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## Childhood Summer Institute Special Guests – Week 4



### **Andrea Powell**

*Director of Survivor and Youth  
Engagement  
Board of Directors  
UNITAS*

Andrea Powell is the founding director of Karana Rising, a survivor-led social enterprise engaging survivors of human trafficking in creating artisan products and advancing the rights of survivors everywhere. She is also the Director of Survivor and Youth Engagement at UNITAS. Prior to her current roles at Karana Rising and UNITAS, Andrea was the founding director of FAIR Girls where she led the opening of the first safe house specifically for survivors of human trafficking in the nation's capital. Andrea is Karana Rising's chief liaison to the Department of Justice's D.C. Anti Trafficking Task Force where she leads efforts in law enforcement trainings and prevention education outreach to youth across the nation. Andrea was a key advocate addressing online sex trafficking through the web sites Craigslist and Backpage. She remains active as an advocate addressing the wrongful arrest and incarceration of human trafficking and sexual exploitation survivors in the United States. She has a Masters in European Law and Economics from the University of Bonn, Germany and obtained her bachelor degree at Texas State University. Ms. Powell has been published in the Washington Post, New York Times, NBC, MSNBC, Thomas Reuters, Huffington Post, and more. As an expert on the human rights issue of human trafficking, Andrea provides consulting services to Polaris Project, Freedom Fwd, IOFA, and several state and local enforcement programs. She lives in Washington, D.C. and enjoys creating multi-media art and exploring the beauty and diversity of the nation's capital.



**Michael Sheldrick**

*Co-Founder, Chief Policy and Government Relations Officer*  
Global Citizen

Michael Sheldrick is a Co-Founder and Chief Policy and Government Relations Officer at Global Citizen, where he oversees international advocacy campaigns in support of universal sanitation, climate mitigation and adaptation efforts, access to education, food security, gender equality and disease elimination and prevention.

Michael oversees the policy and impact direction of the Global Citizen movement and has worked on campaigns in North America, Europe, India, South Africa and Australia. He has worked with many artists, heads of government and philanthropists including Rihanna, Beyoncé, Usher, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau of Canada, Prime Minister Erna Solberg of Norway, President Cyril Ramaphosa of South Africa, President Akufo-Addo of Ghana, former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, and former Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard. He has been instrumental in mobilising political and public support for the Sustainable Development Goals.

Michael's writing on these topics has been published by the Guardian, Huffington Post, The Diplomatic Courier, The Diplomat Magazine, The South China Morning Post, The West Australian, Fairfax Media and he has been interviewed by Sky News, Forbes Magazine, VICE Impact, The New Yorker, ABC and the BBC, among others. He holds degrees in law and political science from the University of Western Australia, was 2013 Young Western Australian of the Year, and has previously been listed by The Sunday Times as one of WA's 50 Best and Brightest. In 2017, Michael was named by the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth as a finalist for Young Commonwealth Person of the Year. Michael's efforts, and those of the team he leads, was recently profiled in the Activate series, which aired on National Geographic in the fall of 2019. He is also a board member for the Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens.

Since 2009, global citizens have taken over 24.8 million actions; those actions, combined with high-level advocacy work, have resulted in over 100 commitments made by governments, multilateral institutions and corporations. These commitments, are worth \$48.4 billion. Of this total, \$22 billion has already been disbursed with another \$26.4 billion are set to be released in the upcoming years. That's a total of 45.4% of funds raised that has been released to affect 880 million lives.



**Jessica Becker**  
*Managing Partner*  
Manifest New York

Jessica Becker is the Managing Partner of Manifest New York - a global brand communications agency that builds brands that change the world. In the past 12 years, Jessica has been responsible for building many award-winning campaigns that change behavior including, encouraging young people to vote, persuading girls to ditch the sunbeds, empowering people to donate blood, breaking down the stigma around mental wellness and encouraging people to be more planet focused. Jessica has worked with a wide range of media titles and secured coverage in everything from the New York Times and Washington Post, through to Vice and Highsnobiety.



**Tobias Englund**  
*Managing Director, Columbitech*  
Sectra Communications

Tobias Englund is Managing Director of Columbitech and Country Manager for the USA and Canada at Sectra Communications. Tobias brings more than 15 years of experience in the wireless communications industry. Prior to joining Columbitech, Inc., Tobias was based in Sweden and responsible for technical marketing, PR, and U.S. sales operations. Tobias also has several years of consulting experience with Ericsson focusing on wireless communication.



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## Childhood Summer Institute Special Guests – Week 5



### **Adela J. Gondek, PhD**

*Professor of public and environmental ethics*

Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University School of Professional Studies (SPS), Columbia University Earth Institute

Adela Gondek teaches public and environmental ethics at Columbia University, in the Executive MPA and MPA in Environmental Science and Policy programs of the School of International and Public Affairs; the MS in Sustainability Management program at the School of Professional Studies; and the Sustainable Development undergraduate program of the Earth Institute. A political scientist with specialization in political theory and American politics and policy, she acquired her PhD in the Department of Government at Harvard, with cross-disciplinary study in the law and divinity schools and the Kennedy School of Government. She has served as a legislative analyst in the Massachusetts State Senate, with investigative specialization in consumer product safety, prison reform and model judicial practice. At Columbia, she initially taught American political theory in the Department of Political Science, then began teaching applied ethics at SIPA, SPS, and the EI. She has designed courses on corrupt practices, sector-based environmental justice, sustainable finance, and the sustainability worldview; and is currently developing a new course on ecological philosophy for the Department of Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology, in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

Professor Gondek's research interests include practical and theoretical ethics, cross-sector corruption, organizational leadership and management, the Arthurian narrative and code of civility, and transformative learning. Writing English variations, she co-authored the volume, *Poems of Enlightenment*, with Jingtian Guo, poet; Rongxiang Jia, poet; Tigang Guo, calligrapher; and Yujie Kang, artist (Beijing: World Knowledge Press, 2015). In 2018, she co-authored a paper on transformative individuals and communities with Dr. Rachel Fichter, Chief Learning Officer at S&P Global Ratings, NYC, and Dr. Katharina Wegmann, Director, Integrity Solutions at Ernst & Young, Berlin, Germany. In 2019, she authored an article for the Johns Hopkins SAIS (School of Advanced International Studies) Review, on ethics in foreign policy with peculiar ramifications from Antarctica to Ukraine. Most recently, in a lecture series at SIPA, she presented a paper on the mortal interplay of development practice and high finance in the context of the current pandemic.