Southwest STEMM Equity and Excellence Summit

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Russlyn Ali, Co-Founder & CEO, XQ Institute

Russlynn Ali has been advocating for and advancing educational equity for decades. Ali currently serves as CEO of XQ Institute, co-founded with Laurene Powell Jobs, to transform high schools. As a firm believer that education is the civil rights issues of our time, she formerly served as the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education.

Craig Barrett, retired Chairman of Intel Corporation

Craig Barrett is a leading advocate for improving education in the U.S. and the world, and a vocal spokesman for the value technology can provide in raising social and economic standards globally. He chairs BASIS Charter Schools, Carnegie Institution of Science, Stride Inc., an on-line education company and XGS Energy. He is past chair of the National Academy of Engineering, National Forest Foundation and Semiconductor Technology Council. He has co-chaired the Business Coalition for Student Achievement and the National Innovation Initiative Leadership Council. Served as a member of the Board of Trustees for the U.S. Council for International Business, the Clinton Global Initiative Education Advisory Board, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and numerous other boards, policy and government panels and committees.

He is owner of Triple Creek Ranch, a Montana guest ranch frequently rated #1 in the world and is a passionate collector of western art.
Daniel Corr, President, Arizona Western College

Dr. Daniel P. Corr began his tenure as the ninth President of Arizona Western College (AWC) in July 2016. During his tenure, he has been committed to building on the tremendous success achieved by AWC as an active member of the many communities served by the college. He has focused his early efforts on facilitating student success, increasing access to higher education, executing the adopted College’s strategic plan, and fostering a climate of innovation, collaboration and stewardship at AWC.

Prior to assuming the role of AWC’s President, Dr. Corr held a variety of instructional and administrative positions at four different community colleges in Arizona & Illinois. All told, he has over 30 years of experience at the community college level. Dr. Corr has always placed an emphasis on establishing and maintaining partnerships. He also remains committed to being responsive to community business needs. Dr. Corr serves on a number of local, state, and national boards. However, his greatest passion is for AWC’s students and their success.

Michael Feder, Program Director, American Association for the Advancement of Science

Michael Feder, Ph.D., is program director within the Inclusive STEMM Ecosystems for Equity and Diversity (ISEED) unit. He manages a portfolio of programs focused on a removing systemic barriers to equitable access to STEMM education and careers. Feder brings over 15 years of experience in STEM education policy, research, and practice to AAAS.

Michael's previous experience includes managing Battelle’s STEMx network – a consortium of 21 statewide STEM education organizations, serving as a policy analyst at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and acting as a senior program officer for the Board on Science Education at the National Academies. During his two years with the Obama Administration, he led an interagency process to create the 5-Year strategic plan for federal STEM education programs.

He earned his doctorate and master’s degrees in developmental psychology at George Mason University and his bachelor’s degree from Pennsylvania State University.
Ines Halloran, Vice President of Enterprise Technology, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Companies

In her role as Vice President of Enterprise Technology, Ines has oversight of infrastructure at State Farm, including the network, mainframe, on-premises platforms, storage, telephony, client, and middleware products. In this capacity, Ines and her team own the architecture and technical direction and manage a managed service provider who provides operational support for infrastructure and help desk services.

Ines joined State Farm in 1991 and her experience spans across several IT positions including software developer, infrastructure analyst, IT architect, architect director, and IT director. She was promoted to assistant vice president in 2017 and assumed her current role in 2023. Ines is known for successfully growing leaders and teams as well as cultivating a work environment where team members are empowered.

Ines earned a bachelor’s degree in computer management from Eastern Illinois University and a master’s degree in management from the American College. She earned the Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation in 1999.

Ines is a top 50 Most Powerful Women in Tech (National Diversity Council) award recipient and represents State Farm on a number of industry boards.

Kathleen Jolivette, Vice President and General Manager of Vertical Lift, Boeing Defense, Space & Security

Kathleen Jolivette is the vice president and general manager of Vertical Lift for Boeing Defense, Space & Security. In this role, she is responsible for a portfolio of rotorcraft capabilities and aircraft that includes the AH-6 Little Bird, AH-64 Apache, H-47 Chinook, MH-139A Grey Wolf, V-22 Osprey and future vertical lift solutions, such as DEFIANT X. Jolivette is responsible for program execution, customer satisfaction and business growth, overseeing operations in Arizona and Pennsylvania, while serving and supporting customers in the United States and more than 20 countries.

