

CLINTON GLOBAL INITIATIVE

2024 MEETING

Program Schedule

September 23

Breakfast

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

America's Hall 1 (Third Floor)

CTA Networking Breakfast (Climate Resilience, Humanitarian Response)

7:45 AM – 8:45 AM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

First-Time Attendee Networking Breakfast

7:45 AM – 8:45 AM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

Mainstage: What's Working

8:45 AM – 10:30 AM

Grand Ballroom (Third Floor)

As the CGI community meets once again in New York City, the global challenges we face are stark – and current efforts to meet the moment are coming up short at the scale needed to beat the negative trendlines we face.

We all know what's not working. Our efforts to curb climate change aren't accelerating fast enough; mis- and dis-information campaigns are influencing elections around the planet; health inequities are rising; and more people are falling into poverty than climbing out of it. Every morning, headlines read of more conflict and less cooperation.

But in corners of the planet near and far, there's a different story unfolding – a story of persistence, innovation, and partnership. A story of what is working.

At the onset of this year's United Nations General Assembly, we all have a responsibility to move beyond a focus on what's broken. We all have a responsibility to identify, uplift, and scale the solutions that are defying the odds. We all have the responsibility to act with urgency and get to work because our future depends on it.

Participants

Bill Clinton, Founder and Board Chair, Clinton Foundation & 42nd President of the United States

Hillary Clinton, 67th Secretary of State of the United States

Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair, Clinton Foundation

Adebayo Alonge, Founder and CEO, RxAll

Matt Damon, Co-Founder, WaterEquity & Water.org

David Holt, Mayor of Oklahoma City

Patricia Velasquez, Founder, Wayuu Taya Foundation

Break

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

3rd Floor Promenade (Third Floor)

Leaders Stage: The Future of Funding

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

While philanthropy has endeavored to reach historically marginalized communities for generations, these efforts are less effective when donors chase headlines or demonstrate a lack of trust in their partners and grantees, or when attacks on diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) result in restrictions on giving. Funders are increasingly looking for more effective ways to deploy capital and promote wealth redistribution as they interrogate their own wealth, dip into endowments, and work toward a rebalance of power. This session will explore what's working in philanthropy today to help direct resources toward historically marginalized communities and frontline organizations and create a pipeline for a more equitable and inclusive future of funding.

Participants

Priya Bery, Senior Vice President for Partnerships, The Pew Charitable Trusts

Farhad Ebrahimi, Philanthropic Transformation Strategist, Solidaire Network

Patrice King Brickman, Founder and CEO, Inspire Access

Nicholas Kristof, Columnist, The New York Times

Precious Moloi Motsepe, Co-Founder and CEO, Motsepe Foundation

Happy Mwendu Kinyili, Co-Executive Director, Mama Cash

Binaifer Nowrojee, President, Open Society Foundations

Arian Simone, CEO and Founding Partner, Fearless Fund

Nicole Taylor, President and CEO, Silicon Valley Community Foundation (SVCF)

Special Taping of PBS's "Firing Line": Covering a Crisis

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

We rely on journalists to report on the most urgent crises around the globe – humanitarian emergencies, armed conflicts, climate change, protests, and more. These journalists routinely contend with physical threats, the rise of misinformation, media deserts, and other challenges that are making reporting increasingly more difficult. At the same time, the way we consume news has fundamentally changed journalism, and everyone can have a role in reporting the news and exposing injustices and corruption. This session will explore what's working to support a robust media sector able to report on the wide range of crises confronting our global community.

Participants

Hillary Clinton, 67th Secretary of State of the United States

Jeanne Bourgault, President and CEO, Internews

Jodie Ginsberg, CEO, Committee to Protect Journalists

Margaret Hoover, Host, PBS' Firing Line

Alsu Kurmasheva, Journalist, Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty

Jonathan Munro, Global Director, BBC News

Maria Ressa, Nobel Peace Laureate, Co-Founder and CEO, Rappler

Spotlight: Innovations in Water Access

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Sutton South (Second Floor)

Water is fundamental to every living being on the planet, but access is becoming increasingly limited largely due to climate change. Last year, the World Resources Institute reported that almost half of the world's population faces water scarcity for at least one month a year. Improving clean water access is critical to sustaining human health; improving economic, political, and food security; and adapting to a changing climate. This session will examine what's working to provide safe and clean fresh water to communities around the globe.

