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ABOUT THE GOOD FELLOWS **AWARDS**

The GOOD Fellows Award, an initiative of the Sovereign Wealth Fund Institute (SWFI), recognizes visionary individuals who, through their wealth, creativity, and influence, catalyze substantial global advancements. This accolade is not merely a symbol but a movement, celebrating those who redefine the narrative of prosperity and harness their resources to foster tangible, positive change worldwide.

The title "GOOD Fellow" carries with it a profound meaning that is embedded in the acronym "**GOOD**," which stands for **Global Order Of Outstanding Disruptors**. Here's a breakdown of what this compelling title entails:

"Global" suggests that the scope of the fellows' influence and their responsibilities extend far beyond local or national boundaries. They are leaders and innovators with a vision and impact that spans across the globe.

"Order" refers to an organized community or a society. In this context, it signifies an exclusive assembly of individuals who are linked together by a shared mission and commitment.

"Outstanding" highlights the remarkable achievements and exceptional qualities of these fellows. They are not just participants in their fields but individuals who stand out for their noteworthy contributions.

"Disruptors" points towards the fellows' roles as agents of change. They are not content with the status quo but instead, aim to challenge, innovate, and disrupt traditional paradigms for the better.



The title "GOOD Fellow," therefore, signifies a globally recognized, outstanding individual who disrupts conventional frameworks and narratives in their field. They are part of an esteemed order committed to the betterment of society. Here's a glimpse into the type of luminaries we seek to honor:

Business Magnates: Entrepreneurs and industry titans who've not only scaled the heights of the corporate world but have also ensured their businesses drive positive societal impact. Whether through sustainable practices, philanthropy, or innovation, they've made a mark.

Philanthropists: Those who've dedicated significant portions of their wealth to causes close to their heart, creating foundations or initiatives that have a lasting impact on communities and ecosystems.

Innovators & Thought Leaders: Individuals who've introduced groundbreaking ideas or technologies that promise to reshape our future. They are the thinkers, the disruptors, the pioneers of tomorrow.

Educators & Academics: Scholars, teachers, and academic leaders who have imparted knowledge while also driving societal change. They've used education as a tool to enlighten minds, foster innovation, and create a ripple effect of positive transformation in communities.

Social Entrepreneurs: Leaders who've blended business acumen with societal needs, creating enterprises that solve pressing challenges while being economically sustainable.

Celebrities & Artists: Those in the entertainment and arts sectors who've used their platform to shed light on pressing issues, advocate for change, or mobilize resources for charitable endeavors. Their reach goes beyond the screen or stage, touching lives in profound ways.

Sports Personalities: Athletes and sports icons who've transcended the game to become ambassadors of change, be it through charitable foundations, educational initiatives, or community upliftment projects.

Environmental Advocates: Champions of the earth who've made it their mission to promote sustainable practices, conservation efforts, and the overall betterment of our planet.

Young Changemakers: The youth who, despite their age, have shown an exceptional commitment to driving change, be it in their local communities or on a global scale.



AWARD FELICITATION

The GOOD Fellow Award Felicitation takes place during SWFI's marquee events. The recipients' significant contributions to societal advancement are spotlighted, emphasizing how their efforts resonate on a global scale, ensuring that their legacy is one of betterment and positive disruption. In our commitment to sustainability and reverence for history, the GOOD Fellows Award uniquely honors recipients with medals of historical importance, previously bestowed in recognition of remarkable achievements. These medals, each with its own storied past, are meticulously selected and awarded anew to underscore the continuity of excellence and the lasting impact of visionary achievements. This deliberate choice honors the profound connection between past laureates and today's innovators, bridging generations in a continuum of outstanding contributions. Furthermore, by reusing these historical symbols of achievement we demonstrate a profound respect for both heritage and environmental stewardship.

An integral part of the felicitation is the GOOD Talk. This is a 15-minute interactive dialog between each award recipient and the SWFI Chairman, Mr. Lakshmi Narayanan. Here the recipients share their vision and experiences, offering insights into their journey and the motivations behind their impactful work. The idea is to not only celebrate their achievements but also serve to inspire others, reinforcing the importance of using wealth and influence for the greater good.





AWARDEES SHOWCASE



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Ruston Smith

Non-Executive Chair – Tesco Pension Fund

Ruston has 40 years of experience in the pension fund and investment industry.

