



ECOSOC Partnership Forum



2024 ECOSOC Partnership Forum

Virtual Side Event Speakers' List / Meet the Speakers

Date: 30 January 2024; Time: 8:15 to 9:30 am (EST, New York Time)
Education- and Health-For-All To Achieve United Nations' 2030 Agenda

- 1. Dr. Rita Luthra**, MD; President and Editor-in-Chief, Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC); NGO in Special Consultative Status with ECOSOC of the UN; Editor-in-Chief, Global e-Health and e-Learning Project with UN, WHO and UNESCO
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Brief History:
http://www.womenshealthsection.com/content/documents/Our_Brief_History.pdf
*Introduction, Our Recommendations and Moderator;
Our Efforts in Health and Education Sectors*
- 2. Dr. Colleen A. Kraft**, MD, MBA, FAAP; Professor of Pediatrics, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California, Children's Hospital Los Angeles; 2018 President of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Los Angeles, California (USA);
e-mail: colleenkraft60@gmail.com
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and
- 3. Dr. Roger P. Worthington**; Consultant in Ethics and Global Health, and Co-chair: HESI SDG Publishers Compact Fellows. Former Faculty, Yale School of Medicine. London (United Kingdom) e-mail: rpworthington@gmail.com ;
Short bio: <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Roger-Worthington>
Education and sustainability: Building a resilient foundation to reduce rates of infant and maternal mortality.
- 4. Dr. Ganesh Mani**, Ph.D.; Adjunct Professor of Innovation Practice
Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburgh, USA and Africa)
e-mail: ganeshm@andrew.cmu.edu ; Short bio:
<https://www.cmu.edu/tepper/faculty-and-research/faculty-by-area/profiles/mani-ganesh.html>
Using Data and AI to reduce Digital Divide and Poverty

5. **Dr. Edith Luhanga**, Ph.D.; Assistant Research Professor; CMU-Africa; Past Lecturer, Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology; Kigali, Rwanda (**Africa**)
e-mail: eluhanga@andrew.cmu.edu Short bio:
<https://www.africa.engineering.cmu.edu/about/contact/directory/bios/luhanga-edith.html>
Developing Localized Health Applications for East Africa

6. **Ms. Upasana Chauhan**; Main NGO Representative of WHEC at the UN, New York; International Advisor & Activist; Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC); New York (USA) e-mail: upasana.c20@gmail.com; Brief Bio:
http://www.womenshealthsection.com/content/documents/Upasana_Chauhan_Resume.pdf
and
7. **Ms. Lucky Gill**; Additional NGO Representative of WHEC at the UN New York, President, Global Girl Power, Surrey BC (Canada)
e-mail: luckyandnavi@gmail.com; <http://www.globalgirlpower.org/>
Ending Child Marriages and Improving Girls' Education in India

8. **Dr. Dawna K. Jenne**; Additional NGO Representative of WHEC at the UN, New York; Tools 4 Teachers Organization, Springfield, MA (USA) e-mail: dawnajenne@gmail.com
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Preparing Children for Learning Success

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| 8:15 – 8:25 am | Dr. Rita Luthra ; Introduction & Our Projects/Programs |
| 8:25 – 8:45 am | Dr. Roger Worthington & Dr. Colleen Kraft
Education Sustainability |
| 8:45 – 8:55 am | Dr. Ganesh Mani ; Reducing Digital Gap |
| 8:55 – 9:05 am | Dr. Edith Luhanga ; Sound Policies for Education in Africa |
| 9:05 – 9:20 am | Ms. Upasana Chauhan & Ms. Lucky Gill ; Girls' Education |
| 9:20 – 9:25 am | Dr. Dawna K. Jenne ; Preparing for Learning Success |
| 9:25 – 9:30 am | Panel Discussion and Q & A |