

# IFE Leadership Dinner

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### CO-HOSTS



**NICOLE BINTNER-BAKSHIAN** is the ambassador of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the United States, based in Washington, DC. In 1999 after early assignments in Vietnam, Pakistan, and India, Ms. Bintner-Bakshian joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where she served in many capacities. In 2000, she became Deputy Head of Protocol and served for four years as private secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs before joining the Asian Development Bank in Manila, Philippines, as an advisor to the Executive Board. She returned to diplomatic service as Deputy Chief of Mission in Beijing, People's Republic of China, and Bangkok, Thailand, until she became Luxembourg's first ambassador to the United Arab Emirates. In 2017 she set up Luxembourg's first regional embassy in Dakar, Senegal, covering Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger as well, while also serving as the country's Special Envoy to the Sahel region. Ms. Bintner-Bakshian studied at the University of Luxembourg, the European School of Management EAP-ESCP (Paris, Oxford, Berlin), as well as at the Asian Institute of Technology (Bangkok, Thailand). Ms Bintner-Bakshian was born in Pétange, Luxembourg in 1970. She is married and has two daughters. Ambassador Bintner-Bakshian speaks fluent German, French, English, and Luxembourgish. She likes traveling, reading, exploring the outdoors, pilates and yoga.



**COACH KATHY KEMPER** is CEO and Founder of the Institute for Education (IFE), a Washington D.C.-based nonprofit committed to engaging the global community to harness the power of soft diplomacy, data, and innovation. In 2019, Kemper was recognized, alongside Jeff Bezos, as one of *Washington Life Magazine's* "Tech 25", a prestigious honor reserved for top technology innovators and disruptors. Extolled as "D.C.'s Networker-in-Chief" by *U.S. News and World Report*, Kemper regularly convenes timely salons, forums, intimate discussions, and invitation-only gatherings that draw senior White House and Congressional leaders, distinguished ambassadors and diplomats, business executives, journalists, and technology innovators for debate and discussion. Past speakers have included Supreme Court Justices, a Vice President, Senators, Ambassadors, Nobel laureates, Cabinet secretaries, U.S. Chief Technology Officers, CEOs, and more. A former professional tennis player, Coach Kemper served as head Women's Tennis Coach at Georgetown University from 1978 to 1990 and coached Georgetown's No. 1 player to the NCAA National Women's Division II title in 1983. Coach has spent more than 40 years coaching tennis for Washington's power brokers — hitting the courts with Supreme Court Justices, kings, queens, and U.S. Secretaries of State through six administrations at the White House court, Senate court, and Embassy courts. Kemper has received awards and recognition from the Swedish, Chinese, and Japanese governments for her commitment to cross-cultural dialogue. In 2017, Three U.S. CTOs awarded the Challenge Coin to Coach Kemper for her bipartisan leadership in technology. A frequent op-ed writer and columnist, her work has been featured in *The Hill*, *Roll Call*, *The Globalist*, *Huffington Post*, and *USA Today*. @CoachKemper @InstituteForEdu #CivicTechService #FutureofAI

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### SPECIAL GUEST



**DR. TOMICAH TILLEMANN** is the Chief Policy Officer at KRH, the new Web3-focused venture capital fund founded by Katie Haun. He was previously the Global Head of Policy and Partner at Andreessen Horowitz and former Executive Director of the Digital Impact and Governance Initiative (DIGI) at New America. He works in collaboration with the Rockefeller Foundation, the World Bank, MIT, and governments around the world to develop a new generation of open source technology platforms to power the public sector. He also oversees the work of the Blockchain Trust Accelerator (BTA) and the Responsible Asset Allocator Initiative (RAAI). The BTA works with organizations to deploy decentralized technology solutions that address governance and social impact challenges worldwide. The RAAI ranks sovereign wealth and pension funds with combined assets of \$20 trillion based on their strategies for managing social, governance, and environmental risks.

Prior to New America, Tillemann served as Senior Advisor to two secretaries of state, leading a team of experts that built 20 major initiatives in 55 countries. He joined the State Department in 2009 as Hillary Clinton's speechwriter and collaborated with her on over 200 speeches. Previously, he spent four years on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee working with Joe Biden, John Kerry, and Barack Obama.

Tillemann's other professional experience includes work with the White House, five U.S. Senate and Congressional campaigns, Reuters New Media, and the World Bank. He is a member of the World Economic Forum's Council for the Fourth Industrial Revolution, the United Nations World Food Program Innovation Advisory Council, the Lantos Foundation Board of Trustees, and the board of the Global Blockchain Business Council. Tillemann is a co-holder of four patents. He received his B.A. magna cum laude from Yale University and holds a Ph.D. with distinction from the School for Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University. He has lectured at Yale and Princeton, testified repeatedly before Congress, and delivered over 100 keynote addresses.