game Systems Corporation, Las Vegas

**Sector:** Gaming

Julius is the founder and president of Digital Game Systems Corporation, a management consulting and a technology solutions firm, providing services to the gaming industry. Prior to Digital Games, Julius was the President of GAN (NASDAQ:GAN, 2013-2017), North America, one of the leading global igaming technology and content providers. Julius is the former global CTO for Aristocrat Technologies Inc (ORD:ALL, 2009-2013), where he was responsible for the overall technology vision and leadership of the group. Julius was also the CEO and a founding partner in Slovenske Loterie a.s., a national VLT operator in the Slovak Republic, (1999-2009). Moreover, Julius founded PlayStar Inc (OTC:PSCK, 1997), one of the world's first internet casinos, helping pioneer a global phenomenon of internet gaming.

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**Tom Ravenscroft**

United Kingdom

**Founder and CEO**

Skills Builder Partnership, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Education/Training

As Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Tom leads the Skills Builder Partnership; a social enterprise that is focused on ensuring that one day, everyone builds the essential skills to succeed. He works across sectors including businesses, education, and impact organisations to ensure that interpersonal, self-management, creative, and communication skills are taught with rigour. Tom's work currently takes him to ten countries.

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**Tom Ridgeway**

United Kingdom

**Group Innovation Director**

BCN Group, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Information Technology

In his current role, Tom is responsible for driving innovation in software solutions including investing resources to optimise return on investment in carefully selected opportunities. His key deliverables are to make sense of complex information, plan, engage and execute on the opportunity to create intellectual property for the business.

## S

**Tarek Salam**

Lebanon

**Head of MENA Expansion**

Deel, United Arab Emirates

**Sector:** Fintech

Tarek currently leads Deel's expansion across the Middle East and Africa. Deel is one of the fastest growing SAAS deca-corns empowering companies to scale remote teams globally by streamlining cross border compliance, payments and mobility.

Prior to Deel, Tarek designed and led a deep tech accelerator for the government backed Sharjah Innovation Park, leveraging the collaboration between academia, government and the private sector.

Brought up in the UAE, Tarek's regional experience with digital transformation within the retail and telecom sectors enabled him to support growth stage companies to access the region.

**Vlada Shilina**

Canada

**Managing Partner**

Manarat Group, Morocco

**Sector:** International Trade/Foreign Direct Investment/Multisector

As Managing Partner at Manarat Group, Vlada offers strategic business advisory and trade development services to international corporate clients in EMENA regions by evaluating foreign market opportunities, developing entry strategies and identifying high impact partnerships, as well as supporting the implementation of investment projects. Prior to this, Vlada led a number of high-level strategic projects throughout her dynamic and diversified career in both public and private sectors, including working with national governments on formulation and implementation of national strategies to promote trade with and investment in Africa with focus on strategically defined sectors, including aerospace, automotive, railway and infrastructure.

**Kiana Sinclair**

United States

**Partnerships Lead**

Google, United States

**Sector:** Technology

As Partnerships Lead, Kiana provides digital strategy thought leadership for large consumer package goods companies to enhance consumer engagement as well as generate increased investment in Google ad products. Additionally, she mentors founders across the globe on fundraising, go-to-market strategy, and public speaking.

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**Bharat Singh**

United Kingdom

**Entrepreneur**

Primo Foods and Lotus Trident, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Food Processing/Real Estate Development

Having begun his career in investment banking within the leveraged finance team in London, Bharat moved to India and co-founded a food processing business involved in the production and distribution of value-added meat products for the hospitality and retail sectors. In 2017, having placed a management team to operate its food processing business, Bharat returned to the UK to set up a real estate development business aimed at delivering affordably priced housing for first time buyers. The company's flagship development was an 89 flat residential scheme built in South London with a GDV of £28m.



**Anjili Soni**

United States

**Vice President and Deputy General Counsel**

Cisco Systems, Inc, United States

**Sector:** Information Technology

As Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of the Worldwide Legal Sales and Marketing Team at Cisco Systems, Anjili is a trusted legal and business advisor to the SVP of Sales and the executive leadership team. She leads a global team of 180 legal professionals supporting all commercial transactions, strategic alliances, regulatory and compliance matters at Cisco.

