

# CALL TO ACTION

VIRTUAL YOUTH SUMMIT 2.0 | 26-28 NOVEMBER 2020

"Inspiration" | Thursday, 26 November | Day 1

## Panelists

### **Diego Mariscal, México**

**Founder, CEO & Chief Disabled Officer, [2Gether-International](#) | GCM 2012**



Diego Mariscal is disabled and proud! He is also very passionate and strategic about the relationship between disability advocacy, entrepreneurship, and sustainable impact. In 2015, Diego founded 2Gether-International, a non-for-profit startup that supports entrepreneurs with disabilities and moves us closer to a world where disability is recognized and valued as an asset for business and entrepreneurship. In his role as CEO and Chief Disabled Officer, Diego has collaborated with multinational organizations such as the U.S. Department of State, the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank and corporate companies like Blackboard and McKinsey to help them better

understand disability as an asset for performance. Born with Cerebral Palsy in New Orleans but raised in Monterrey, Mexico, Diego also represented Nuevo Leon in the Mexican National Paralympics from 2004-2009.

### **Maihan Wali, Afghanistan**

**Founder of [Women's Empowerment Through Sport](#) | GCM 2008**

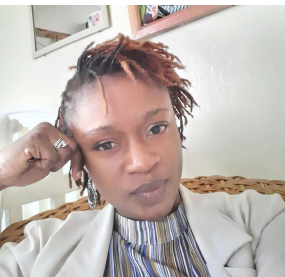


Maihan Wali was born and raised in Afghanistan but currently lives in America where she got her BA in Political Science and in Middle Eastern studies and Peace and Justice studies. An activist from a very early age, in 2001 Maihan was instrumental in organizing the first women's basketball team in Afghanistan. In 2008, she attended her first Global Changemaker conference and also founded Women's Empowerment Through Sport (WETS), a nonprofit organization, based in Kabul, which gives Afghan girls and women a chance to develop new confidence and social skills through the art of playing basketball.

With an estimated 700 participants, the program today provides Afghan women with an opportunity to play this popular team sport, despite cultural obstacles. Maihan is a passionate young leader who never fails to advocate for women's rights and empowerment and has spoken in multiple international platforms to bring a positive change. Maihan is the recipient of multiple awards: Linnaean Award 2017, Silent Leader Award 2018, G. Ronal Couchman Endowed Diversity Award 2017, Global Citizenship Award 2018 and Women of Distinction Award.

### **Sarah Lindeire, Malawi**

**Co-Founder and Executive Director [Tingathe](#) | GCM 2009**



Sarah Lindeire is a 30 year old co- founder of Tingathe a non- governmental organization from Malawi. Sarah believes that addressing the social, economic and health needs of families simultaneously and providing holistic support to participants as they climb the ladder of economic self-reliance into a sustainable future builds wealth that sticks.

The Tingathe Poverty Graduation model is a training engagement that then evolves into a long term relationship with participants that spans over at least six years and focuses on peri- urban based participants who live on under \$1 a day in Malawi. Their programmes

focus on providing a locally relevant and market- driven suite of urban enterprise options, connecting participants to basic services, developing savings and loans groups and building deeper community ties in peri- urban areas where social capital is weakest away from family and friend networks. The Tingathe programmes to date have touched over 8000 people from peri-urban Lilongwe.

At the age of 21 Sarah received the award of the 86th most influential woman in the World from Women Deliver.



**Qasim Aslam, Pakistan**

**CEO, [Beyond the Classroom Education](#) | GCM 2011**

Nominated 30 under 30 changing classrooms globally by International Literacy Association, Qasim Aslam is the founder of Beyond The Classroom Education, an organisation that imparts education through behavioural activities to inspire 21st century leadership amongst school going students. The programme started in fall 2016 and has worked with 1200 teachers and 34,200 students across Lahore and Karachi.



