



CO-WILLING

CO-WILLING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CONFERENCE 25-30 JANUARY 2019 KENYA

“Sustainable Development in Africa – Leading the Way”

Who and What Co-Willing is:

It is a direct outcome from the first Bloemfontein conference “FREEDOM OUR RESPONSIBILITY” in September 2014, where many persons felt that the themes and presentations of that conference should continue to bear fruit through a network of persons and organizations willing to place their hearts and souls in a combined effort through making a commitment to taking small steps that will effect change in Africa.

This small group called themselves the “Commitment of the Willing” to a vision that they were and still are willing to undertake. The vision was to see Africa rising and dealing creatively with its myriad of issues and needs through effective responses in co-operation with support networks and resources, willing to make the commitment that is required.

Co-Willing has since become more formalized into a structured international NGO, harnessing the goodwill that exists in the minds of individuals, organisations, companies and governments toward the realization of certain of the fundamental UN sustainable development goals (the SDGs)



Message from the President

Co-Willing looks forward to another dynamic conference experience in Kenya as a promised follow up to the January 2018 conference at Kwale.

The key objectives of Co-Willing from conference to conference is to ensure that there is follow up on the various themes that form the basis of the adopted SDGs - The UN Sustainable Development Goals - and to track the different initiatives that grow out of these conferences so that each subsequent conference has new material and inputs that relate to current issues, but also progress on historical SDG focus areas.

This year's conference introduces some new elements in the area of IT security, with a special focus on Cyber Security as well as other aspects that relate to current Block Chain currency/technology development and artificial intelligence. These details are contained in this brochure for your information.

E-learning will also feature as a special focus area where there will be several inputs from practitioners with software and related presentations.

We will also be looking at the blue economy with a special short but informative presentation.

We are especially grateful that key persons like Dr. Hans Herren of the Millennium Institute have continued to be a sound pillar of support and has included some key members of his team as he did last year. The major difference this year is that his Biovision Africa Trust organization in Kenya has now agreed to partner with Co-Willing and grow this partnership in practical ways that facilitate various forms of project development, so as to broaden the impact from lessons shared and learned through the Co-Willing network and conference contributions

Partnerships

This is the way that Co-Willing has planned to grow its network of co-operation and shared leadership through facilitative support and networking of resources internationally.

Biovision Africa Trust has now become a key partner together with the Hilltop NGO in South Africa and through which further developments have started materializing.

The most recent development has been the negotiated agreement between Co-Willing, Buffalo City college and Hilltop through the enactment of Vocational Skills training and development that links with resource organizations in Switzerland.

This is planned to be a first major development for 2019.

The same is currently developing on the field of solar and the A10 unit designed by Solventure – the first example has already been sampled in South Africa through Hilltop/Co-Willing/Solventure connection. This will be further expounded during the conference and goes into practical aspects of alternative energy uses in the automotive industry which will be discussed and presented at this conference.

I want to thank all the presenters who have helped to make this conference a unique experience. I am very grateful for the agreement of Prof Julius Muia for his agreement to make a key presentation at the conference.

Special words of thanks go to the Deputy Governor of Kwale, Hon. Fatuma Achani.

Swiss partners like Buhler Group, Solventure, BHMS, Swiss vocational training college, Bohnenblust AG, ZAR, etc. I wish to single for special attention and thanks for taking the risk to collaborate with our African partners.

Some of the key presentation and profiles of keynote presenters are hereby also included within the brochure for more specific information.

Organisation of the conference

Special thanks to the following teams for ensuring that this conference 2019 has been made possible and will be responsible for its delivery at Kwale.

1. Core organizational Members of the Co-Willing board
2. Administrative support from our partner Biovision Africa Trust, Kenya
3. A Kenyan on-the -ground organizing team, under the lead of Yakub Jaffar and Wycliffe Guguni.
4. The Hilltop partner team headed by Rommel Roberts, South Africa
5. Special support from the previous conference convener, Lind Kisia as a voluntary independent consultant

We look forward to meeting and sharing with all of our delegates at this conference and wish to specially thank those who will be travelling from long distances and at great personal sacrifice from countries like Mali, South Sudan, Somalia and elsewhere.

