

WATER PAVILION

September 13th – 14th, 2018 San Francisco, CA

SPEAKERS



Edward Norton

Occasional Actor / Full Time Doer

Edward Norton is one of the most celebrated actors of his generation and has starred in, produced, written or directed over 30 films. He has been nominated for three Academy Awards and has won the Golden Globe, an Emmy, an Obie and numerous other awards for his performances and productions.

Norton has a substantial parallel career as an entrepreneur, investor and activist in both environmental sustainability and technology ventures.

In 2004 he was one of the founding partners of Baswood corporation, a provider of technologically disruptive industrial and municipal scale wastewater digestion systems. Baswood services multiple Fortune 100 industrial companies across many sectors and was recently named by Forbes as one of the most promising water technology startups in the world. Norton serves as Chairman.

In 2010 Norton and three partners founded and launched CrowdRise, a crowdfunding platform and fundraising strategic consultant that, within three years, grew into one of the largest charitable crowdfunding platforms in the world. CrowdRise is backed by Union Square Ventures, Spark Capital, Index Ventures, Jeff Bezos and Jack Dorsey among others. Norton is currently the Chairman. Over \$500 million has been raised for charities on CrowdRise.

He currently serves as the United Nations Ambassador for Biodiversity and is on the UN's TEEB Advisory Council which studies and advises governments and corporations on natural resource economics, as well as the Board of Conservation International.

For over 16 years he has worked as the founding Board chair of the Maasai Wilderness Conservation Trust, a community-based organization working to preserve the endangered wildlife and threatened forest ecosystems in Kenya's iconic southern rangelands. MWCT's work to develop an innovative portfolio of sustainable, natural capital-based revenue streams for Maasai communities has been awarded both the UNDP Equator Prize and the UNEP Champions of the Earth Prize.



Ahmed Aboutaleb

Mayor
Rotterdam, Netherlands

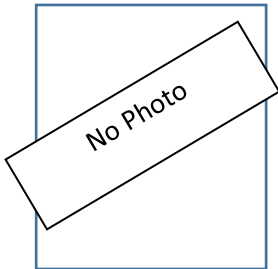
Ahmed Aboutaleb (born 1961 in Beni Sidel, Morocco) has been Mayor of Rotterdam since 2009. Previously, he represented the PvdA (Labor Party) as State Secretary for the Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment in the fourth Balkenende cabinet (2007-2008) and as an alderman in Amsterdam (2004-2007). Mayor Aboutaleb strongly advocates the values enshrined in the Dutch Constitution: freedom of religion, freedom of speech and the principle of non-discrimination. In his view, obtaining Dutch citizenship entails a responsibility to respect and uphold those values and to take part in building the We Society. The more people take part in which, the stronger and more resilient that society will be, both in good and bad times. He'll regularly take neighborhood strolls throughout Rotterdam to have talks with residents about what concerns them.



Giuseppe Arduino

Chief of Section for Eco-Hydrology
Water Quality and Water Education
UNESCO

Giuseppe Arduino works for UNESCO in Paris as Chief of the Ecohydrology, Water Quality and Water Education Section in the Division of Water Sciences, UNESCO International Hydrological Programme, since 2013. Before that he spent 12 years in the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Sciences in Jakarta Indonesia where he was responsible for programmes and projects within the water and geosciences programmes in Southeast Asia and the Pacific. Before UNESCO he worked in private consulting firms in the field of environmental sciences (hydrogeology and geo-technical engineering) and spent 6 years in Southern Africa working in the Ministry of Natural Resources of Lesotho. G. Arduino has published 15 scientific papers and is author of the first Hydrogeological Map of Lesotho, 1994.



Monica Arellano

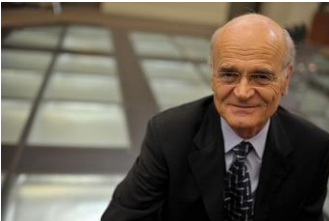
Vice Chairwoman
Muwekma Ohlone Tribe



Kelley Bell

Vice President of Social & Environmental Impact
Driscoll's

Kelley Bell is Vice President of Social and Environmental Impact at Driscoll's, the leading global brand for fresh berries. Kelley and her team partner with business leaders to take action to better our communities and integrate social and environmental commitments into core strategic decisions. With more than 100 years of farming heritage and over 700 independent growers in 23 countries, Driscoll's vision is to enrich the lives of everyone throughout the business enterprise. Kelley has been with Driscoll's for thirteen years and has created the vision for Driscoll's community level impact, leading the company's charitable, labor standards and collaborative environmental efforts. She founded the Pajaro Valley Community Water Dialogue (a multi-stakeholder group working to balance the local aquifer in a constrained environment). Every day at Driscoll's is inspiring to her; she is surrounded by people committed to having a positive impact on the world. Kelley has created multiple functions at the company and served as Global Interim HR Lead. She was the first woman to join Driscoll's executive Global Leadership team in 2008. Kelley is a graduate from Santa Clara University. She lives in Santa Cruz with her husband and two girls.



