

Short Biographies

Dr. Maria Stefania CATALETA



Maria Stefania Cataleta is an Italian lawyer, researcher and lecturer in international law, international criminal and human rights law in several universities, including La Sapienza University, Roma Tre University and Niccolò Cusano University in Italy, and LADIE-Université Côte d'Azur in France. She holds Ph.D. in Public Law from Université Côte d'Azur (France), Ph.D. in Political Science from Roma Tre University (Italy), LL.M. in International Law from City University of London (UK). With a special commitment to human rights issues, she was admitted to practice before the International Criminal

Court, International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, Special Tribunal for Lebanon and Kosovo Specialist Chambers. Dr. Cataleta has published several books and articles in scientific journals, such as: *Il Tribunale Speciale per il Libano* (2014), *Les droits de la défense devant la Cour Pénale Internationale* (2016), *The Kosovo Specialist Chambers. The last resort for justice in Kosovo?* (2021).

Ms. Renata DESSALLIEN



Ms. Renata Dessallien has served the United Nations for 35 years in Africa and Asia in many capacities, including 17 years as a UN Resident Coordinator, Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative. Before taking up her assignment as UN Resident Coordinator in India, she was a senior fellow at the Oslo Governance Centre at UNDP in Norway. Prior to that she was UN Resident/Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Bhutan, Bangladesh, China and Myanmar between 2002 and 2017. She also served in various capacities with the UN in Mali, Laos and in New York, making important contributions in the field of good governance and poverty reduction.

She holds a Master of Public Administration from Harvard University, a Master of Arts from Columbia University and a Bachelor of Music from the University of Ottawa. She has a strong interest in the societal ramifications of artificial intelligence and will soon join the East-West Center as an adjunct fellow in the Humane AI Initiative.

Dr. Peter DORAN



Peter Doran is Lecturer in the Queen's University, Belfast School of Law, The Senator George J Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security and Justice, and the Centre for Evidence and Social Innovation (CESI). He has worked as a consultant writer with the UN Climate Change Convention, going back to the negotiation of the Kyoto Protocol, and has written on the topics of climate change; mindfulness; environmental governance and activism on the island of Ireland; rights

of nature, including a recent book on the 'mindful commons and the attention economy'. He has worked in NGOs and in parliamentary settings on both sides of the border, and at the United Nations. He is widely published as an academic and advocate for social change, and his most recent book is *A Political Economy of Attention, Mindfulness and Consumerism: Reclaiming the Mindful Commons*.

Dr. Keolu FOX



Keolu Fox is an assistant professor of biological anthropology, global health, and data science at the University of California, San Diego and cofounder and codirector of the Indigenous Futures Laboratory. His lab focuses on human genome sequencing/editing technologies, point-of-care biomedical diagnostics, algorithm development, and community-based participatory research method development in marginalized communities. Dr. Fox's research program is multidisciplinary in nature, reflecting his interdisciplinary research experience in anthropology, global health, genomics, and computer science. Dr. Fox is a recipient of grants from numerous organizations including the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, National Geographic, the American Association for Physical Anthropology, Emerson Collective, the Social Science Research Council and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, SOLVE Initiative.

Dr. Jesús ILUNDÁIN-AGURRUZA



Jesús Ilundáin-Agurrúza is Professor and Chair of the Philosophy Department at Linfield University (Oregon). A former president of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS), he is the recipient of IAPS' 2020 Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award. His areas of expertise include phenomenology, philosophy of mind, comparative philosophy, and aesthetics. He has published *Holism and the Cultivation of Excellence: Skillful Striving* (2106, Routledge), dozens of journal articles and many book chapters on comparative philosophy, martial arts, and sports. Current research is concerned with an interdisciplinary and comparative examination of expertise, with a focus on enactive cognition and the use of traditional Japanese conceptual resources to reflect on emergent and frontier technologies.

Dr. Hirofumi KATSUNO



Hirofumi Katsuno is an associate professor of anthropology and media studies in the Faculty of Social Studies at Doshisha University, Kyoto. He obtained a PhD in anthropology from the University of Hawai'i. His primary research interest is the socio-cultural impact of new media technologies, particularly focusing on the formation of imagination, agency and presence in technologically mediated environments in the age of AI and robotics. He is a co-organizer of the ethnographic research project Model Emotion (www.modelemotion.org) and a co-investigator of the international joint research project, Rule of Law in the Age of AI: Distributive Principles of Legal Liability for Multi-Species Societies, funded by UKRI (UK) and JST (Japan).