Most recently, Jolivette was vice president of Attack Helicopter Programs and the senior site executive in Mesa, AZ. In this role, she led employees responsible for the design, production and delivery of AH-64 Apache and AH-6 Little Bird helicopters for the U.S. Army and allied defense forces around the globe.
Jolivette joined Boeing in 2002 as an intern and progressed through positions of increasing responsibility. Her leadership roles of distinction include: director of United States Army Services for Boeing Global Services, director for V-22 Domestic Programs, chief of staff for the Office of President and CEO, and director of investor relations for Boeing Defense, Space & Security. In 2019, she was awarded the Leadership Excellence Award from the National Defense Industrial Association’s Tennessee Valley Chapter and the 2020 Professional.

Jolivette served in the U.S. Army for eight years, and holds a bachelor’s degree in accounting from Lindenwood University and an executive Master of Business Administration from Washington University in St. Louis. She is a member of the Army Aviation Association of America, the Association of the United States Army and the Vertical Flight Society. She grew up on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota, and is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

Kenro Kusumi, Dean of Natural Sciences and Professor of Life Sciences, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Arizona State University

Kenro Kusumi is dean of natural sciences and professor of life sciences in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (The College). He received his AB from Harvard College in Biochemical Sciences and his PhD in Biology from MIT. He carried out postdoctoral training as a Hitchings-Elion Fellow of the Burroughs Wellcome Fund at the National Institute for Medical Research in London. Kusumi was previously faculty at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, where he served as director of pediatric orthopaedic research. At ASU, he has served in a number of roles including as director of the School of Life Sciences and associate dean in The College. Kusumi helped to launch the University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix in 2006 and is adjunct faculty at the Translational Genomics Research Institute. Kusumi is committed to developing equitable and innovative programs for students, and he is working to create a more inclusive academic environment, including serving as mentor and faculty advisor in university and national LGBTQ organizations.

Sudip Parikh, Chief Executive Officer, American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Executive Publisher, Science Journals

Sudip Parikh, Ph.D., became the 19th chief executive officer of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and executive publisher of the Science family of journals in January 2020. Parikh has spent two decades at the nexus of science, policy, and business, including stints at DIA Global and Battelle. Parikh
served as science advisor and professional staff to the United States Senate Appropriations Committee and was a Presidential Management Intern at the NIH.

Parikh holds a Ph.D. in macromolecular structure and chemistry from the Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif. Parikh completed undergraduate studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He serves as a board member and officer for several impactful organizations, including Research!America, Friends of Cancer Research, and ACT for NIH. He has received multiple public service awards, including recognition from the American Association of Immunologists, the National AIDS Alliance, the Coalition for Health Services Research, and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

**Raghu Santanam, Senior Associate Dean for Executive Education, Corporate Partnerships and Lifelong Learning; McCord Chair in Business & Professor**

Dr. Raghu Santanam is the Sr. Associate Dean for Executive Education, Corporate Partnerships and Lifelong Learning in the W. P. Carey School of Business. He is the McCord Endowed Chair of Business and Professor in Department of Information Systems. Dr. Santanam also leads AZNext – the ASU workforce accelerator partnership program funded by the Department of Labor. His current research focuses on Analytics, Augmented Intelligence, and mobile platforms. Prof. Santanam has helped a number of organizations on data intensive decision-making contexts (including IBM, Intel, American Express, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Lallemand and others). He has authored several researched case studies on technology enabled business transformations.

Dr. Santanam is firmly committed to engaging with the community; in addition to his voluntary roles in the academic community, he is on the Governing body of Evanta CISO/CIO Executive summit, AZ Tech Council’s public policy committee. Dr. Santanam is a member on the City of Phoenix Workforce and Business Development Board. Recently, he was a Panelist for the ASU-GSV 2023 Summit, discussing Workforce Development in the Digital Age – University-based Perspectives in the US and Worldwide; he was also part of the 2023 Arizona Association for Economic Development Panel, conversing Workforce Trends and Data-Driven Strategies.
Travis York, Director of ISEED, American Association for the Advancement of Science

Travis T. York, Ph.D., is the Director of Inclusive STEMM Ecosystems for Equity & Diversity (ISEED) at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). York’s research and work focus on systemic change to achieve inclusive and equitable access and progress through STEM pathways into the STEM workforce. He provides leadership to a talented team who collaborate to create change in over 20 grant-funded projects and initiatives spanning all STEM fields and the entire educational pathway. York has authored numerous peer-reviewed articles and book chapters and is active within several professional associations and serves on the editorial review board of the Journal of Diversity in Higher Education.

Dr. York, received his Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from The Pennsylvania State University, masters in Higher Education and bachelors with distinction from Geneva College. Dr. York also studied at Oxford University’s Center for Medieval & Renaissance Studies through Keble College in 2003-04.