He was the former Group Pensions, Insurable Risk and a People Director at Tesco and CEO of Tesco Pension Investment Ltd - FCA approved in house investment manager. Ruston is now the Chair of the Tesco Pension Fund (DB and DC) and FCA approved Tesco Pension Investment Ltd, Independent and Chair of the Funding and Investment Committee for the BAE Pension Fund, Non Exec Chair of JP Morgan Asset Management Ltd (UK and EMEA), Non Exec Chair of Smart Pension Ltd, Non Exec Chair of the Asset Management Exchange ICAV, Non Exec Chair of Guiide, Non Exec Chair of the Pensions Management Institute and Chair of GroceryAid, an industry charity.

Ruston was on the DC Patient Capital Steering Committee and the Bank of England, Treasury and FCA's Steering Group on Investment in Productive Finance and now sits on the Expert Panel for the British Venture Capital Association. He was a former Chair of the PLSA, Co Chair of the DWP's 2017 Auto Enrolment Review Board, led the Simpler Annual Statement initiative (now a regulatory requirement), chaired the cross regulator and industry 'Standardised Assumptions Group', led the Members' Costs and Charges Initiative and co-leads the Lifetime Savings Initiative. MBA with distinction and a Fellow of the Pensions Management Institute, the Chartered Management Institute and the Royal Society of Arts.



David Pitt-Watson

Entrepreneur and writer

David Pitt-Watson, born and raised in Scotland, has been appointed Chair of the new Scottish Taskforce for Green and Sustainable Financial Services, while also serving as a Fellow (Finance) at Cambridge Judge Business School. This taskforce, initiated by the Scottish Government with backing from Scottish Financial Enterprise, brings together approximately thirty leading financial institutions with the aim of coordinating and enhancing Scotland's sustainable finance cluster to establish it as a global center of excellence in green finance. Notable figures like Mark Carney, UN Envoy for Climate and Finance and former Governor of the Bank of England, Kate Forbes, the Scottish Cabinet Secretary for Finance, and John Glen, the UK Economic Secretary for the Treasury, were present at the taskforce's recent public launch event.

David's deep involvement in sustainable finance spans many years. He co-designed a course at Cambridge Judge Business School titled "Purpose of Finance," which was awarded the grand prize in the 13th annual Page Prize for Sustainability Issues in Business by the Darla Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina. This course, tailored for the Master of Finance (MFin) program at Cambridge Judge, reflects his commitment to advancing sustainability in financial education.

Educated at local schools in Bearsden and Aberdeen, David pursued higher education at Queen's College, Oxford, before earning a scholarship from the North of Scotland Rotary Club to pursue an MBA at Stanford University. Married to Ursula Barnes, he is the proud parent of three grown-up children.



Lord Dominic Johnson

Minister for Investment, Department for Business and Trade

Lord Dominic Johnson of Lainston CBE was appointed Minister of State in the Department for Business and Trade on 7 February 2023.

He was previously Minister of State (Minister for Investment) in the Department for International Trade between 24 November 2022 and 7 February 2023.

He was Minister of State jointly in the Department for International Trade and the Cabinet Office between 2 October 2022 and 28 October 2022.

He has spent over 25 years in financial services, beginning his career at Robert Fleming in 1995, before moving to Hong Kong to work for Jardine Fleming and then in 2002, after a series of dot com start ups, heading the marketing for Lloyd George Asset Management - an emerging markets specialist firm.

In 2007 he co-founded Somerset Capital Management LLP as an employee-owned democratic partnership, focussing on pension fund management in developing countries.

Between 9 November 2020 and 2 October 2022 Dominic was a non-executive board member of the Department for International Trade. He was Chair of the department's Audit and Risk Assurance Committee.

Between 2017 and 2019 he was vice-chairman of the Conservative Party.



H.E. Dr Nayef Falah Al-Hajraf

Secretary General of the Gulf Cooperation Council (2020-23)

H.E. Dr Nayef Falah Al-Hajraf was appointed secretary general of the Gulf Cooperation Council on February 1, 2020. He previously served as Kuwait's 19th minister of finance. Al-Hajraf has more than 15 years of experience in public and private sector management, education, and financial consulting. Prior to his appointment, Al-Hajraf served as the country's chief regulator of marketable securities in his capacity as the chairman of the Board of Commissioners and managing director of the Kuwait Capital Markets Authority from 2014 to 2017.

During his tenure, the Capital Markets Authority matured into a world-class regulator and oversaw the privatization and development of Boursa Kuwait Securities Company, the operator of the country's only stock exchange. Al-Hajraf previously served as Kuwait's minister of finance for a brief period in 2012 and minister of education and minister of higher education from 2012 to 2014. He was also a member of the First Board of Commissioners of the Capital Markets Authority in 2010 and a member of the Supreme Petroleum Council. He holds a PhD in accounting and finance from the University of Hull, United Kingdom.



