

Speakers of the Charité Entrepreneurship Summit 2015

(listed by the chronological order of the Summit program)

John Hession, Morse, Barnes-Brown & Pendleton
Summit Moderator



John Hession represents emerging-growth companies, principally in the medical device, life sciences, software and digital media fields, as well as angels and venture capital funds in the investment process in these areas. His practice includes both start-up and later-stage company work; equity-based compensation strategies; public offerings, representing either underwriters or companies; mergers and acquisitions, representing either buyers or sellers; corporate partnering, joint ventures and other strategic alliances involving technology transfers; license and distribution arrangements for medical devices and biotechnology, software and hardware companies; and venture capital or angel financings of technology companies, representing either investors or companies.

Mr. Hession lectures frequently on corporate partnerships, technology licensing and venture capital financings, at both national and local forums. He has authored or co-authored numerous books, articles and trade group presentations on venture capital financings, strategic alliances and technology licensing, including chapters from published books or industry conferences "Venture Capital Financings," "Website Development and Hosting Contracts," "Structuring and On Negotiating Strategic Alliances," "Internet and e-Commerce Law," and "A Technology Licensing Primer." He also has been an adjunct professor at Boston College Law School, where he taught a course for several years entitled "Venture Capital Fund Formations and Investments," and also served as an adjunct professor for several years at Boston University Law School, where he taught courses on intellectual property licensing, legal aspects of electronic commerce, and general technology licensing.

He joined the Boston-based firm, Morse, Barnes-Brown & Pendleton, PC in 2015.

E. Jürgen Zöllner, Executive Board, Stiftung Charité



Emil Jürgen Zöllner is a physician and German politician (SPD), and since May 2012, he has been member of the Executive Board of Stiftung Charité.

From 1964 to 1969, Zöllner studied medicine in Freiburg im Breisgau and Mainz, earned his doctorate in 1970 and qualified as a university lecturer in Mainz in 1975. In 1977, he was at the Beatson Institute for Cancer Research in Glasgow as a DFG Fellow. In 1977, he was appointed Professor of Physiological Chemistry at Johannes Gutenberg

University Mainz, and was Vice-President there from 1983 to 1990, and from 1991 on University President.

From 1991 to 2006, Zöllner was Education and Science Minister in Rhineland-Palatinate, where he also served as Deputy State Premier from May 2006 on. Finally, from 2006 to 2011, Zöllner was Senator of Education, Science and Research of the State of Berlin. In 2007, he was President of the Conference of Ministers of Cultural Affairs, in 2008 Chairman of the Conference of Ministers of Youth and Family Affairs and, from 2008 to 2011, a member of the Board of the Joint Science Conference, the Chairmanship of which he assumed on an annually rotating basis with the Federal Minister of Education and Research. From 1991 to 2011, he was a member of the German Council of Science and Humanities, and for several years, Chairman of the Administrative Commission of the German Council of Science and Humanities on a rotating basis with the respective federal representative.

Today, Zöllner is also Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Freie Universität Berlin and Chairman of the DIPF Foundation Council.

Ernst Th. Rietschel, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Berlin Institute of Health



Ernst Theodor Rietschel, born 1941, is a distinguished medical scientist and experienced science manager. His scientific work concentrated on immunobiology and structural chemistry of endotoxins as well as on bacterial sepsis. Since 2013 he acts as chairman of the Board of Directors of the newly founded Berlin Institute of Health (BIH). Since 2000 he is member of the German Academy of Natural Scientists Leopoldina, since 2009 chairman of the General Assembly of the Institute of Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) and since 2010 European Affairs Representative at acatech, the German Academy of Science and Engineering. After running the Leibniz Center for Medicine and Biosciences for 30 years he chaired the Leibniz Association as president from 2005 to 2010.

He studied chemistry at the Ludwig-Maximilians University in Munich and the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg and received his doctorate in 1971. In 1978, he qualified as a professor for biochemistry. After a "post-doc"-stay at the University of Minnesota in the USA Ernst Theodor Rietschel was scientist at the Max Planck Institute for Immunobiology in Freiburg from 1975 to 1978. In 1980, he accepted a full professorship at the University of Lübeck and the Directorate at the Research Center Borstel, Leibniz Center for Medicine and Biosciences. From 1990 to 1994 Rietschel was President of the Lycée Français in Hamburg.

In 1994, he received the "Ordre Pour le Mérite" of the French Republic. In 1996, he was awarded the Grand Prize of the German Society for Hygiene and Microbiology and 2000 the Aronson Prize 1999 by the Senate of Berlin. In 2010, he received the Great Cross of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany and was granted the Behring Lecture Award.

James Sabry, Senior Vice President, Genentech Partnering



James Sabry is Senior Vice President, Genentech Partnering, where he oversees both the gRED Business Development and Alliance Management groups. These groups have been considered to be some of the best in the industry at sourcing, negotiating, closing and managing business development relationships across discovery research, technology acquisition and clinical development.

Sabry grew up in Toronto, Canada and received an M.D. from Queen's University in Kingston, Canada after completing two years of

undergraduate work in physics and chemistry. After completing an internship in internal medicine at Toronto Western Hospital, he moved to Harvard Medical School where he completed a residency in Neurology, being named chief resident in Neurology in 1987.

He then moved to San Francisco and, in 1994, completed a Ph.D. in Neuroscience in the Biochemistry Department at UCSF while also holding an adjunct clinical appointment in the Department of Neurology.

After completing post-doctoral work in the Biochemistry Department at Stanford Medical School, he spent 6 months as an entrepreneur-in-residence at Mayfield Fund in Menlo Park, CA. It was here that, in 1998, he founded and launched his first company, Cytokinetics, Inc.

James was President and CEO of Cytokinetics until 2007. During that time, he grew the company from inception to over 200 employees and took the company public on NASDAQ in 2004 in what was the second largest IPO of that year in the biotechnology industry. In 2007, he became Chairman of the Board of Directors and a formal member of their Scientific Advisory Board. The company currently has five small molecule programs in clinical development, all new chemical entities with novel mechanisms of action for the treatment of cancer, cardiovascular disease and neuromuscular disorders. During his tenure, Cytokinetics executed two large collaborative alliances, one with Glaxo SmithKline and one with Amgen.

In 2008, he became President and CEO of Arete Therapeutics, a company focused on the discovery and development of therapeutics for diabetes. He was also a member of the World Economic Forum's Technology Pioneers from 2002-2005.

In 2010, Sabry moved to Genentech to take his current position. He maintains membership on the Scientific Advisory Board of Cytokinetics. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of a nonprofit organization, HopeLab that is working on advancing high tech solutions to certain diseases of youth and young adults. He is also on the external advisory board of QB3 at UCSF.

Ingmar Hoerr, Co-Founder & CEO, CureVac



Ingmar Hoerr founded the biopharmaceutical company CureVac in 2000 together with Florian von der Mülbe and other colleagues in Tübingen. His entrepreneurship was motivated by a surprising discovery during his doctoral research under Professor Günther Jung and Professor Hans-Georg Rammensee in the Department of Biology at the University of Tübingen. Experiments conducted for this research showed that the mRNA molecule class is capable of generating a strong specific immune response, contrary to what had previously been believed.