We welcome all of you and look forward to sharing and learning together

Warm wishes and regards,

Susi Gubler

The Organisation behind conference:

The Structure: Board Members



Susi Gubler – Conference Convenor and Presenter

Susi Gubler is the President of the International Association Co-Willing, engaged in promoting economic empowerment in various projects along the UN SDGs in Africa by creating platforms and networks for meaningful and efficient collaboration. She has a vast experience in organizing International conferences for exchange of knowledge & experience and planning concrete actions.

She initiated the 'Freedom - our Responsibility' Conference in Bloemfontein 2014, out of which a group

of committed presenters formed Co-Willing. Most of the initial members have worked intensely together and are present at this Kenya conference. See www.zafor.org

She spearheads comprehensive tours with meetings with Swiss & European companies and institutions for the Co-Willing members and their project partners to explore potential collaboration.



Rommel Roberts

South Africa

Rommel Roberts played a key role in the non-violent struggle against apartheid in South Africa, together with Archbishop Desmond Tutu. He has since been in the forefront of youth and women empowerment projects through vocational training, having worked with notable organizations in Europe and other parts of the world.

His book 'Seeds of Peace – Stories of unsung heroines and heroes' depicts his way of operating then and also now a days. Rommel Roberts is founding member and key adviser and executive project manager of the International Association Co-Willing. Thanks to his international connections and profound experience Co-Willing was able to initiate collaborations with European and American partners.

He is also the Managing Director of Hilltop Empowerment Centre, which seeks to improve the lives of people in rural areas of South African.

Rommel Roberts facilitated and still does the immense ground work that is needed to kick-start projects and bring them to successful implementation, not only in South Africa, but also

in all the other countries represented in Co-Willing. His vast international network of high-level people is crucial for that and so precious for all Co-Willing endeavors.

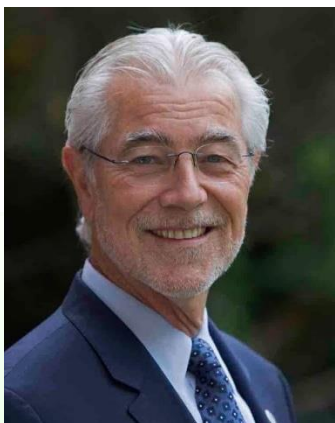
Recent projects:

- Community empowerment for the bush people at Platfontein, incl. Vocational training for youth, computer training and service- centre, facilitating the process towards a business centre, conference centre and hotel
- Computer literacy & cyber security for rural areas and townships
- Collaboration with vocational training institutions
- Standing for integrity and justice in politics
- Co-Founder of the Peace Centre in Cape Town



Allan Boyles

Allan Boyles he is a retired high IT management executive. He became a refugee from South Africa due to the apartheid regime. He was a student of Theology at a Catholic institution in South Africa, also thought black students at a religious institution during a time when high quality education was denied to many black students in rural education, where he was based at the valley of a 1000 hills Inchanga, KwaZulu Natal. Allan is currently serving as the board treasurer at Co-willing.



Hans R. Herren

USA, Kenya & Switzerland

Hans Herren is the President and CEO of the Millennium Institute MI, a non-profit, non-governmental organization, passionate about the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals SDGs 2030 in order to approach the current challenges of environment, economy and welfare of individuals on every continent by working with the iSDG Model for strategic planning. (www.millennium-institute.org)

Hans Herren found an organic cure for the cassava mealybug – the chemical-free Push-Pull method for maize crops, thus preventing mass famine. This method is widely applied in many countries of Africa.