Andrew Benedek, Ph.D.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Anaergia

Dr. Andrew Benedek received his undergraduate degree in chemical engineering from McGill and a doctorate from the University of Washington. After working as a professor at McMaster, he founded Zenon which became the global leader in membrane technology for water and wastewater treatment pioneering many of the membrane processes such as MBR widely used today.. After GE acquired Zenon, Dr. Benedek founded Anaergia, a global leader in recovering recyclables and water from waste and wastewater and converting the remaining waste to energy and fertilizers. He is currently the Chairman and CEO of Anaergia. Dr. Benedek is the recipient of many international awards including the inaugural Lee Kwan Yew Water Prize. Dr. Benedek also received three honorary doctorates and he has contributed to boards and committees of many learned societies and governments. He also presented and authored well over a hundred scientific articles.



Nicole Neeman Brady

COO,
Renewable Resources Group

Nicole Neeman Brady is the COO and a Principal at Renewable Resources Group (RRG), an LA-based investment firm that owns, manages, and develops agriculture, water, and renewable energy assets in the US and internationally. As a member of the Investment Committee, Nicole is responsible for all energy and water treatment investment and development opportunities. Nicole joined RRG following the firm's acquisition of Edison Water Resources, a subsidiary of Edison International, where she was President and Founder that pursued water purification and recycling opportunities on a distributed basis. She brings a diverse leadership history to RRG, including having been the Director of Energy Procurement at Southern California Edison (SCE) where she was responsible for all energy contracting and power, natural gas and emissions trading for the company – a \$5 billion business. Prior to SCE, Nicole worked in strategic planning for Twentieth Century Fox and in private equity for Goldman Sachs



May Boeve

Executive Director
350.org

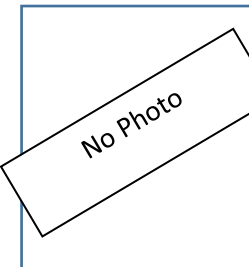
May Boeve is the Executive Director of 350.org, an international climate change campaign. 350.org's creative communications, organizing, and mass mobilizations strive to generate the sense of urgency required to tackle the climate crisis. Previously, May co--founded and helped lead the Step It Up 2007 campaign, and prior to that was active in the campus climate movement while a student at Middlebury College. May is the co-author of Fight Global Warming Now. She lives in the Bay Area.



Marcelo Mena Carrasco

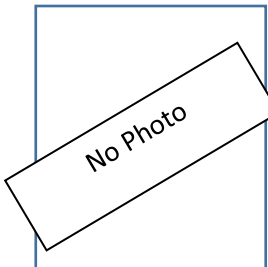
Biochemical Engineer
University of Iowa

Marcelo Mena Carrasco, biochemical engineer, MS and PhD in environmental engineering at the Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research, at the University of Iowa. Postdoctoral fellow at MIT Joint Program on the Science and Policy of Global Change. Distinguished alumnus of Catholic University of Valparaiso, and the University of Iowa. Atmospheric modelling specialist. Formerly the vice minister and minister of the environment for Chile, where he led the design of green taxes on mobile and point sources, air quality management strategies, climate policy, including the ratification of the Kigali and Paris Agreements, waste management, recycling and plastic pollution, and large efforts on marine and land conservation which resulted in the country receiving awards from National Geographic (Planetary Leadership), UN Environment (Champions of the Earth). Currently Practice Manager at GCCRA.



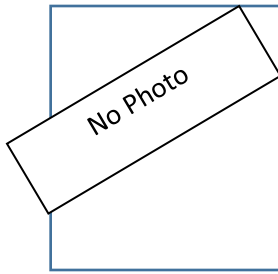
Jan Cassin

Water Initiative Director
Forest Trends



Chris Clubb

Managing Director
Convergence



Matthew Dillon

Director of Agriculture Programs and Policy
Clif Bar



Kathleen Dominique

Project Manager
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Kathleen Dominique is a project manager at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, where she leads OECD's engagement with the Roundtable on Financing Water. At the OECD, she has led work on a range of water policy issues, including water resources allocation, groundwater and water management in the context of climate change adaptation. She has also led country focused Environmental Performance Reviews and work on biodiversity policy reform. Prior to joining the OECD, Kathleen worked on climate change at the Institute of Sustainable Development and International Relations and as a senior associate at PricewaterhouseCoopers. She is the lead author of numerous OECD publications and a frequent speaker in international fora on water economics, finance and policy. She has a Bachelor's of Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame (USA) and a Master's in Public Policy from Sciences Po (France).