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**Allie Stuckless**

United States/UK

**Investment Director**

Vonzeo Capital, Spain

**Sector:** Private Equity, Search Funds

Allie is currently the Investment Director at an institutional investor in search funds. The fund invests in SMEs across the world. Prior to joining Vonzeo, Allie spent 11 years at J.P. Morgan, and a brief stint in Fintech. She is currently exploring entrepreneurial opportunities as well as creative industries.

**T****Fabian Teichmann**

Switzerland

**Managing Partner**

Teichmann International (Schweiz) AG, Switzerland

**Sector:** Law

Currently serving as the Managing Partner of a Swiss law firm, Fabian also manages consulting firms in Switzerland, Liechtenstein, England and the United Arab Emirates. Fabian is an active member of the board of directors for various national and international corporations. Fabian also provides educational courses in law and economics at the International Anti-Corruption Academy in Vienna, the University of Kassel and the University of Cologne. He is the author of multiple books and more than 300 scientific articles.

**Nick Terrell**

United Kingdom

**Director and Co-founder**

Carbon Catalyst Limited, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Energy/Environmental

Nick is Co-Founder of Carbon Catalyst, a company focused exclusively on CO2 emission removal via carbon capture and storage. Founded in 2020, the company has developed a portfolio of high quality carbon transport and storage projects across the UK North Sea. Nick's role includes the identification and application of offshore CO2 storage licences in the UK. He has established project partnerships with major UK upstream operating companies, emitters and industrial partners.

Nick is also Industry Chair of the Subsurface Task Force, a forum which promotes responsible use of the UK's subsurface storage and energy resources to ensure energy security, reduce the UK's emissions impact and deliver societal and economic value.

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**Anzal Uvaise**

United Kingdom

**Managing Partner**

TP Group of Companies, United Kingdom and India

**Sector:** Retail/Distribution/E-commerce

As the Managing Partner of TP Group of companies, Anzal oversees 41 entities with over 700 employees, operating in building materials with divisions in retail, distribution, projects, logistics and e-commerce. Anzal is responsible for strategic implementation, with the objective of growing the companies.

## V

**Sebastian Valdivieso Achurra**

Chile

**Founder and CEO**

Valdivieso &amp; Co., Theseus Global Macro

**Sector:** Financial Services

As the Founder and CEO of Valdivieso & Co., and Theseus Global Macro, Sebastian is head of a family-led investment management and global advisory business with expertise in quantitative and global macro investment strategies. He is a macroeconomic advisor for his clients, and a regular financial expert for the Chilean media – offering current insight for various financial topics.

## W

**Justin Walford**

Canada/America

**President, GSI Outdoors**

EVP Marketing &amp; eCommerce, Pelican International, Canada/USA

**Sector:** Consumer Goods

Justin leads marketing and ecommerce for the global outdoor company Pelican International and its ten consumer brands.

Additionally, as an avid supporter of the outdoor economy, Justin serves on outdoor industry boards and supports industry organisations across North America.

**James Woods**

Malawi

**Partner and Director**

Rainbow Sports Global, Malawi

**Sector:** Sports, Data and Investment

Partner and Director with Rainbow Sports Global (RSG). RSG is an innovative sports enterprise with a global footprint in club ownership and providing holistic management, marketing and media solutions for sports entities, clubs, and athletes. James is a former Malawi Diplomat to the European Union and an esteemed Archbishop Desmond Tutu Fellow.

**Nasim Zargar**

United Kingdom/Iran

**Founder and CEO**

Harp Health, United Kingdom

**Sector:** Health/Technology

Nasim is the CEO and founder of Harp Health, a VC backed digital health start-up focused on improving women's health. Nasim's career spans a range of disciplines from scientific research at the University of Oxford to senior leadership roles in corporate strategy and mergers and acquisitions. Prior to launching her start up in 2022, Nasim was the Head of Corporate Strategy and Mergers and Acquisitions at the publicly listed British company De La Rue where she oversaw the development of the turnaround plan and corporate strategy for a £100 million equity capital raise. Nasim completed her DPhil in Biomedical Engineering at the University of Oxford in 2012.



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