Dr. JeeLoo LIU



JeeLoo Liu, PhD. University of Rochester (1993), is Professor of Philosophy at California State University, Fullerton. She was named 2019 Carnegie Fellow for her research project: “Confucian Robotic Ethics”. She has authored *Neo-Confucianism: Metaphysics, Mind, and Morality* (2017), *An Introduction to Chinese Philosophy: from Ancient Philosophy to Chinese Buddhism* (2006). She also co-edited *Consciousness and the Self* (Cambridge University Press, 2012), and *Nothingness in Asian Philosophy* (2014). Her primary research interest is to reconstruct analytic Chinese philosophy, in topics such as Chinese metaphysics, Confucian moral psychology and Neo-Confucian virtue ethics. In recent years, she has been exploring practical issues about robotic ethics, the prevention of social evils and the construction of a moral program based on Confucian moral sentimentalism. She has served as President of the Association of Chinese Philosophers in America (ACPA), and as the Executive Director of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP), and has been a member of the Board of Advisors for the John Templeton Foundation.

Ms. Xiao LIU



Xiao Liu's research cut across science and technology studies, media and communication studies, as well as technology governance and data policy. In 2019-2020, she worked as a fellow at the Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution of the World Economic Forum along with multi-stakeholders to make governance frameworks for emergent technologies, which led to the publication of the White Paper “The Internet of Bodies is Here: Tackling New Challenges of Technology Governance.” Her research has been sponsored by the Wilson Center, American Council of Learned Society, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, American Philosophical Society and other grants. Her publication includes the monograph *Information Fantasies: Precarious Mediation in Postsocialist China* (University of Minnesota Press, 2019) and other peer-reviewed papers.

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Yang Liu is a Senior Research Fellow in the Faculty of Philosophy and the Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence. His research interests include Logic, Foundations of Probability, Mathematical and Philosophical Decision Theory, and Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence (AI). His current research is supported by the Leverhulme Trust and the Isaac Newton Trust. Before moving to Cambridge, he received his PhD in Philosophy from Columbia University. He is co-founder and co-organiser of a seminar series on Logic, Probability, and Games, as well as a conference series on Decision Theory and AI.

Mr. Mark Manantan



Mark Bryan Manantan is the resident Lloyd and Lilian Vasey Fellow at the Pacific Forum. His research examines the intersection of International Relations, cybersecurity, and emerging technologies in the context of the US-Japan alliance in the Indo-Pacific, Japan-Australia cyber diplomacy, and China's information warfare and cyber coercion. Concurrently, he is a non-resident fellow at the Center for Southeast Asian Studies at the National Chengchi University in Taiwan. Previously, he was a visiting fellow at the Center for Rule-making Strategies at Tama University in Tokyo, and the East-West Center in Washington D.C., under the US-Japan-Southeast Asia Partnership in a Dynamic Asia Fellowship. Prior to that, he was the recipient of the Japan Foundation's Asia Fellowship 2020 and Taiwan Research Fellowship in 2019.

Mr. Jonathan MCKINNEY



Jonathan McKinney is a Ph.D. Candidate in Philosophy at the Center for Cognition, Action, and Perception (CAP) at the University of Cincinnati and an Assistant Director for the Philosophy of Science Association (PSA). His research focuses on the relationship between the embodied agent and the world through the intersection of the enactive and ecological approaches to cognitive science and non-Western comparative philosophy. He has organized and published multiple global interdisciplinary research projects that investigated the implications of technological advancement, artificial intelligence, and environmental change for what it means to be human. His ongoing research project involves using the tools of Ecolinguistics and Japanese philosophy to contextualize the global ecological crisis in cognitive science.

Dr. Katsunori MIYAHARA



Katsunori Miyahara is a Specially Appointed Lecturer at the Center for Human Nature, Artificial Intelligence, and Neuroscience (CHAIN), Hokkaido University, Japan. His research interest lies in understanding the meaning of embodiment and situatedness for human existence by drawing primarily on enactivist and phenomenological approaches to mind and cognition. He completed his PhD at the University of Tokyo in 2015 under the supervision of Associate Professor Koji Ishihara. Before starting the current position, he underwent further post-doc trainings at Harvard University under the supervision of Professor Sean Kelly (2016-2018) and at the University of Wollongong, Australia, under the supervision of Professor Daniel D. Hutto (2018-2020). He has published widely in academic journals on embodied cognition, habit and skilled performance.