Herve P. Duteil

Managing Director, Chief Sustainability Officer
Americas

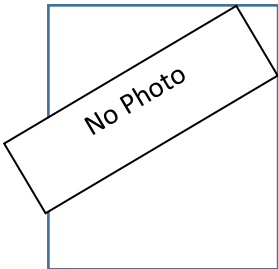
Hervé P. Duteil has spent most of his career with BNP Paribas in New York, aside from an initial start in Sydney, Australia. For over 20 years, he specialized in trading derivatives and managing capital market activities, spanning across commodity, currency, fixed income and electronic markets. In 2014, he took over the role of heading Corporate Social Responsibility and launching Sustainable Finance in the Americas, bringing a strong focus on promoting client dialogue around sustainability topics and developing tailored financing solutions or responsible investment products. In 2016, he led BNP Paribas' efforts to close its first Social Impact Bond for the benefit of the State of Connecticut. Beyond his role to promote the bank's business growth in sustainable finance, Hervé serves as brand ambassador and thought leader through external speaking engagements and networks around the topic of sustainability and corporate social responsibility. He has developed a passion to relentlessly focus organizations on developing business solutions addressing societal challenges, and his narrative regularly seeks to inspire both leaders and employees to connect the core of their work to their highest ideals of making the world a better place. Hervé holds a Master in Business Administration with distinction from the Harvard Business School, a Master of Science from the University of Cambridge, a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics & Physics from the University of Paris, as well as various certificates from the Juilliard School.



Christopher Finlayson

Trustee
Adam Foundation

Christopher Finlayson was born and educated in Wellington. He graduated from Victoria University with a BA in Latin and a LLM. After his studies, he worked in Brandons (later Brandon Brookfield) from 1980-1990, and was a partner in that firm from 1986 to 1990. He then joined Bell Gully where he was a partner in the firm's Wellington litigation department from 1990-2002 when he went to the bar. He was for many years involved in commercial litigation, including competition law cases in the years after the enactment of the Commerce Act 1986. He acted for a wide variety of clients, including the British Government, the Sisters of Mercy, the ANZ, Brierley Investments. In 2013 the then Prime Minister Sir John Key made Chris a QC. In the period 1985-2005, he served the profession on the NZLS Continuing Legal Education Committee, the Council of Law Reporting and the Rules Committee of the High Court. He also taught a variety of subjects in the Law Faculty of Victoria University for many years. He was a foundation author of McGechan on Procedure and the founding editor of the Procedure Reports of New Zealand. Chris has always had a very strong interest in the arts and over the years has served on a variety of arts organisations including the New Zealand String Quartet Trust, Circa Theatre, the Arts Foundation, the Arts Board of Creative New Zealand (which he chaired from 1998-2001) and the NZSO Foundation. He is now a trustee of the Adam Foundation and the chair of the Fundraising Committee for the Button Memorial which will honour the millions of children lost in the Holocaust.



Radhika Fox

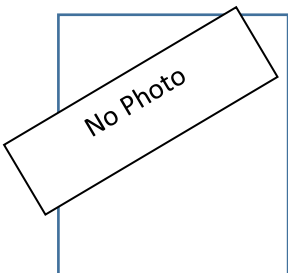
CEO
U.S. Water Alliance



J. Carl Ganter

Co-Founder and Managing Director
Circle of Blue

J. Carl Ganter co-founded and is managing director of Circle of Blue, the independent journalism, science, data, design and convening organization that reports on global resources, particularly the competition between water, food, and energy in a changing climate. Ganter is a former Time and National Geographic photojournalist, recipient of the Rockefeller Foundation Centennial Innovation Award, and past vice-chairman of the World Economic Forum Global Agenda Council on Water Security.



