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Grand Opening Ceremony

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DIRECTOR, WBAF OFFICE SILICON VALLEY

Radhika Iyengar, WBAF Senator for USA

27 May 2022, Friday Online

16:00 PM | Welcome Remarks from WBAF Global Chairman

Keynote Speaker:

Baybars Altuntas, WBAF Global Chairman, Turkey

16:06 PM | Welcome Remarks from Executive Director and Board Member, WBAF SV

Keynote Speaker:

Radhika Iyengar, WBAF Silicon Valley Founding Board Member and Founding Partner, StarChain Ventures, United States of America

16:12 PM | Welcome Remarks from WBAF SV Chairman of the Board

Keynote Speaker:

Jorden Woods, WBAF Silicon Valley Chairman of the Board and Founding Partner, StarChain Ventures, USA

16:18 PM | Opening Keynote

Rob Chesnut, former General Counsel and Chief Ethics Officer at Airbnb and Author of the Bestseller "Intentional Integrity: How Smart Companies Can Lead an Ethical Revolution" will present the Opening Keynote.

Keynote Speaker:

Rob Chesnut, Bestselling Author of Intentional Integrity, USA

16:49 PM | WBAF SV Partnerships

WBAF SV will be announcing key partnership opportunities.

16:55 PM | Transforming Business with Deep Tech

Advanced technologies are converging to transform business globally. This panel of top industry experts and global leaders will explore how Web3, AI, IoT and other deep tech are combining in innovative ways to deliver impactful solutions to significant global challenges.

Moderator:

Radhika Iyengar, WBAF Silicon Valley Founding Board Member and Founding Partner, StarChain Ventures, United States of America

Panelists:

Dr. Ben Goertzel, CEO SingularityNET and Chairman Artificial General Intelligence Society, USA

Dr. Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes, WBAF Sr, Senator, Country Director, Secretary General, Science, Technology, & Innovation Committee and Silicon Valley Board Member, USA

Emi Yoshikawa, WBAF Silicon Valley Board Member and VP, Ripple, USA

17:40 PM | Deep Tech Investment Trends in Silicon Valley

This panel of Silicon Valley VCs will discuss the current investment climate and key trends in deep tech investing.

Moderator:

Jorden Woods, WBAF Silicon Valley Chairman of the Board and Founding Partner, StarChain Ventures, USA

Panelists:

Jillian Manus, WBAF Silicon Valley Board Member and Managing Partner, Structure Capital, USA

Kumar Sripadam, WBAF Silicon Valley Board Member and General Partner, Elevate Capital, USA

Lu Zhang, WBAF Silicon Valley Board Member and Managing Partner,

Fusion Fund, USA

18:26 PM | Closing Remarks

Keynote Speaker:

Maria Marenco, WBAF Silicon Valley Board Member and CEO, MentFort Ltd., Sweden

18:28 PM | Closing Remarks

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes, WBAF Sr, Senator, Country Director, Secretary General, Science, Technology, & Innovation Committee and Silicon Valley Board Member, USA

Speakers



Baybars Altuntas

Former Senior Advisor of the London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG), Executive Chairman of the World Business Angels Investment Forum (WBAF) - an affiliated partner of the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPFI) chaired by the Queen Maxima of the Netherlands, and President of Deulcom International Inc., Star of the Turkish version of the television show Dragons' Den / Sharks Tank. Recipient of the European Trade Association of Business Angels (EBAN) award for the Best Individual in Europe Globally Engaging with the Global Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in 2014 (Ireland), 2015 (Netherlands), 2016 (Portugal), 2017 (Spain) and 2018 (Bulgaria). The only angel investor to be granted a personal audience with former President Obama at the Presidential Summit on Entrepreneurship in Washington DC. Appointed as JCI Ambassador, following Ban Ki-moon, former Secretary General of the United Nations. Profiled regularly by leading international media such as CNN International, Bloomberg, BBC. A co-author of Planet Entrepreneur: The World Entrepreneurship Forum's Guide to Business Success Around the World, published by Wiley (2013). Author of "How I Became a Top TV Star and Celebrated Investor", published by Balboa Press (2014) and translated into Chinese, Croatian, Albanian, and Macedonian.



Dr. Ben Goertzel

Dr. Ben Goertzel is an artificial intelligence researcher and co-founder and CEO of SingularityNet, an open, decentralized platform for connecting and orchestrating interactions between artificial general intelligence (AGI) agents and other software. He has been a leader in the pursuit of AGI for over 20 years. Dr. Goertzel is also a founder of the Decentralized AI Alliance (DAIA). He is an innovator and researcher in Natural Language Processing (NLP) including a recent paper on unsupervised grammar induction.

