



SOLD OUT: WomenCorporateDirectors Global Institute in Silicon Valley

Topics Include Next Gen A.I., Corporate Culture Shock, Boardroom Gender Quotas

May 19-22 at Hewlett Packard Enterprise

SAN JOSE, CA – April 16, 2019 – [WomenCorporateDirectors \(WCD\)](#) has sold out its signature [Global Institute](#) five weeks before the event opens on May 19 in Silicon Valley.

Top women corporate directors, lead directors, board chairs, and CEOs from around the world will attend this annual summit. “We are taking a deep dive into critical issues directors are focused on,” says WCD CEO **Susan C. Keating**. “Questions such as *[‘Is our corporate culture healthy or broken?’](#)*; *[‘How do we become the disruptors in our industry?’](#)*; and *[‘How do we disrupt across other industries?’](#)* will dominate the agenda. These topics are driving many of the strategic decisions directors are making right now about the very future of their companies.”

Coming to a region known as much for its male-dominated tech culture as it is for its innovation, this is the first time the WCD Global Institute will be held on the West Coast, after nine years in New York. The Institute runs May 19-22 at **Hewlett Packard Enterprise’s** new corporate headquarters in San Jose.

WCD is the largest organization of women board members globally, with 2,400 members in 80 chapters across the world who meet regularly to share best practices and discuss the issues dominating board conversations today.

“The early sell-out of the Global Institute in the heart of Silicon Valley shows the strong demand from both directors who are newer to the digital space as well as those who have been at the forefront of new technology for decades,” says Keating.

On the agenda: “Augmented” Intelligence, #MeToo, boardroom quotas

Keynote speakers and CEOs featured in one-on-one “Conversation” interviews include:

- **Jim Coulter** – Partner and Co-CEO, **TPG Capital LP**; Director, **J. Crew Group**, **Philz Coffee**, and **Rodan + Fields LLC**
- **Maria Olide** – CFO, **Farmers Business Network, Inc.**
- **Claudio Del Vecchio** – Chairman and CEO of **Brooks Brothers Group, Inc.**; Director, National Retail Federation
- **Valerie Jarrett** – Director, **Ariel Investments, LLC**, **2U**, and **Lyft**; former Senior Advisor to President Obama
- **Anu Aiyengar** – Head of Mergers & Acquisitions (North America) Investment Banking, **JPMorgan Chase & Co.**; WCD Member

Select sessions and speakers include:

- **Augmented Intelligence (The next “A.I.” for companies) – Friend or Foe?**
 - **Nancy Calderon** – Global Lead Partner, KPMG LLP; Director, Global Delivery Center, Ltd., KPMG India; Director, WCD Foundation; co-author, *Women on Board*
 - **Nelda Connors** – Director, Delphi Technologies, Enersys, Echo Global Logistics, and Boston Scientific Corp; WCD Member
 - **Emma Maconick** – Partner, Shearman and Sterling
 - **Maureen K. Ohlhausen** – Partner, Baker Botts; former Acting Chair of the Federal Trade Commission
- **DEBATE: Do Legislated Quotas Work; Should the U.S. Continue to Adopt Them?**
 - **Debby Hopkins** – Director, Union Pacific, Marsh & McLennan, Virtusa, and Deep Instinct
 - **Betsy Berkhemer Credaire** – CEO, 2020 Women on Boards and CEO, Berkhemer Clayton, Inc.; WCD Member
 - **Sarah Payne** – Partner, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP
 - **Ana Zambelli** – Director, Petrobras; WCD Member
- **Culture Shock – Board Oversight in a #MeToo Era**
 - **Ora Fisher** – Vice Chair, Latham & Watkins
 - **Rita O’Neill** – Partner, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP
 - **Ana Paula Pessoa** – Former Chief Financial Officer, Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games; Director, Crédit Suisse, News Corp. and Vinci; Member of the Consulting Board for TNC Brasil (The Nature Conservancy); Chair and Partner of Kunumi Technologies; WCD Member
 - **Wendy Webb** – Director, Wynn Resorts, ABM Industries, American Homes; WCD Member

Additional sessions, speakers, and details on the agenda can be found at the [WCD Global Institute webpage](#). The Institute’s social media hashtag, **#WCDSiliconValley**, can be followed for updates. The Visionary Awards Dinner, on the evening of May 20 at the Santa Clara Marriott, will recognize the [2019 WCD Visionary Award winners](#) **BMO Financial Group, Singtel, Hallmark Cards**, and **Penn Mutual** Chairman and CEO **Eileen McDonnell**.

The Institute is open only to WCD members and invited guests.

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