He is also a member of the International Panel of Experts on Sustainable Food Systems. Moreover, he is the President and Founder of Biovision Foundation for Ecological Development (www.biovision.ch) and Biovision Africa Trust. His portfolio of awards and recognition globally include:

- Election on the Board of the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (2017)
- Right Livelihood Award (Alternative Nobel Prize 2013)
- One World Award 2010
- World Food Prize 1995

In the past, he has taken up several roles including Foreign Associate of the US Academy of Sciences, member of the Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS), member of CGIAR Science Council. Dr. Hans Herren together with Prof. Judi Wakhungu, Kenya, leads the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development IAASTD, of which the report has been published in April 2008.

Hans Herren serves as Board Member of Co-Willing.



Lind Kakai Kisia

Lind Kakai Kisia was main convener for the 2018 Co-Willing conference and acts as consultant this year.

The Key Co-Willing Management:

Susi Gubler, Rommel Roberts, Allan Boyles with support from Hans Herren.
The consultant support of Lind Kakai Kisia

Partners



David M. Amudavi

Kenya

Executive Director of Biovision Africa Trust BvAT,

David oversees the Biovision Farmer Communication Programme (FCP) in supporting knowledge management and dissemination of information on ecologically sustainable agriculture.

He coordinates the African Union led Ecological Organic Agriculture (EOA) Initiative for Africa.

He supports the Changing Course in Global Agriculture (CCGA) initiative in Kenya by the Millennium Institute, Washington DC, and Biovision Foundation, Switzerland.

Before the current appointment, David was a senior lecturer in the Department of Agricultural Education and Extension, Egerton University. Amudavi has a wide range of experience within the agricultural sector.

He has supervised many graduate students and published widely in international journals, contributed to book chapters, and presented several research papers at national and international conferences.

He has also been involved in several international consultancies relating to livelihood improvement, technology transfer among smallholder farmers and strengthening of agricultural extension systems in Sub-Saharan Africa for various international organizations.

David holds a Ph.D. in Adult and Extension Education with minors in Developmental Sociology and Natural Resource Management (NRM) from Cornell University in the USA; M.Sc. in Agricultural Science from The University of Melbourne University, Australia, and a B.Sc., in Agricultural Education and Extension from Egerton University, Kenya. Dr Amudavi was a postdoctoral fellow with ICIPE's Push-pull project: 'Creating smallholder led growth through 'push-pull' technologies in Eastern Africa.'

A Kenyan Organizing Team, under the lead of Yakub and Guguni, with video/photo support by Maxwell.



Yakub Jaffar is a key leader in Kibra township of Nairobi – also the Founder and Visionary of the Watu Moja Lee Academy in Kibra where over 320 children, whose parents can't afford school, are cared for. This school currently runs a pilot for e-learning with an offline library and educational material in collaboration with a Swiss partner. He is initiated a waste management concept in Kibra, starting with "Waste to Chicken". Yakub is support presenter with **Bettina Häuselmann**.



Wycliffe Nyabade Guguni - an outstanding student at Strathmore University – serving on many national and international youth forums for trade, development and empowerment. (UNCTAD and TCAD6) Together with the team he helped organise the conference and is engaged in the above projects.



Maxwell Musungu is a film producer currently the director of The King's Eye, a public relations company, based in Kenya, which offers video production, photography and online marketing. He documents the projects.



Alfred Otieno Ayoro is a student at the University of Nairobi, passionate about environment protection and empowerment of young people, serving on several organizations that are youth empowerment advocacy. He engages for the waste research and for the organization of the conference.

A South African Organizing Team, under the lead of Rommel Roberts assisted by Melvina Smith and Meagan Cloete.



Melvina Smith – Executive Office Administrator for Hilltop Empowerment Centre, Eastern Cape, South Africa. I am an efficient, competent and computer literate administrator with twenty-three years office administration experience including financial administration and community development projects' administration



Meagan Cloete is the Projects Manager of Hilltop Empowerment Centre's Mitchells' Plain and Khayelitsha Cape Town - communities of 4million people. I am a very active in the different communities and is part of a School Governing Body for the past 4years.