From this key discovery, Ingmar Hoerr and Florian von der Mülbe built up a company that is now a global leader in the research and development of mRNA-based drugs. Over the past several years, CureVac has entered into collaborations with Boehringer Ingelheim, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Sanofi Pasteur and Janssen Pharmaceuticals. Today CureVac employs more than 160 people and has raised €145 million in capital investment. Current research targets the development of cancer immunotherapies and prophylactic vaccines.

Ingmar Hoerr received his PhD from the University of Tübingen and his MBA from Danube University, Krems, Austria.

Christoph Lengauer, CSO and Chief Drug Hunter, Blueprint Medicines



Christoph Lengauer, PhD, MBA, serves as the chief scientific officer of Blueprint Medicines. Dr. Lengauer has a proven track record in cancer drug discovery, including contributing to 19 development candidates, 11 drugs/programs that reached first in human clinical trials and two registered drugs. He joined Blueprint Medicines from Sanofi, where he was vice president and global head of oncology drug discovery & preclinical development.

Before joining Sanofi in Paris, France, Dr. Lengauer was executive director & senior unit head, oncology discovery at the Novartis Institutes for Biomedical Research (NIBR). Prior to Novartis, Dr. Lengauer served as associate professor of oncology at the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Lengauer studied human genetics in Salzburg, Austria, and obtained his PhD from the University of Heidelberg, Germany. He did his postdoctoral research at the Research Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP) in Vienna and then in the laboratory of Profs. Bert Vogelstein and Ken Kinzler at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dr. Lengauer discovered that all cancers are genetically unstable. He received his MBA from the Johns Hopkins University Business School.

Dr. Lengauer is lead or senior author of numerous scientific articles that have been published in highly esteemed journals such as Cell, Nature and Science. Dr. Lengauer is a strong and outspoken advocate of patients' rights and is featured in the bestseller "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks."

Franz Theuring, Professor of Molecular Pharmacology, Charité



Professor Theuring is a consultant to the State of Berlin in Biotechnology, to the European Union in Molecular Medicine and to the pharmaceutical industry. He is an elected Member of the Berlin Scientific Society (BWG) where he currently acts as the President. Prof. Theuring is a co-founder of TauRx Therapeutics, a Singapore-based Pharma Company focusing on R&D to diagnose and treat Alzheimer and Parkinson Disease. Currently, TauRx is undergoing three phase 3 clinical trials to treat mild and moderate Alzheimer Disease and Frontotemporal Dementia. Besides his role in TauRx, he is also co-

founder of the Proteome Factory, a biotech company based in Berlin focusing on proteomic services. Professor Theuring graduated in biology from the Universities of Braunschweig and Goettingen. He subsequently earned a PhD from the University of Gottingen in 1986, and worked as a post-doctoral research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry. Professor Theuring established transgenic technologies at the Max Planck Institute and later at the ICMB of Schering AG, Berlin. He received his Habilitation from the Free University of Berlin in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry in 1996, and after 8 years at Schering AG, was appointed in 1996 to a Professorship in Molecular Pharmacology at the Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin.

Charles Duyckaerts, Co-Leader, Alzheimer's and Prion's Diseases, ICM



Charles Duyckaerts, born on December 16, 1951 in Liège, Belgium, is professor of Pathology at the University of Paris VI and head of the neuropathology laboratory at Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital, Paris. He is administrator of the national brain bank GIE NeuroCEB and senior scientist in the team "Alzheimer – Prions disease" at the ICM research center in Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital. He is recipient of the Henry Wisniewski Award for lifetime achievement in Alzheimer research (2006) and doctor honoris causa of Louvain University.

Oliver Peters, Neurology, Neurosurgery and Psychiatry, Charité



Dr. Peters is currently chief of the branch Geriatric Neuropsychiatry at the Department of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy at the Charité - CBF and head of the memory clinic at the Experimental Research Center of the Berlin Institute of Health (BIH). He is board member of the German Dementia Competence Network and also a member of the German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases (DZNE). Dr. Peters is interested in the establishment of, and has extensively worked on, new biomarkers for early diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. He is furthermore interested to explore the role of non-neuronal cells in neurodegeneration. Dr. Peters is member of study implementation advisory boards and has participated as Principal Investigator in numerous clinical trials aiming to establish new treatments for neurodegenerative diseases.

Alexander Schuth, Co-Founder and COO, Denali Therapeutics



Alexander Schuth is one of the co-founders and serves as our Chief Operating Officer and Head of Corporate Development. Alex was previously Director and Head Technology and Diagnostics Partnering and, before that, Head of Neuroscience Partnering at Genentech. During his 10-year tenure at Genentech, he held various operational and leadership positions, gaining significant drug development experience and contributing to the growth and success of Genentech's pipeline. Before joining Genentech, Alex worked for several years in Merrill Lynch's investment banking group, where his responsibilities included executing IPOs and other equity capital market transactions. Alex holds an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and an M.D. from the Charité Medical School at the Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany.

Alex is a physician by training and completed his medical degree at the Charité in Berlin and also holds an MBA from the Wharton Business School. Before joining Genentech in 2005, Alex worked in the investment banking group at Merrill Lynch in London, where he was involved in several capital market transactions in the health care sector.

Eugeen Vanmechelen, CSO, ADx Neuroscience



Eugeen Vanmechelen, PhD in Molecular Biology, 55, graduated from the University of Ghent (Prof. W. Fiers) and joined Innogenetics in 1987. Together with key opinion leaders in the neurology field my responsibility within Innogenetics was to build on protein molecular assays that aid in the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. These tests served many years as a reference of the first biochemical tests and are now further developed into clinically accepted reference tests to assist in the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease prior to the onset of dementia.

Together with three colleagues he started ADx Neurosciences in September 2011 with the aim to build the next generation biochemical tests that not only have more prognostic and diagnostic value in prodromal AD but should also assist in the development of new Alzheimer diagnostics for stratification and target engagement, so called precision medicine for neurodegenerative diseases.

During his career he supervised many PhD students, is co-author of several peer-reviewed articles (H-index 37) and inventor and co-inventor of several patent applications. He managed several nationally and internationally funded R&D programs, including programs together with major pharmaceutical companies.

Brian Evje, Vice President, Europe, Astia



Brian Evje helps people and organizations lead change and growth. As Astia's Vice President in Europe, he helps high-growth women entrepreneurs and startups with inclusive teams secure access to capital, expertise, and executive leadership development – while promoting the facts that diverse teams produce greater innovation, generate higher profits, and display increased group cognitive and emotional intelligence. Brian has worked with and for startups, public companies, professional services providers, the public benefit sector, and as a private leadership and organization consultant. He is a

graduate of Santa Clara University, and the Master's program Consulting and Coaching for Change at HEC School of Management, Paris/Saïd Business School, University of Oxford. He is a Member of The Change Leaders, and for Inc.com writes the column Leadership Balanced.