Sammy Gensaw

Ancestral Guard



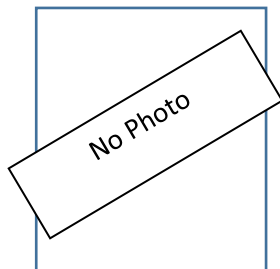
Margarita Gutierrez

Deputy Director

The Nature Conservancy – Colombia

Prior to joining the Conservancy in November 2015, Margarita served as consultant to the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). She was Deputy Director of the Institute of Hydrology, Meteorology and Environmental Studies of Colombia (IDEAM) and Advisor to the Vice Minister of Environment. In these positions, Margarita was responsible for reporting on the state of natural resources in Colombia, issued national communications to the Convention on Climate Change of the United Nations and developed scientific guidelines for land use planning in Colombia as well as for the

National GHG inventories. She submitted the first proposal of the Third National communication funding for the GEF and coordinated the elaboration of the GHG National inventory in the Second National Communication for Colombia. She has extensive experience leading multidisciplinary teams in strategic planning and negotiations and has represented the country in many environmental agreements, including Colombia's accession to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). She was also part of the negotiation team in the United Nation Framework convention for Climate Change (UNFCCC) from 2007 - 2012. Additionally, she was responsible for the functions of the Directorate of Climate Change, from 20 August 2012 until March 2013, where she articulated the work on Mitigation and adaptation to national policies, and worked on the Climate Change planning and worked with the regional agendas and the Low Carbon Development strategy for Colombia. She is a Member of the Roster of Experts of the UNFCCC (Since 2013) and she was also a Member of the Emission Factor Database Editor Committee - Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change IPCC (2010 -2014). Margarita earned her Mechanical Engineering degree at University of the Andes, a Masters in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics also at the same institution and a postgraduate degree in Public Policy and Environmental Management at the University of San Pablo CEU, Madrid. She has taught Microeconomics to post-graduate and undergraduate students at the University of the Andes.



Ana Giros,

Chief Executive Office for South America,
Suez

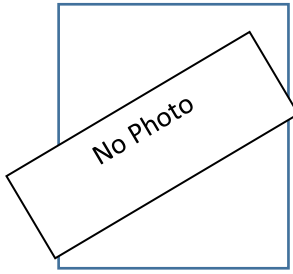


Yamilett Carrillo Guerrero, Ph.D.

Conservation Scientist

International Community Foundation

Carrillo has worked on restoration projects within multi-disciplinary and cross-cultural frameworks in Northern Mexico since 1998. Her scientific research focuses on the link between agricultural water use and the restoration of riparian forests and marshes in the trans-border region of Mexico and the US. She's responsible for developing the former Colorado River Delta Water Trust, now Restauremos El Colorado, and working with the Trust's board and technical committee. Restauremos El Colorado is a binational collaborative that combines the forces of four NGOs from both the U.S. and Mexico to dedicate instream flows for river restoration.



Margarita Gutierrez
Deputy Director NASCA
The Nature Conservancy



Alice C. Hill
Research Fellow
Hoover Institution

Alice C. Hill is a Research Fellow at the Hoover Institution where her work focuses on building resilience to destabilizing catastrophic events, including the impacts of climate change. Prior to joining Hoover, she served as Special Assistant to President Barack Obama and Senior Director for Resilience for the National Security Council. While at the White House, Hill led the development of national policy regarding national security and climate change, incorporation of climate resilience considerations into international development, Federal efforts in the Arctic, building national capabilities for long-term drought resilience, and establishment of national risk management standards for three of the most damaging natural hazards. She served as a member of several U.S. delegations, including to the GLACIER Conference regarding climate change in the Arctic. Hill previously served as Senior Counselor to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and as an ex officio member of the Federal Advisory Committee for the Third National Climate Assessment. In addition, she led the DHS Task Force responsible for creating the first ever climate adaptation plans for the Department. She is also the founder and first Chairperson of the internationally recognized Blue Campaign, an initiative to combat human trafficking. Prior to her work in Washington, Hill served as Supervising Judge on both the Superior and Municipal Courts in Los Angeles and as Chief of the white-collar crime prosecution unit in the Los Angeles United States Attorney's Office. Hill is a frequent speaker and has been quoted in the NY Times, Washington Post, and Los Angeles Times, among other publications. She has appeared on CBS, NPR, and MSNBC and her written commentary has been published in Newsweek, LawFare, The Hill, and other media. She received her BA from Stanford University and JD from the University of Virginia School of Law.