Participants

Ricardo Alba Torres, CEO and Co-Founder, Eko Group H2O+

Vedika Bhandarkar, President and COO, Water.org

Catherine Coleman Flowers, Founder and CEO, The Center for Rural Enterprise and Environmental Justice

Garvita Gulhati, Founder, Why Waste?

Mina Guli, CEO, The Thirst Foundation

Katie Hobbs, Governor of Arizona

Sophia Kianni, Founder, Climate Cardinals

Beth Kiogi, Co-Founder, Majik Water

Michael Regan, Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Christopher Sveen, CEO, Renasys

Spotlight: Unlocking Health Care Excellence through Data, Diversity, and Access

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

In countries with developing health care systems – where 90 percent of preventable deaths occur – we are investing

less than 10 percent of health research globally. Even in established and advanced health care systems, drugs and treatments are often only tested on a homogenous group of people, which can have significant consequences for public health. Innovations in the medical research and development process, including diversification of clinical trials, and technology development with diverse populations in mind, are unlocking access to precision medicine for more people and improving health outcomes to better serve all patients, regardless of gender, race, or geolocation. This session will examine what's working to drive that progress forward and what is needed for further investment in more inclusive medical research and innovation.

Participants

Joel Bervell, CGI U Alumni, Medical Student and Medical Mythbuster, Washington State University

Sheila Davis, CEO, Partners in Health (PIH)

Dana Dornsife, CEO, Lazarex Cancer Foundation

Maya Hardigan, Founder and CEO, Mae Health, Inc.

Lutz Hegemann, President of Global Health and Sustainability, Novartis AG

Ikpeme Neto, CEO, Wellahealth Technologies

Sema Sgaier, CEO and Co-Founder, Surgo Health

Petro Terblanche, CEO, Afrigen Biologics

Renee Wegrzyn, Director, Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPAH)

Story Studio: Uncharted Paths: Unconventional Approaches to Global Challenges

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

Lunch

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

America's Hall 1 (Third Floor)

Networking Luncheon: The Future We Desire: Conversations on Systems Change

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Sutton Center (Second Floor)

Greenhouse: Innovation in Job Creation: The Business Case for Inclusive Economic Opportunity

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

Historically marginalized workforce populations represent significant untapped global talent. Social enterprises around the world have led the way in developing innovative business models which meaningfully and profitably engage those most excluded from the labor market. Yet, there is still tremendous scope and opportunity for corporations, governments, and cross-sector partners to capitalize on this latent workforce brimming with potential

to tackle barriers to employment while addressing global skill shortages. This session will showcase pioneering leaders who are reimagining approaches to skills development, job creation, and market-based investments that support inclusive economic opportunities for all.

Participants

Molade Adeniyi, CEO, West African Vocational Education (WAVE)

Brandon Andrews, CEO, Inexorable

Stephanie Choo, Founder, Eden + Elie

Tatu Gatere, Founder and CEO, Buildher

Regina Kline, Founder and Managing Partner, Enable Ventures & SmartJob

Andy Kuper, CEO and Founder, LeapFrog Investments

Karthik Mahadevan, CEO, Envision

Jason Naidich, Senior Vice President and Chief Learning & Innovation Officer, Northwell Health

Gideon Olanrewaju, Executive Director, Aid for Rural Education Access Initiative (AREAi)

Ruth Simon, Senior Special Writer, The Wall Street Journal

Julie Su, Secretary of Labor, U.S. Department of Labor

Chris White, CEO, Vision Ireland

Leaders Stage: Combatting the U.S. Gun Violence Epidemic

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

Every day in the United States, 327 people – including 23 children and teens – are shot with a firearm on average. Despite widespread consensus on the need for action to prevent gun violence, policy and social challenges have stood in the way of progress on this issue. However, we have reached a critical tipping point, and civil society and private sector leaders are advancing important solutions and public health interventions that will help mitigate the gun violence epidemic in America and save lives. This session will explore what's working in this public health effort and what can be learned from other countries' successful efforts to curb of gun violence to finally decrease shootings and deaths in the United States.