Tamar Ghosh, Longitude Prize Manager, National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts (NESTA)



Tamar is leading on the development and delivery of the Longitude Prize at Nesta. Longitude is a challenge to science and technology with a £10m prize fund, to develop an affordable, point of care diagnostic tool to help fight antibiotic resistance. Before Nesta Tamar founded and ran 2 social enterprises in global and national healthcare, which continue in her spare time. Prior to that she spent more than a decade developing and delivering funding strategies for international NGOs, specialising in private sector partnerships, most recently as Head of Global Funding at VSO. She has an MBA and Masters in Development

Studies. Tamar also delivered the social action campaign 'Give More' on behalf of one of the leading UK family foundations, promoted the giving of money and time amongst the UK public. Tamar is a trustee of 2 charities, a consultant on funding ethics and fundraising, and

a guest speaker at Imperial College Business School on innovation and entrepreneurship as part of their MBA and masters in health programme.

Hong Cheng, Global Head of Biochemistry for Oncology Discovery and Preclinical Development, Sanofi



Senior Director, Global Head of Biochemistry & Bioanalytics Discovery & Preclinical Development, Global Oncology Division, Sanofi

Hong Cheng is the Global Head of Biochemistry for Oncology Discovery and Preclinical Development at Sanofi, one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in Europe. She began her industrial career as a Scientist at a small US-based biotech company in 1997. Since then, she has worked in small to medium sized US-based biotech companies as well as large international pharmaceutical companies (Novartis and Sanofi). As both a scientist and a manager, Hong has a deep understanding and appreciation for the challenges of R&D productivity, and the struggles for efficiency and innovation in large pharmaceutical companies. Her passion is seeking an effective path for drug discovery and development in order to enable companies to deliver effective and affordable medicines. Hong received her Ph.D. in Biochemistry/Organic Chemistry from the University of Maryland, conducted her postdoctoral research in Harvard University Medical School, and is expecting her MBA from the MIT Sloan School of Management in June, 2015.

Johannes Schneider-Littfeld, Corporate VicePresident, Ottobock HealthCare



Johannes Schneider Littfeld, MSc Biomedical Engineering, has been in clinical research in endocrinology at the Universities Giessen, Germany and Minneapolis, US, before he started his industry career in the consulting firm Sudler & Hennessey, Frankfurt. He then has been as Managing Director/CEO with Ferring Biotechnik, Disetronic Medical Systems, Becton Dickinson and Bauerfeind. He successfully started new businesses in new territories and brought new technologies from R&D to market. He serves as Corporate Vice President at Otto Bock HealthCare and is Board Member of several international Healthcare

companies.

Tobias Stone, Co-Founder, EyeFocus Accelerator



Tobias Stone is co-founder of EyeFocus Accelerator, the world's first hyper vertical digital health accelerator. Tobias has been involved in early stage technology businesses for over a decade. He has been a startup entrepreneur, fund manager, and consultant. He mentors extensively at accelerators around Europe and has a particular interest in health, as both his father and grandfather were doctors. He has a lot of experience bridging between countries and cultures and is a very dynamic networker and connector. Tobias advises a number of other accelerators and startups, as well as doing academic research into innovation and accelerators. He is a graduate of UCL and Oxford University, and a Collaborative Research Fellow and Doctoral candidate at the University of Huddersfield.

Ida Beerhalter, Co-Head, IOME



Ida Beerhalter heads IOME, a private investment partnership of women principals from the Gulf region with its head office in Riyadh, KSA.

Additionally, Mrs Beerhalter also serves as Member of the Board, Trustee, Advisor, and Expert to various for-profit and not-for-profit organizations around the globe (amongst others Astia USA, Omnia Strategy UK, WIP – Women in Parliaments Global Forum, Bellwald Partner GmbH Switzerland, Impact Investment Partners LLP UK, MedXperts Germany, Yunus Social Business GmbH Germany, Social Business Earth Switzerland, First Light Trust UK, TBLI Group The Netherlands, Charité Entrepreneurship Summit Germany) specialized in a wide range of issues, including social business, entrepreneurship, impact investment, gender inclusiveness, women empowerment, investment in emerging markets, and wealth management, family governance and succession planning.

Heinrich Audebert, Head, Department of Neurology, Charité



Prof. Audebert is a neurologist with a research focus on clinical stroke health care. He is member of the boards of directors of the Center for Stroke Research Berlin (CSB) and of the German Competence Network Stroke. He is heading the Dept. of Neurology at Charité Campus Benjamin Franklin in Berlin.

He studied at the Ludwigs-Maximilians-University in Munich and completed his thesis on "Psychological and neurological complications after cardiac transplantation". Work experiences in several academic and non-academic hospitals let him get deep insight in different forms of clinical practice in vascular neurology.

Prof. Audebert initiated and coordinated the Bavarian TeleStroke network TEMPiS including two tertiary stroke centers and 14 regional hospitals with newly established TeleStroke Units. Several scientific evaluations of the network showed that the implementation of Telestroke Units was associated with improved stroke management in community hospitals, safe and more frequent application of i.v. thrombolysis and better outcome of patients. During his time in London, he established a mobile Telestroke network in St Thomas' hospital that has become the model for multiple TeleStroke networks in the UK.

After his move to Berlin in 2008, he has been involved in several projects including pre-hospital and inpatient stroke care as well as secondary prevention. A new support program for patients after minor stroke or TIA has been developed by his research group and is currently being evaluated in a large multicenter randomized trial.

He also initiated the Stroke-Emergency-Mobile (STEMO) project exploring the effect of a specialized ambulance for hyperacute stroke care with integrated CT-scanner and point-of-care laboratory. A large controlled study is going to be finalized and presented within the next months.

Mario Czaja, Senator for Health and Social Services, Berlin



Mario Czaja was born in Berlin in September 1975. While working for several Berlin companies, e.g. as marketing and sales director, he studied Business Administration at a distance university of applied sciences and graduated with distinction.

In 1993, he became a member of the CDU (Christian Democratic Party). In October 1999, he was elected to the Berlin House of Representatives. There he worked, among others, in the Committee on Health and Welfare (later Health, Environment and Consumer Protection) and in the Committee on Urban Development. In 2001, he became health policy spokesman for the CDU parliamentary group; in 2006, he was initially parliamentary manager and later deputy chairman of the CDU parliamentary group responsible for special challenges in the eastern boroughs of Berlin. On 1 December 2011, the Governing Mayor of Berlin appointed him Senator for Health and Social Services.

Mario Czaja also holds a number of honorary offices in various associations committed to cultural and social activities in the Berlin-Brandenburg region.