Chief Guests:



Ambassador Ralf Heckner

Switzerland

He is the Swiss Ambassador to Kenya, with concurrent accreditations to Burundi, Rwanda, Somalia and Uganda. He serves as Permanent Representative to UNON as well.

Over the years, he rose through the ranks, engaging globally, to becoming the Deputy Head of the United Nations and other international organizations.



Prof. Julius Muia

Kenya

Principal Secretary, State Department Planning - The National Treasury and Ministry of Planning

Dr. Julius Muia is currently the Principal Secretary, The National Treasury & Ministry of Planning. Before this appointment, he was the Director General of the Vision 2030 Delivery Secretariat which operates under the Office of the President. Prior to this, Dr. Muia served as the Secretary, National Economic and Social Council, Office of the President.

He holds a First Class Honours Degree in Accounting; Master's Degree and PhD in Finance from the University of Nairobi's school of Business.

He is also a Certified Public Accountant (CPA-K); Certified Public Secretary (CPS-K).

Dr. Muia has over 20 years' experience in leadership in the private sector in Kenya and UK. He started his career as an auditor with Price Waterhouse Coopers in the mid-1980s.

Opening of the conference



Hon. Fatuma Mohamed Achani

Deputy Governor of Kwale County and County Executive Committee Member for Infrastructure, Roads and Physical Planning.

She served as an associate advocate with the firm of Maina Njenga & Company Advocates from 2008 to 2009. She also served as a Legal Counsel and Programme Officer for the Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA Kenya) 2009 - 2012.

She holds a Law Degree from Moi University and Diploma from Kenya School of Law and as a human rights advocate devotes considerable time and energy to support the Girl Child education.

She fights against early marriages and gender-based violence and also a member of various community groups working towards empowering women in leadership. She is a member of the Federation of Women Lawyers in Kenya and a member of the Law Society of Kenya.

Key Presenters to the conference:



Bettina Häuselmann

Switzerland

Bettina Häuselmann, MSc ETH Environmental Sc., is Head of the Information Centre of the Waste to Energy Plant of the City of Zurich.

She has more than 20 years' experience in waste and resource management as well as in communication projects. She worked for several NGO's but has also experience in the private sector.

KEZO (Kehrichtverwertung Zürich Oberland) is a waste-to-energy plant with a high focus on urban mining. Through the combustion of 200'000 tons of municipal and industrial waste they produce around 190'000 MWh of electricity, district heat and waste heat utilization.

Bettina Häuselmann initiated the 'Waste to Chicken' project in Nairobi's township Kibra and accompanies the collection of research data. Goal is to contribute to a better environment and thus influencing climate change.

For further steps it might be interesting to see how a country like Switzerland, that has so many years of experience in a sustainable waste management, deals with differing requirements and which of the systems and technologies available could be of use in different African regions.



Srinivas Papanna

Kenya

Milling Process Engineer/Technical Instructor at the Buhler Group Milling School

Srinivas Papanna has begun his milling career after obtaining a Bachelor degree from the University of Mysore and one-year full technological certificate program in flour milling from the ISMT, CFTRI-Institute, Mysore.

Since 2006, Papanna worked as Milling Technologist at different flour mills in India and Africa at different levels.

After graduating from the Swiss Milling School in 2010, he joined Oman flour mills, Muscat, as Flour Mill Manager, responsible for complete operations of flour mill activities.

In 2016 Papanna joined Buhler/African Milling School in Kenya as a Milling technologist and Technical Teacher, performing plant commissioning/start-ups and mill auditing.

His vast knowledge in the Middle East and African milling industry will be valuable in his role as a teacher/ technical instructor at the African Milling School.

Oregon, USA



Steven Arquitt Oregon, USA

Steven Arquitt is Senior Research Analyst with the Millennium Institute.

