## **Splice Beta Online 2020**

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00:04:23.457,00:04:26.457 Shirley Cheong: Hey Wajd!

00:04:44.838,00:04:47.838

Shirley Cheong: Alan is having his taco dinner and we're just chatting:)

00:04:48.547,00:04:51.547

Wajd Hammad: Hey Shirley, Rishad, Alan and Nishant =)

00:04:57.275,00:05:00.275

Nishant Lalwani: hi!

00:05:20.573,00:05:23.573 Shirley Cheong: GENESIA! 00:05:25.293,00:05:28.293

Shirley Cheong: Alan's looking very satisfied - guess why?

00:05:32.149,00:05:35.149 genesia alves: TACOS

00:05:35.799,00:05:38.799 Shirley Cheong: Bingo!

00:05:41.765,00:05:44.765

genesia alves: please don't die on air

00:05:54.643,00:05:57.643

Shirley Cheong: Death by Tacos --- that's the way to go!

00:06:11.374,00:06:14.374 Shirley Cheong: Hey Marium!

00:06:26.890,00:06:29.890 Shirley Cheong: Hey Rick!

00:06:31.101,00:06:34.101

genesia alves: there's been a lot of food talk today so far. looking at you Marium!

00:06:43.122,00:06:46.122 Shirley Cheong: Hey Sandeep!

00:06:54.695,00:06:57.695

Shirley Cheong: Hope you had dinner, Rick!

00:07:11.245,00:07:14.245 Sandeep Varma: Hi Shirley!

00:07:20.874,00:07:23.874

Shirley Cheong: Beautiful scenery too!

00:07:21.869,00:07:24.869 Rick Eyre: Hello, yes I have!

00:07:31.850,00:07:34.850

Sandeep Varma: My grandfather was born in Lahore - and I've never been!

00:07:53.605,00:07:56.605

Marium Chaudhry: Sandeep! Time to come to Lahore! My father was born in Ludhiana

00:07:56.772,00:07:59.772

Shirley Cheong: hey Myo Zin & Annelise :)

00:08:03.902,00:08:06.902

Marium Chaudhry: And Nishant too

00:08:06.717,00:08:09.717 Annelise Giseburt: Hey hey!

00:08:21.051,00:08:24.051

Sandeep Varma: Haha, Miriam - my grandfather now lives in Ludhiana!!

00:08:27.090,00:08:30.090 Bidhya Chapagain: Hello

00:08:38.008,00:08:41.008

Marium Chaudhry: Hey Shirley and Genesia! I just had lunch so I'm kind of okay now 😂

00:08:38.546,00:08:41.546

Bidhya Chapagain: it has been quite a long time.

00:08:44.377,00:08:47.377

Shirley Cheong: Hello everyone!

00:08:45.371,00:08:48.371

Marium Chaudhry: How's the taco party going

00:08:50.675,00:08:53.675

Bidhya Chapagain: how have you been all

00:09:23.945,00:09:26.945

genesia alves: then you'll never touch them again after this...

00:09:24.866,00:09:27.866

Shirley Cheong: hello Knowledge Bridge:) aka Pat!

00:09:35.871,00:09:38.871

Shirley Cheong: Definitely Rishad.

00:09:44.953,00:09:47.953

Bidhya Chapagain: missed the last session with Sonny :-(

00:10:31.182,00:10:34.182

Nishant Lalwani: Hi Pat! nice to see you

00:10:55.011,00:10:58.011

Marium Chaudhry: Hahah Sandeep seems like we make a swap here!

00:10:59.949,00:11:02.949

Shirley Cheong: @Bidhya -- don't worry, the session summary, video and chat transcript will be

on our website https://splicebeta.com/resources

00:11:19.544,00:11:22.544

Shirley Cheong: hey @AAJA Asia:)

00:11:34.086,00:11:37.086 Vishal Manve: Hi, Thanks Alan

00:11:37.349,00:11:40.349

Bidhya Chapagain: @Shirley :-) for sure

00:11:42.815,00:11:45.815

Shirley Cheong: Yep, Vishal is writing the summary for today!

00:11:44.899,00:11:47.899 Vishal Manve: Yes, I am.

00:12:00.343,00:12:03.343 Shirley Cheong: Let's start :)

00:12:11.697,00:12:14.697

AAJA Asia: Hi Alan, Rishad and Everyone" This is Gilles, joining from London!

00:13:37.707,00:13:40.707

Patricia Torres-Burd: Slovenia? my old home! How do you like it?

00:13:58.130,00:14:01.130

Shirley Cheong: Welcome everyone!

00:14:12.680,00:14:15.680

Nabeelah Shabbir: Sloveni a is the mental health solution all journalists need @patricia, tour de

france winners and all!

00:14:35.128,00:14:38.128

Shirley Cheong: To the regulars, thank you for showing up again, and again! Introduce yourself,

drop your contacts and share what you do too. :)

00:15:23.492,00:15:26.492

Bidhya Chapagain: 54% of femaile speakers...Wow...thats great

00:15:35.913,00:15:38.913

Shirley Cheong: Yep -- no manels!