Wilfried Gräfling, Head of the Berlin Fire Department



Tabellarische Aufstellung der Tätigkeiten im höheren feuerwehrtechnischen Dienst:

1974 Abitur

1974 – 1981 Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Studium der Allgemeinen Elektrotechnik, Dipl.-Ing. Elektrotechnik

1981 Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Institut für Hoch und Höchstfrequenztechnik

Okt. 1981 – Dez. 1983 Städtischer Brandreferendar der Feuerwehr

Leverkusen

Dez. 1983 2. Staatsexamen, Brandassessor-Prüfung

Dez. 1983 Ernennung zum Brandrat z.A. bei der Berliner Feuerwehr

Dez. 1983 – Okt. 1992 Referatsleiter in der Abteilung Fernmeldewesen, später Informations- und Kommunikationstechnik

Dez. 1986 Ernennung zum Brandrat

Mai 1989 Ernennung zum Brandoberrat

Okt. 1992 Ernennung zum Branddirektor

Okt. 1992 – Jan. 1994 Abordnung zur Polizei als technischer Projektleiter zur Realisierung der neuen Polizeieinsatzleitzentrale

Jan. 1994 – Jun. 1999 Abteilungsleiter der Abteilung Informations- und Kommunikationstechnik

Jun. 1994 Ernennung zum Leitenden Branddirektor

Mai 1996 – Jun. 2000 Projektverantwortlicher für die Errichtung der neuen Feuerwehrleitstelle (IGNIS)

Jan. 1997 – Dez. 1997 Beauftragt mit der Wahrnehmung der Aufgabe als Leiter des Bereichs Lenkung und Steuerung zur Durchführung der Verwaltungsreform

Febr. 1998 – Okt. 1998 Eingesetzt beim Landeseinwohneramt als persönlicher Beauftragter des Staatssekretärs zur Unterstützung des Projektes KVA-neu (in Teilzeit neben IGNIS)

Febr. 1999 Übertragung der Aufgaben des Vertreters des Landesbranddirektors

Jun. 1999 – Jan. 2001 Beauftragung zur Wahrnehmung der Aufgabe als Direktionsleiter und zum Aufbau der Direktion Nord

Jan. 2001 – Nov. 2006 Vertreter des Landesbranddirektors

Nov. 2006 Ernennung zum Landesbranddirektor

Gremien:

- Leiter des Fachbereiches „Brandmeldeanlagen und Elektrische Betriebsmittel“ im Normenausschuss Feuerwehrwesen
- Mitglied des Lenkungsausschusses Normenausschuss Feuerwehrwesen
- Mitglied im europäischen technischen Komitee für Brandmeldeanlagen (CEN/TC 72), Leiter von zwei internationalen Arbeitsgruppen im CEN/TC 72
- Referatsleiter für Informations- und Kommunikationstechnik im Technisch-Wissenschaftlichen Beirat der Vereinigung zur Förderung des deutschen Brandschutzes (vfdb)
- Beiratsmitglied der Berliner Verkehrsbetriebe (BVG)
- Beiratsmitglied für den Studiengang SGA (Sicherheit- und Gefahrenabwehr) an der Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg
- Beiratsmitglied im KKI Kompetenzzentrum Kritische Infrastrukturen e. V.
- Beiratsmitglied in der SCC Events GmbH

Gerhard W. Meyer, CEO, MEYTEC



Mr. Meyer was born in 1943. He studied at the school for mechanical and electrical engineering Berlin with the conclusion as a telecommunications engineer. Thereafter, he studied at the engineering school for post and telecommunications in Leipzig with a degree as an engineer for radio technology.

He has many years of experience in planning, designing, installation and servicing of radio and telecommunications equipment. He cooperated with the Siemens AG for HICOM-telecommunications systems. He was partner of the Deutsche Post AG in the realization of a new concept for telecommunication, data and security systems in their partner branches.

In 1997 he founded the MEYTEC GmbH Informationssysteme. Since 2002 MEYTEC develops solutions for supporting acute stroke care in rural areas via tele-medical systems (main reference TEMPiS in Bavaria). Meytec develops in close cooperation with the Charite - University Berlin and the Berlin fire brigade new pre-hospital approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of strokes.

Mr. Meyer is chief executive officer of MEYTEC GmbH Informationssysteme and MEYTEC GmbH Medizinsysteme. Since 2006 he is furthermore deputy chairman of the German Association for Telemedicine e.V..

Paula A. Johnson, Executive Director, Connors Center, Brigham and Women's Hospital



Paula A. Johnson is the executive director of the Connors Center for Women's Health and Gender Biology, chief of the Division of Women's Health at Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH), professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, and professor of epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health. An internationally recognized cardiologist, Johnson brings a broad range of experience as a physician, researcher, and expert in public health and health policy to bear in the effort to transform the health of women.

Dr. Johnson founded the internationally recognized Connors Center for Women's Health and Gender Biology. Her vision for achieving sustainable improvement in women's health is reflected in the Connors Center's unique interdisciplinary approach, which encompasses discovering how disease is expressed differently in women and men, integrating leading-edge research about women's health into the delivery of care, influencing health policy,

addressing the health of women globally, and training the next generation of leaders in the field of women's health.

Her most recent research focuses on the impact of U.S. health care reform on women and studying leadership and developing training to advance the health of women globally.

Dr. Johnson is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine (IOM), one of the highest honors in the field of health and medicine. She is also featured as a national leader in medicine by the National Library of Medicine and is the recipient of many awards recognizing her contributions in women's and minority health and public health. Johnson's 2013 TED talk, "His and Her Healthcare" has had almost 1 million viewers and has helped to raise awareness of the importance of sex differences to understanding women's health. Dr. Johnson serves as commissioner and chair of the board of the Boston Public Health Commission, one of the nation's leading departments of public health. She currently serves on several national and international boards and committees and is an independent director on the board of West Pharmaceutical Services, a global corporation that is the premier manufacturer of drug delivery systems.

Johnson attended Harvard and Radcliffe Colleges, received her MD and MPH degrees from Harvard, and trained in internal medicine and cardiovascular medicine at BWH. A native of Brooklyn, New York, she lives in Brookline, Massachusetts with her husband and two children.

Anula Jayasuriya, Founder, eXXclaim Capital and EILSF



Anula Jayasuriya is an experienced health care and Life Sciences executive and investor. Anula's expertise consists of a unique combination of business, basic science and medical knowledge. Recognizing the growing yet under-invested opportunity in Women's Health, in 2013 Anula launched eXXclaim Capital, focused on catalyzing innovation, entrepreneurship and investment in this field and has already made several investments. In 2006 Anula co-founded the "Evolve India Life Science Fund" (EILSF), to make investments in pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device and contract services

companies based in India. EILSF has garnered three successful exits to date and India Life Science 11 has had its first close.

She was previously a partner with Skyline Ventures in Palo Alto, and prior to that with the German – US venture capital firm TVM, in San Francisco. Her prior positions include VP-Corporate development at Genomics Collaborative Inc., and Vice President, Global Drug Development at Hoffman-La Roche for opportunistic infections in AIDS and Transplantation. Anula received a BA from Harvard summa cum laude, and an MD and PhD (in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics) from Harvard Medical School. She interned in Pediatrics at Boston Children's Hospital and received an MBA with distinction from Harvard Business School. Anula also has a M. Phil. in pharmacology from the University of Cambridge, in England. Anula sits on the boards of Ocimum BioSolutions, and MapMyGenome, Hyderabad and nVision, San Francisco. She was previously a board member of Health Care Global which was exited to Temasek, Lipomics which was acquired by Tethys and Triesta BioSciences which was acquired by Health Care Global. She also serves on several non-profit boards, including Astia, EPPIC, and The Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research.

Duska Dragun, Professor and Managing Director, Department of Nephrology, Charité



Duska Dragun has been a full professor at the Charité since 2008 and works as Managing Director at the Department of Nephrology and Intensive Care Medicine at Campus Virchow-Klinikum. She studied medicine in Zagreb, Croatia, until 1993 and received her doctoral degree from Humboldt University in Berlin. She has been awarded many national and international awards and fellowships. She is a member of the Editorial Board of "Transplantation" and has published over 100 peer-reviewed papers including publications in "Cell" and "The New England Journal of Medicine".