Dr. Goertzel is the chief scientist and chairman of Al software company Novamente LLC; chairman of the OpenCog Foundation; and advisor to Singularity University. He was Director of Research of the Machine Intelligence Research Institute (formerly the Singularity Institute). He is the mastermind behind one of the most advanced robots to date, Sophia.



Dr. Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes

Expert Advisor to the European Union Blockchain Observatory Forum, Sr. Senator and Secretary General of the Science, Technology and Innovation Committee, Secretary General Research Institute, as well as USA Country Director for the World Business Angel Investment Forum (WBAF) - an affiliated partners of the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPFI) chaired by the Queen Maxima of the Netherlands, CEO of Softhread Inc., Board Member and Chief Innovation Officer Government Blockchain Association, Board Member of The Partners In Digital Health Institute, the Founder & CEO of the Institute for Science, Entrepreneurship and Investments. Recipient of numerous awards, most notably the WBAF World Excellence Award for Social Entrepreneurship 2021, the Top 100 Visionary In Education Award 2021, the Top 100 Global Women in Leadership Award 2021, the Top 100 World Women Vision Award for Innovation and Technology in 2021, the Top 100 Healthcare Leader 2020 Award, Top 100 Finance Leader 2020 Award. Named Top 25 Quantum Technology Leader, a Top 20 Global Leader in Digital Twins Technologies, Top 50 Global Leader in Health, Top 150 Women in Business To Follow. Forbes Business Council Member, Co-Founder of the WBAF World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission and global thought leader on digital advocacy, digital ethics, digital transformation, contributing to numerous UN SDG 2030 global initiatives. Author of several books and teaching at the University of Miami Business School, Executive MBA Program and at the WBAF Business School.



Emi Yoshikawa

Emi Yoshikawa is the VP of Corporate Strategy & Operations at Ripple, where she leads the company's business operations, JV partnerships and strategic initiatives. She is also an adjunct professor at Kyoto University's Graduate School of Advanced Integrated Studies in Human Survivability (GSAIS) as well as a founding core member of its Blockchain Research Center, where she drives blockchain research collaboration between industry and academia. Emialso serves as a board member for MoneyTap, Inc. Earlier in her career, she managed the development of investment analytics solutions as a product manager at MSCI. Emi was selected as one of the Most Influential Women in Bay Area Business by San Francisco Business Times in 2021 and also as one of the Top 100 Most Inspirational Women in Web3 by Unstoppable Women of Web3. Emi holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and is also a CFA charterholder.



Jillian Manus

Jillian Manus is Managing Partner of an early-stage Silicon Valley venture fund, Structure Capital. Branded "Architects of the Zero Waste Economy," they invest in underutilized assets and excess capacity. She was named one of the top 25 early-stage Female Investors by Business Insider in 2021.

Ms. Manus serves on numerous corporate and non-profit boards, these include: Stanford University School of Medicine Board of Fellows, NASDAQ Entrepreneurial Center Board of Directors, Fuqua School of Business at Duke University: E & I, NYU Tisch School of the Arts, and Communities in Schools, Safe and Sound, Shift & Liquiglide.

Prior to Structure Capital, she served as Co- Director of TMT for Credit Suisse Zurich, and Director of Development for Universal and Warner Bros., she was Associate Publisher of the national publication Upside, reporting on the financial strategies of the technology industry. Ms. Manus was also the Founder of Broad Strategy, and Global Goal Management, Inc.

As a frequent global public speaker, Ms. Manus provides business and political commentary in the media, primarily on CNBC's Squawk Alley and Bloomberg Business news. She also co-hosts Spotify's Media's business podcast "The Pitch"

Ms. Manus attended The University of Oxford & New York University, where she served on the Board of Trustees. Throughout her careers, she has been a strong advocate for inclusion and diversity. One topic she deems critical for all to educate themselves on is "Investing in Values, not Just Valuations."