Katharine Jacobs
Director
Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions

Katharine Jacobs is a professor at the University of Arizona and is the Director of the Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions (CCASS) within the Institute of the Environment. CCASS builds and supports climate change adaptation and assessment capacity at regional, national and international scales, based on climate science and service investments within the University. From 2009 – 2013, Jacobs served as an Assistant Director in the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) in the Executive Office of the President. Jacobs was the director of the National Climate Assessment. She also was the lead advisor on water science and policy, and climate adaptation, within OSTP. From 2006-2009 Jacobs was the Executive Director of the Arizona Water Institute. She has more than twenty years experience as a water manager for the State of Arizona.



Sharif Jamil

Coordinator,
Waterkeepers Bangladesh

Sharif Jamil, the Buriganga Riverkeeper who is an internationally recognized leader and activist in the global environmental movement. For more than a decade he has organized civic action for environmental justice in Bangladesh through his involvement in the country's largest civil society initiative, Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon (BAPA) as a member and Joint Secretary of BAPA. Sharif Jamil has consulted closely with the Waterkeeper Alliance starting in 2009 to protect the river Buriganga as the Buriganga Riverkeeper. In 2014, he was elected as the International Regional Representative in the Waterkeeper Council. He was again elected as the South Asia Regional Representative in the Waterkeeper Council in 2017. In 2007 Sharif Jamil was awarded by Both ENDS with a Joke Waller Hunter Fellowship as a prospective leader on environmental movement among the developing countries in the world. He has been serving also as the Coordinator of Waterkeepers Bangladesh since June 2015.



Sean Kidney

CEO
Climate Bonds Initiative

Sean Kidney is CEO of the Climate Bonds Initiative, an international NGO working to mobilize debt capital markets for climate solutions. Projects include a green bond definitions and certification scheme with \$34 trillion of assets represented on its Board and some 200 organizations involved in its development and governance; working with the Chinese central bank on how to grow green bonds in China; an international Green Infrastructure Investment Coalition; market development programs in Brazil, Mexico, Colombia, Nigeria and East Africa; and a green finance aggregation platform with UNDP. He is a member of the EU Technical Expert Group on Sustainable Finance, co-Chair of the India Green Bonds Council and a member of the Astana International Finance Centre's Green Advisory Committee. He has previously been a consultant on green bonds to the United Nations Secretary General, a member of the European Commission's High-Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance and the UK Government's Green Finance Task Force.



Steve Kloos

Partner
True North Venture Partners

Steve Kloos is a Partner with True North Venture Partners, a Chicago-based firm that invests in early stage disruptive innovations in cleantech and supports those companies on their journey to transform and lead global industries over time. At True North, Steve focuses on identifying technology trends and market needs, sourcing and leading investment opportunities, assisting portfolio companies, and helping with firm management.

Steve is the Chairman of the board of Current, a non-profit platform for water innovation, he serves on the ImagineH2O Advisory Board, and is as a judge for the Global Cleantech 100. Prior to joining True North, Steve worked in various R&D roles at General Electric in the US and Asia. Steve holds a PhD in Chemistry from North Dakota State University.



Sarah Law

Vice President
CDP North America

As CDP North America’s Vice-President and Head of Global Initiatives, Sara works with CDP’s business and investor bases as well as strategic partners like the World Bank Group, UN agencies, and We Mean Business. Her portfolio focuses on working with companies that are preparing to take climate actions that will “future proof” their business models. Companies are encouraged to adopt emissions reduction targets that align with climate science (Science Based Targets), shift to renewables, and internalize the cost of pollution by putting a price on carbon emissions. Sara holds degrees in law and arts (history, politics) from the University of Queensland. In her Australian practice, she specialized in commercial litigation and government relations, and held positions with DLA Piper, the Victorian Government, and the Supreme Court of Victoria as a judicial clerk. In the US, Sara is admitted to the New York State Bar and active in local bar associations.



Eric Letsinger

CEO
Quantified Ventures

Eric Letsinger is the CEO of Quantified Ventures, an impact investing firm that helps clients finance specific and measurable environmental, health, and educational outcomes. He is a “tri-sector” executive, bringing 25+ years of leadership experience in government, nonprofit, and private sector organizations. He has led transformative, public-private initiatives to drive social impact in complex, cross-sector business environments including: IBM, Baltimore Public Schools, Baltimore Housing, Cyveillance Software, PWC, and Samaritan Inns Homeless Services. Eric has an MBA from Yale University and a BA in Urban Studies from Northwestern University. Quantified Ventures helps governments, social entrepreneurs and nonprofits tap into the financial resources needed to scale and deliver meaningful impact, primarily through the Pay For Success model. Quantified Ventures is currently designing, brokering, and implementing a series of water-related transactions across the country.