He has used System Dynamics Modeling to address problems in sustainable development for over two decades. Since the inception of the UN 2030 Agenda, Steve's work has primarily focused on policy for the Sustainable Development Goals using the Millennium Institute's iSDG simulation model. Steve is currently engaged with an iSDG project in Namibia for national SDG planning

and a regional scale iSDG project with the UN Economic and Social Commission of Asia Pacific (UNESCAP).

Steven's goal is to promote and spread the use of systems thinking and modeling for sustainable development in Africa, the Asia-Pacific and across the world. His vision is a world free of hunger, war and conflict in which humanity and nature thrive in balance.

'Navigating the Sustainable Development Goals with the iSDG model' will be presented by Hans Herren and Steven Arquitt.



Hastings Ozwara

Kenya

Hastings Ozwara is the Director of the Institute of Primate Research in Kenya.

He has a vast experience in research, including developing a baboon model of malaria research, natural products research and DNA barcoding of endangered wildlife species of Kenya. His research outputs currently include supervision of over 20 students at MSc and PhD levels and over 30 publications in international peer-reviewed journals.

Ozwara's current expertise includes transfection technology for malaria parasites, placental malaria, student and staff mentorship, training in effective project planning monitoring and evaluation in health research, proposal review with National Commission for Science and Technology, public policy development, natural products value chain, quality management system (ISO 9001), research methods, church leadership and management of public secondary schools. Hastings Ozwara has a vast knowledge about Kenya's healing plants.



Niankoro Yeah Samaké

Mali

Niankoro Yeah Samaké is a native of Mali, West Africa, and a 2013 and 2018 Malian Presidential candidate.

A graduate from Brigham Young University with a Master's in Public Policy.

Samaké runs his own foundation Empower Mali which connects resources with need in the areas of education, health, clean water, clean energy and

leadership training in rural Mali. Through his foundation Empower Mali, he has helped bring 25 schools to Mali, provided scholarships to Malian students to study abroad and organized multiple free medical and dental services.

From August 2015 to January 2018, Samaké was called by the President of Mali, H.E Ibrahim Boubacar Keita, to serve as the Ambassador of Mali to 10 countries: India, the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, People's Republic of Bangladesh, Republic of Bhutan, Kingdom of Malaysia, Republic of Singapore, Republic of Indonesia, Brunei Darussalam and Kingdom of Thailand.

Some key highlights of his term include initiating the first ever visit of the Indian Vice President to Mali, raising USD 500,000 in funding to help the Malian Minister of Culture protect the Timbuktu manuscripts, increasing the number of Malian students attending university on scholarship in these South East Asian countries and initiating India's commitment to fight terrorism in Mali. Ambassador Samaké resigned his Ambassadorial post in 2018 to run in the 2018 Presidential race.

From 2009-2015, Samaké served as Mayor of Oueléssébougou, a municipal district in Mali consisting of 44 villages (55000+ people).

Under his leadership, he has helped Oueléssébougou become one of the top 10 ranking communities in Mali when - before Samaké became Mayor - it was six hundred and ninety-ninth out of the seven hundred and four Malian municipal districts. He was highly respected for his leadership of accountability and integrity.

In 2011, Samaké was also elected Vice President of the League of Mayors. His leadership has increased access to many facilities and services among the people of Oueléssébougou.

Title of Samaké's presentation: 'Bringing about change with the power of integrity'.



Bitange Ndemo

Kenya

He is an Associate Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the University of Nairobi's Business School.

His research centers on the link between ICTs and small and medium enterprises with emphasis on how ICTs influence economic development in Africa.

Prof. Ndemo is the Chairman of the Blockchain and Artificial Intelligence Taskforce to develop Kenya's Digital Transformation road map. He is an advisor to UNCDF's Better than Cash Alliance, UN Global Pulse's

Big Data Initiative as well as a Board member to several organizations including Safaricom one of the leading telecommunication company in Africa, Mpesa Foundation, Research ICT Africa that is based in South Africa.