Jorden Woods

Jorden is a Caltech-trained astrophysicist, successful 3-time serial entrepreneur with exits, and a pioneer in Web 3 decentralized technologies & online globalization strategy. He is a Founding Partner at StarChain Ventures, a Silicon Valley based venture studio solving significant global challenges with advanced technologies such as Blockchain, Al, and IoT - a core thesis of his best-selling book, Enterprise Blockchain Has Arrived (co-authored with Radhika Iyengar). He is also a Managing Partner at DoubleNova Group, a boutique Silicon Valley management consulting firm focused on advanced tech and global markets. Jorden has raised over \$48 million from top tier Silicon Valley and global investors for his own companies and an additional \$170 million+ for advised startups. His first company GlobalSight became a market leader and was rated as one of the "Top 50 Private Companies in the World" by both the Red Herring and Upside Magazines. He has also generated millions of dollars in revenue, managed a \$15M P&L, and expanded startups both nationally and internationally. Jorden has a successful track record leading strategy and technology projects with Fortune 500 organizations generating millions in positive ROI. He is an expert in enterprise blockchain tech, Web 3 decentralized technologies, fundraising, startup acceleration, and global entrepreneurship. Jorden has been an invited guest speaker at Stanford University, Google, UC Berkeley, MIT, Draper University, and over 100 technology events including leading blockchain and AI conferences in Silicon Valley. He has also been interviewed by Forbes Japan and BusinessWeek plus has appeared on numerous podcasts, video programs, and radio shows. He is an advisor to top blockchain startups as well as world governments and international accelerators. Jorden is Chairman of the Board for the World Business Angels Investment Forum (WBAF) Silicon Valley Office, and on the advisory board of the WBAF Smart Cities Economic Development Commission, a partner to the G20 on financial inclusion, with a mandate for increasing diversity and sustainability.



Kumar Sripadam

Kumar Sripadam is a technology entrepreneur, business consultant, angel/VC investor and mentor. He has 30+ years of experience in the high technology sector. He has held several senior and executive positions in various startups. Kumar was a Founding Member of Redback Networks, a hugely successful IPO company. He is a GP at Elevate Capital and is also the Chair of TiE Angels Silicon Valley. He is also a Charter Member and a past Board member of TiE-Silicon Valley. He is an Executive Committee Member of Arc Angel Fund NYC. He is also a mentor and an advisor at many Silicon Valley accelerators and incubators. He holds an MSEE from Southern Illinois University. He is a member of the honor society of Phi Kappa Phi. He is an active speaker on the topics of entrepreneurship and angel investing. Kumar Sripadam is a Board Observer at Wevoconversion and an advisor at Moesif and Truelark. He served on the board of Metacert and Incentive Logic. He is an active investor and an LP in The Hive, The Fabric, Arc Angel Fund, Streamlined Ventures, AngelPad, BluePointe Ventures, MontaVista Capital, VU Ventures, Pioneer Fund etc. His other non technology investments include IFLY Silicon Valley, IFLY Hollywood, Palmstar Media Capital, SBPacificGroup etc. His current areas of interest are Enterprise and Application software, Hardware, E-Commerce, Network and Cloud Infrastructure, AI/ML, Big Data, IOT, FinTech and Digital Health. As an active investor he has made 70+ individual investments such as Pubnub, Wanderu, Paystand, MobileForceSoftware, Bioz, Rigado, Sisense (PeriscopeData), Iterable, Indigo, Shyft Moving, Bitesize.io, Wevo, Hemex Health, Minnowpod, 6Sense Insights, Novuson Surgical, Propelx, Honchoworks, Grabango, Revry.tv, Opscruise, Repurpose, Boost Acquisition, Biomotum, Contraline, macrometa, copperwire, Gatik.ai, Magic, Geckorobotics, VectorFlow, Earthsense.io, TagFi, Hayden.ai, SmartSentry, Quark.ai, HarvestThermal, Sempera Organics etc. He has had many successful exits. Most recent exits include Pipedrive, Spanugo, Openbucks, Synconset, Docusign, Cloudera, Intellivision, Bear Flag Robotics, Spyce etc.



Lu Zhang
Lu Zhang, Founder and Managing Partner of Fusion Fund, is a renowned Silicon Valley investor, a
serial entrepreneur, and a Stanford Engineering alumna. Lu is a World Economic Forum - Young Global Leader (Class
of 2018). She has also garnered other accolades including the Featured Honoree in VC of Forbes 30 Under 30 (2017),
Silicon Valley Women of Influence (2018), Town & Country 50 Modern Swans - Entrepreneurship Influencer (2017) and
was recently selected as the Best 25 Female early-stage Investor by Business Insider (2021). Lu is also on the Jury
Board of Cartier's Young Leader Award. Prior to starting Fusion Fund, she was the Founder and CEO of a medical
device company (acquired in 2012). Lu is a frequent speaker at tech events and conferences such as Davos World

Economic Forum, Future Investment Initiative (FII), Forbes, Web Summit, SuperReturn, etc., and serves as a mentor

and advisor to several tech innovation programs in Silicon Valley.