Kenneth MacClune

Senior Staff Scientist
Institute for Social and Environmental Transition

Kenneth MacClune is Senior Scientist and Director for Asian Programs for the Institute for Social and Environmental Transition (ISET) an international research and action organization with offices in Boulder, Colorado, USA, New Delhi, India, and Hanoi, Vietnam. He has nearly 30 years of experience in climate change. Ken’s climate work began with the Institute for Arctic and Alpine Research (INSTAAR), and the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Ken left academic research to join ISET where he led the Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network’s (ACCCRN) engagement with ten cities across India, Thailand, Vietnam, and Indonesia. Ken’s current interests are on systems thinking and its applications in sustainability, resilience, and transformation. He is also working with the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) on linkages between climate change and health as well as the integration of behavior change methods in development.



Martin Marani

Professor
University of Nairobi

Martin Marani is a lecturer at the Department of Geography and Environmental studies, University of Nairobi. He holds Masters and PhD degrees in environmental sciences and has previously been a trainer in environment governance for ten years at the Kenya School of Government. He is an Ernst Mach Fellow (Austria) and a fellow of the African Studies Centre at Leiden University in The Netherlands. Work includes: "Local bureaucrats as bricoleurs: The everyday implementation practices of county environment officers in rural Kenya"; "Conflict and Cooperation over Natural Resources: the role of Customary Governance Traditional Institutions"; "Managing resources through stakeholder networks: collaborative water governance for Lake Naivasha basin, Kenya"; "Making water infrastructure investment decisions in a changing climate: A political economy study of river basin development in Kenya". Martin is a member of several national, regional and global professional organizations and associations.



Felicia Marcus

Chair
State Water Resources Control Board

Felicia Marcus was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to the State Water Resources Control Board (Board) for the State of California in 2012 and designated by the Governor as Chair in April of 2013. The Board implements both federal and state laws regarding drinking water and water quality, and it implements the state's water rights laws. The Board sets statewide water quality, drinking water, and water rights policy, hears appeals of local regional board water quality decisions, decides water rights disputes, and provides financial assistance to communities to upgrade water infrastructure.

Before her appointment to the Water Board, Marcus served in positions in government, the non-profit world, and the private sector. In government, Felicia served as the Regional Administrator of the U.S. EPA Region IX in the Clinton Administration where she was known for her work in bringing unlikely allies together for environmental progress and for making the agency more responsive to the communities it serves, particularly Indian Tribes, communities of color, local government, and agricultural and business interests. While at U.S. EPA, Felicia worked extensively on the range of environmental issues under EPA's jurisdiction, most heavily in air quality, Bay-Delta water, tribal, and US-Mexico border issues.

Prior to that, Felicia headed the Los Angeles' Department of Public Works at a time when the City went from garnering lawsuits to garnering national awards for environmental excellence. Felicia came to Public Works after extensive experience as a public interest lawyer and community organizer in Los Angeles, including being a co-founder and general counsel for Heal the Bay. In the non-profit world, she was the Western Director for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), a national environmental leader in bringing science, law, and policy expertise to solving our world's pressing environmental and conservation challenges. Prior to joining NRDC, Felicia was the Executive VP/COO of the Trust for Public Land (TPL), a national non-profit devoted to conserving land for people. She also was a private and non-profit sector attorney in Los Angeles.

She currently serves or has served in the past on many non-profit boards and Advisory Councils including the Public Policy Institute of California Statewide Leadership Council, Sustainable Conservation, USC-Kesten Institute for Public Finance and Infrastructure Policy, and the Center for Diversity and the Environment. She is also currently an Obama Administration appointee to the Commission on Environmental Cooperation-Joint Public Advisory Council (US, Mexico, Canada) and was a Schwarzenegger Administration appointee to the Delta Stewardship Council prior to being appointed to the Water Board. Felicia Marcus, California State Water Resources Control Board



Shanai Matteson

Co-founder and Collaborative Director
Water Bar & Public Studio

Shanai Matteson is a writer, public artist, and cultural organizer. She is Co-founder and Collaborative Director of Water Bar & Public Studio, an artist-led benefit corporation that serves water to build relationships and transform culture. Water Bar is based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, but incubates and facilitates projects among a network of organizations across the United States. For more info, water-bar.org.