Participants

Gabriel Arana, Contributing Editor, The American Prospect

Arne Duncan, Managing Director, Emerson Collective

Aalayah Eastmond, Cultural & Community Engagement Manager, Team ENOUGH (Brady Campaign)

Angela Ferrell-Zabala, Executive Director, Moms Demand Action

Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York

Nicole Hockley, Co-Founder and CEO, Sandy Hook Promise

Nathalie Munyampenda, CEO, Kepler

Noé Romo, Medical Director, Stand Up To Violence, NYC Health + Hospitals Jacobi, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, NY State Division of Criminal Justice Services

Josh Shapiro, Governor of Pennsylvania

Anthony Smith, Executive Director, Cities United

Spotlight: Investing in Africa's Next Generation to Promote Economic Progress Across the Continent

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

Africa is poised for a massive population boom. With 60 percent of its population under the age of 25 right now, the U.N. estimates that by 2050, 1 in 4 people on the planet will be African. The continent is booming with innovation, business, art, and technology, and efforts to invest in education and entrepreneurship abound. This session will explore what's working to advance opportunities for young people and sustain Africa's development over the coming decades.

Participants

Iman, Ambassador, (RED)

Mo Abudu, CEO, EbonyLife Group

Laura Brown, Chair and DISCOVE(RED) Creative Council, (RED)

Chmba Ellen Chilemba, Founder, We Are Family Foundation, Youth To The Front Fund Director, DJ and Producer

Hope Ditlhakanyane, Investment Principal, 54 Collective VC

Kennedy Ekezie, Founder, Kippa

Kate Kallot, Founder and CEO, Amini

Lydia Kemunto Bosire, Founder and CEO, 8B Education Investments

Spotlight: Preserving Our Planet through Sustainable Land Management

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Sutton South (Second Floor)

As communities grapple with the effects of climate change, food insecurity, and biodiversity loss, local leaders are increasingly working to responsibly manage and steward their natural resources in innovative ways. Sustainable agriculture practices and community-led ecological preservation can help communities produce more food and protect the environment. This session will explore what's working in communities worldwide to improve land management in ways that boost sustainability, biodiversity, and economic well-being.

Participants

Mohamed Irfaan Ali, President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana

Patricia Espinosa, Founding Partner and CEO, onepoint5

Philip Kauders, Co-Founder and CEO, Courageous Land

Dilafruz Khonikboyeva, Founding Executive Director, Home Planet Fund

Alvaro Lario, President, International Fund of Agricultural Development / IFAD

Paul Lightfoot, General Manager, Patagonia Provisions

Nemonte Nenquimo, Co-Founder, Amazon Frontlines

Ma. Estrella Penunia, Secretary General, Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development (AFA)

Carlos Manuel Rodríguez, CEO, Global Environment Facility

Spotlight: Resilient Futures: Health in the Face of Climate Change

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

The changing climate is one of the leading threats to the health of people and planet. It is rapidly exacerbating existing vulnerabilities and obstacles to reproductive health that range from access to services, disruptions in supply chains, and financial barriers to quality care and treatment. Additionally, climate change's direct impacts on physical health are leading to devastating consequences for reproductive health and outcomes. Heat causes stress and harm to pregnant women and fetuses, increasing rates of stillbirth and preterm birth – while also encouraging infection and illnesses that are high risk for mothers, like malaria. The WHO reports that each additional 1°C in minimum daily temperature over 23.9°C has been shown to increase the risk of infant mortality by as much as 22.4%. Climate-related interventions such as more resilient health infrastructure and climate-adapted health services can help protect women amid a changing climate. This session will explore how climate-responsive solutions can protect and turn the tide for reproductive health.

Participants

Rupa Basu, Epidemiologist and Research Scientist

PeiYao Chen, President and CEO, Global Fund For Women

Shannon Cohn, Director, Below the Belt

Githinji Gitahi, Group CEO, Amref Health Africa

Jeffrey Jacobs, Director of Product Innovation and Market Access, Merck for Mothers

Karlee Silver, CEO, Grand Challenges Canada

Christine Squires, President and CEO, AmeriCares

Break

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM

3rd Floor Promenade (Third Floor)

Leaders Stage: Addressing Access Disparities in Mental Health Care

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

There is an urgent global mental health crisis. An estimated 1 billion people live with mental health, neurological, and substance use disorders globally, according to Boehringer Ingelheim – but 70 percent don't have access to the care they need. While mental health challenges have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and rising diagnoses of anxiety and depressive disorders, we know that access to quality treatment and support is the antidote. By prioritizing research funding, tech-based solutions, and innovative community-based approaches, we are beginning to see substantial progress in expanding mental health care access and improved global health outcomes. This session will examine what's working to increase access to care and educate communities on mental health.