Dr. Jen Jones

CEO Galapagos Conservation Trust

Dr. Jen Jones serves as the CEO of the Galapagos Conservation Trust (GCT), where she leads efforts to preserve and protect one of the world's most unique and biodiverse ecosystems. With a background in conservation science and management, Dr. Jones brings a wealth of expertise to her role in safeguarding the Galapagos Islands' fragile ecosystems and endemic species.

Dr. Jones's passion for conservation and environmental stewardship has been evident throughout her career. She holds a Ph.D. in Conservation Biology and has dedicated her research to understanding the ecological dynamics of island ecosystems, with a particular focus on the Galapagos archipelago. Her scholarly contributions have advanced our understanding of the complex interactions between species and their environments, informing conservation strategies aimed at mitigating threats to biodiversity.

As CEO of the Galapagos Conservation Trust, Dr. Jones spearheads initiatives to address pressing conservation challenges facing the islands, including habitat degradation, invasive species, and climate change. Under her leadership, the GCT collaborates with local communities, government agencies, and international partners to implement science-based conservation programs and initiatives that promote sustainable development while preserving the unique natural heritage of the Galapagos.

Dr. Jones is also a vocal advocate for raising awareness about the importance of biodiversity conservation and environmental sustainability. Through public outreach and education efforts, she strives to engage stakeholders and inspire action to protect the Galapagos Islands for future generations.

Her dedication to conservation excellence, coupled with her scientific acumen and leadership skills, has earned Dr. Jen Jones widespread recognition and respect in the field of conservation biology. As CEO of the Galapagos Conservation Trust, she continues to drive positive change and make a lasting impact on the conservation of this iconic and irreplaceable natural treasure.



Kay Swinburne, Baroness Swinburne Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Housing and Communities)

Baroness Kay Swinburne is a prominent figure in British politics and finance. Born in 1965, she gained recognition for her notable contributions to the European Union's financial regulations during her tenure as a Member of the European Parliament (MEP) for Wales from 2009 to 2019.

With a background in finance, Baroness Swinburne served as Vice Chairman of the European Parliament's influential Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee, where she played a key role in shaping policies related to banking, capital markets, and financial stability. Her expertise and leadership were instrumental in navigating the complexities of financial legislation, particularly during the aftermath of the global financial crisis.

Prior to her political career, Baroness Swinburne held various senior positions in investment banking, including roles at Morgan Stanley and Deutsche Bank. Her extensive experience in the financial sector provided her with a deep understanding of the industry's intricacies and challenges, which she leveraged to advocate for sound and effective regulatory frameworks.

Baroness Swinburne's commitment to promoting transparency, accountability, and sustainability in finance has earned her respect both domestically and internationally. In recognition of her contributions, she was appointed a Life Peer in the House of Lords in 2019, where she continues to actively engage in debates and policy discussions on financial matters.

Outside of her political duties, Baroness Swinburne remains involved in various advisory roles and organizations focused on finance and governance. Her dedication to advancing responsible and inclusive financial practices underscores her reputation as a leading voice in the fields of finance and regulation.



ANTEPENULTIMATE & PENULTIMATE PAGES:
CELEBRATING PAST WINNERS

FELICITATION AND GOOD TALK – SWFI FORT DUBAI 2024



"It is really important that each one of us have faith and resilience, especially in business and life because you will have a lot of challenges. It will be really beautiful if you can say, today I had a bad day but I will keep the faith and work hard for a better tomorrow"

- Sandro Salsano, Global Leader, Educational Leader, Philanthropist

"Watching my country heal, after a very long conflict, and watching my group getting reintegrated back to the country was very inspiring in terms of how to coexist with other people and helped shape my journey."

- Uche Orji, Co-Founder/Partner, Titangate Captial Management

"You've got to look after people if you are in politics, you must always worry about the people who are not getting the best out of life and try and do better for them."

- Lord Meghnad Desai, An intellectual beacon: Navigating the confluence of economics, academia, and politics world renowned economist



AWARD WINNERS AT GWC 2023



LORD MEGHNAD DESAI



VIVEK ANAND OBEROI



JITENDRA BISSESSUR



MATTHEW HURN OBE



LORD MAYOR NICHOLAS LYONS



DAVID PAPAZIAN



H. E. UDAYA INDRARATHNA



ABDUREHMAN EID TAHIR

AWARD WINNERS AT FORT NORTH AMERICA 2023



FANNY M. CORNEJO



JEFF HOFFEMAN



CANDICE BEAUMONT



CHRISTINA WING



UCHE ORJI



JACKIE SIEGEL

AWARD WINNERS AT SWFI FORT DUBAI 2024



AHMED BIN SULAYEM



SANDRO SALSANO



H.R.H PRINCE EBRAHIM SANYANG



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