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## Panel 1 Participants:

**Dr. Ellen Dorsey**, Executive Director, Wallace Global Fund (Moderator)

**Scott Wallace**, Co-Chair, Wallace Global Fund

**Archbishop Desmond Tutu** (by video)

**Stephen Heintz**, President, Rockefeller Brothers Fund

**Dr. Agnes Abuom**, Moderator, World Council of Churches Central Committee

**Mark Ruffalo**, Actor and Activist

**David Blood**, Co-Founder, Generation Investment Management, formerly Goldman Sachs

## Biographies

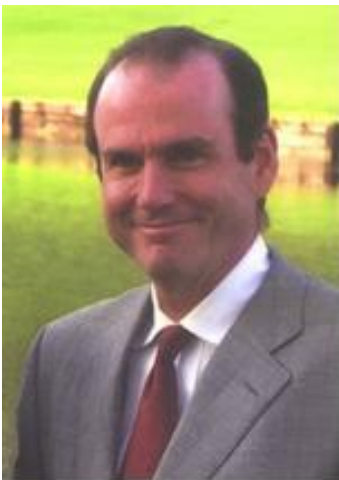


### **Dr. Ellen Dorsey**

Executive Director, Wallace Global Fund

Dr. Ellen Dorsey is Executive Director of the Wallace Global Fund, a private foundation focused on progressive social change in the fields of environment, democracy, human rights and corporate accountability. Under her leadership, the Fund is recognized for creative philanthropic strategies and mission-related investing. Dorsey has served on the board of numerous non-profit organizations promoting human rights and sustainable development, including serving as chair of the board of Amnesty International USA. She is actively organizing the foundation community to divest from fossil fuels and reinvest in clean energy.

Dorsey has a doctorate in political science from the University of Pittsburgh, focused on international relations and human rights. She was a Fulbright Research Fellow during the pivotal period of transformation in South Africa, and served on the faculty of several Universities. She has written extensively on effective strategies of non-governmental organizations and social movements. Dorsey is co-author, with Paul J. Nelson, of *New Rights Advocacy: Changing Strategies of Development and Human Rights NGOs*, Georgetown University Press, 2008.



## **Scott Wallace**

### Co-Chair, Wallace Global Fund

Scott Wallace is Co-Chair of the Wallace Global Fund, a private charitable foundation founded by his grandfather, former US Vice President Henry A. Wallace. The foundation is located in Washington DC, and is dedicated to Henry A. Wallace's progressive legacy of empowering what he called the "common man" against the moneyed elites in the struggle for control of government and the planet's precious resources. The foundation has major program areas in environment/climate, corporate accountability, and promoting open and accountable democratic governance, particularly in the US, South Africa and Zimbabwe. An attorney since 1978, Scott has specialized in criminal and constitutional law, and legislation and public policy. He has served as Counsel to the US Senate Judiciary Committee, General Counsel to the US Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, Legislative Director with the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, an advisor on criminal law reform to several East African governments, and Director of Defender Legal Services at the National Legal Aid and Defender Association. He has overseen numerous projects relating to indigent defense and criminal justice for the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, and has published widely on criminal justice policy. His board experience includes the board of directors of Pioneer Hi-Bred International (the global seed company founded by his grandfather, which produced the foundation's assets), and numerous nonprofit organizations.

He received his B.A. from Haverford College and his J.D. from Villanova University School of Law in 1978, where he served on the Law Review, and subsequently served as a law clerk in federal district court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He and his wife Christy have three children, Robert, Astra and Johanna, and live in Bethesda, Maryland and Cape Town, South Africa.



## **Archbishop Desmond Tutu**

Desmond Tutu is a South African social rights activist and retired Anglican bishop who rose to worldwide fame during the 1980s as an opponent of apartheid.

He was the first black Archbishop of Cape Town and bishop of the Church of the Province of Southern Africa (now the Anglican Church of Southern Africa).

Tutu's admirers see him as a man who since the demise of apartheid has been active in the defence of human rights and uses his high profile to campaign for the oppressed. He has campaigned to fight HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, poverty, racism, sexism, the imprisonment of Chelsea Manning, homophobia and transphobia. He received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984; the Albert Schweitzer Prize for Humanitarianism in 1986; the Pacem in Terris Award in 1987; the Sydney Peace Prize in 1999; the Gandhi Peace Prize in 2007; and the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2009. He has also compiled several books of his speeches and sayings.