Participants

Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair, Clinton Foundation

Maria Jammal, CEO, Humanity Crew

David Johnson, Founder and President, Lets Unpack It

Ira Khan, Founder and CEO, Agatsu Foundation

Bill Ready, CEO, Pinterest

John-Arne Røttingen, CEO, Wellcome Trust

Joan Steinberg, President, Morgan Stanley Foundation and CEO, Morgan Stanley Alliance for Children's Mental Health Advisory Board

James P. Steyer, CEO and Founder, Common Sense Media

Manoush Zomorodi, Host, NPR and Stable G Productions

Spotlight: Alternative Visions for Waste and Circularity

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

Waste products produce significant greenhouse gases and create public health risks when not managed properly. Every year, more than 2 billion tons of municipal solid waste – from food surplus to discarded textiles and plastic – crowd our landfills and contribute to the pollution of our soil, water, and air. The session will explore what's working to advance innovative recycling and promote circularity in both consumption and production.

Participants

Svanika Balasubramanian, Co-Founder and CEO, rePurpose Global

Jesper Brodin, CEO, Ingka Group | IKEA

Albert Douer, Chairman and Co-CEO, UBQ Materials

Ernest Moniz, CEO, EFI Foundation

Nidhi Pant, Co-Founder, S4S Technologies

Kruti Patel Goyal, CEO, Depop

Emily Skor, CEO, Growth Energy

Ginger Zee, Chief Meteorologist and Climate Correspondent, ABC News

Marc Zornes, CEO, Winnow

Spotlight: Health Equity and Economic Inclusion for Aging Populations

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Sutton South (Second Floor)

As humans are living longer on average, the changing makeup of the global population will have a dramatic effect on economic and health systems. Aging populations present unique challenges, particularly for women, who often face distinct health issues and economic vulnerabilities as they age. In response, innovative models for economic resilience and healthy longevity are shaping a different future for all of us as we age, from community-centric initiatives to new applications of technology and reimagined retirement policies. This session will explore what's working to drive better economic and health outcomes for the world's aging population.

Participants

Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Bertha Coombs, Senior Health Care Reporter, CNBC

Camilo Fonseca, Cpo, Porta

Twesigye Jackson Kaguri, Founder and CEO, Nyaka

Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of New Mexico

Carole Osero-Ageng'o, Global Initiatives Lead and Africa Regional Representative, HelpAge International

Jonathan Reckford, CEO, Habitat for Humanity

Nima Roohi, CEO and Co-Founder, Blooming Health, Inc.

Debra Whitman, Executive Vice President and Chief Public Policy Officer, AARP

Spotlight: The Unwritten Future of Racial Equity

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

Racial inequality is persistent globally, in part due to structural barriers deeply ingrained in our economic, governmental, technological, and environmental ways of life. In recent years, diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) rollbacks have become widespread, yet new efforts are making progress to mitigate these challenges and promote inclusion. This session will examine what's working in the persistent fight against the status quo to reshape global systems, engage frontline communities, and create a more equitable and just future for all.

Participants

Hillary Clinton, 67th Secretary of State of the United States

Adriana Barbosa, Executive Director, Instituto Feira Preta & PretaHub

Justin Bibb, Mayor of Cleveland

James Blue, Owner and Executive Producer, Storyboard Studios

Shawn Malia Kana'iaupuni, President and CEO, Partners in Development Foundation

Vivek Maru, CEO, Namati

La June Montgomery Tabron, President and CEO, W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Story Studio: Beyond Play: Uniting through Sports and Gaming

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

Mainstage: Look Around

5:00 PM – 6:15 PM

Grand Ballroom (Third Floor)

The work of advancing social impact can be a lonely endeavor. Resource constraints, accelerating global challenges, and politicized news cycles all have made our commitment to make a positive difference in the world harder to realize.

While the work can feel lonely, you don't have to do it alone. Whether it's a formal partnership between organizations or informal support networks, finding and forging value-aligned connections can help sustain and fuel us as we face even the most difficult challenges.

Since CGI's inception in 2005, more than 10,000 organizations have partnered on more than 4,000 Commitments to Action impacting more than 500 million people – a testament to the power of partnership and an example of a different way to build a community around a shared vision for a better future. As the world continues to fracture across geographic, political, and economic lines, there is greater urgency than ever to find creative ways to partner to reach shared objectives.

