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Head, Office of the Joint United Nations-African Union Special Representative for Darfur
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Bibi Bakare-Yusuf (Nigeria)
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Bakare-Yusuf is the co-founder of one of the most important new publishing houses in Africa. A feminist and independent scholar, she has worked as a consultant for ActionAid, Unifem, and the European Union. Her life’s work is the transformation of the African continent through production of alternative narratives and knowledge.

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Ayush Chauhan (India)
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Chauhan heads up a multi-disciplinary design and innovation consultancy working at the intersection of business, development, and culture. He is also a Partner at the Box Collective, where he conceptualized and launched UnBox, the first interdisciplinary festival in Delhi bringing together leading voices from across the world for inspiration, debate and reflection.
Paula Escobar-Chavarría (Chile)
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Gabriella Gómez-Mont (Mexico)
*Founder, Toxico Cultura*
A cultural entrepreneur, writer, curator and documentary filmmaker, Gómez-Mont’s current project is *Toxico Cultura*, an independent cultural salon, art lab, and multidisciplinary platform dedicated to furthering creative excellence across various mediums in Mexico City.

Martín Lousteau (Argentina)
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Lousteau runs LCG SA, a macroeconomic and political consultancy firm advising large companies, governments, and politicians. Previously, he served as Minister of Economy and Production of Argentina, and prior to that was President of the Banco de la Provincia de Buenos Aires.

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Msimang works across ten southern African countries to promote human rights, transparency, and accountability. She is responsible for defining and driving the strategic direction of OSISA and oversees projects on education, gender and women’s rights, HIV and AIDS, and democracy building.

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Muguongo is a feminist and a firm believer in human rights and social justice. She manages the only African activist-owned and led LGBTI and sex worker rights fund. Her mission is to nurture grassroots activism around sexuality and rights in Africa, creating societal transformation towards equality and non-discrimination.
Réda Oulamine (Morocco)
*President and Founder, Droit et Justice*
Oulamine created Droit et Justice, an NGO promoting the rule of law and human rights in Morocco. He is also a Managing Partner at Oulamine Law Group which specializes in business, corporate law, and legal reform consulting.

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Savage was named National Geographic Adventurer of the Year in 2010. She is the only woman to have rowed solo across all the major oceans and is a prominent advocate for global sustainability issues. Her mission is to shine light on ecological challenges such as plastics pollution and the impact of climate change.

Julien Steimer (France)
*Diplomat, former Chief of Staff, French Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Territorial Planning*
Steimer initiated and negotiated the Agricultural Action Plan adopted by G20 Heads of State in 2011. He has served in the French government for over a decade in the areas of agricultural policy reform, global food security, and EU affairs.

Patrick Struebi (Switzerland)
*Founder and CEO, Fairtrasa International AG*
A business and social entrepreneur, Struebi founded Fairtrasa, a company pioneering a scalable model that links small-scale farmers in Latin America to local and international markets.

Martin Sturgeon (United Kingdom)
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