Maria Marenco

Entrepreneur | Blockchain Strategist & Advisor | International Keynote Speaker | Digital Health Expert | Mental Health Professional. I participate in specialist groups that explore and educate around the potentials and implications of decentralized technologies, with a special focus on the cultural and ethical considerations of technology adaptations and the importance of stakeholders' value of social and socio-economic impacts. I am engaged as a board member in various health, wellness and green tech enterprises, strategic planning, and related government/public services of same. A multi-disciplinary entrepreneur, a whole-brain thinker and a global citizen (Latin American-Swedish Londoner). I founded MentFort Ltd to provide digital health consulting with a special focus on blockchain technology for private and public sector and well-being solutions and services. Having commenced my journey in the healthcare and wellness industry in 1999, I have since followed emerging technologies as they provide greater opportunities to deliver health improvement solutions to more people in more exciting and gratifying ways. I am also a fully qualified CBT/REBT (Cognitive Behavioural Therapy/Rational Emotive Behavioural Therapy) therapist. In addition to my entrepreneurial background, I have been involved in the Swedish Blockchain Association as a vertical lead for the eHealth/Health sector and the Sweden/Nordic Chapter President for the Government Blockchain Association as well as an international keynote speaker on related subjects.



Radhika Iyengar

Radhika Iyengar is a TEDx speaker, Silicon Valley Woman of Influence, and serial entrepreneur. She is a Founding Partner at StarChain Ventures, a Silicon Valley-based venture studio focused on solving significant global challenges with Web3 and Blockchain intersecting with other advanced technologies such as AI and IoT - a core thesis of her best-selling book, Enterprise Blockchain Has Arrived. She is also a Managing Partner at DoubleNova Group, a boutique Silicon Valley management consulting firm advising the Global 2000 and top startups on advanced tech and global markets. As an enterprise blockchain expert and thought leader, Radhika is a member of California Gov Ops Blockchain Working Group, a select taskforce advising California state legislature and Gov. Newsom on the applications of blockchain technology. She has been interviewed by Forbes Japan, CNN International and Business/Tech Insider, and keynoted at prominent venues including Google, Intel, Stanford, Harvard, MIT, UC Berkeley, Draper University plus scores of leading international technology conferences and podcasts. Multilingual in 10 languages, she advises governments, top international accelerators and startups in emerging technologies in the US, EU, LatAm and Africa. Radhika is an Advisory Board member at the World Business Angel Investment Forum (WBAF-USA) an affiliate of the G20 Financial Inclusion initiative. She is an Advisory Board member at health-focused organizations such as Partners in Digital Health Institute (PHDInst), a premier global health ecosystem platform focused on advanced tech in healthcare, and Blockchain in Healthcare Today (BHTY), the world's first peer-reviewed journal on blockchain in healthcare. She is a former Board Director at TiE Silicon Valley focused on fostering global entrepreneurship in emerging technologies. A global citizen, Radhika is committed to solving pressing global issues, and she works at the intersection of technology and policy to develop impactful frameworks. In 2021, she was invited to participate in the Digital Consultation initiative by the UN Secretary General and has put forth proposals leveraging advanced technologies in global digital inclusion and gender equity. She holds an MBA from Chapman University, an AB from Bryn Mawr College, and is a Certified Network Engineer.



Rob Chesnut

Rob Chesnut spent over 5 years as the General Counsel and Chief Ethics Officer of Airbnb, Inc., retiring in 2021. Rob is a graduate of Harvard Law School and the University of Virginia. He worked for 14 years with the U.S. Justice Department, where he prosecuted bank robberies, kidnappings, murder, and espionage cases, including the prosecution of CIA employee Aldrich Ames. He joined eBay in 1999 as its third lawyer, where he led eBay's North America legal team and later founded the Internet's first ecommerce person to person Trust and Safety operation. Rob subsequently spent nearly 6 years as the General Counsel and first attorney at digital education leader Chegg, where he helped take the company public in 2013. He joined Airbnb in 2016, where he grew the legal team from 30 to over 150 legal professionals in 20 offices around the world. His team led initiatives to promote home sharing and address regulatory issues with local governments and landlords around the world. Rob developed a popular interactive employee program, Integrity Belongs Here, to help drive ethics throughout the culture at the company. In the summer of 2021, he published Intentional Integrity: How Smart Companies Can Lead an Ethical Revolution with St Martin's Press. He lives in San Francisco, CA. The book was named one of the top 10 business books of the year by Inc Magazine.