He is a former Permanent Secretary of Kenya's Ministry of Information and Communication where he was credited with facilitating many transformative ICT projects. He is an Open Data/Big Data evangelist and dedicated to simplification (visualization) of data for ordinary citizens to consume.



Edmond Kizito Makoba

Kenya

Dean Biology Education, National Teacher Trainer at the Centre for Mathematics & Science in Africa (CEMASTEA), Nairobi

Makoba Edmond Kizito is a senior trainer at the National ICT Innovation and Integration Centre www.ni3c.net.

His activities range from awareness raising and skills training to development of learning materials and providing advice regarding ICT integration strategies.

He has participated in the development of the ministries' ICT integration manual for Teachers and education managers.

Edmond recently completed three months works on 'Learner centered activities and ICT integrated lesson plans in biology' as a visiting researcher at Naruto University of Education, Japan.

During the eLearning Africa conference in Benin 2012, Edmond presented a paper on ICT 'Integration in Teaching and Learning: The TPACK-Lesson Study Approach'.

Edmond Kizito holds a Master degree in Education, Naruto University of Education, Japan. Currently, he is doing an online post graduate course on E-learning and Digital Didactics at the Catholic University Belgium.



Walter Mikesch

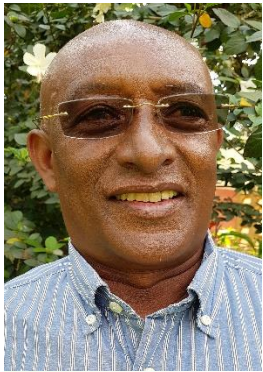
Switzerland

Walter Mikesch is the Managing Director at the Solventure AG, having built the biggest roof integrated Photovoltaic Plant of Switzerland with 3 MWp, 25'000m² output. Earlier on, he was the Managing Director at Colt International (Schweiz) AG in Switzerland, where he spearheaded the Planning and realization of the first movable and adjustable photovoltaic facade for the new city maintenance centre of Winterthur, Switzerland, and the first photovoltaic projects

for the Swiss technical college EPFL in Lausanne – with some applications for patenting some photovoltaic implementations.

Walter envisions the electrification of off grid areas for improvement of lives of rural populations to enhance comfort, education, information and small businesses. Furthermore, he seeks to spearhead technological transfer in the area of renewable energies from Europe to Africa, to prevent human trafficking from Africa to Europe. At the same time, he plans to set up 500 mini-solar-power-plants in Africa's rural areas over the next 5 years.

Another goal of Walter Mikesch is providing enough storage capacity for solar energy and at the same time promote the transition to E-traffic.



Girma Hailu

Uganda

Girma Hailu works for the International Center of Insect Physiology and Ecology ICIPE in the capacity of research scientist and country coordinator for Uganda.

He is also part of the Technology Transfer Unit providing scientific support.

He holds MSc in agronomy and a second MSc in Environmental science. He obtained his PhD in 2002 specializing in Agroecology with special emphasis in agroforestry entomology. He also holds Diploma in Law and master's certificate in Project Management. His main interest is agriculture, food security and environmental protection. He has over 25 years of experience working in several African countries with different international organizations. He authored a guide book, contributed to book chapters and published several articles in international journals. Title of his presentation: The danger of a single story: -The case of Fall armyworm Spodoptera Frugiperda an invasive pest from the Americas.

Ekuru Aukot

Kenya

Lawyer and Politician Ekuru Aukot believes that the African continent is endowed with abundant opportunities that could accelerate prosperity and development, which is being undermined by a frail and feckless leadership that has failed to optimally exploit Africa's great potential.

He is the Founder and the Party Leader of Third Way Alliance Kenya in pursuit of alternative & transformative leadership in Kenya and was Presidential candidate in the 2017 Elections.

