

Microsoft

Women's
Empowerment
Roundtable

Thursday

Tarika Barrett, Girls Who Code

Vice President of Programs

Girls Who Code runs free computer science programs in all 50 states for girls grades 6-12, seeking to close the gender gap in technology. Tarika oversees all aspects of these programs as Vice President. Previously, she was a Senior Director at the NYC Department of Education, Chief Program Officer of iMentor, and teacher to deaf children for five years. *@GirlsWhoCode*

Kristen Bellstrom, Fortune Magazine

Senior Editor

Kristen oversees Fortune's leadership coverage, specifically focusing on women and business, and is also editor of Fortune's daily newsletter on the most powerful women in the world, The Broadsheet. She is the co-chair of Fortune's Most Powerful Women Next Gen Summit. Prior to joining Fortune, Kristen was a Senior Editor at Money and SmartMoney Magazine. *@kayelbee*

Nina Burleigh, Newsweek

National Politics Correspondent,

Nina is an award-winning journalist and author. Prior to Newsweek, she wrote for People and was a contributing editor to Elle. Nina has written extensively on a wide array of women's and feminist issues, from human trafficking to reproductive rights, and is an adjunct professor of journalism at Columbia University. *@NinaBurleigh*

John Paul Farmer, Microsoft

Director of Technology and Civic Innovation

John is the Director of Microsoft's civic tech team in New York, leading projects that deploy tech for social good. Prior to joining Microsoft, John was a senior advisor in the Obama White House. While there, John co-founded the Presidential Innovation Fellows, which sparked a movement of engaged entrepreneurs and technologists dedicating their 21st century skills to public good. *@JohnPaulFarmer @MicrosoftNY*

Kate Gage, Obama White House

Senior Policy Advisor

Kate has spent the last eight years working in the Obama Administration, most recently in the Office of Science and

Technology Policy. She was also Senior Advisor at USAID's Global Development Lab. Kate has worked with the Environmental Protection Agency and the International Rescue Commission, and now with the March for Science. *@KateGage*

Dana Gold, Government Accountability Project

Director of Education & Strategic Partnerships

Dana is the country's leading expert on whistleblowing, first joining GAP back in 1991. In 2003, Dana co-founded and directed the Center on Corporations, Law & Society at Seattle University School of Law, teaching whistleblower law. Dana was recently a Network Fellow at Harvard University. *@GovAcctProj*

Jennifer Hyman, Rent the Runway

Co-Founder & CEO

Jennifer co-founded Rent the Runway with a Harvard Business School classmate in 2009. The New York Times calls it "a Netflix model for couture," allowing people to rent designer dresses online, conveniently and affordably. Now with millions of members, Jennifer was named "the most influential woman in technology" by Fast Company, and was on the Forbes list of "most disruptive names in the business." *@Jenn_RTR*

Merit Janow, Columbia Univ. School of International & Public Affairs

Dean

Dean Janow has been a professor at Columbia SIPA and affiliated faculty at Columbia Law School since 1995. She is an internationally recognized expert in international trade and investment, and in the region of Asia. Dean Janow is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and in 2003 she became the first woman to serve as one of the seven members of the World Trade Organization's Appellate Body. *@ColumbiaSIPA*

Ayana Elizabeth Johnson, Ocean Collectiv

Founder & Principal

Ayana is a marine biologist, policy expert, and conservation strategist, with a BA from Harvard and a Ph.D. from Scripps Institution of Oceanography. A former TED Fellow, Ayana founded The Ocean Collectiv to create and amplify solutions for a healthy ocean, with a focus on social justice. Previously, she was Executive Director of the Waitt Institute. *@AyanaEliza*

Ravi Karkara, UN Women
Deputy Executive Director

Ravi is Senior Advisor on Strategic Partnerships and Advocacy to the Assistant Secretary-General, as well as the Deputy Executive Director and Acting Head of Private Sector for UN Women. He previously worked with the UN Millennium Campaign, UN-HABITAT, and UNICEF. Ravi has written extensively on international development. *@RaviKarkara*

Coach Kathy Kemper, Institute for Education
Founder & CEO

The nonprofit Institute for Education promotes leadership and finding common ground, while educating youth for global citizenship. Former Head Coach of Georgetown Women's Tennis, Coach has received awards from the Japanese, Swedish, and Chinese governments for her commitment to cross-cultural dialogue. She has been called "Washington's Networker in Chief" by US News. *@CoachKemper*