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Vera Regitz-Zagrosek, Director, Institute for Gender Medicine, Charité



Vera Regitz-Zagrosek received her medical degree from Saarland University and did her postdoc training at the Max-Planck-Institute for Experimental Cardiology (Prof. Dr. W. Schaper) and at University of Madison, Wisconsin, Dept. of Biochemistry.

She founded the Institute of Gender in Medicine (GiM) at the Charité in 2003, the working group on cardiovascular disease in women at the German cardiac society (DGK), the German and International Societies for Gender in Medicine (DGesGM and IGM) in 2007.

She coordinates the Berlin site in the "German Centre for Cardiovascular Research (DZHK)" sponsored by German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

She is coordinator of 3 European projects, RADOX, EUGENMED and a tender GENCAD on "Gender in coronary artery disease". She is as well project leader of the DFG (German Research Foundation) Research Training Group GK 754 and DFG Research Unit FOR 1054 on "Sex-specific mechanisms of myocardial hypertrophy".

She is Task Force Leader of the Guidelines "Cardiovascular Diseases in Pregnancy" of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and coordinates the pilot project "Gender Medicine" sponsored by German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). She developed new concepts in teaching Gender medicine in the of the European ERASMUS project EUGIM (European Curriculum in Gender Medicine).

She acts as reviewer for national and international funding organizations and journals. She published over 200 scientific papers (including Nature Reviews) and numerous book chapters and organizes annual international congresses on Gender medicine.

John Harthorne, Founder and CEO, MassChallenge



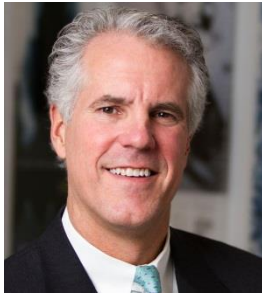
John Harthorne is the Founder and CEO of MassChallenge, a startup accelerator designed to catalyze a global renaissance by connecting high-impact startups from around the world with the resources they need to launch and succeed as rapidly as possible.

John earned his MBA from the MIT Sloan School of Management in 2007. While at school, John won Grand Prize in the 2007 MIT \$100K Business Plan Competition and received the 2007 Patrick J. McGovern

Award for impact on quality and visibility of entrepreneurship at MIT. He also led the 10th annual MIT Global Startup Workshop (GSW) held in Trondheim, Norway.

The Boston Business Journal has identified John as one of Boston's 50 Most Influential Business Leaders alongside the CEOs of Akamai Technologies, Blue Cross Blue Shield and the Boston Celtics. The World Economic Forum also elected John as one of the 2013 Young Global Leaders alongside Chelsea Clinton and Tony Hsieh, and Ernst & Young voted John as Social Entrepreneur of the Year in New England for 2013.

Christopher M. Coburn, Vice President Innovation, Partners HealthCare



Chris Coburn is Vice President, Innovation, Partners HealthCare. Based in Boston, Massachusetts, Partners is the nation's largest academic research enterprise with nearly \$1.5 billion in research. Mr. Coburn leads a team of 80 tasked with the commercial application of the unique capabilities and discoveries of Partners' 60,000 employees. His unit's responsibilities include technology business development, company creation, management and commercialization of all breakthroughs of Partners' Harvard Medical School appointed faculty and its core hospitals – Harvard University affiliates Brigham and Women's Hospital, Massachusetts General Hospital and McLean Hospital.

Prior to joining Partners, Mr. Coburn founded Cleveland Clinic Innovations and served for 13 years as its Executive Director. During his tenure Cleveland Clinic spun off 57 companies that raised more than \$700 million in equity financing. Cleveland Clinic had no technology based spin-offs before Coburn's arrival. He also implemented a national Innovation Alliance in which Cleveland Clinic managed technology commercialization for healthcare systems throughout the United States.

Mr. Coburn has served on numerous corporate and community boards including Autonomic Technologies, Explorys, and the U.S. Enrichment Corporation (NYSE:USU). He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Assessing the Value of Research in Meeting National Goals. He is a former Vice President and General Manager of Battelle Memorial Institute. He has consulted, testified and spoken on innovation and commercialization throughout North America and in nearly 30 countries. He and his wife, Nancy, have three grown children.

Raphael Hofstein, President & CEO, MaRS Innovation



Dr. Hofstein joined MaRS Innovation as President and CEO in June 2009.

Dr. Hofstein received his PhD and Master of Science degrees in Life Sciences and Chemistry from the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel. His Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry and Physics was attained from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Awards received while completing postdoctoral training and research at the

Harvard Medical School in Boston in the Departments of Biological Chemistry and Neurobiology include the Hereditary Disease Foundation Fellowship in 1982-83, and the Chaim Weizmann Postdoctoral Fellowship in 1980-82.

During the 1980s, he held the roles of Scientific Director of Biotechnological Applications Ltd., and Manager R&D and Chief of Immunochemistry at the International Genetic Scientific Partnership; organizations that were pivotal in the development of Israel's world-leading biotechnology sector. Dr. Hofstein was Scientific Director of the Israeli office of Ecogen Inc., a subsidiary of Monsanto, for over six years before assuming the role of Vice President, Business Development for Ecogen in Langhorne, Pa.

From 1997 to 1999 Dr. Hofstein was President of Mindsense Biosystems Ltd., an Israeli company that develops neuropsychiatric immune assays. From 1999 to the present, he has held the position of President and CEO of Hadasit Ltd., the technology transfer company of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. Later on, Dr. Hofstein joined Medica Ventures, a lead VC in Israel and served for 10 years as the President and CEO of Hadasit, the commercialization company of Hadassah, the largest teaching hospital in Israel.

Dr. Hofstein was the founder and served as Chair of Hadasit BioHolding Ltd., a publicly traded holding company (10 startups under management) on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange (TASE), since 2005. Other directorships held on TASE publicly traded companies include: Bioline RX (drug development); Exalenz (medical devices); and Evogene (agri-bio). He has also served as Chairman of BIOMED, Israel's annual biomedical conference, from 2005 to 2007. In addition, Dr. Hofstein is a co-founder and board member of ILSI, the Israeli Life Science Industry Organization, and a co-founder and executive in Israel's Tech Transfer Network (ITTN).

Dr. Hofstein is currently member of the board of directors of Life Science Ontario and of Clinical Trials Ontario as well as a member of the Organizing Committee of the Public Policy Forum (part of the Quebec City Conference).

Derek Young, Founder & CEO, i360medical



Derek is an entrepreneur and innovator in the healthcare sector. He is a named inventor on over 30 patents with commercial success globally. Derek has successfully co-founded a number of European medical device startup companies including Medtech, Advanced Surgical Concepts and Haptica before Spinning In to the Royal College of Surgeons (RCSI) in Dublin. Derek while there, established a Healthcare Innovation Hub to develop ideas received from clinicians and inventors from Europe and Internationally.