**Katherine Hermans, Netherlands - Moderator**

**Co - Founder of [Global Changemakers 2.0](#)**

Katherine has worked in journalism in the USA, Japan, South-Africa, Israel, the Netherlands, Belgium and Switzerland. In 2008, she joined the British Council *Global Changemakers* team in Bern. In 2014, she co-founded Global Changemakers as an independent Swiss organization. Alongside her work for Global Changemakers, she develops strategies for organizations in the field of sustainable development. Katherine holds a dual Masters of Arts in Literature and Journalism. Most recently, she completed a Masters in Sustainability Leadership at the University of

Cambridge.

### **Skills Session Hosts**

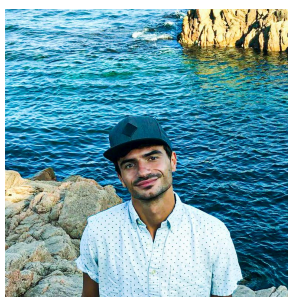


**Anaïs Matthey-Junod, Switzerland**

**Co-Founder, [sun'n'go](#) | GCM 2019**

Anaïs Matthey-Junod is a 23-year old renewable energy enthusiast from Switzerland. She is driven by the belief that sustainable energy access is a catalyst for positive social impacts. She aims to contribute to the delivery of universal energy access. In 2019, she co-founded sun'n'go, a social enterprise project which has a goal to provide modular, compact and solar energy kiosks to rural communities in Malawi. The energy center is owned and operated by an entrepreneur and is able to charge portable batteries, which can then be used to light the community's households and charge phones. Over time, the center can provide additional services like cold storage, printing, making drinks, radio, TV, etc. Apart from her

entrepreneurial activities, she is working in the humanitarian sector where she focuses on developing sustainable energy solutions for populations displaced by crises, such as conflicts and natural disasters.



**Daniel Macmillen Voskoboynik, Russia/ United Kingdom**

**Researcher, Campaigner and Artist | GCM 2009**

Daniel is a passionate researcher, campaigner, and artist. His work focuses on the intersections of climate justice, poverty, regenerative economics, feminism and racial justice. Passionate about ecological and systems thinking, Daniel has worked as an organiser for various organisations, from 350.org to Oxfam. He is also the founding co-editor of The World at 1C, a project working to improve ecological literacy and humanize the impacts of climate violence.



**Sophie Staheyeff, Switzerland**

**Co-Founder, [Young Changemakers Podcast](#) | GCM 2017**

Sophie Staheyeff is a Swiss-British changemaker pursuing a Master's in Development Studies at the Institute of Development Studies in the United Kingdom. She has a true passion for solving global development issues, her key interests being youth empowerment, multiculturalism, social entrepreneurship and sustainable innovation. After being part of the leading body of AIESEC in Switzerland, she worked for international development cooperation agencies and was selected as a Global Changemaker in 2017. She wanted to continue her activism in the field of youth empowerment and started a podcast, It Starts in

Youth, which showcases the stories of young activists and entrepreneurs. It later developed into the Young Changemakers Podcast and as co-creator and host she emphasises the importance of creating a global digital space to showcase stories of youth having a positive impact and, hopefully, empower other young people to start their own changemaking journey.



**Kathia Salazar, Nicaragua**

**Development Manager at [Global Changemakers](#) | GCM 2018**

Kathia is a pioneer in social development and has five years of experience working in this field. She is Development Manager at Global Changemakers and Co-founder of its Mentorship Program, helping 15-22 years old explore their story, their potential, and their resources to create change in their community through social impact projects. She holds a Master's Degree in Global Affairs from Tsinghua University in China as part of the Schwarzman Scholars Program and a Bachelor's Degree in Financial Economics and International Business. Kathia is currently among the elected External Youth Experts

participating in this year's [-CoDI](#) challenge organized by the UN International Telecommunications Union to ideate innovative solutions to youth challenges. As a former finance professional working in the banking sector, Kathia's mission is to contribute to higher equality and economic opportunities through sustainable development solutions. She always seeks to be a bridge between opportunities and talents to empower the next generation of leaders, especially youth and women from vulnerable communities.