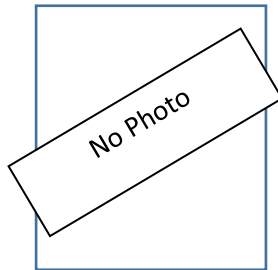


Karla Nemeth

Director
California Department of Water Resources

Karla Nemeth was appointed Director of the California Department of Water Resources by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. on January 10, 2018. DWR operates and maintains the California State Water Project, manages floodwaters, monitors dam safety, conducts habitat restoration, and provides technical assistance and funding for projects for local water needs. Nemeth will oversee the Department and its mission to manage and protect California's water resources, working with other agencies in order to benefit the State's people and to protect, restore and enhance the natural and

human environments. Nemeth worked at the California Natural Resources Agency as Governor Brown's deputy secretary and senior advisor for water policy since 2014. She was Bay Delta Conservation Plan project manager from 2009 to 2014. Nemeth was environmental and public affairs director for the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District from 2005 to 2009. She was community affairs manager at Jones and Stokes from 2003 to 2005. She has a Master's degree in public administration from the University of Washington.



Charlene Nijmeh

Chairwoman
Muwekma Ohlone Tribe



Yomi Noibi, Ph.D.

Executive Director
Environmental Community Action Inc.

Dr. Yomi Noibi earned his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa, Iowa City in 1981. He has served on the faculty of the University of Lagos, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Clark Atlanta University and Spelman College. Yomi's relationship with frontline communities has grown through his work at ECO-Action. He has served in various capacities to help frontline communities grow their capacity and leadership to have their own voice on water equity and environmental justice. ECO-Action's Green Infrastructure Advocacy training, with the support of partners gave birth to the Atlanta Watershed Learning Network. The quote below epitomizes Yomi's essence in the frontline communities. "For bringing a sense of fairness to every community you touch...., and keen attentiveness to those who suffer from years of economic and environmental injustice. And for your courage to pursue ...what is right and good for the safety and health of the planet." Georgia Wand Environmental Justice J Award, 2015.



Mario Romero Orozco

Chief Financial Officer
Grupo Rotoplas

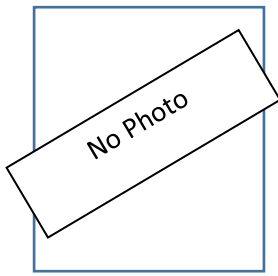
Mario Romero, is Chief Financial Officer of Grupo Rotoplas (ticker:AGUA), the leading provider of individual and integrated water solutions in the Americas. Graduated from Harvard University in Business Administration, has a seminar in business and management strategy in the Northwestern University And he is the leader of the team that developed the Filtroplas product line. Grupo Rotoplas S.A.B. de C.V. provides individual and integrated solutions for water storage, flow treatment and recycling in urban and rural areas. The Company's products include water storage tanks, clean water pipes, water pumps, water filters, water purifiers, outdoor composting bathrooms, rain water harvesting systems, water drinking fountains and water treatment and recycling plants. Grupo Rotoplas sells and markets its products and services within the Americas in the following countries and regions Canada, USA, Mexico, Central America, Peru, Ecuador, Brazil and Argentina.



Henk Ovink

Professor
London School of Economics and Harvard

Henk Ovink was appointed by the Dutch Cabinet as the first Special Envoy for International Water Affairs (2015). Ovink is also Sherpa to the UN / World Bank High Level Panel on Water. Henk is Principal for Rebuild by Design and was Director General for Planning and Water Affairs and Director for National Spatial Planning in The Netherlands. Ovink teaches at the London School of Economics and at Harvard GSD. He was Curator for the 5th International Architecture Biennale Rotterdam 2012 'Making City'. He initiated the research program on Design and Politics.



Rodrigo Ravena Pimentel Pinto

Secretary for Green and Environment
São Paulo



Cristina Rumbaitis del Rio

Regional Programme Manager
Action on Climate Today

Cristina Rumbaitis del Rio is the Regional Programme manager for Action on Climate Today, a UK AID supported climate change programme that seeks to mainstream climate change resilience in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Afghanistan. Dr. Rumbaitis del Rio previously worked at

The Rockefeller Foundation in New York from 2007-2015. As a Senior Associate Director, Dr. Rumbaitis del Rio developed and managed initiatives regarding building resilience to climate change, water management, small scale fisheries, and preservation of ecosystem services. She was a post-doctoral fellow at Columbia University’s Earth Institute and has a Doctorate in Ecology from the University of Colorado.



