

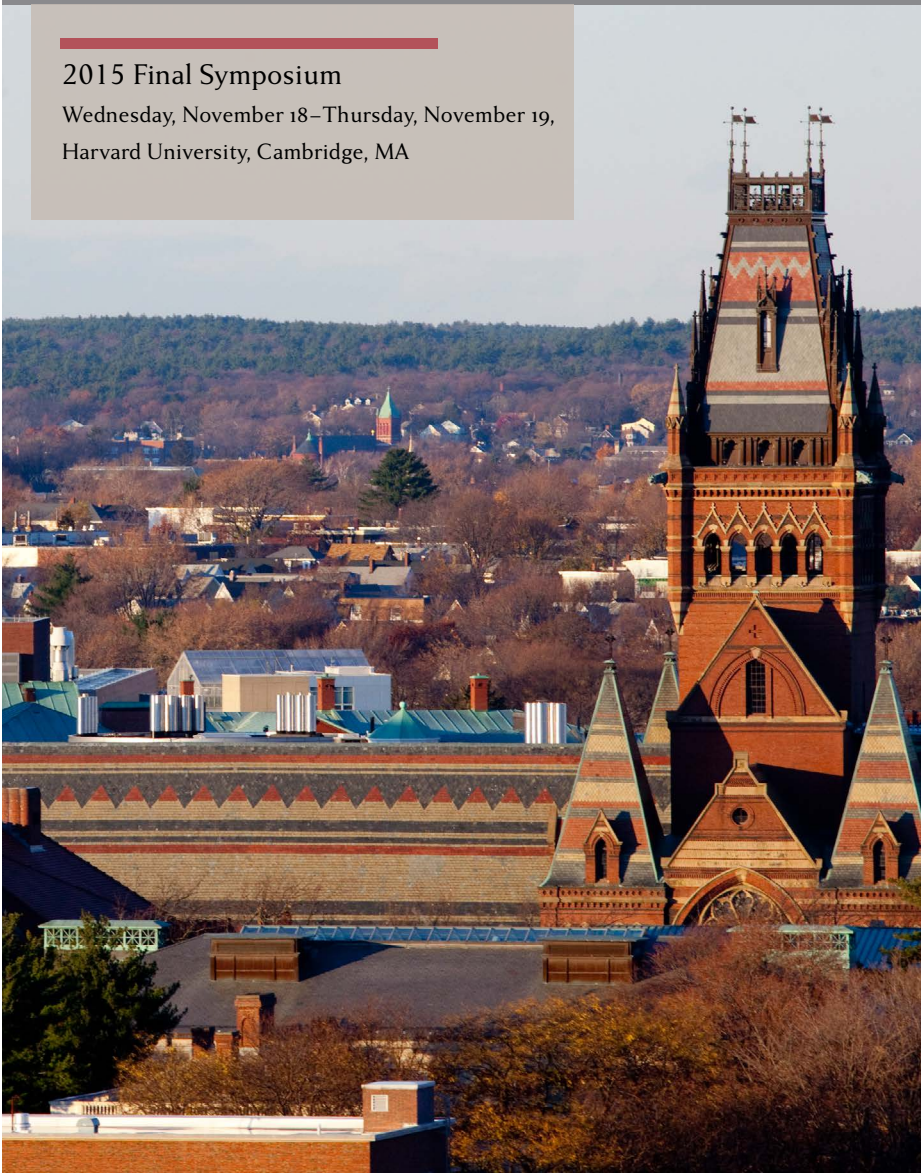


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2015 Final Symposium

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Register here * : <http://advancedleadership.harvard.edu/event/final-symposium-0>

** Final Symposium is open to all Past AL Fellows and Partners.*

POST-THINK TANK REPORTS

Post Think Tank Reports for both the Environment and the “Ongoing Systems Challenges in US Health Care” Think Tanks are now available.

Environment Think Tank

http://advancedleadership.harvard.edu/files/ali/files/2015_environment_thinktank_report_web.pdf?m=1441830567

Ongoing Systems Challenges in US Health Care Think Tank

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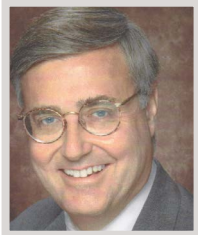
Denis Weil
2015 AL Fellow

Denis recently spoke at Citylab 2015, a conference organized by Aspen Institute, Atlantic Magazine and Bloomberg Philanthropies, in London. Denis spoke about the importance

and the best practices of “carving out space” (mental, cultural, temporal, creative a.o.) to drive innovation in large organizations.