Derek is Founder, CEO and key promoter of i360medical which is a direct Spin Out of the Healthcare Innovation Hub from and with the support of the RCSI.

i360medical is a European based Healthcare Solutions and Medical Device Innovation Company that provides its services to Global Hospital Systems, Medical Device Industry, and clinical communities. i360medical is tapping into the growing medical device expertise in Ireland and internationally and has secured strategic alliances with some of the world leaders in healthcare innovation to help generate and commercialize new world-class healthcare technology solutions.

Derek has partnered with and has the direct support of a number of significant figures in the medical device and clinical sector including Enterprise Ireland, Cleveland Clinic, NS-LIJ, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, A*Star Singapore, Synecor Inc., and a number of leading Hospital groups in Ireland, Central Europe and Australia.

Derek has assembled an experienced team of professionals and KOLs with intimate international knowledge of the medical device sector and key Clinical Specialities intending to deliver much needed innovation and commercialization partner services to the international Hospital System, Medical Device Industry and Clinical Community.

Derek has a background in Mechanical Engineering, Surgical Innovation and Business Development from the Austin Waldron and Dublin Institute of Technology in Ireland. Derek also holds a number of board positions on medical device companies and medical research groups at both a national and international level. As CEO of i360medical, Derek is responsible for the company's direction ensuring new innovation and commercial partnerships are formed to enable the launch of new products into the Global healthcare market place.

Jonathan Kimmelman, Associate Professor, McGill University



ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2010-present Associate Professor, Department of Social Studies of Medicine / Biomedical Ethics Unit, McGill University, Faculty of Medicine, Montreal, Canada

2013-present Associate Appointment, Epidemiology and Biostatistics

2010-present Associate Appointment, Department of Human Genetics

2009-present Associate Appointment, Experimental Medicine

2014-2015 Visiting Professor, Neurology Department, Charité-Mitte, Berlin GER

2005-2010 Assistant Professor, Dept. Social Studies of Medicine / Biomedical Ethics Unit

2004-2005 Research Associate, McGill Biomedical Ethics Unit

2002-2004 Postdoctoral Fellow, McGill Biomedical Ethics Unit

2000-2001 Associate, U. Manitoba, Centre for Professional and Applied Ethics

1999-2000 Lecturer, Yale, Department of Political Science

1990-1992 Research Associate, Natural Resources Defense Council, NY

EDUCATION

1999 Ph.D. Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, Yale University: "The Activating Threonine of KIN28 in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*"

1990 B.Sc. Chemistry, Duke University, cum laude

Jorge Juan Fernández García, Biocat / Moebio



Jorge Juan Fernández García is the Director of e-Health and Health 2.0 at Hospital Sant Joan de Déu (Barcelona), one of the largest children's hospitals in Europe. He is also the Head of Academics at Moebio, where he leads the d'HEALTH Barcelona program. Jorge has over 15 years of experience in life sciences and healthcare, working on projects throughout Europe, with a strong focus on technology, innovation and entrepreneurship. He regularly acts as advisor and mentor to various healthcare start-ups and entrepreneurial acceleration programs. Jorge is a graduate from the London School of

Economics (LSE). He also holds a GMP from IESE Business School and a GSP from Singularity University. He has been recently selected as 2014 European Young Leader "40 Under 40".

Khusru Asadullah, Past Vice President and Head, Global Biomarkers, Bayer HealthCare



From 2011 to 2014 Khusru Asadullah was Vice President and Head of Global Biomarkers at Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals. Before this he headed Target Discovery and Inflammation and Immunology research at Bayer Schering Pharma and Dermatology research at Schering. He is a Professor of Medicine at the University Hospital Berlin. He graduated from the Medical School Charité, Berlin and the Harvard Business School, Boston. He is a board certified Dermatologist and Immunologist. Over the past years he made several contributions in particular in translational

medicine, cytokines, kinases and nuclear receptors. He published more than 150 articles in peer reviewed journals including in top journals such as J Clin Invest, Nature, Nature Medicine, Nature Reviews Drug Discovery, and PNAS. He is a member of several international editorial boards. His current major research activities are in the fields of biomarker, personalized and translational medicine. Since January 2015 he is on a sabbatical from Bayer, teaching at the Charite, consulting and seeing patients in private practise.

Frank-Roman Lauter, Managing Director, SPARK BIH Berlin



Managing Director of Spark BIH Berlin, entrepreneur, and an expert in translating medical research findings into clinical utility. He received his Ph.D. in molecular biology at the Max-Planck-Institute Berlin-Dahlem in 1990 and worked with one of the pioneers in molecular genetics, Prof. Charles Yanofsky, at Stanford until 1994. In 1996, he founded his first diagnostic company in Berlin, which he sold to a larger German diagnostic company in 2000, to run their USA business out of San Francisco.

From 2007 to 2013, Dr. Lauter established the department of business development at the translational center BCRT of the Charité in Berlin (www.b-crt.de) to accelerate the transfer of preclinical concepts into clinical validation. To foster international cooperative technology development, he initiated a joined funding program between the German Federal Ministry of Research (BMBF) and the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) in 2008 and co-founded a consortium of ten medical clusters from seven European countries in 2010.

Ulrich Dirnagl, Director, Department of Experimental Neurology, Charité



The research of Ulrich Dirnagl is focused on stroke, cerebral blood flow regulation, and brain imaging. In preclinical models as well as clinical trials he and his coworkers and collaborators explore mechanisms by which brain ischemia leads to cell death, and develops novel methods to intercept mechanisms of damage in acute brain damage, as well as to foster regeneration and repair of the lesions. He is particularly interested in how the brain protects itself ('endogenous neuroprotection'), and how the brain interacts with other systems of the body after it has been injured. Closely linked to his interest in

stroke pathophysiology is his interest in the coupling of regional blood flow to neuronal activity, the mechanism underlying functional brain imaging with MR and PET. Beyond imaging structure and function of the CNS he and his team are developing, validating and using techniques that allow the non-invasive imaging of brain biochemistry and molecular signaling. To this end they use optical, MR, and nuclear medicine approaches in mouse and man. To improve the predictiveness of preclinical translational research he is actively promoting the introduction of quality standards for experimental design and reporting, as well as international collaboration in large, phase III-type preclinical trials. At the Charité Universitäts Medizin Berlin Ulrich Dirnagl serves as Director of the Department of Experimental Neurology, Chief Executive Director of the Center for Stroke Research Berlin, Clinical program coordinator of the Excellence Cluster NeuroCure and the Berlin partner site of the German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases (DZNE), as well as Program Director of the International Graduate Program Medical Neuroscience.

Andreas Eckert, Chairman of the Executive Board, Eckert & Ziegler



Dr. Andreas Eckert, (1960), CEO of Eckert & Ziegler AG completed his academic studies as a Fulbright Stipendiary in Heidelberg, New York and Berlin. After graduating with a Dr. phil. degree in Heidelberg, he worked for the Secretary-General of the United Nations as an Information Officer in New York, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Dr. Eckert returned to Berlin after the German reunification as an independent management consultant. He then founded the Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen- und Medizintechnik AG as well as other technology organisations predominantly involved in the life science branches.