**Networking Facilitators**



**Baxolise Dlali, South Africa**

**Youth Advisory member with UNFPA | GCM 2012**

Baxolise Dlali was born and raised in a rural village in South Africa to a family of many loving brothers and sisters. The deep sense of community, social responsibility and commitment his parents had towards the village community -he grew up in- became a mainstay of his life. His parents modeled and inculcated a deeper sense of community and social responsibility in him also. He is a founder and leader of a youth-serving and youth-led non-profit organisation called Masifunde Together (meaning "let us learn together" aptly translated) which is a training and development institution. From being an

ambassador and youth advisor to the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa to having been recognised as the leading Young Community Shaper of the year and one the top 15 most influential youth in South Africa his work "speaks" for itself.





**Imelda Coulibaly, Côte D'ivoire**

**Founder of Abusu Health | GCM 2018**

Imelda Coulibaly is a 23 year old Healthcare Data Analyst from Cote d'Ivoire, currently residing in Chicago. She is the founder of Abusu Health, a non-profit that focuses on providing women in rural communities of Côte d'Ivoire with free health screenings for the early detection of breast cancer, cervical cancer, uterus and HIV. Abusu Health has helped more than 150 women and counting, reclaim their health, and become more educated about the importance of preventative healthcare. She also pioneered Ivorian Youth Impact, an organization whose mission is to foster, encourage, and support young Ivorians who are actively working or hoping to work towards the sustainable and continuous development of

Côte d'Ivoire. With a first cohort attracting more than 600 applications, Ivorian Youth Impact enabled 45 young Ivorians to attend a 3-day workshop where the boundaries of leadership, innovation, and development were pushed in order to facilitate the creation and growth of initiatives aimed at finding holistic solutions to key issues in West Africa.

**"Creation" | Friday, 27 November | Day 2**

**Panelists**



**Aashish Beergi, India**

**Co-founder and CEO of MASH Project Foundation | GCM 2009**

Aashish Beergi is a youth activist and social entrepreneur. He is the Co-founder and CEO of MASH Project Foundation, a social enterprise building a global ecosystem for social entrepreneurs and based in India. He is currently a Scholar at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, and pursuing Masters in Public Policy. MASH Project has a presence in India and Singapore and is building a community for social entrepreneurs and empowering them with skills to become changemakers and experiential learning platforms.

MASH Project Foundation was recently conferred the Goalkeepers Global Goals Award by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Aashish has been a British Council - Global Changemaker (London), Official Indian Delegate to BRICS Youth Summit (Guwahati), UNESCO Youth Forum (Paris), International Youth Forum - (Russia), 'Changemaker' by Ashoka Foundation (Malaysia) and UNLEASH Talent (Singapore). Aashish is widely spoken on the areas of youth leadership and social entrepreneurship on various prestigious platforms.



**Abhinav Khanal, Nepal**

**Co-Founder & Executive Director at Bean Voyage | GCM 2011**

Abhinav is the Co-Founder & Executive Director at Bean Voyage, a non-profit social enterprise that provides training and market access to smallholder women coffee producers in Costa Rica. He is also the Co-founder & Chief Thought Officer at Little Big Fund which provides tools, networks and funds to social impact changemakers around the world. Prior to starting his own ventures, he dedicated his time supporting organizations working on early childhood education, sustainable food systems, and youth empowerment. Abhinav has a B.A in Political Science from Earlham College.





**Anoka Primrose Abeyrathne, Sri Lanka**

**Co-founder and Head of Advocacy Growin' Money | GCM 2011**

Anoka is a conservation advocate and co-founder of Growin' Money – a pioneering eco-social enterprise started out after surviving the 2004 Tsunami. Bringing together community stakeholders is her passion and successfully advocated for Mangroves being officially recognised as a protected species in Sri Lanka and is the creator of the most signed petition in Sri Lanka with over 126000 signatures in just 3 days to bring the Animal Welfare Bill back to parliament.

Anoka has served as the Asia Pacific Representative - UN-Habitat YAB and as an Assistant Director (sustainable development) - Government of Sri Lanka in addition to working in corporate sustainability leading 14 teams. An alumnus of University of Cambridge's Judge Business School as well as Harvard University and a lawyer, Anoka has received multiple awards including the youngest Forbes under 30 from Sri Lanka, first Sri Lanka female New Champion - World Economic Forum and the first Sri Lankan to receive the Commonwealth Youth Award.