Learn more, and watch the event here: <http://www.theatlantic.com/live/events/citylab/2015/>

2014



Jeffrey Dunn
2014 AL Fellow

Sesame Street, of which Jeff Dunn is President and CEO, recently announced its new autism initiative: Sesame Street and Autism: See Amazing in All Children. This initiative, created after consultation with 14 partner organizations, will help increase understanding, reduce stigma, and demonstrate the commonalities that children with autism share with all children. The initiative will be distributed nationwide and free resources will be available on iTunes

for the iPad (Sesame Street and Autism) and at www.sesamestreet.org/autism.

Extensive press coverage for the initiative included NBC and [CBS national evening](#) news broadcasts and ABC's Good Morning, America.

The initiative has also received a bi-partisan Congressional endorsement, which can be read here: <http://doyle.house.gov/press-release/congressmen-praise-sesame-street%E2%80%99s-autism-initiative>

2010



Junko Yoda
2010 AL Fellow

On October 22 in Washington DC, Junko Yoda received the International Alliance for Women's (TIAW) World of Difference 100 award for her significant contributions to the economic empowerment of women. The award was presented in conjunction with the TIAW Global Forum, a

multiday gathering for women with an interest in leadership and advancement.

Learn more about the award here: http://www.tiaw.org/?current_woda_winners

2009



Vivian Derryck
2009 AL Fellow

Vivian Derryck was awarded the African Union and Diaspora Africa Foundation's African Women of Excellence Award last month during the UN General Assembly activities. Fourteen women of distinction who have excelled in their fields of expertise were honored during this illustrious ceremony. Women of Africa and African descent take pride in their huge achievements recorded throughout time and history and their contributions to success in the struggle for freedom, development and

peace and independence in political, social and economic spheres throughout the world. The African Women of Excellence Awards recognize these achievements during our annual galas. This year we are supporting the African Union's 2015 theme “Year of Women Empowerment and Development Toward Africa's Agenda 2063.”

Learn more about the African Union and Diaspora Africa Foundation's African Women of Excellence Award here: <http://www.african-womenofexcellence.com/>

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Shelly London
2009 AL Fellow

Shelly London serves on the leadership team of Understood.org, a digital platform comprised of 15 nonprofit organizations have joined forces to support parents of the one in five children with learning and attention issues throughout their journey. With the right support, parents can help children unlock their strengths and reach their full potential. With state-of-the-art technology, personalized resources, free daily access to experts, a secure online community, practical tips and more, Understood.org aims to be that support.

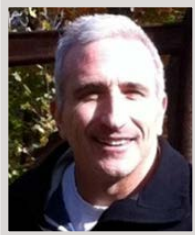
On October 1, Understood.org held an event, comprised of 50 experts, 10 video events and nonstop

chats on Facebook and Twitter. The Understood.org team answered nearly 500 questions and reached more than 600,000 people, all to address the deep personal need for parents to have a path toward confidence in helping their children thrive in school and in life. Parents also supported each other with a real sense of community.

On October 23, 2015 Understood.org celebrated its one-year anniversary, so far having reached 6.5 million people and 900,000 unique visitors in September alone.

Learn more about Understood.org here: <https://www.understood.org/en>

Howard Fisher & Eric Jacobsen, 2013 AL Fellows



During their Fellowship year at Harvard University, Howard Fischer and Eric Jacobsen worked together on their AL project to create Gratitude

Railroad Investment (GRR), a home base for the convening of successful, passionate, mission driven business leaders to share ideas, journeys and investment opportunities. GRR seeks to convene these business leaders to grow, learn and have fun while identifying sustainable impactful businesses with superior return potential further enhanced by the application of the principles of conscious capitalism.

Since its inception at Harvard, GRR is gaining traction and making significant inroads in the world of conscious capitalism.

Third Annual Gratitude Railroad Conference

In October, GRR held its third annual conference in Party City, Utah, designed to gather like-minded, passionate, successful business people for the purpose of learning, networking, investing with purpose and with a focus on profits.

