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SCHEDULE

Facilitator: Jennifer Deitz, Associate Dean and Director, Continuing Studies

10:00 - 10:10 am (PT): Welcome and Opening Remarks
Martin Shell, Vice President and Chief External Relations Officer

10:10 - 10:25 am (PT): Presentation 1: Stanford’s Legacy
Matthew Tiews, Interim Senior Associate Vice President for the Arts, Associate Vice President for Campus Engagement

10:25 - 10:55 am (PT): Presentation 2: COVID-19 Vaccines: What We Know
Bonnie Maldonado, Senior Associate Dean, Faculty Development and Diversity, Professor of Pediatrics (Infectious Diseases) and of Epidemiology and Population Health

11:00 - 11:30 am (PT): Presentation 3: The Latest on Climate Change
Chris Field, Melvin and Joan Lane Professor for Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies, Director, Woods Institute for the Environment, Professor of Earth System Science, of Biology and Senior Fellow at the Precourt Institute for Energy
11:30 - 11:40 am (PT): Presentation 4: Reflection

Srinija Srinivasan, Member, Board of Trustees

PRESENTERS:

Martin Shell
Vice President and Chief External Relations Officer at Stanford University

Martin leads the offices of University Communications, Government Affairs, Development, Community Engagement, and interim oversight of the Senior Associate of the Vice President for the Arts. He aligns the work of Stanford’s externally facing teams to design, implement and maintain strategies for service and engagement regionally, nationally, and globally, including collaboration with local partners to address sustainability, affordability, and other challenges specific to Silicon Valley and the Bay Area. Prior to this position, Martin was Vice President for Development for 13 years, during which time Stanford raised more than $12.5 billion in cash or cash equivalents. Martin joined Stanford in 1998 as Senior Associate Dean for External Relations and was later appointed COO at Stanford Law School, before joining the central office of development as Associate Vice President. Prior to joining Stanford, Shell held positions at the University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Temple University, Villanova University and Hendrix College. He also has served as press secretary to a U.S. Representative, and as an executive at public utility company. Shell is a trustee of Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas. He and his wife, Lee Ann, are the parents of four adult children.

Matthew Tiews
Associate Vice President for Campus Engagement, Interim Senior Associate Vice President for the Arts

In the arts, Matthew will take a broad look at the opportunities for the arts organizations within the Vice President for the Arts portfolio that includes the Anderson Collection at Stanford University, the Cantor Arts Center, the Institute for Diversity in the Arts, Stanford Arts Institute and Stanford Live. As AVP for campus engagement, Matthew is responsible for activating the campus community as a vital part of the vision and mission of the university. As a first priority, he is leading the process of developing a vision for the White Plaza area as a new Town Center for Stanford. He is also responsible for a variety of other initiatives to create connections for the campus community and engagement with the university’s mission, including chairing the university’s Public Art Committee.

Christopher B.Field
Perry L. McCarty Director of the Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment and Melvin and Joan Lane Professor for Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies

His research focuses on climate change, especially solutions that improve lives now, decrease the amount of future warming, and support vibrant economies. Recent projects emphasize decreasing risks from coastal flooding and wildfires. Field was the founding director of the Carnegie Institution’s Department of Global Ecology, a position he held from 2002 to 2016. He was co-chair of Working Group II of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change from 2008-2015, where he led the effort on the IPCC Special Report on “Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation” (2012) and the Working Group II contribution to the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (2014) on Impacts, Adaptation, and Vulnerability. His widely cited work has earned many recognitions, including election to the US National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Max Planck Research Award, and the Roger Revelle Medal.
Yvonne (Bonnie) A. Maldonado MD
Professor and Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Department of Pediatrics at Stanford University School of Medicine, Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Diversity at the Stanford School of Medicine.

The research Dr. Maldonado has conducted has been focused on epidemiologic aspects of viral vaccine development and prevention of perinatal HIV transmission. A major project has been to identify the molecular epidemiology of factors affecting the immunogenicity of oral polio vaccine (OPV) among children living in developing areas of the world, where OPV immunogenicity is poor. Dr. Maldonado's group has identified several factors which affect the poor immunogenicity of OPV and will conduct clinical studies to attempt to improve immunogenicity. The group is now working on ways to understand the transmission and circulation of polio vaccine derived viruses, which may cause polio, and how to use this information in global eradication of polio. Dr. Maldonado also works on perinatal HIV infection, including strategies to prevent breastfeeding transmission in developing settings as well as understanding how to maximize prevention strategies among pregnant women in developed countries.

Srinija Srinivasan
Vice Chair, Board of Trustees

Srinija is Co-founder of Loove, a developing music venture designed to demonstrate how commerce and technology can be guided by artistic values rather than letting our culture be led by market values. An accidental tech exec, Srinija joined Yahoo! in 1995 as one of their first five employees and self-titled Ontological Yahoo. With a background in AI beginning with her BS at Stanford in Symbolic Systems and continuing in her work at the Cyc Project, Srinija's work at Yahoo! centered on the human experience, starting with the categorization system of the Yahoo! Directory and expanding to editorial and policy issues globally. She served as Yahoo!'s Vice President, Editor-in-Chief until stepping down in 2010. At Stanford Srinija serves as a Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees and she is a member of the Humanities & Sciences Council, the Stanford Live Advisory Council, and the HAI (Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence) Advisory Council. She's a board member for the On Being Project and a past board chair of SFJAZZ. She lives bicoastally between Palo Alto, CA and Brooklyn, NY.

QUESTIONS?

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