He believes Kenya's story can be re-written, at least, for future generations and that past mistakes, especially of bad leadership can only be corrected by a generation that desires to have a better country, and ultimately a much-desired Nation state. Ekuru Aukot wants to challenge all of us that even as we advocate for development and implementation of SDGs, leadership is key and especially the role of African intellectuals:

"Leadership in Africa in the 21st Century: What role for Intellectuals?"

Ekuru currently is one of Constitutional Law Experts collaborating with International IDEA to advise on a number of on-going constitutional review dialogues and process including that The Gambia, South Sudan, Lesotho, Somalia and Madagascar.

He lectures on Law of Refugees & IDPs and on Kenyan Constitution building process internationally: Africa, Europe, USA – e.g. the Hague, Jackson Institute for Global Affairs (Yale), Cornell School of Law, New York, and at Trinity College, Connecticut, USA.

Ekuru is the Founder & President of Ekuru Aukot Foundation, a private foundation that supports education of nomadic and pastoralists boys and girls.

His memoirs, "A Constitution is Not a Shopping List" based on Constitution-building and implementation process. Ekuru is recipient of the Global Humanitarian Award at the 8th BEFFTA Awards, 2016.

Beat Wicki

Switzerland

Manager of the B.H.M.S. Business & Hospitality Management School, one of the leading private institutions of higher education in Switzerland for international careers in hospitality management



Beat R. Wicki, MSc ETH, professional in hospitality and restaurant management and especially professional in education with operational experience on all levels from public school (grade 4-9 over vocational and management level up to university level (Bachelor, Master and MBA). Own consultancy with focus on hospitality and education, based in Switzerland with a wide network and practical experience nearly all over the world.

Focus: Providing educational programs according to Swiss philosophy and standards all over the world to capacitate young people as next generation to looking after themselves and taking responsibility for their life.

He is especially interested in vocational training as this lead directly to employability.

Wicki has developed a hospitality training programme with modules that start at a level that ensure access for youth at all schooling levels. What counts is the commitment and passion to excel in hospitality. After having successfully completed the highest modules access to Swiss hospitality training can be achieved.



Marc Minar

Switzerland

Marc Minar is an experienced Cybersecurity Manager in the EMEA Financial Services Advisory team at EY in Zurich, serving banks, insurance companies and technology clients to resolve Cybersecurity and IT risk related challenges. Holder of key certificates (CISA, CISM, CRISC, CISSP, CHFI, ISO 27001 Lead Auditor).

He has extensive experience in leading and executing cyber security assessments, IT security audits, IT risk management and IT advisory services to national and international financial services and technology clients around the world.

Marc Minar has over 10 years of field-relevant experience with vast executive level exposure across business and technology teams at a variety of Fortune 500 clients.

He warns, the fight against cybercrime is costly, but there is often a lack of resources to adequately address current cyber threats.

Investing in cybersecurity is often only done when it's already too late and the damage has occurred: "Some companies play with fire if they do not take cyber security seriously.

" He advises that the issue should be addressed as high as possible in companies and that concrete measures should be taken to detect and defend cyber-attacks.

During the presentation and the workshop session, Marc Minar will present which measures are most suitable to withstand the current methods of attacks.



Roland Diethelm

Switzerland

Founder & Chief Executive Officer at WiLearn – Digital Learning at Schools

"My passion is to discover the creativity of people, encourage and empower them with modern technology to reach their full potential."

Roland Diethelm is a federally certified Electrician, trained as an Airline Pilot, was Training Captain and

Chief Pilot before serving as a Ground Operations Manager in the international aviation industry.

Through his calling as a missionary pilot with MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship) he gained over 10 years of valuable Afrika experience, giving support to countless humanitarian missions and development projects across Southern and Eastern Africa.

After various management positions as well as trustee of a Charitable Organization he began working as a country program manager for World Vision Switzerland.

He attended post graduate studies on international development at the ETH Zürich, was promoted as team leader and deputy IP director to manage the long-term development programs for World Vision Switzerland in 19 countries on 4 continents.