**João Brites, Portugal**

**Social and Environmental Entrepreneur | GCM 2009**

João Brites is a social and environmental entrepreneur from Portugal. Having learned how to breakdance in the street, at age 19 he was one of the cofounders of the Transformers Movement, a social business that is empowering people to transform their communities through their passions since 2010. He then lived in Brazil and interned at the Amazonas Sustainable Foundation to launch the Amazon Summer School, a program to prepare sustainability leaders in the Amazon rainforest going on since 2014. Four years ago, João joined the sustainability team of AB InBev, one of the world's largest consumer good

companies, to make it a reference of sustainable business in its sector. João's life mission is to help bring forward regenerative business models at a systemic scale.



**Marina Castellino, Argentina**

**Executive Director Fundación Líderes de Ansenúza | GCM 2019**

Marina Castellino is a passionate 25 year old social entrepreneur from Argentina. She is a Chemical Engineering student who fell in love with education. She is the Founder and President of the "Leaders of Ansenúza Foundation", which connects young leaders with opportunities, supporting their ideas and creating social impact through community projects in rural areas. She is also passionate about gender equality and participated in international programs that have trained her to support young women with her foundation. The programs she led, have trained over 126 young leaders who impacted more than 5000 people.



**Marwan El Chazli, Egypt/France - Moderator**

**Co-Founder EPFL Entrepreneurship Club | GCM 2018**

Marwan El Chazli is a French-Egyptian Masters student in Microengineering and biomedical technologies at the EPFL in Switzerland. There, he worked on promoting communication skills for aspiring students in science and engineering as president of the MUN society. He co-founded the EPFL Entrepreneur Club, an association promoting entrepreneurship on campus. He was a participant at the Global Youth Summit in 2018 and a facilitator in 2019.

## **Opportunities with Global Changemakers**

### **Gabriela Jaeger, Mexico-Switzerland**

#### **Co-Founder Global Changemakers 2.0**

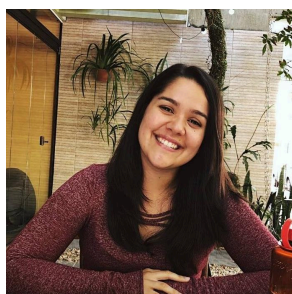


Passionate about youth-led development, Gabriela has been involved in Global Changemakers since 2009 when she started the creation and implementation of a granting process to support Changemakers' youth-led projects, which led to over 360 youth-led initiatives worldwide and the publication of "By youth, for youth" in the Stanford Social Innovation Review.

She is the co-founder of Global Changemakers since it became an independent organization in 2014. Gabriela has co-authored a number of educational on-line tools for Global Changemakers and other organisations. She consulted for and facilitated various events and workshops focused on youth and youth-led development. She's been a speaker at a number of international forums like the Estoril Conference in Portugal and Unleash in Spain and is part of the Advisory Team of Rhize. Gabriela holds LL.M. in Law from Universidad Panamericana and has been active in the nonprofit/community activism and international development sector for the last fifteen years.

### **Yasmin Morais, Brazil**

#### **Program Manager at Global Changemakers | GCM 2018**



Being from the north of Brazil and growing up in the south, Yasmin has witnessed social inequalities since an early age, so she has been involved in various social impact activities that would reduce those inequalities. In the past, she has worked alongside other young people in issues ranging from homelessness and human trafficking to the refugee crisis and human rights education. Currently, Yasmin studies International Relations, focusing her studies on the role of civil society to create and implement the international agenda. She deeply believes in the power of youth to create change. At Global Changemakers, she is responsible for managing its program, making sure that GCM projects reach young leaders worldwide and give them the resources they need to create change. She is a co-creator of the Global Changemakers Mentorship Program, the Global Changemakers Online School, the Design Thinking Toolkit, among many other projects and materials that have supported young changemakers around the world.