Craig Garner, Professor of Neuronal Toxicity / Synaptopathy, Charité



2014-present: Professor of Neuronal Toxicity/Synaptopathy, Charité –
Universitätsmedizin Berlin
2014-present: Scientist, Deutsches Zentrum für Neurodegenerative
Erkrankungen
2003-2014: Director, Stanford Down Syndrome Center
2002-2014: Nancy Pritzker Professor, Department of Psychiatry and
Behavioral, Science, Stanford University
2002-2014: Professor, Department of Neurology, Stanford University

(by Courtesy)

2000-2002: Professor, Department of Neurobiology, University of Alabama at Birmingham

2000-2002: Professor, Department of Cell Biology, University of Alabama at Birmingham (by
Courtesy)

1993-2002: Associate-Professor, Department Physiology & Biophysics, University of Alabama
at Birmingham (by Courtesy)

1996-2000: Associate Professor, Department Neurobiology, University of Alabama at
Birmingham

1993-1996: Associate Professor, Department of Cell Biology, University of Alabama at
Birmingham

1993-1996: Scientist, Neurobiology Research Center, University of Alabama at Birmingham

1988-1993: Group Leader, Center for Molecular Neurobiology, University of Hamburg
Germany

1985-1988: Postdoctoral Fellow, Laboratory Dr. Andrew Matus, Friedrich Miescher Institute,
Basel, Switzerland

Founded "Balance Therapeutics" a Biotech company designed to develop drugs for cognitive
impairment in Down syndrome and Alzheimer's disease. (2009) Clinical trial "Compose"
initiated Dec 2013.

Founded "Stealth Bioscience" a Biotech company designed to develop solid stated
intracellular recording devices. (2012)

Alejandro Dussan, Co-Founder, EyeFocus Accelerator



Alejandro has over 23 years experience in the pharmaceutical industry,
having worked in medical, sales, marketing and general management in
Europe, and the emerging markets of Asia, Middle East, Africa and Latin
America. He was Head of EMEA at Bayer Pharma, and was active in the
promotion and implementation of innovation in healthcare at Bayer.
Since leaving the pharma industry in September 2013, he has become
an active angel investor and entrepreneur, successfully investing in an
eye-care startup.

Gabriela Galilea, Co-Founder and CEO, Mr Patch



Lawyer, Specialization in International Trade and Investment UBA,
Universidad de Buenos Aires
CEO and Co Founder Mr Patch

Lucy Inkster, Programme Director, EyeFocus Accelerator



Lucy has a background in charities, project management, and think tanks. Starting her career at the Young Foundation, Lucy went on to help launch the UpRising leadership programme as an independent charity, supporting young people to become social entrepreneurs and change makers in their local communities. More recently, she has run Diabetes UK's peer support work, including an innovative digital health project and a major government funded pilot, working directly with NHS commissioners. She is a law graduate with degrees from the University of Cambridge and UCL.

Lucija Matic, Programme Manager, EyeFocus Accelerator



Lucija has been involved in work with tech startups ever since she graduated her Master's degree in Business Economics. She started working with early stage tech companies in NYC, where she fell in love with entrepreneurship and business innovation. She was organising Startup Weekend events, which led her to London, where she helped to set up first Techstars program outside of US. Most recently, she went through another accelerator program, AS Plug and Play in Berlin, with a startup, which helped her to understand better both sides of accelerator business. Lucija is passionate about social entrepreneurship and just recently she became One Young World ambassador for Croatia.

Federico Naccarato Sartori, Programme Manager, EyeFocus Accelerator



After his MBA, Federico started his journey as an entrepreneur straight away, co-founding two companies. His passion for tech startups conducted him to work as an EIR for Startup Bootcamp Copenhagen. With his ability to identify patterns and trends he can understand a market and find the best way to position a product in order to attract a target segment. An enthusiastic team player that likes to win. Fast learner and problem solver, loves to translate ideas into action.

Oliver Zeitz, Vice President, Head of Ophthalmology Group, Bayer HealthCare



Oliver Zeitz is Vice President and Head of Global Clinical Development Ophthalmology within Global Development at Bayer HealthCare. He joined Bayer HealthCare in 2009.

After completing his studies in human medicine at the Albert-Ludwigs-University in Freiburg (Germany), Oliver Zeitz began working as an ophthalmologist at the University Hospital in Hamburg (Germany) in 2001, where he was assigned as Senior Physician for Ophthalmology in 2006. A year later he was appointed as Assistant Professor ("Privatdozent") at the medical faculty of the University Hospital in Hamburg.

Oliver Zeitz joined Bayer in 2009 where he started as Global Clinical Leader in the field of ophthalmological development project with increasing responsibility.

Yannik Schreckenberger, Hacking Health



Yannik Schreckenberger is a physicist, serial-entrepreneur and founder of Heartbeat Medical, a web-based hospital information system. It supports medical professionals in the preparation, documentation and evaluation of surgical procedures, and promotes quality assurance by incorporating patient reported outcomes. He has been working as a medical consultant for many years, advising healthcare providers on how to optimize their workflows to provide better care. More recently he has become the lead organizer of Hacking Health Berlin, a series of regular workshops and hackathons that brings together health care professionals and technology creators to tackle tough problems in a supportive community of peers and mentors.

Dominik Böhler, UnternehmerTUM



Dominik Böhler is “Manager Lectures & Seminars” at UnternehmerTUM, the Center for Innovation and Business Creation at TUM. He is responsible for the education of Bachelor, Master and PhD students. He holds a diploma in business administration and a PhD in information systems. Since 2014, he organizes the MedTech Business Design Bootcamp, where early stage MedTech Teams receive coaching and feedback from investors.

Juliane Zielonka, Co-founder & CEO, LARacompanion



Juliane Zielonka is co-founder and CEO of LARacompanion, a mobile health program for overcoming infertility (SaaS in women’s reproductive health). The digital health entrepreneur is passionate on intelligent algorithms and connected health. She consults the Fraunhofer institutes on entrepreneurship and business modelling to identify new digital health business opportunities at an early stage phase. Juliane’s mission is the continuous development of digital products and services for best possible health outcome with clinical evidence. The Tedster has over 18 years of experience in development, marketing and sales of digital products and global branding strategy projects in ePublishing, eCommerce, ASEAN government. She studied German, English and Psychology (M.A.), holds a state-certified degree as a graphic designer focus digital and a diploma in marketing communications. She also worked as a senior IT Product Developer Online for platforms in finance and insurance. She strives for more entrepreneurship and Venture Capital within Berlin and Europe with her Silicon Valley Mindset and correspondent network.

Larisa Kryuchkova, Founder and CEO, Uvizr



Larisa Kryuchkova is founder and CEO of Uvizr, a wearable technology for skin cancer prevention. She is passionate about connected devices, data analysis and machine learning. As co-founder of the Silicon Valley Mindset network for tech entrepreneurs, she fosters the development of a strong entrepreneurial ecosystem in Europe. Her mission is to apply technology-based solutions in healthcare to the benefit of patients, doctors and other stakeholders in the healthcare system. She has a strong background in business and technology: a Diploma in Industrial Engineering coupled with an MBA from European School of Management and Technology ESMT plus over 10 years of experience in technical marketing,

business development and corporate strategy in hi-tech industries including electronics, smart grids and eCommerce.