Beginning 2016 he was called to start a new acquisition team within the International Programs Department

to increase project partnerships with foundations and multinational corporates in Switzerland.

A year later he stepped in as Director of International Programs ad interim before tackling the new challenges as Head of Humanitarian Aid in Sept 2017.



Captain Suleiman Said Bakari

Kenya

Harnessing the blue economy and oceans wealth: The role of Maritime Vocation and Technical Training in sustainable community development and poverty eradication.

He is a Marine Pilot at the Kenya Ports Authority. He is a qualified Master Mariner from the UK. He is also a partner at Trans Africa Maritime Consultancy Group in Charge of HSSE, Marine Surveys and Quality.

His major interest within the maritime industry include, Maritime and International Law, Maritime Education and Training,

Maritime Policy, Maritime Safety and Security, Marine Environmental Protection and Maritime Technology.



Gita Goven

South Africa

She is one of South Africa's foremost sustainability thinkers. As Founding Partner and CEO of ARG Design, she has pioneered a practice of socially and environmentally transformative design that includes landmark projects – e.g. in the disciplines of Urban Design, Planning and Environmental Management, Architecture and Landscape Architecture, and Water and Food security systems. They have received numerous awards and accolades for their work in sustainable built environment.

Gita Goven is committed to building awareness and capability through the delivery of well researched, excellent, innovative, sustainable solutions for regenerative settlements and public places and spaces. She envisions the future cities of Africa as regenerative settlements that bring globally renowned partners, concepts and technologies together with local knowledge and experts into the city-making projects of our lifetime.

Gita chairs the following:

- The private sector driven Western Cape regenerative settlement project as extension of the City of Cape Town for 200 000 mixed income households.
- Community grow, which brings six pillars together to build regenerative economy, communities and settlement.
- The Sustainability Institute Board
- Cape Peninsula University of Technology - Chair of the Infrastructure and facilities development and planning committee. www.argdesign.co.za

Co-Willing will be doing the presentation on 'Urban Housing & Development' in the absence of Gita Goven

Moderators and Panelists:



André Bohnenblust

Switzerland

His company produces power distribution boxes and panels for big complexes like hospitals, airports and also smaller objects. He is Swiss national expert for final exams of apprentices.

And he has supported Co-Willing from the beginning.



Letlapa Mphahlele

South Africa

Currently, Letlapa Mphahlele's main focus are the promotion of economic empowerment of his people by engaging in skills education, business start-ups, community building, establishing a dialogue between former enemies, motivational events with prisoners and providing books for them. And he is the author of several books.



Acuil Banggol

South Sudan

Acuil puts all his energy and skills into promoting long-term solutions for sustainable peace and rural empowerment. He designed the comprehensive Rural Development concept DOMDA, which empowers rural areas by producing agri-products, wood for food and construction, etc. and at the same time provides electricity for lighting, small businesses, computer centre and e-learning. His special interest is to make living in rural areas more attractive, so not all young

ones migrate to the townships of Juba. He recently was assigned to help facilitate peace amongst Dinka Bor of Jongeli State and Murle Community of Boma State. Acuil is also The Secretary General of The South Sudan Basketball Federation.



Yvonne Koch

Switzerland

Yvonne Koch is the founder of schools and the initiator of Vocational training colleges in rural Nepal. She promotes electrification for remote villages to close the digital gap for young ones. Furthermore, she promotes the cultural heritage with music academics.

Chief conference moderator – Rommel Roberts

Rommel is the director of the Hilltop Empowerment Centre NGO in South Africa with 45 years of development experience across the country and is an author of books and training manuals across a wide spectrum and together with his team manages a whole IT programme and other projects in SA. He has been working together with the inspirational **Susi Gubler** in the general facilitation of Co-Willing internationally.



CO-WILLING

Welcomes all guests and delegates to the conference and in particular celebrates those delegates who have not been to any of our previous conferences

May this conference prove to be a source of inspiration, thought provoking and a meaningful stimulant for creative follow up action