## **Skills Session Hosts**

### **Shruthi Vijayakumar, New Zealand**

#### **Co-Founder of the [Emerge Institute](#) | GCM 2010**



Shruthi Vijayakumar is based in Auckland, New Zealand and passionate about building leaders and transforming business and our economy to be more purposeful and in harmony with Nature. She runs her own [coaching, facilitation & consulting business](#) and is a Director of [Emerge Institute](#), an organisation supporting individuals and teams with their inner transformation and efforts to tackle environmental and social issues.

Shruthi has worked with clients across various countries including consulting with the New Zealand Government, leading programmes Oxford University, teaching at INSEAD Business School, on corporate executive education programmes and coaching on the world's largest Climate Innovation Summer School run by the European Union. She has also worked previously as a management consultant with the Boston Consulting Group and run a social entrepreneurship accelerator, helping young entrepreneurs develop themselves and their business ideas. Shruthi received a Masters in Business Administration on full scholarship from the University of Oxford, has been recognised as a Global Shaper by the World Economic Forum, and was a semifinalist for the Young New Zealander of the Year Award.



**Sara Botero R, Colombia**

**Community Engagement at Global Changemakers | GCM 2009**

Lawyer and psychology student. Sara has been part of Global Changemakers since 2010. Additionally, she has participated in different social and environmental projects throughout Colombia, with a primary focus on Education, Human Rights and Sustainability. From baking to working with vulnerable communities, every aspect of Sara's life is anchored in her unrelenting commitment to serve.



**Caroline van Koot, Switzerland**

**Impact Evaluation and Research for Social Change**

Caroline is an independent consultant in impact measurement and research with a passion for finding out what works to bring about social change. She specialises in the design and management of impact evaluations and other research projects worldwide, as well as maximising the use of findings to increase the impact of programmes and policies. She previously worked in impact measurement, monitoring and evaluation, institutional fundraising and grants management, both at Oxfam and with the International Rescue Committee in the Democratic Republic of Congo. She joined the NGO world after completing a double Master's degree in International Affairs from Sciences Po in Paris and the Moscow State Institute of International Relations.

**Networking Facilitators**



**Chris Raymund Viray, The Philippines**

**Academic Coordinator, Social Engagement Lecturer | GCM 2011**

Cris is a professional licensed teacher and one of the co-directors of [BSYO MENTalk Movement](#), and actively serves as the Secretary General of Barangay San Luis Youth Organization in their local community in Antipolo City, Province of Rizal, Philippines. Currently, Cris is actively involved in MENTalk Movement, a community based mental health awareness program for the youth that aims to develop mentally hygienic men, youth, and community. Their project reaches out to communities and families to bring back open communication and establish safe spaces in every homes through psychosocial support materials like "#PositiviTALKS" & "#PASSit;VIBES" developed by their team composed of young professionals and experts in their city and province. Also, Cris together with his team empowers young men, youth leaders, and kids to steer away from temptations of maladaptive coping strategies such as using illegal drugs, excessive use of social media, and other vices. Aside from being a youth and mental health advocate, he is also passionate about providing quality education to learners through involving himself in policy making and actual classroom teaching. Outside his advocacy work, he is the Academic Coordinator of Little Angel Study Center (LASC) at Olongapo City, one of the Social Engagement Lecturers at the De La Salle University-Manila, and a PhD student at the University of Philippines-Diliman.



**Heitor Santos, Brazil**

**Founder, Brazilian Association to Incentivize Science | GCM 2011**

Heitor Santos is a PhD student in International Comparative Education at Stanford University and a Strategy Consultant at son Education. He is a graduate of Swarthmore College, in Pennsylvania, U.S., where he studied Political Science and Educational Studies. Heitor is passionate about democratizing access to high-quality progressive education across the world --after participating in the 2011 Global Youth Summit, he founded, with the help of Global Changemakers, the Brazilian Association to Incentivize Science, a nonprofit organization that works on improving science education in Brazil.



### Panelists



#### **Adam Everill**

##### **Co-Founder and Co-CEO Equal Playing Field | GCM 2011**

Adam is a Community and International Development specialist with a long history of leadership development and coaching. Recognized as one of Australia's leading young social entrepreneurs, he has delivered social innovation and leadership training to people from all over the world in corporate, civil society and educational settings. Adam however, found his passion in integrating health and fitness with personal and community development growing two startups, Equal Playing Field and Guerilla Development.