Linda J. Hickman, Visiting Senior Fellow, London School of Economics and Founder, Hickman & Associates



Linda is an entrepreneur, educator, mentor, author, Visiting Senior Fellow at the London School of Economics, and founder of Hickman & Associates based in London.

She combines global business development experience in 37 countries, including a successful launch of a software company, with her practical approach to coaching and mentoring startup teams in strategic skills.

A graduate of Stanford University, Linda's career began in the US, where she held research positions at Stanford, Ohio State and Princeton University, and taught business at San Francisco State University in combination with a consulting practice in Silicon Valley with high tech start ups. Linda moved to London in 1988 for a corporate career where she held strategy and global business development roles at Oracle and Royal Dutch Shell. Her entrepreneurial experience in opening new businesses and markets in over 37 countries at Oracle led to her eventual role at Royal Dutch Shell where she was responsible for the launch of a multi-million dollar software company. After that successful launch, her next start up was her consultancy, Hickman & Associates, founded in 2001 which provides strategy and business development services. Hickman & Associates work with client ventures from initial ideation through life cycle business development stages with a focus on strategic innovation.

Currently, as a Visiting Senior Fellow, she teaches entrepreneurship at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Linda advises and teaches post-graduate students in a course on Enterprise Development using a design thinking approach. She teaches strategy in the Master Class Series on Entrepreneurship and has served as an Entrepreneur-in-Residence in a series sponsored by the LSE Career Service for the annual Pitch It! competition. Linda is active as a Mentor in the European startup community, especially with the award-winning European group of Startupbootcamp accelerators (TechStars affiliate). Linda also serves as a faculty mentor in the 'Win-Win Stelios Scholars and Entrepreneurs Initiative', an award program for disabled entrepreneurs, funded by the Stelios Foundation. Parallel to her mentoring, she is conducting research on accelerator teams and the teams' business models. Her accelerator research is aligned with the NESTA and Kauffman direction of research on accelerators and was recently awarded a grant from NESTA.

Christian Jung, Senior Investment Manager, High-Tech Gründerfonds



Christian Jung joined High-Tech Gründerfonds (HTGF) in 2012 and serves as an Investment Manager in the life sciences team. HTGF's life sciences team invests in start-up companies across the fields of medtech, biotech and diagnostics.

Previously, Christian spent five years in basic research, mainly in the field of stem cell biology. His PhD thesis focused on the use of patient-specific induced pluripotent stem cells for modeling cardiac diseases. During his time in academia, Christian was working part-time for Atlas

Venture, gaining first-hand experience in the field of venture capital.

Christian received his M.Sc. in Molecular Biotechnology from the Technical University of Munich, completed a study abroad program at the University of Queensland and was awarded his PhD in Medical Science and Technology from the Technical University of Munich. The key articles generated in the context of his PhD were published in the New England

Journal of Medicine, EMBO Molecular Medicine and FASEB Journal and have been cited more than 500 times up until now. In 2013, the thesis was recognized with the "Outstanding PhD thesis award" by the Luxembourg National Research Fund.

Patrick Pfeffer, Founder & CEO, aescuvest



Bringing together medical innovations and capital, creative minds and investors: this is a matter that is close to his heart. His message goes out to both sides within the healthcare hemisphere. In order to break new ground, it is necessary to give a stage to bold ideas and revolutionary concepts. Large enterprises and powerful corporations no longer seem prepared, able, or willing to do so. This is why investors can be won over for new and alternative investment opportunities. This is why he founded aescuvest, the first equity-based crowdfunding platform targeting the medical sector in the German speaking area.

He studied bioinformatics, business and holds a PhD in pharmaceutical chemistry. Fascinated by the interface between natural sciences and technology, the combination of the two was just perfect for him. He was granted a look behind the scenes as a multichannel marketing consultant for the pharmaceutical industry in Europe. Much of what he saw impressed him (for instance, research capacities and sales power), but not everything (for instance, support for innovation).

As group account director at razorfish, he conducted digital health platforms and Rx campaigns for various pharmaceutical companies on a global level. He gathered deep quantified-self understanding and learned everything about the edge of technologies – within and outside our regulated industry.

On a recent mission, he has been active in the medical publishing sector – content marketing at the intersections between the USA and Europe. As General Manager for Medscape he was responsible for German-speaking Europe and France in the world of medical news and medical education for Health Care Practitioners and enriched by the insight, just how important it is to pay attention to contents and substantial messages – but even more how big the difference between translation and localization is.

Thom Rasche, Partner, Health Technology, Earlybird Venture Capital



Thom Rasche joined Earlybird as a Venture Partner in 2003 and was promoted to Partner in 2006.

Thom has more than 13 years experience as investor. Further, he is a seasoned executive in the medical device and diagnostic sectors with over 25 years of operational experience. Since he joined Earlybird, Thom has been responsible for the medical device portfolio and new investments in this area. He is an observing board member of Hemoteg AG (Aachen, Germany) and is currently on the board of EBS Technologies GmbH (Berlin) and Miracor Medical Systems GmbH (Vienna).

Before joining Earlybird, Thom was with Johnson & Johnson Medical Devices and Diagnostics group in various international senior management roles, lastly as Managing Director for Ethicon-Endo-Surgery Germany.

Thom Rasche holds a Degree as Diplom Kaufmann (MBA equivalent) from the University of Applied Sciences in Lüneburg, Germany.

Joachim Rautter, Co-Founder, Peppermint VenturePartners



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Joachim Rautter is a co-founder of Peppermint VenturePartners and one of the managing partners in the Charité Biomedical Fund. Prior to the launch of Peppermint VenturePartners he was Investment Director at Peppermint Holding GmbH in Berlin, where he was responsible for the investment activities of the Peppermint Industry Group and the establishment of its first Venture Capital fund in 2000. Dr. Rautter has more than 12 years of experience in Venture Capital. He is currently holding board seats of CEVEC Pharmaceuticals, CryoTherapeutics and

Eran Davidson, Founder and Managing Director, Davidson Technology Growth Debt



Eran Davidson, born in Israel, moved with his family to Berlin in 2005, following SAP founder Prof. Hasso Plattner's vision to launch his first Venture Capital fund in Germany. Eran founded Hasso Plattner Ventures (German, European and South African Venture capital funds), and served as President and Managing Partner of those funds for 9 years. Eran also founded and managed Hasso Plattner Capital, Mr. Plattner's Family Office.

Eran is now leading a new fund – Davidson Technology Growth Debt, the first German fund to provide Venture Loans to mid/late stage High-Tech companies in Europe, with a focus on Germany. Eran's experience in Venture Capital early-stage investments goes back to 1996 when he joined one of the earliest Israeli VC Funds - Inventech, as Vice President.

In 2000 Eran joined another Israeli fund, Eurofund, as its Managing Partner. From 2002 to 2005 Eran served as CEO of ProSeed VC in Tel Aviv, leading the acquisition of Technion Technological Incubator, building a consortium of international VC's and taking it to the position of top-ranked Israeli Private Incubator. Eran holds an LLB from Tel Aviv University and a MBA from Boston University.

Eran is married, has 3 children and lives with his family in Berlin.