Dr. Ernest C.H. NG



Ernest C. H. NG is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the Centre of Buddhist Studies (CBS), the University of Hong Kong (HKU) where he teaches undergraduate and postgraduate courses on Buddhism and Economics. His research interests include Buddhist Economics, the intersection of spirituality and materiality, sustainable decision-making and mindfulness. He is passionate about the education and research on the integration of sustainable developments, wisdom tradition and market economy. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer at Tung Lin Kok Yuen, a Buddhist NGO with over 80 years of history dedicating to Buddhist teachings, education, and community services in Hong Kong. Prior to that he was the Chief Investment Officer at Sumeru Capital, an asset management company focusing on the Greater China markets. He received a Master of Buddhist Studies and Doctor of Philosophy from the CBS, HKU, has been a Sir Edward Youde Scholar and is currently a Fellow at the European SPES Institute. He is the author of *Introduction to Buddhist Economics* published by Palgrave Macmillan.

Dr. Maki SATO



Maki Sato is an Associate Professor at the College of Arts and Sciences (Komaba) at the University of Tokyo. She also serves as a Project Associate Professor at the University of Tokyo East Asian Academy for New Liberal Arts (EAA) and a Lecturer at Chuo University and Dokkyo University. She received her Ph.D. in Global Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2020. She was a 2015-16 Fox International Fellow at Yale University, where she was also appointed as a Zucker Environmental Studies Fellow. Her research intends to draw out the implications of ideas derived from philosophy as the foundation for an interdisciplinary approach for innovative and efficient policies that aim to build an environmentally sound and resilient society in regard to the sustainable usage of natural resources. Her current research interest expands to practices of eastern medicine, cognitive philosophy, and value and wealth in the age of AI, robotics, and virtual currencies, in order to question scientific approaches by grounding on the value of humanity studies.

Mr. K V SOON



K V Soon is a technology entrepreneur and management professional with over 25 years of experience in strategic planning, business development, technology management, project implementation and operations management for corporations, non-profits and governmental organisations. His experience ranges from creating successful technology start-ups to managing large scale national-level projects. Some of his key projects include a technology-driven community dengue prevention programme for Malaysia's Ministry of Science Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) as its Programme Developer and Director. Soon was the Programme Director for the Mauritius National ID Scheme (MNIS) where he oversaw the development and implementation of the national ID systems, the Programme Director of the Fijian Government's Digital Transformation (digitalFIJI) and Consultant to the Fijian National ID Card (FNIC) Programme. Soon has also served as Technical Advisor to the World Bank for the Vietnam e-government initiative. He aims to bring about the integration of technology and social outcomes and to enable technology work to enable the building of better societies.

Ms. Noriko SUZUKI



Noriko Suzuki is a Global Research Leader, Automotive, Aerospace & Defense Industry - IBM Institute for Business Value. She is an energetic leader with a dedication to problem solving, thought leadership and advocate of technology. Ms. Suzuki has over 20 years of professional experience in the US, Europe and in Asia, and holds strong communication skills to engage stakeholders from diverse backgrounds/contexts. Her expertise includes technology strategy and business model assessment, operation process efficiency, financial modeling, marketing and sales strategy. She also has industry expertise in automotive, information technology (IT), consumer finance, banking, and manufacturing industries.

Dr. Sor-Hoon TAN



Sor-hoon Tan is Professor of Philosophy at the Singapore Management University. Her research in Chinese and comparative philosophy, often contributing to the engagement between John Dewey's Pragmatism and Confucianism, has been published in journals including *Philosophy East and West*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Journal of Value Inquiry*, *Political Theory*, *Journal of Chinese Philosophy*, *International Philosophical Quarterly*, and *Asian Philosophy*. She is also author of *Confucian Democracy: A Deweyan Reconstruction*, and editor of *Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Chinese Philosophy Methodologies*, and *Challenging Citizenship: Group Membership and Cultural Identity in a Global Age*. She co-edited *The Moral Circle and the Self; Filial Piety in Chinese Thought and History; Democracy as Culture; and Feminist Encounters with Confucius*. Recent topics she has been working on include Women's education and Feminist challenges to Confucianism, Tianxia Concept and Global Justice, and Humanities Education in the Age of AI.

Dr. Leslie Paul THIELE



Leslie Paul Thiele is a Distinguished Professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Florida. He directs the Sustainability Studies program and is Director of the Center for Adaptive Innovation, Resilience, Ethics and Science (UF CAIRES). His interdisciplinary research and teaching focus on sustainability, emerging technology, and the intersection of political philosophy and the natural sciences. His central concerns are the responsibilities of citizenship and the opportunities for leadership in a world of rapid technological, social, and ecological change. Dr. Thiele's has published scores of journal articles across many fields, and nine books, the latest of which is *The Art and Craft of Political Theory* (Routledge 2019). His current book project is tentatively entitled, *Leaving Nature: Saving Humanity and other Endangered Species*. It grapples with the prospect of sustaining core ecological and human values and relationships by managing the scale and speed of change an environmentally precarious and technologically saturated world.