In this Mainstage Session, leaders from across the social impact spectrum will highlight the ways in which they break down barriers between peer institutions, cultivate partnerships and community, and align values and programs to create new, specific, and measurable ways to support one another.

Participants

Bill Clinton, Founder and Board Chair, Clinton Foundation & 42nd President of the United States

Hillary Clinton, 67th Secretary of State of the United States

Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair, Clinton Foundation

Jill Biden, First Lady of the United States

Yael Admi, Co-Founder, Women Wage Peace

Reem Al-Hajajra, Director, Women of the Sun

Nazanin Ash, CEO, Welcome.US

Leymah Gbowee, Nobel Peace Laureate, Activist, President and Founder, Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa

Valerie Montgomery Rice, President and CEO, Morehouse School of Medicine

Josh Shapiro, Governor of Pennsylvania

Brad Smith, Vice Chair and President, Microsoft

Attendee Reception

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

America's Hall 1 (Third Floor)

September 24

Breakfast

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

America's Hall 1 (Third Floor)

CTA Networking Breakfast (Health Equity, Women & Girls' Equality, Economic Inclusion, Overdose Response Network)

7:45 AM – 8:45 AM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

CGIU Fellows Networking

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Sutton Center (Second Floor)

Mainstage: Everything Everywhere All At Once

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Grand Ballroom (Third Floor)

There's no shortage of global challenges to confront. The pressure, speed, and magnitude of these challenges – like climate change, rising inequality, and natural and manmade disasters – are creating the “perfect storm” for those of us committed to making progress on both new and longstanding international development issues. For both those on the frontlines and in positions of power, the ‘ask’ is to increasingly stretch resources, take on new work, and fix systems with an unprecedented urgency.

The good news is that, in most cases, there are approaches already working that could be scaled or adapted. The question becomes – how do we marshal the resources and ingenuity to bring these solutions to scale? How do we harness one community solution and replicate it in other geographies or apply lessons learned to new challenges? How can we break down barriers and reorganize our ways of working so that the promise of one good idea has the ability to multiply?

In this Mainstage Session, we'll unpack what it really means to be charged with finding solutions for everything everywhere all at once – and offer insights into how to leverage scale, replication, and innovation to meet the moment.

Participants

Bill Clinton, Founder and Board Chair, Clinton Foundation & 42nd President of the United States

Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair, Clinton Foundation

Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organization (WHO)

José Andrés, Founder and Executive Chairman, José Andrés Group

Katie Couric, Award-Winning Journalist and Co-Founder, Katie Couric Media

Jane Goodall, Founder, The Jane Goodall Institute

Bill Nelson, Administrator, NASA

Laurene Powell Jobs, Founder and President, Emerson Collective & XQ Institute

Hamdi Ulukaya, Founder and CEO, Chobani & Tent Partnership for Refugees

Emma Walmsley, CEO, GSK

Break

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

3rd Floor Promenade (Third Floor)

Greenhouse: Food as a Tool to Empower Communities and Drive Climate-Smart Solutions

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

Globally, enough food is produced to feed the world population 1.5 times over, but nearly 30 percent of the world's population experiences moderate to severe food insecurity. The current food system is unsustainable, inequitable, and in need of innovative, climate-smart solutions to tackle the interconnected problems of hunger, poverty, and climate vulnerability. This session will convene global thought leaders and social entrepreneurs pioneering solutions that maximize existing food production, leveraging both traditional knowledge and technological innovations to develop new opportunities to create a more equitable, sustainable, and resilient global food system.

Participants

Emily Dinino, Founder and CEO, ThermoShade

Ayoola Dominic, Founder and CEO, Koolboks

Sohla El-Waylly, Culinary Creator, Writer and Video Producer, NYT Cooking

Kwabena Frimpong, Regional Director, Ignita

David Grossman, CEO, PanaSea Global

Sana Kadri, CEO and Founder, Diaspora Spice Co.

Jacqueline Novogratz, Founder and CEO, Acumen

Jennifer Siebel Newsom, First Partner of California

Paul Smith, CEO, Aquagrains

Tom Vilsack, Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Leaders Stage: Health Equity for All

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

Progress has been made toward eradicating and treating infectious diseases, yet millions of people worldwide continue to die each year from conditions like malaria, HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, STIs, and antimicrobial resistance. This session will examine what's working to eliminate diseases, increase access to vaccines, and promote better education and collaboration.

Participants

Noubar Afeyan, Co-Founder and Chairman, Moderna & Founder and CEO, Flagship Pioneering

Albert Bourla, Chairman and CEO, Pfizer Inc.