00:15:43.598,00:15:46.598 Bidhya Chapagain: like that

00:16:12.597,00:16:15.597

Nishant Lalwani: Agree on manels! I've signed the pledge and you should too

https://www.owen.org/pledge/

00:16:28.089,00:16:31.089

Shirley Cheong: Tweet and share your takeaways to the wider community #splicebeta

00:16:35.073,00:16:38.073

Shirley Cheong: Join our Beta telegram group (if that's your thing) and continue the

conversation there

https://t.me/splicebeta2020

00:16:46.551,00:16:49.551

Shirley Cheong: We are super casual in the chat as many of you already know. Please

introduce yourself, ask questions, share links and leave your thoughts in here!

00:16:58.399,00:17:01.399

Shirley Cheong: If you need an introduction or looking for a mentor, email us at

beta@splicemedia.com

00:17:31.282,00:17:34.282

Shirley Cheong: Caroline Jarboe from GIJN & Bridget Gallagher from Gallagher Group

How to pitch donors in a pandemic — practical tips on applying for grants

Tonight at 9PM (Singapore Time)

https://splicebeta.com/program/bridget-gallagher-caroline-jarboe-pitch-donors-grants-pandemic

00:18:08.080,00:18:11.080

Shirley Cheong: Nishant leads Luminate's global strategy for investing in independent media.

https://luminategroup.com/

00:18:34.997,00:18:37.997

Shirley Cheong: :)

00:19:12.354,00:19:15.354

Bidhya Chapagain: Presentation while babysitting. Cool

00:19:19.315,00:19:22.315

Shirley Cheong: Welcome Julia - you are just in time!

00:19:27.510,00:19:30.510

Shirley Cheong: yes!

00:20:26.341,00:20:29.341

Shirley Cheong: Welcome Anne Marie -- we have just started:)

00:27:58.830,00:28:01.830

Patricia Torres-Burd: Nabeelah - let me know if you need tips and or anything - I lived there for 5

years and it is the BEST as you said

00:30:28.617,00:30:31.617

Marium Chaudhry: Nishant, I'm checking out your website while listening to this and I have a Q: it says and you have mentioned that you fund a press that is vibrant and free" and "uncovers the truth and holds power to account". In countries with heavy censorship that is incredibly tough to do - in Pakistan near impossible at this time. Do you consider platforms that lay low but have the 'right vision'?

00:31:29.641,00:31:32.641

Rishad Patel: Nice. Bring on the questions for Nishant, people.

00:38:46.606,00:38:49.606

Shirley Cheong: Here's more on the feasibility study behind the fund.

International Fund for Public Interest Media by Luminate:

https://luminategroup.com/ifpim

00:39:11.993,00:39:14.993

vipul khosla: Can you please elaborate on the market conditions you mentioned in the presentation and how the fund will address the market asymmetries (platform asymmetries)?

00:47:30.261,00:47:33.261

Sandeep Varma: Question: Since starting a media outlet is the most expensive step in the process, how will the fund consider "new" outlets in relation to the criteria requiring a media source to be "credible"? Do you envision funding outlets that are more established or at least have some existing presence? In other words, when is a media organisation big enough to qualify for funding and what is the risk appetite in the fund's approach to governance?

00:48:12.269,00:48:15.269 vipul khosla: Thanks Nishant.

00:51:33.435,00:51:36.435

Rishad Patel: Are there different support models for journalism the fund has planned for apart from money? Legal assistance, for example.

00:52:02.489,00:52:05.489

Nabeelah Shabbir: As a The Correspondent editor I'm grateful for Luminate's guidance and support.

(Patricia, si, prosim, por favor, hvala! I've added you on Linkedin and Twitter:))

00:52:22.066,00:52:25.066

vipul khosla: Really interested in the future of media beyond the medium term - Where do you see the media and journalism heading over the next couple of decades?

00:55:38.439,00:55:41.439

Shirley Cheong: Vipul --- there's your answer:)

00:56:18.541,00:56:21.541

vipul khosla: :) that is why I am enjoying Splice Beta. A look into the future.

00:57:45.294,00:57:48.294

vipul khosla: Journalism has to evolve and interesting how much of Splice Beta discussion has focussed on relationships and memberships.

01:01:14.852,01:01:17.852

Patricia Torres-Burd: We have never in the history of journalism had the tools available to listen and engage with our audiences -

01:02:29.816.01:02:32.816

Marium Chaudhry: Waiting for that day Nishant!

01:02:53.128,01:02:56.128 vipul khosla: So true @Patricia.

01:04:40.003,01:04:43.003

Sandeep Varma: Thanks Nishant! Brilliant work!

01:04:46.263,01:04:49.263 Nabeelah Shabbir: Thanks allll

01:04:48.364,01:04:51.364

genesia alves: thank you for this.

01:04:52.621,01:04:55.621

Marium Chaudhry: See you guys!

01:04:55.753,01:04:58.753

vipul khosla: Thanks Nishant and team Splice Beta

01:04:59.954,01:05:02.954

Patricia Torres-Burd: Thank you Nishant! This was great!

01:05:01.467,01:05:04.467

Shirley Cheong: All the resources from the sessions will be dropped here:

https://splicebeta.com/resources

01:05:04.981,01:05:07.981

Marium Chaudhry: Enjoy the tea time tacos Rishad!

01:05:10.537,01:05:13.537 Annelise Giseburt: Thank you!

01:05:10.662,01:05:13.662

Julia Winterflood: Thanks Nishant, that was an excellent session, thank you.

01:05:14.555,01:05:17.555

Shirley Cheong: Thank you, everyone!

01:05:14.829,01:05:17.829 Shirley Cheong: See you later :)