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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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