Aliko Dangote, CEO, Dangote Group

Sally Davies, UK Special Envoy on Antimicrobial Resistance, UK Government

Nikolaj Gilbert, President and CEO, PATH

Andrew Jack, Global Education Editor, Financial Times

Sania Nishtar, CEO, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance

Muhammed Ali Pate, Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Government of Nigeria

Raj Shah, President, The Rockefeller Foundation

Spotlight: Meeting the Infrastructure Needs for Electric Vehicles

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Sutton South (Second Floor)

Automobiles are a key driver of greenhouse gas emissions and are difficult to mitigate when reliant on fossil fuels. As sustainable solutions and transportation options develop and are brought to scale, transportation becomes an opportunity for significant emission reduction at a global scale. This session will explore what's working to promote adoption of cleaner transportation through electric vehicles and build an infrastructure that supports a transition away from fossil fuels.

Participants

Katherine Bagley, Executive Editor, Grist

Andy Beshear, Governor of Kentucky

Rolando Gonzalez Bunster, President and CEO, InterEnergy

Thomas Healy, CEO and Founder, Hylion

Fredrika Klarén, Head of Sustainability, Polestar

Bill Nye, Science Educator and TV Host

JB Pritzker, Governor of Illinois

Abanti Sankaranarayanan, Chief Group Public Affairs Officer and Group Executive Board Member, Mahindra Group

Kristen Siemen, Vice President and Chief Sustainability Officer, General Motors

Kameale Terry, CEO, ChargerHelp!

Spotlight: No One Left Behind: Bridging Digital Divides and Education Inequities

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

Technology enables connection, education, health, and economic growth—but not for everyone. The divide between those who have access to technology and quality education and those who don't remains a global challenge and has potential to widen further with increasing natural disasters and conflicts, and as advances in AI impact workforces around the globe. Extending access to technology and digital upskilling on the continent of Africa, where a rapidly growing youth population must be able to participate fully in the economy and society, is particularly urgent. This session will explore innovative solutions and strategies for bridging the digital divide and addressing education inequities, especially in underserved communities. Addressing these challenges will require concerted efforts from governments, businesses, non-profit organizations, and communities, so we can all reap the benefits of unlocking technology's full potential to empower individuals, reduce poverty, promote social inclusion, and foster innovation.

Participants

William Ruto, President, Kenya

Iván Duque Márquez, Former President of Colombia

Ina Fried, Chief Technology Correspondent, Axios

Lady Mariéme Jamme, Founder and CEO, iamtheCODE

Fran Katsoudas, Executive Vice President and Chief People, Policy & Purpose Officer, Cisco

Mike Mpanya, Founder and CEO, Nubi AI

Reshma Saujani, Founder and CEO, Moms First

Sherrie Westin, CEO, Sesame Workshop

Richard Zelson, CEO, MyStream

Spotlight: Women on the Frontlines

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

Humanitarian crises and violent conflicts have a disproportionate impact on women and girls, who are increasingly the architects of solutions for their affected communities. Despite their knowledge and lived experience, women continue to be vastly underrepresented in positions with decision-making power. Empowering women as decision-makers, from the community to the global level, can drive solutions and accelerate peace. This session will explore what's working to elevate and support women who are on the frontlines fighting a range of social, political, and humanitarian threats.

Participants

Vjosa Osmani Sadriu, President of the Republic of Kosovo

Hanin Ahmed, Founder, Old Omdurman Emergency Response Room

Masih Alinejad, President, World Liberty Congress

Suyen Barahona, Executive Director, Women's Political Leadership Fund

María Corina Machado, Leader of the Venezuela Democratic Movement

Nice Leng'ete, Founder and Vice Chair, Nice Place Foundation

Sigrid Van Aken, CEO, Postcode Lottery Group

Clarissa Ward, Chief International Correspondent, CNN

Lunch

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

America's Hall 1 (Third Floor)

Leaders Stage: Innovating in a Time of Crisis

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

Vulnerable populations around the globe are threatened by the climate crisis, diminishing resources, and urgent humanitarian needs. This session will examine and highlight solutions from government, to public-private partnerships and community innovators who are working to address these issues on a local and global scale.