Adam is best known as the Co-Founder and Co-CEO of Equal Playing Field. Adam led the organisation through its development from idea, to fully funded organisation, including the attraction of over 8 million AUD in funding from various corporate, private and government donors. EPF has gained international notoriety as 'emerging best practice', with programming in the post-conflict locations of Bougainville and the Solomon Islands. He also recently completed a 104KM ultra marathon with an elevation gain of more than the height of Kilimanjaro to raise money for EPF! Guerilla Development has created a new niche in corporate training, blending health and wellness with co-design and design thinking practices for next level business solutions.



#### **Eva Meyer de Stadelhofen, Switzerland**

##### **GirlCode Founder | GCM 2019**

Computer geek and human rights activist, Eva is the founder of GirlCode, an international nonprofit and network who aims to reduce the gender gap in the STEM industry by teaching girls of age 8-17 how to code. To do this, GirlCode offers weekly coding lessons in its clubs and in its workshops, as well as a mentorship program where girls are put in contact with entrepreneurs, scientists, and all-around girl bosses so that they can be inspired and find their STEM superstar. Founded in 2017, GirlCode currently has 304 active clubs in 25 different countries, therefore impacting 81'345 girls as of September 2019.

Thanks to her work with GirlCode, Eva has recently been chosen by Global Changemakers and the Thomas Reuters Foundation to attend their summits as one of the best entrepreneurs worldwide.



#### **Meghana Dabbara, India**

##### **Founder and Core Team Member, Make The World Wonderful | GCM 2017**

Meghana Dabbara has always envisioned a world where people live in harmony. At 17 years of age, she founded Make The World Wonderful (NGO) to realize this vision. Deciding to raise a generation of children in an empowering culture of harmony, she started a scalable pilot project wherein her team took the complete responsibility of 50 underprivileged children. In just 2 years, the success of her work earned her over 1,00,000+ supporters from 80+ countries.

She and her team have represented the country and cause at various international platforms, such as the TEDxYouth, Youth Assembly at United Nations - New York, Inspire NextGen - Singapore, Asia Pacific Future Leaders Conference - Malaysia, etc. Currently, her team is taking a huge step towards fulfilling their dreams of 'Every Child Counts' with Project India 4.0 - Dr. APJ. Under this, one crore (10,000,000) children from financially backward families will be given free 4.0 education, and will be taken care of till the age of 21!



### **Shah Rafayat Chowdhury, Bangladesh**

#### **Co-Founder and President, [Footsteps Bangladesh](#) | GCM 2017**

Shah is an award-winning Environmentalist and Social Entrepreneur based in Dhaka, Bangladesh where he is currently running a social enterprise called Footsteps Bangladesh which addresses social challenges in the fields of environment, health, and education with a vision of transforming community mentality from aid dependency to self-reliance. His work is impacting over 100,000 people in Bangladesh through 13 different social ventures and campaigns. Shah was mentored by former US Vice President Al Gore on Climate Leadership and after completing his degree on Environmental Economics and Policy from Pennsylvania State University in 2018, he went back to Bangladesh to chase his dreams of empowering communities through Footsteps Bangladesh. Shah received the Diana Award and the AFS Prize for Young Global Citizens in 2020 for his contributions in the development sector in Bangladesh, and was also chosen as one of the 16 inspirational young leaders by the European Commission in 2018.



### **Rafsan Sabab, Bangladesh - Moderator**

#### **Host [What a Show](#) | GCM 2016**

Rafsan is a stand-up comedian, talk-show host and creator of multiple shows from Bangladesh. With the purpose of using positive humor to deliver meaningful and quality entertainment, his work on social media has always made a difference to the youth of Bangladesh. He envisions hosting the Oscars one day and he is on a mission to enjoy every step of the journey through creating meaningful content. His popular creations are WHAT A SHOW!, Hashtag with Rafsan Sabab and 10 Minute School Show available on YouTube and his personal page on Facebook. Besides his journey as a content creator, he also took up projects like "Chakridata" which ensured employment for hundreds of blue-collar workers, served as a core member of 10 Minute School (Biggest online educational platform in Bangladesh) and worked on an international project on Mental Health in partnership with Telenor and the Nobel Peace Center.