Melissa Mark-Viverito, City of New York
Speaker of the City Council

Unanimously elected to serve as Speaker in January 2014, the Speaker is the first Puerto Rican and Latina to hold citywide office. She represents the 8th District, which includes El Barrio/East Harlem and the South Bronx, and was first elected to the City Council in 2005. Before that, she worked for over a decade in local activism, nonprofit organizations and grassroots labor organizing. *@MMViverito*

Malia Mason, Columbia Business School
Professor

Malia is professor of managerial negotiations and an expert on cognition and decision making. Her research involves the allocation of attention, and has been published in top academic journals within management, psychology, and neuroscience. In 2014, Malia was named a Best 40-Under-40 Business School Professor and received the "Rising Star" Award from the American Psychological Society. *@MaliaFMason*

Brit McCandless, 60 Minutes

Digital Producer

Brit is the producer of 60 Minutes Overtime, the digital arm of the most successful news magazine in TV history. She began working for CBS in 2014, prior to which she was an editorial producer at CNN and worked on ABC's Good Morning America. A Peabody Award winner, Brit received her B.A. from Carnegie Mellon University in International Relations and Professional Writing. *@BritMcCandless*

Kathryn Minshew, The Muse
Founder & CEO

The Muse helps over 50 million people navigate their careers, and is known by employers and hiring managers as one of the best places to hire high-quality, up-and-coming talent. An alum of Y Combinator, Kathryn founded The Muse in 2011. By 2012, Kathryn had been named to the Forbes 30-under-30 list and as one of INC's 15 Women to Watch in Tech. *@KMin*

Megan Murphy, Bloomberg Businessweek
Editor

Before becoming Editor of Bloomberg Businessweek, Megan was the Washington Bureau Chief at Bloomberg. She joined the Financial Times in 2007, serving as a law courts correspondent, investment banking correspondent, and Washington Bureau Chief. She was a leading correspondent on the FT Understanding Libor series which received an EPPY Award as best news feature. *@MeganMurp*

Beth Noveck, The Gov Lab
Cofounder & Director

Beth leads the Governance Lab at NYU and is a professor at Yale Law School, NYU Tandon School of Engineering, and the MIT Media Lab. She is the former Deputy Chief Technology Officer of the United States, where she directed the White House Open Government Initiative. She was also Prime Minister David Cameron's Senior Advisor for Open Government. Beth's research, teaching, and activism focuses on the impact of technology on public institutions and solving public problems. *@BethNoveck*

Galina Ozgur, Grand Central Tech
General Manager

Originally known as New York's flagship accelerator, Grand Central Tech has grown far past that to become NYC's largest single dedicated platform for growing premier ventures from seed to scale. In addition to being Grand Central Tech's General Manager, Galina is also a mentor for a number of organizations, including Venture for America, Starta Accelerator, and the Turkish Women's International Network. *@GalinaOzgur*

Sangam Sogani, Senet Capital Partners

Managing Partner

A portfolio manager and investor, Sangam is currently Managing Partner at Senet Capital Partners. Prior to starting at Senet, he worked at Goldman Sachs for over 14 years, first in the finance and then investment research divisions. In 2006 he became managing director of Goldman Sachs Investment Partners in 2006, serving for eight years.

Andrew Rasiej, Civic Hall

Co-Founder & CEO

Civic Hall is a collaborative civic technology work and community center. Andrew also founded Civic Hall Labs, which builds civic technology to serve the public interest. He co-founded Personal Democracy Forum, the world's largest and best known annual conference on the intersection of technology, politics, and government. Andrew is the Chairman of the NY Tech Alliance, a 60,000+ member organization. *@Rasiej*

Elizabeth Stewart, Civic Hall Labs

Executive Director

Elizabeth leads nonprofit Civic Hall Labs to deploy technology for public good. Previously, Elizabeth co-founded Impact Hub Los Angeles, a social enterprise and community for a diverse array of Angelenos working to create positive impact. She also launched Civic Innovation Lab, a three-part lab harnessing citizen ingenuity to solve pressing issues. She is one of Fast Company's 100 Most Creative People for 2013, and was profiled on Forbes.com as "a woman changing the LA entrepreneur landscape." *@ElizInMotion*

Minerva Tantoco, City of New York

Former Chief Technology Officer

As the first-ever Chief Technology Officer of the City of New York, Minerva led city-wide strategy to make New York City the most technology-friendly and innovation-driven city in the world. She was chosen by the Athena Center for Leadership Studies at Barnard College to be a part of the Distinguished Fellows Cohort of 2016, and serves on the Board of Trustees for the New York Hall of Science. *@MinervaTweet*