## Stephen Heintz

### President, Rockefeller Brothers Fund

Stephen Heintz is President of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Before joining the RBF, he held top leadership positions in both the nonprofit and public sectors. Most recently, he was founding president of Dēmos: A Network for Ideas & Action, a public policy research and advocacy organization working to enhance the vitality of American democracy and promote more broadly shared prosperity. Prior to founding Dēmos, he served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the EastWest Institute (EWI), where he worked on issues of economic reform, civil society development, and international security. Based in Prague, Czech Republic, from 1990 through 1997, he worked extensively throughout Central and Eastern Europe and the New Independent States. He devoted the first 15 years of his career to politics and government service in the State of Connecticut, where he served as commissioner of economic development and commissioner of social welfare. In 1988, he helped draft and secure passage by Congress of "The Family Support Act," the first major effort to reform the nation's welfare system. He currently serves on the boards of the EastWest Institute, the Rockefeller Archive Center, and The American Prospect. He also chairs the Independent Sector board of directors. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, and 2014 the *Nonprofit Times* named him one of the 50 most influential leaders of the nonprofit sector.



## **Dr. Agnes Abuom**

Moderator, World Council of Churches Central Committee

Dr Agnes Abuom, from the Anglican Church of Kenya, was elected unanimously by the World Council of Churches (WCC) 10th Assembly on 8 November 2013 to serve as moderator of the WCC Central Committee. She is the first woman and the first African in the position in the history of the World Council of Churches.

Abuom has served on the WCC Executive Committee, representing the Anglican Church of Kenya. She is also a development consultant serving both Kenyan and international organizations coordinating social action programmes for religious and civil society across Africa.

Abuom was the Africa president for the WCC from 1999 to 2006. She has been associated with the All Africa Conference of Churches and WCC member churches in Africa. She is a copresident of the Religions for Peace and the National Council of Churches of Kenya. Abuom's areas of work include economic justice, peace and reconciliation.

She is the executive director of the organization TAABCO Research and Development Consultants, which was established in 1997 and focuses on consultant work for civil society organisations and aid organisations.



## Mark Ruffalo

### Actor and Activist

A strong backer of climate and clean energy action, Oscar-nominated actor and director Mark Ruffalo is a co-founder and board member of The Solutions Project (100.org), a non-profit organization committed to inspiring and supporting individual, public and private sector efforts to improve America's health, environment, economy and national security through the adoption of clean, safe, renewable energy. He is also a co-founder of the non-profit Water Defense, which is improving water testing protocols to better inform the public about what's in their water.

In addition to being named one of TIME Magazine's "People Who Mattered" in 2011, Mark has received numerous other national and international awards for his work on environmental issues, including the Global Green Millennium Award for Environmental Leadership, the Meera Gandhi Giving Back Foundation Award, and The Big Fish Award from Riverkeeper in 2013. He is also a regular contributor on energy and environmental topics to The Huffington Post and the Guardian newspaper.

When he's not busy working to help build a clean energy future, Mark Ruffalo can be found playing a variety of roles on the big screen. His credits include "You Can Count on Me," "The Kids Are All Right," "The Avengers," "Zodiac," "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," and "In the Cut." He can currently be seen in John Carney's "Begin Again" opposite Keira Knightley, as well as the Emmy-nominated HBO film "The Normal Heart." Upcoming releases include "Infinitely Polar Bear," "Foxcatcher" and "Avengers: The Age of Ultron."



## **David Blood**

Co-Founder, Generation Investment Management

David Blood is co-founder and Senior Partner of Generation Investment Management. Previously, he spent 18 years at Goldman Sachs including serving as co-CEO and CEO of Goldman Sachs Asset Management from 1999-2003. David received a B.A. from Hamilton College and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business. He is on the Board of Harvest Power, New Forests, SHINE, Social Finance UK, Social Finance US, The Nature Conservancy, Fondation 1796 and Hamilton College; the Advisory Board of Bridges Ventures and the Harvard Business School Visiting Committee.

## Panel 2 Participants:

**Frances Beinecke**, President, Natural Resources Defense Council

**Gary Cohen**, Co-Founder and President, Health Care Without Harm

**Amanda Hanley**, Co-Founder and Director, Hanley Family Foundation

**Jihan Gearon**, Executive Director, Black Mesa Water Coalition

**Jess Grady-Benson**, Student Speaker, Pitzer College

## Biographies



### **Frances Beinecke**

President, Natural Resources Defense Council

Frances Beinecke is the president of NRDC, a leading nonprofit environmental group that works to preserve clean air and water, protect people's health, preserve wild landscapes, and foster vibrant and sustainable communities. Using legal and scientific expertise, NRDC creates and enforces the laws that protect our environment.

In 2010, Ms. Beinecke was appointed by President Obama to the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling. She is a member the Secretary of Energy's Advisory Board (SEAB); she serves on the Advisory Board of the MIT Energy Initiative, National Academies of Science and the board of World Resources Institute (WRI).