## **Skills Session Hosts**



### **Gabriel Pinheiro, Brazil**

**Economist, Private Equity Investor, and Social Entrepreneur | GCM 2019** Gabriel Pinheiro is a 24 years old economist from Brazil. He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics by UFPR and has five years of experience working in the financial markets with mergers and acquisitions and private equity investments. He is also the founder and CEO of [FreeHelper](#), a social startup that facilitates the connection between professional volunteers and NGOs throughout Brazil. To date, FreeHelper has generated over US\$1 million in impact and reached over 250,000 people. Gabriel is also a proud member of the GCM network and participated in the 2019 GYS.



### **Geoff Linsell, United Kingdom**

#### **Managing Director | [Moving Brands](#) Switzerland**

Geoff has worked in advertising, marketing and branding throughout his career. With an international focus from the beginning, he has experience working with clients across most sectors, including engagements for Swisscom, Hewlett Packard, Coca Cola Asia, Emirates Airline and the UK government. He has lectured on branding at the University of Zurich, the Zurich School of Design, and the Università della Svizzera Italiana. He also advises founders and entrepreneurs.



### **Nandini Kochar, Botswana**

#### **Founder, [Ray of Hope Botswana](#) | GCM 2018**

Nandini Kochar is a multimedia storyteller, Activist and global citizen. She is the founder of a grassroots organization, Ray of Hope Botswana, which runs education programming for over 100 orphans and vulnerable children in rural Botswana. She is also the chief author of Humans of Abu Dhabi and co-founder of the global digital initiative, Hello South Asians. Nandini's work in the social impact sector has awarded her the titles of Queens Young Leader, TheirWorld Ambassador, Global Changemaker, and Social Innovation House Fellow. With a background in filmmaking, social research and social entrepreneurship, Nandini

takes a multidisciplinary approach to social justice research and advocacy.



### **Shomy Hasan Chowdhury, Bangladesh**

#### **Co-Founder, [Awareness 360](#) | GCM 2016**

Shomy Hasan Chowdhury is an award-winning Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) activist from Bangladesh. Shomy is the Co-Founder of global youth-led org Awareness 360, a Global Changemakers Fellow, a US Dept. of State Alumna, a Global Citizen Youth Advocate, the Asia Representative of the Commonwealth Students' Association, a Royal Commonwealth Society Fellow, Youth Advisory Board Member of Youth Combating NTDs, a certified Commonwealth Leader, Commonwealth Youth Forum 2020 International Taskforce Member, a Global Youth Ambassador for Theirworld, a TEDx Speaker, and an International

Election Observer. She has addressed keynotes and inspired millions across 5 continents. She has received many recognitions for her social work of over a decade, notably the President's Volunteer Service Award (Gold) from President Barack Obama and the Princess Diana Legacy Award. Most recently she has been titled as a UNDP-Samsung Global Generation17 Young Leader, becoming the first person to hold the recognition from the Asia Pacific.

## **Networking Facilitators**



### **Shawntel Nieto, Philippines**

#### **Corporate Analyst | GCM 2017**

Since 2015, Shawntel has been utilizing her background in business, social entrepreneurship, and applied chemistry in order to provide marginalized communities with access to their basic needs. In 2016, she co-founded BMB Solutions in order to provide communities with affordable electricity and water. In 2019, she completed her Masters degree in Sustainability Management while working as a researcher focused on pro-environmental communications/marketing as well as the means by which sustainability can be integrated into organizations. As a response to the coronavirus global pandemic, she leads her family's

initiative in bringing food and relief to at least 1000 people in their town, Cainta, everyday. Over the past month, they have been working in close coordination with the local government as well as have been partnering with various stakeholders and organizations that provide the communities with packed meals, relief kits, disinfectants, and other relevant relief goods. Apart from which, she is co-leading an initiative that is mapping out and coordinating with different stakeholders in the country's PPE supply chain. By doing so, #WearTogether is successfully procuring and/or manufacturing PPEs distributed to beneficiary hospitals nationwide.