Dr. Robin WANG



Robin R. Wang is a Professor of Philosophy at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles and 2016-17 Berggruen Fellow at Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Science, Stanford University. She is the author of an influential book: *Yinyang: the Way of Heaven and Earth in Chinese Thought and Culture*, (Cambridge University Press, 2012) and the editor of *Chinese Philosophy in an Era of Globalization*, (SUNY Press, 2004) and *Images of Women in Chinese Thought and Culture: Writings from the Pre-Qin Period to the Song Dynasty* (Hackett, 2003). Her current research focuses on a Daoist conceptual framework or a different model

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Dr. Daniel White



Daniel White is Senior Research Associate in Social Anthropology at the University of Cambridge. He earned his PhD in anthropology from Rice University and holds MA degrees in Japanese literature and international relations. His research documents the sociopolitical dimensions of emerging technologies and their impact on emotional and social wellbeing. Since 2018 he has co-organized an ethnographic research project called Model Emotion, working across disciplines with anthropologists, psychologists, computer scientists, and robotics engineers to trace and critique how theoretical models of emotion are built into machines with artificial emotional intelligence. The project adopts a comparative perspective, integrating work across Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States. His publications, podcasts, and other

projects document how different cultural imaginaries, largely from Japan, are shaping diverse futures for artificial intelligence and can be found at www.modelemotion.org.

Facilitators

Dr. Peter D. HERSHOCK



Peter D. HERSHOCK is Director of the Asian Studies Development Program and Coordinator of the Humane AI Initiative at the East-West Center in Honolulu. His philosophical work makes use of Buddhist conceptual resources to address contemporary issues of global concern. He has authored or edited more than a dozen books on Buddhism, Asian philosophy and contemporary issues, including: *Reinventing the Wheel: A Buddhist Response to the Information Age* (1999); *Buddhism in the Public Sphere: Reorienting Global Interdependence* (2006); *Valuing Diversity: Buddhist Reflection on Realizing a More Equitable Global Future* (2012); *Public Zen, Personal Zen: A Buddhist Introduction* (2014); *Philosophies of Place: An Intercultural Conversation* (edited, 2020); *Human Beings or Human Becomings? A Conversation with Confucianism on the Concept of Person* (edited, 2021); and *Buddhism and Intelligent Technology: Toward a More Humane Future* (2021). He was a Fellow with the Berggruen Institute China Center in 2017-2018, and is currently working on a Buddhist relational theory of consciousness.

Ms. Gretchen ALTHER



Gretchen Alther builds programs that strengthen individual and community leadership. She is the East-West Center Leadership Program's Senior Manager and a Senior Leadership Development Specialist. She is expanding the East-West Center's leadership programs for women; directs the Center's flagship residential course, the Asia Pacific Leadership Program; and contributes to other short- and long-term training both in Hawai'i and across the Asia-Pacific region. With over 15 years of experience as an international educator and humanitarian, Ms. Alther infuses her program design with a commitment to equity and to grassroots communities. Previously, Ms. Alther designed and managed multimillion-dollar programs to support disaster relief, conflict zone aid, and resilience in marginalized communities in the US, Myanmar, Pakistan, Nepal, Gaza, Colombia, Haiti and beyond. She has recently worked with the UNFPA Arab States Office to operationalize their resilience framework in Syria and the broader region. Ms. Alther serves on the advisory committee of the Institute for Climate and Peace, and is the board chair of the Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security. She earned an M.A. from Brandeis University, postgraduate certificates in leadership and peacebuilding from the East-West Center and Chulalongkorn University, respectively, and a B.A. from Texas A&M University.

Dr. Keren TSUK



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Dr. Emilie PARRY



Emilie Parry is founder of Rootbridge Ecosystems, and co-collaborator / researcher across networks of local, endogenous and Indigenous Peoples engaged around the climate crisis and ecological regeneration. She has bridged praxis, policy and research in the fields of New and Transitioning Markets, ‘Post-Growth’ Economies, social change movements, peace / conflict transformation and transitioning societies, humanitarian and complex emergencies, civilian / child protection, deep ecology, and disaster risk management – in Asia, the Americas, Africa, the UK and Eastern Europe. Emilie recently completed a doctoral-level research degree at the University of Oxford Centre for the Environment, School of Geography & the Environment, seated within the Environmental Change Institute. Her Master’s degree from Brandeis University’s Heller School of Social Policy & Management emphasized sustainable development and conflict transformation, conducted jointly with Harvard Kennedy School of Government and Harvard Law School (international rights law, dispute negotiation); Bachelor’s degree is a double major from the University of California at Berkeley in International Development Studies and English. She is a Humane AI fellow with the East-West Center.

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