Ms. Beinecke received a bachelor's degree from Yale College and a master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. She has co-chaired the Leadership Council of Yale School of Forestry, is a member of the Yale School of Management's Advisory Board and is a former member of the Yale Corporation.

Ms. Beinecke has received the Yale Medal from Yale University and numerous distinguished and honors. She was awarded an honorary degree from Lehman College, Doctor of Humane Letters, as well as an honorary degree from Vermont Law School, Doctor of Laws.





## **Gary Cohen**

Co-Founder and President, Health Care Without Harm

Gary Cohen is Co-Founder and President of Health Care Without Harm, a global non-profit organization working to transform the healthcare sector to become more sustainable and focused on individual health and the health of communities and the planet. He also founded Practice Greenhealth, a membership organization with 1,300 hospitals and 85 businesses to green the healthcare sector. With the Healthier Hospitals Initiative, he worked to bring together 13 major hospital systems to sponsor a three-year campaign to embed sustainability into the core business strategy of healthcare in the United States, including linking climate change mitigation with implementation of the Affordable Care Act.



## **Amanda Hanley**

Co-Founder and Director, Hanley Family Foundation

Amanda Hanley is the Co-Founder of the Hanley Family Foundation, formed to promote environmental, educational and humanitarian programs.

A strong advocate of environmental protection and innovative ideas for a healthier planet, people and economy, she's been seeking out sustainable solutions for over 20 years. Ms. Hanley serves as Co-Chair of the Natural Resource Defense Council (NRDC) Midwest Council; Board Member of the Academy for Global Citizenship, a green Chicago Public Charter School; and Co-Founder of North Shore Green Women, a social network for local green women activists and professionals. She shares inspiring, smart, fun, local eco-information on her blog, wren.



## **Jihan Gearon**

Executive Director, Black Mesa Water Coalition

Jihan is Diné (Navajo) and African American. She is Tódích'íí'nii (Bitter Water) clan, and her maternal grandfather is Tl'ashch'íí (Red Bottom People) clan. Jihan's family is from the community of Old Sawmill and she grew up and went to high school close by in Fort Defiance, located on the eastern part of the Navajo reservation in Arizona. She is a graduate of Stanford University with a Bachelors of Science in Earth Systems and a focus in Energy Science and Technology. Throughout her career Jihan has worked to build the capacity and collective strength of Indigenous communities throughout North America who are impacted by energy development and climate change first in her position as Coordinator of the Native Energy & Climate Campaign at the Indigenous Environmental Network, and now as Executive Director of the Black Mesa Water Coalition. She is a board member of smartMeme and has served on the Coordinating Committee of the Grassroots Global Justice Alliance, the Steering Committee of the Environmental Justice & Climate Change Initiative, and various other climate justice alliances. In these roles, Jihan has led broad coalitions of both Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities and organizations in connecting the issues of energy development in Indigenous communities to larger social justice movements and common strategies. Jihan and Black Mesa Water Coalition are key partners in efforts to move divested money to support sustainable, democratic business development in frontline communities.



## **Jess Grady-Benson**

Student Speaker, Pitzer College

Jess Grady-Benson is a recent graduate of Pitzer College with a B.A. in environmental policy and music. A passionate youth organizer, Jess is dedicated to building a global climate justice movement rooted in solidarity and a vision for collective liberation. In 2012 she co-founded Claremont Climate Justice and organized a successful campaign for fossil fuel divestment, which achieved victory at Pitzer in April 2014. Currently located in Philadelphia, Jess is a member of the Coordinating Committee of the Divestment Student Network, an organization which unites and supports student divestment campaigns across the country. Jess is also working to establish a young alumni network to build community for post-graduate organizing and leverage power in support of student campaigns. She will soon be transitioning into a position with the Responsible Endowments Coalition as the new Young Alumni Organizer.

## Available in Audience:

Tom Van Dyck- Royal Bank of Canada  
Bracken Hendricks- Center for American Progress  
Sabaratnam Arulkumaran- British Medical Association  
Anne Stetson- John Merck Fund  
Chuck Collins- Institute for Policy Studies  
Jenna Nicholas- Project Director, Divest-Invest  
Ryan Strode- Arabella Advisors  
Jamie Henn- [350.org](http://350.org)  
Fletcher Harper- Green Faith  
James Irwin- Mayors Innovation Project  
John Goldstein- Imprint Capital  
Sarah Shanley- Solutions Project  
Andy Behar- As You Sow  
Leslie Samuelrich- Green Century Capital Management  
Professor Vivienne Nathanson- Senior Director, British Medical Association