Shauna Sadowski

Head of Sustainability for the Natural and Organic Operating Unit
General Mills

Shauna Sadowski is the Head of Sustainability for the Natural & Organic Operating Unit at General Mills. She is responsible for leading sustainability strategy, which includes integrating sustainability into the product design and supply chain, with an emphasis on food and farming programs, leading external partnership engagements, and ensuring sustainability is implemented across the brands. She works with her team to ensure transparency and accountability from farm to fork,

leveraging the power of business to drive positive change in the food system. Prior to joining Annie’s in 2010, Shauna worked on sustainability management within the food sector at Clif Bar and Company, Fork in the Road Foods, and Business for Social Responsibility. Additionally, she has worked with a variety of industries through management consulting roles at the Corporate Executive Board and Arthur Andersen. Her commitment to sustainability stems from her early years of growing up on a farm in Saskatchewan, Canada. Shauna received her BS in Economics from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and a MS in Agriculture, Food and Environment from the Friedman School at Tufts University. She serves on the management board of the Climate Collaborative. Shauna lives in Berkeley with her husband, two children, and boisterous Boston Terrier.



Susanne Schmeier, LLM

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Dr. Susanne Schmeier, LLM, is a senior lecturer in water law and diplomacy at IHE Delft. She specializes in water resources management (especially at the transboundary level) and institutions governing shared water resources. She holds a PhD in transboundary water management

and an LLM in international environmental law and has published extensively on water diplomacy, river basin organizations and water conflicts and cooperation.



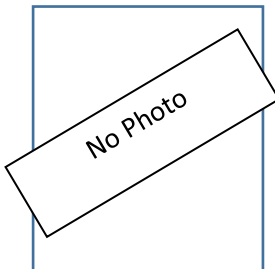
Tui Shortland

Director

Te Kopu Pacific Indigenous and Local Knowledge Centre of Distinction

Tui has over ten years experience working with Indigenous authorities in environmental management. She specializes in traditional knowledge of forests, inland waterways and coastal biodiversity, establishing stakeholder and community collectives for catchment management, environmental policy and indicators for monitoring programs. Tui is the Director of Te Kopu, Pacific Indigenous and Local Knowledge Centre of Distinction based in Whangarei, where she works to ensure that Indigenous knowledge informs global biodiversity decisions by hosting regional meetings, supporting Indigenous research

development and embedding traditional knowledge in global, regional and national institutions.



Joe Speicher

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Bill Tripp

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Karuk Department of Natural Resources

The Karuk Department of Natural Resources is working to restore historic fire regimes in the Western Klamath Mountains. The Somes Bar Integrated Wildland Fire Management Project is among the highlights. This project is a collaborative endeavor of the Western Klamath Restoration Partnership. The partnership is a group of federal, tribal, state and NGO's led by the Karuk Tribe, Mid Klamath Watershed Council, Salmon River Restoration Council, and US Forest Service. Together we consider climate change a stressor in our work to progress the shared values we identified as: Fire Adapted

Communities; Restored Fire Regimes; Healthy River Systems; Resilient Bio-diverse Forests/Plants/and Animals; Sustainable Local Economies; Cultural and Community Vitality. Our initial demonstration project plans to treat 5,500 acres around private inholdings with an eye toward gaining the social license to manage wildland fires, while revitalizing our ceremonial burning practices on Offield Mountain.



Maria Teresa Vargas Rios

Leader
Watershared Program

Maria Teresa was raised on a farm in the village of Mataral, buffer zone of Bolivia’s mega-diverse Amboró National Park. She now works with mayors from 50 municipalities across Bolivia to help them protect their forested water sources. Together, they have convinced 250,000 water users to sign agreements with over 6,000 upstream landowners to conserve 337,000 hectares of water-producing forest and create 1.4 million hectares of protected water sanctuaries. These agreements known as “Watershared”, are in return for alternative development incentives. Maria Teresa has led the Watershared program since initiation. She is now leading the transfer of this reciprocity-based conservation model to municipalities in Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru. Maria Teresa is a graduate of the MIT/Poverty Action Lab Executive Training course on randomized evaluations, has a master’s in International Development from Costa Rica’s National University and a masters in Forestry from Yale University.



Marc Yaggi

Executive Director,
Waterkeeper Alliance

Marc Yaggi is Executive Director of Waterkeeper Alliance, the largest and fastest growing nonprofit solely focused on clean water. Marc has dedicated his entire career to environmental advocacy and has been instrumental in expanding the Waterkeeper movement around the world for nearly 20 years. Marc leads with a deep, personal passion for clean water and provides organizational leadership by developing strategic partnerships and promoting the Waterkeeper model of advocacy. Marc works daily to raise public awareness about the issues central to the organization’s vision for drinkable, fishable, swimmable water worldwide