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“Institute for Education (IFE) at Singapore”



Dhanurjay “DJ” Patil, Chief Data Scientist at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, leads a discussion on smart, responsible data use at an IFE INFO roundtable held at the Embassy of Singapore.



From left, Laura Rodriguez; Gouri Mirpuri, wife of the Singaporean ambassador; White House Senior Advisor Dr. R. David Edelman; Joanne Ke of the International Finance Corp.; and Jennifer Rudy of Microsoft.



The Ambassador of Bulgaria, Elena Poptodorova (left), and Ambassador of Singapore Ashok Kumar Mirpuri attend an IFE roundtable at the Embassy of Singapore. IFE recently partnered with the University of Southern California’s Viterbi School of Engineering to provide a free coding camp to local L.A. kids in third through ninth grade.



From left, Scientific Attaché at the Italian Embassy Giulio Busulini; Microsoft Director of Technology and Civic Innovation John Paul Farmer, and Vice President of Microsoft’s U.S. Public Sector Curt Kolcun.



Eleanor Clift of the Daily Beast, left, and Jan Smith attend an IFE INFO discussion featuring U.S. Chief Data Scientist Dhanurjay “DJ” Patil.



From left, Sokwoo Rhee, a White House Presidential Innovation Fellow with the National Institute of Standards and Technology; Kristen Honey of the White House Office and Science Technology Policy; and Alexandra Ghara of the Robertson Foundation for Government.



Scott Wu, a White House Presidential Fellow (PIF) at USAID, left, speaks with ZTE USA Chairman and CEO Lixin Cheng.



Johanna Shelton, public policy director at Google, asks a question during IFE INFO on government data usage.



Kimberly Twombly Wu of UBS Financial Services, left, and Judith Needs attend IFE INFO discussion on data usage.



From left, IFE Fellow Brandon Kline; Microsoft’s John Paul Farmer, the Director; and Coach Kathy Kemper, IFE Founder and CEO.

State of the District



From left, Ambassador of Monaco Maguy Maccario Doyle; Ambassador of Denmark Peter Taksoe-Jensen; Ambassador of Liechtenstein Claudia Fritsche; Ambassador of Finland Ritva Koukku-Ronde; IFE Founder and CEO Coach Kathy Kemper; District of Columbia Mayor Muriel Bowser; and Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Congo Faïda Mitifu attend IFE’s 17th annual State of the District Forum held at the Finish Residence.

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