Participants

Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister, Government of Barbados

Armine Afeyan, CEO, Aurora Humanitarian Initiative

Denise Yvonne Aki-Sawyerr, Mayor of Freetown

Matthew Bishop, Co-Founder, Social Progress Imperative

Jennifer Granholm, Secretary, US Department of Energy

Paul Hudson, CEO, Sanofi

Iftikher Mahmood, Founder, HOPE Foundation for Women & Children of Bangladesh

Spotlight: Citizen Social Responsibility: Bolstering Democracies through Civic Engagement

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

Spotlight: Closing the Financial Access Gap for Women

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Sutton South (Second Floor)

A majority of “unbanked” people around the world are women – leaving them unable to pay for purchases through credit or access critical financial services. Structural barriers can hold women back in the global economy, but improved financial literacy and access to banking and wealth creation tools can dramatically expand opportunities and equal participation for women. This session will explore what’s working globally to unlock financial resources and economic potential for women.

Participants

Nadia Calviño, President, European Investment Bank

Chrystel Cornelius, President and CEO, Oweesta Corporation

Richard Dickson, President and CEO, Gap Inc.

Aniket Doegar, Co-Founder and CEO, Haqdarshak

Daniela Konietzko, President, Fundación WWB Colombia

Marianne Markowitz, President and CEO, First Women's Bank

Stephanie Ruhle, Host of MSNBC’s “The 11th Hour” and NBC News Senior Business Analyst, MSNBC

Chetna Sinha, Founder and Chairperson, Mann Deshi Bank & Mann Deshi Foundation

Olivia Walton, Founder and CEO, Ingeborg Investments

Spotlight: Technology And Nature At The Forefront Of Tomorrow’s Cities

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

More than half of the world’s population lives in cities – where limited space and systems to serve billions of people are generating health disparities and high levels of pollution. As urban populations are set to double by 2050 and each successive year is the hottest on record, cities must leverage the power of both technology and nature to reimagine, advocate for, and ultimately build cities that allow people and the planet to prosper. This session will

examine what's working to develop healthy, sustainable, and equitable cities worldwide.

Participants

Alfredo Brillembourg, Founder, Urban Think Tank

David Herzl, Co-Founder, President and CEO, Aclima Inc.

Hakim Jeffrey, Senior Coordinator, Green City Force

Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London

Mariana Matus, Co-Founder and CEO, Biobot Analytics

Tolullah Oni, CEO and Professor, UrbanBetter and University of Cambridge

Nigel Sullivan, Chief Sustainability and People Officer, Bupa

Brenda Torres, Executive Director, Estuario, San Juan Bay Estuary Partnership

Story Studio: Visibility's Ripple Effect in Empowering Recovery

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

"Recovery" often conjures images of someone overcoming substance abuse with clinical and community support. Today, opioid addiction has the highest mental health-related mortality rate, and the crisis continues to grow. There has been a staggering 45 percent increase in substance use disorder cases globally over the past decade, impacting 39.5 million people in 2023 alone. However, until recently, the deadliest mental health crisis was rarely discussed or recognized globally: eating disorders. Now considered the second most deadly psychiatric illness, the number of those suffering from eating disorders has more than doubled in the past decade, with one person dying each hour in the United States alone. Both disorders thrive in silence and are shrouded in stigma. In this Story Studio session, we'll break that silence. We will explore inspiring stories of people working to create solutions for recovery, whether at home or through large-scale social interventions.

Participants

Adeolu Adebisi, Founder, YouthRISE Nigeria

Sean Daniels, Founder, Recovery Project and Anti-Stigma Director, Live Tampa Bay

Lindsay Ell, Artist

Jessica Geschke, Senior Project Manager, Overdose Response Network, Clinton Global Initiative

Elise Hu, Podcast Host, TED

Johanna Kandel, Founder and CEO, National Alliance for Eating Disorders

Eva Maria Trujillo-Chivacuan, CEO and Co-Founder, Comenzar De Nuevo

Break

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM

3rd Floor Promenade (Third Floor)

Greenhouse: Supporting the Social Enterprise Ecosystem

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Gramercy East & West (Second Floor)

The social enterprise business model is rapidly gaining traction on a global scale. Today, social enterprises make up approximately 3 percent of businesses worldwide, generating over \$2 trillion in annual revenue and creating more than 200 million jobs. There is immense economic potential to be realized when governments, corporations, and philanthropic organizations partner with social enterprises that put people and the planet first. From businesses that scale solutions to make health care more equitable to initiatives that improve education access for underserved populations, there is great opportunity to collaborate with social enterprises to collectively advance impact goals and catalyze transformative societal change. This session will bring together impact entrepreneurs as well as public and private sector intrapreneurs to explore collaborative partnerships, funding opportunities, and comprehensive solutions that enable social enterprises, especially those founded by traditionally marginalized entrepreneurs, to scale and thrive.

