Tarek Ghani, UC Berkeley

Tarek Ghani is a Ph.D. Candidate in Business and Public Policy at UC Berkeley's Haas School of Business. His fields of specialization are development economics, political economy and organizational economics, and his research interests include how risk affects the development of firms, markets and technologies in emerging economies. His recent fieldwork includes research projects in Afghanistan, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Before Berkeley, Tarek managed a grant portfolio on conflict prevention issues at the private foundation Humanity United, and held prior consultancies with the World Bank, the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and the Center for Global Development. A recipient of the Truman Scholarship and the Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship, Tarek graduated from Stanford University with a B.S. in Symbolic Systems and Honors in International Security.

Marc Mitchell, Harvard School of Public Health

Dr. Marc Mitchell, Founder and President of D-International, and Lecturer on Global Health at Harvard University School of Public Health is a pediatrician and management specialist who has worked in over 40 countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America on the design and delivery of health care services. His current work focuses on the use of electronic clinical protocols running on mobile phones to enhance the quality and continuity of care in low income countries. Through this work he has become a specialist in the use of mobile technology to improve health care delivery worldwide. His organization, D-tree International has offices in Tanzania, Malawi and India and is a leader in the use of clinical protocols to improve the quality of health care delivery.

His research includes an NIH funded project testing the use of mobile phones to improve provider and client adherence to the widely used IMCI child health protocols, projects to develop and test clinical protocols that improve antenatal, post natal and neonatal care in clinics and the community and a Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenge Grant that is developing new approaches to improve the immediate transfer of women in labor who deliver at home but exhibit danger signs during labor or delivery. His work on HIV/AIDS funded by CDC/PEPFAR focuses on the triage of patients on ART. Dr. Mitchell began his international career as a pediatrician at a hospital in rural Tanzania, was Assistant Secretary for Health in Papua New Guinea

Kentaro Toyama, University of Michigan

Kentaro Toyama is a fellow of the Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformative Values at MIT, and will soon join the faculty at the University of Michigan School of Information. For the last ten years at Microsoft Research India and the University of California, Berkeley, he has conducted research in a field called “information and communication technologies and development” to understand how the world’s poorest communities use and could benefit from electronic technology. Before that, Toyama did computer vision and multimedia research at Microsoft Research in Redmond, WA, and in Cambridge, UK; and taught mathematics at Ashesi University in Accra, Ghana. Toyama graduated from Yale with a PhD in Computer Science and from Harvard with a bachelors degree in Physics. He is writing a book about technology and social causes.
Ashwin Khubchandani, Blue Pine Capital, Hong Kong

Blue Pine Capital specializes in value investment opportunities in mid to large cap space. They are a global firm with an Asia Pacific focus, global industry-leading private credit and equity experience, in-depth industry knowledge, sophisticated processes for growing and improving businesses, and a strong culture committed to teamwork and sharing information across offices in China, India and Australia. The firm has an entrepreneurial and opportunistic approach to investing in credit and equity. Through a high-touch, efficient decision-making style, the firm can quickly tailor financing solutions to meet the objectives of clients. Blue Pine Capital has extensive experience in high-growth, stressed, and special situations investing in diverse industries which include: Industrials, Financial services, Information, Technology and Telecommunications, Natural resources, and Pharmaceuticals.

Tine Wollebekk, Telenor, Oslo

Tine Wollebekk is the Head of Financial Services at Telenor Digital, and comes from an impressive financial services background. She was recruited into Telenor with a mission to increase its banking competence. With experience from financial consulting, key board positions, and Head of SEB Norway, Tine plays a key role in terms of raising Telenor’s financial services offerings to a global scale.

Ali Habib, Interactive Health Solutions, Pakistan

Ali leads the software development efforts at IRD in Karachi and Dubai. Ali’s work at IRD involves using open source platforms and technologies like RFID (radio frequency identification) and J2ME to facilitate data collection and data management. His current work includes enhancements to the MDR-TB module of OpenMRS, integration with openXdata, and laying the groundwork for supporting MDR-TB programs in the region to deploy OpenMRS. Ali and the IRD Informatics team continue to enhance the capabilities of RFID-based electronic vaccine registries for EPI programs and vaccine trials sites.

Ali and the informatics team at IRD are engaged in development and deployment of mobile phone and web-based electronic health record systems in Pakistan, Nepal, Tajikistan, Bangladesh, Indonesia, DRC, Kenya, Uganda, Zimbabwe and Peru.

Mohammad Azmal Huda, bKash, Bangladesh

Mohammad Azmal Huda is the Chief Technology Officer at bKash Limited, where he directs the company’s strategic direction, development and future growth. The ultimate objective of bKash is to ensure access to a broader range of financial services for the people of Bangladesh. It has a special focus to serve the low income masses of the country to achieve broader financial inclusion by providing services that are convenient, affordable and reliable.

Joel Selankio, Datadyne

(Looks like his name is spelled *Selanikio*)
Dr. Joel Selanikio is an award-winning physician, innovator and public speaker who leads DataDyne’s efforts to develop and promote new technologies and business models for health and international development, including multiple-award-winning Magpi mobile data collection and messaging software – the most widely scaled mobile technology ever created for international development, with more than 30,000 users in more than 170 countries. Dr. Selanikio is a practicing pediatrician, as well as a former Wall Street computer consultant, and former CDC epidemiologist.

**Karim Khoja, Roshan, Afghanistan**

Karim Khoja, Chief Executive Officer of Roshan, has over 25 years of experience in the telecommunications industry, including starting and managing extremely successful GSM companies in Pakistan, Poland, Croatia, Tajikistan and Afghanistan. Under his leadership, Roshan has grown to be Afghanistan’s market leader, with six million customers. Mr. Khoja started his GSM career as CEO for Mobilink in Pakistan, and then launched Era GSM in Poland. He then went on to form the company, HT Mobile, from Croatia Telecom. Over the course of the last eight years, Mr. Khoja has dedicated his time to the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development (AKFED) to bring competition and best practices to the telecommunications industry in Afghanistan and Tajikistan. He has focused not only on financial results, but also on how technology can be used to change lives.

**Tarun Khanna, Harvard South Asia Institute and Harvard Business School**

Tarun Khanna is the Jorge Paulo Lemann Professor at the Harvard Business School, where he has studied and worked with multinational and indigenous companies and investors in emerging markets worldwide. He was named Harvard University’s Director of the South Asia Institute in the fall of 2010. He joined the HBS faculty in 1993, after obtaining an engineering degree from Princeton University (1988) and a Ph.D. from Harvard (1993), and an interim stint on Wall Street. During this time, he has served as the head of several courses on strategy, corporate governance, and international business targeted to MBA students and senior executives at Harvard. He currently teaches in Harvard’s College’s General Education core curriculum in a university wide elective course on entrepreneurship in South Asia. He is also the Faculty Chair for HBS activities in India.

**Merrick Schaefer, Lead Digital Development for Data, USAID**

Merrick Schaefer is currently the Lead of the Mobile Data team at USAID working at the intersection of technology and international development. Before joining the USAID he was a Senior Innovation Specialist at the World Bank and an mHealth Specialist at UNICEF where he was a founding member of the UNICEF Innovation Team. His work ranges from strategic program design to managing software development, as well as implementing programs in the field and the monitoring & evaluation of ICT4D projects. Two defining projects of his career were managing the development of the RapidSMS software framework and leading Programme Mwana in Zambia, one of the first mHealth programs to be scaled nationally.