

PROJECT CONCERN INTERNATIONAL APPOINTS FOUR BOARD DIRECTORS

September 2018 - Bridge Partners is pleased to announce the appointment of **four new Board Members to Project Concern International** (www.pciglobal.org). These executives from Dalberg, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Lumina Foundation, and Salesforce will help PCI achieve its ambitious goal of transforming the lives of 20 million of the world's most vulnerable people by 2020.



Erin Barringer

Erin Barringer is a Partner in **Dalberg's** New York office. She has advised Fortune 500 companies, foundations, governments, and multi-lateral organizations on strategic planning, financial analysis, market entry, and monitoring and evaluation. Erin has experience in global health, including maternal, neonatal, and child health, infectious diseases, and non-communicable diseases. Prior to joining Dalberg, Erin worked at Endeavor Global as a Director of Endeavor Insight, and at Acumen Fund as an Investment Associate for healthcare and technology deals. Erin holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and an A.B. from Harvard University.



Akruti Desai

Akruti Desai is a Senior Program Officer on the Philanthropic Partnerships team at the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation** (BMGF) which aims to enable more informed and intentional giving by all. Akruti began her career in asset management advising some of the world's largest public pension funds on their private equity investments. Most recently, Akruti spent over four years at the Clinton Giustra Enterprise Partnership, an initiative of the Clinton Foundation, where she incubated and invested in social enterprises in the global south. Akruti holds an MS in Investment Management from Boston University and a dual BA in Economics and English from University of California, Los Angeles.



John Duong

John is the Managing Director and Head of Lumina Impact Ventures, the impact investing arm of **Lumina Foundation**. He started his career as an investment banker on Wall Street before transitioning to philanthropy, having led the \$100+ million mission-driven portfolio at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation prior to joining Lumina. He is the founder of Potency, a social venture diversity recruiting platform to match diverse talent to opportunities and a Kauffman Fellow. John earned his BA from Yale University and an Executive MBA from Northwestern University.



Claudine Emeott

Claudine Emeott is the Director of Impact Investments at **Salesforce**. Throughout her career Claudine has focused on economic development, impact investing, and tech for good in both the U.S. and emerging markets. This work most recently led her to Salesforce, where she leads a new \$50M impact fund and invests in mission-driven enterprise technology companies in education, sustainability, and diversity + inclusion. Prior to Salesforce, Claudine led impact investing initiatives at Kiva. Claudine holds an A.B. in East Asian Studies from Harvard and a Master's in City Planning from MIT.

“We are honored to welcome these four accomplished individuals to our board. As we look at the changing landscape of our work in global development, their expertise and skills are exactly what we need to drive impact and empower even more communities to lift themselves out of poverty.”

- **Carrie Hessler-Radlet, PCI's President & CEO**

“The international development industry is changing, and Erin, Akruiti, John, and Claudine are true thought leaders in this space, I look forward to working with these outstanding individuals as PCI approaches its 58th anniversary of transforming lives around the world.”

- **Dr. Robert S. Sullivan, PCI's Chairman**

“Given our own global diversity-inclusion mission and commitment to the global development sector, we were thrilled to develop this relationship with PCI and support the appointment of four outstanding new Board members, who will continue to drive the innovative strategy and growth of such an impactful organization.”

- **Tory Clarke, Partner at Bridge Partners**

NONPROFIT BOARD SEARCHES:

- For a CEO, the opportunity to build a Board of Directors that works well together - and has the balance of skills and experiences to discuss, debate, innovate, guide and deliver on the organization's strategic plan - is undeniably compelling. It is also a formidable challenge.
- Ensuring that the Board consists of leaders that reflect the diversity of the constituents/communities that the organization serves, as well as contributing their expertise to the organization in a meaningful way, can be even more challenging.
- In order to attract and recruit diverse board candidates at a global and local level, a board needs to be purposeful and reach beyond their own network and the traditional recruiting channels. The goal of our nonprofit Board Director Search service is not only to support the Board and CEO in identifying new Board Directors but also to create a process and pipeline that the Nominating/Governance Committee can "own" in the long term.
- We would welcome the opportunity to discuss any Board development opportunities you might foresee at your organization.

ABOUT BRIDGE PARTNERS:

- Bridge Partners (www.bridgepartnersllc.com) is a retained executive search firm with 15 years of experience attracting and retaining senior, diverse executives for global leadership positions.
- We have both an international nonprofit practice (clients include TechnoServe, Project Concern International, Pact, Global Health Corps, Digital Green) and a global for-profit practice (clients include GE, Starbucks, McKesson, Freddie Mac).
- What pulls our two practices together under Bridge Partners is a focus on diversity-inclusion in all its forms - supporting our clients in their efforts to attract the very best leadership team and leverage the most diverse range of experiences and backgrounds.

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