Over 60 people attended, including investors, AL Fellows and Partners Ken Colburn, Thomas Dans, Briand Rosemary

Meltzer, Torsten Thiele, Jeff Williams, Randee Fischer, and Elizabeth Jacobsen, academics, including HBS professor Rebecca Henderson, entrepreneurs and fund managers, NGO leaders and inspiring young people, seeking a role in the conscious capitalism space.

Both Torsten and Ken made presentations outlining their AL project work. Ken discussed his support of Resolute Marine Energy's efforts in tidal powered desalinization, Torsten spoke about Global Ocean Trust, and his involvement in deep ocean preservation, and Eric served as moderator for presentations and led small group discussions.

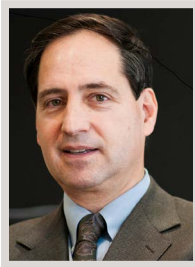
Work and organization updates

Howard and Eric have recently hired a full time employee to oversee deal diligence and structuring, organize road trips and their annual conference, develop GRR's web and social media presence and help determine the move toward sustainability for GRR as an organization.

GRR has helped launch a private equity fund, made seed stage investments (as independents-GRR is not an investment entity in and of itself), bought its first small farm in the Catskills in its efforts towards a multi-thousand acre grass fed beef finishing project, and GRR is helping an impact hedge fund and mutual fund business to get off the ground.

To learn more about Gratitude Railroad, or get involved, please contact: Howard Fischer at hfisher@bassocap.com or Eric Jacobsen at ejacobsen@dolphintwo.com





Professor David Bloom
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Economics and Demography
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Professor Bloom was recently featured in Harvard Public Health magazine's cover story, "The Aging Game: Perils and Promises of an Aging Society." In the coming decades, there will be more people older than 65 than under 5. Experts from the Harvard Chan School, including Professor Bloom, offered his thoughts on what lies ahead.

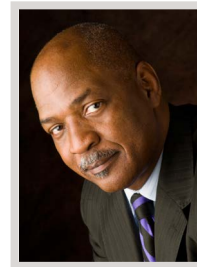
Read the full article here: <http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/magazine-features/the-aging-game/>



Professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter
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Professor Kanter is a regular contributor to the Wall Street Journal's "The Experts," an exclusive group of industry and academic thought leaders on leadership who weigh in on the latest debates. Over the last month, Professor Kanter has contributed multiple blog posts to "The Experts" on topics ranging from why men and women prefer male bosses and why millennials are the c-suite's secret weapon to innovation.

Read Professor Kanter's latest blog posts here: <http://blogs.wsj.com/experts/tag/rosabeth-moss-kanter/>



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Professor Ogletree released a new book, "The Enduring Legacy of Rodriguez," which examines San Antonio Independent School District v. Rodriguez (1973), the landmark US Supreme Court decision that held that the Constitution does not guarantee equality of educational opportunity. Professor Ogletree and Kimberly Jenkins Robinson have brought together a host of experts in their field to examine the road that led up to the Rodriguez decision, assess the successes and failures of the reforms that followed in its wake, and lay out an array of creative strategies for addressing the ongoing inequality of resources and socioeconomic segregation that perpetuate the inequity of opportunity in education.

Learn more about the book here:
<http://hepg.org/hep-home/books/the-enduring-legacy-of-rodriguez>





Message from the Chair

On November 18-19, we will celebrate the completion of the 2015 Fellowship year at Final Symposium at Harvard. Over the course of this two day event, attendees will celebrate the hard work of this year's AL Fellows, and welcome back AL Fellows from previous years' cohorts to toast to their many successes.

2015 Fellows will offer headlines and highlights of their project work and then display more details of their work, including their "shingle," stakeholder map, Executive Summary, and/or project plan, in a "gallery walk" session format. Symposium attendees will be given the opportunity to interact and engage with each Fellow and his/her project, allowing for a very high level of individual interaction and engagement for each Fellow and his/her project. This year's Symposium marks the completion of ALI's seventh cohort. Our community of AL Fellows is growing and we're continuing to build a robust and highly accomplished network. To the 2015 Fellows, we wish you ongoing success and look forward to your continued participation in the ALI community.

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