Participants

Ragina Arrington, CEO, Clinton Foundation: CGI University

David Heath, Co-Founder and CEO, Bombas

Gilbert Hougbo, Director General, International Labour Organization

Aurora James, Founder, Brother Vellies; 15 Percent Pledge

Sheila Johnson, Founder and CEO, Salamander Collection

Raj Kumar, President and Editor-in-Chief, Devex

Monique Nsanzabaganwa, Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission

Alexandra van der Ploeg, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, SAP

Leaders Stage: Creating Stories for a Better Tomorrow

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Trianon Ballroom (Third Floor)

Spotlight: AI Applications for Greater Social Impact

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Mercury Ballroom (Third Floor)

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly expanding and becoming more accessible with the potential for good across society. For example, the Harvard School of Public Health estimates that using AI to support diagnoses can help reduce treatment costs by up to 50 percent and improve health outcomes by 40 percent. However, as we rely more on AI to help us solve our most pressing challenges, leaders must contend with concerns including data privacy, inaccuracies, and job displacement. This session will examine what's working across sectors to apply AI-enabled solutions while addressing the risks that this rapidly evolving technology poses.

Participants

Edgars Rinkevics, President of the Republic of Latvia

Lovisa Afzelius, General Partner, Flagship Pioneering

Carme Artigas, Co-Chair, AI Advisory Body, United Nations

Vilas Dhar, President and Trustee, Patrick J. McGovern Foundation

Ina Fried, Chief Technology Correspondent, Axios

Michael Miebach, CEO, Mastercard

Valentina Muñoz Rabanal, Emeritus SDG Advocate, United Nations

Hansi Singh, CEO and Co-Founder, Planette AI

Brad Smith, Vice Chair and President, Microsoft

Spotlight: Getting Ahead of the Next Humanitarian Crises

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Sutton North (Second Floor)

In 2023, an estimated 360 million people needed humanitarian assistance because of natural disasters and regional conflicts, according to the United Nations – more people than any other year in history. As we confront accelerating needs for relief due to climate change and widespread violent conflict, humanitarian actors are increasingly incorporating anticipatory action strategies into their work to pre-position aid and maximize their impact. This session will examine what's working in the fight to get ahead of the next crisis, emphasizing the importance of philanthropic actors and other key stakeholders supporting local organizations as first responders.

Participants

Sultan Ahmed bin Sulayem, Group Chairman and CEO, DP World

Alex Diaz, Head of AI for Social Good, Google.org

Hibak Kalfan, Executive Director, NEAR

Peter Laugharn, President and CEO, The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

David Miliband, President and CEO, International Rescue Committee

MacBain Mkandawire, Executive Director, Youth net and Counselling (YONECO)

Freddy Mutanguha, CEO, Aegis Trust

Michelle Nunn, President and CEO, CARE

Clionadh Raleigh, President and CEO, ACLED

Bård Vegar Solhjell, Director General, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation

Mainstage: Tomorrow

4:45 PM – 6:00 PM

Grand Ballroom (Third Floor)

Tomorrow – it's both an inevitability and an opportunity. As the CGI community reverts to corners of the globe near and far to take action together, we are reminded that there's more work to be done.

In our closing Mainstage session, we'll focus our attention on the future. As the 2024 CGI Annual Meeting comes to a close, we know what's working, we know who's doing it, and we know where we need to fill in the gaps. The question becomes: what will you do – tomorrow – to make a difference?

Participants

Bill Clinton, Founder and Board Chair, Clinton Foundation & 42nd President of the United States

Hillary Clinton, 67th Secretary of State of the United States

Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair, Clinton Foundation

Bill Gates, Founder and Chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Nili Gilbert, Vice Chairwoman, Carbon Direct

Francis Kéré, Founder and Architect, Kéré Architecture

Fei-Fei Li, Sequoia Professor of Computer Science Department and Denning Co-Director of Stanford HAI, Stanford University

Yulia Navalnaya, Chairwoman of the Advisory Board, AntiCorruption Foundation

Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya, Belarusian Political Activist

AY Young, CEO, Battery Tour

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