

Bios of Speakers on the Panel



Nicholas Kristof

Nicholas D. Kristof, a columnist for The Times since November 2001, writes Op-Ed columns that appear each Sunday and Tuesday. Previously, he was associate managing editor of The Times, responsible for the Sunday Times.

Mr. Kristof grew up on a sheep and cherry farm near Yamhill, Oregon. He graduated from Harvard College, Phi Beta Kappa, and then won a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford, where he studied law and graduated with first class honors. He later studied Arabic in Cairo and Chinese in Taipei. After working in France, he caught the travel bug and began backpacking around Africa and Asia, writing articles to cover his expenses. Mr. Kristof has lived on four continents, reported on six, and traveled to 120 countries, plus all 50 states, every Chinese province and every main Japanese island. He's also one of the very few Americans to be at least a two-time visitor to every member of the Axis of Evil. During his travels, he has had unpleasant experiences with malaria, wars, an Indonesian mob carrying heads on pikes, and an African airplane crash.

After joining The New York Times in 1984, initially covering economics, he served as a correspondent in Los Angeles and as bureau chief in Hong Kong, Beijing, and Tokyo. In 2000, he covered the presidential campaign and in particular Governor Bush, and he is the author of the chapter on Mr. Bush in the reference book "The Presidents." In 1990 Mr. Kristof and his wife, Sheryl WuDunn, also a Times journalist, won a Pulitzer Prize for their coverage of China's Tiananmen Square democracy movement. They were the first married couple to win a Pulitzer for journalism. Mr. Kristof won a second Pulitzer in 2006, for commentary. He has also won other prizes including the George Polk Award, the Overseas Press Club award, the Michael Kelly award, the Online News Association award, and the American Society of Newspaper Editors award.

Mr. Kristof and Ms. WuDunn are authors of "China Wakes: The Struggle for the Soul of a Rising Power" and "Thunder from the East: Portrait of a Rising Asia." Mr. Kristof and Ms. WuDunn are the parents of Gregory, Geoffrey and Caroline. Mr. Kristof enjoys running, backpacking, and having his Chinese and Japanese corrected by his children.



Ruchira Gupta

Ruchira Gupta is a journalist from India who has put an international spotlight on the scourge of trafficking through her writing and film work. She directed and produced the award-winning documentary film, "Selling of Innocence," based on her journalistic efforts in Nepal and India. Ms. Gupta has received international acclaim for this film, which has helped to raise awareness about the trafficking of women and girls. Most recently, she worked with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) as Director of the UNIFEM Media Unit to raise awareness about trafficking and other forms of violence against women. Ms. Gupta is the Founder and

President of Apne Aap, a nongovernmental organization in India that works to create international partnerships to defend and ensure women's and children's rights to survival, protection, development, and equal participation.



Carolyn Maloney

Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney represents the 14th district in New York City. Her district contains many of the city's most historic and well-known neighborhoods, including most of the East Side, Astoria and Long Island City, Queens. After serving for ten years on the New York City Council, Maloney defeated a 14-year incumbent in her first race for Congress in 1992. She was reelected in 2004 with 81% of the vote and has never lost an election. Maloney serves on the House Financial Services Committee, the Government Reform Committee and is the ranking House Democrat on the Joint Economic Committee.

As the former co-chair of the Women's Caucus, Maloney is a nationally-recognized advocate for women's and family issues, with special emphasis on funding for women's health needs, reproductive freedom, and international family planning. She was a member of the U.S. delegations to the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing and to the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) fifth-year review and appraisal at The Hague (Cairo + 5). In 2004, she attended ICPD's tenth-year review meeting in Puerto Rico.

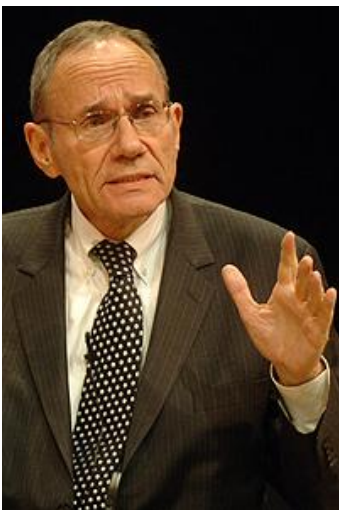
As the Member of Congress who has spearheaded the Debbie Smith Act in numerous sessions of Congress, Maloney took the lead in the effort to erase the backlog of rape DNA testing kits that could put rapists behind bars. In 2004, the Debbie Smith Act was

attached to two broader pieces legislation on DNA technology, which each had wide bipartisan support in the House and Senate. After passing the House and Senate, the Justice for All Act, containing the Debbie Smith legislation, was signed into law in October 2004.

Maloney has also been an outspoken authority against the persistent problem of sexual assault in the military. She successfully attached an amendment to the Defense Authorization legislation in 2004 that will ensure the American military has ample rape DNA testing kits and that the use of those kits is properly expedited.

Maloney has fought vigorously to restore the United State's contribution to UNFPA, the United Nation's Population Fund, since the Bush Administration first withheld it in 2002. Maloney succeeded in increasing funding for UNFPA in the FY 2002 Foreign Operations Appropriations bill to \$34 million, a \$12.5 million increase from the previous fiscal year. Additionally, she introduced the Saving Women's Lives Act of 2002, to try to spur the Bush Administration to release the \$34 million budgeted for the United Nations Population Fund. In 2004, Maloney proposed compromise legislation to restore the U.S.'s contribution to combat the horrific condition obstetric fistula. In November 2002, Maloney was recognized for 'Carrying the Weight of the World' by United Nations Family Planning and received their Women's Leadership Award.

Maloney worked to increase public awareness in social inequalities between men and women that still exist in American In January 2002, she released The Dingell-Maloney Report: A New Look through the Glass Ceiling, an alarming report documenting a widening wage gap between men and women managers. Together with her colleague John Dingell of Michigan, she followed the 2002 report up by commissioning another Government Accountability Office (GAO) report, this one examining wages for all women over the past 20 years. The comprehensive report, released in 2004, revealed a persistent wage gap of 20-cents on the dollar that has remained unchanged.



John Miller

Ambassador John R. Miller is Director of the State Department's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Senior Advisor to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice on human trafficking. The Trafficking in Persons Office coordinates U.S. Government activities in the global fight against modern-day slavery, including forced labor and sexual exploitation, which impacts some 800,000 women, children, and men every year.

From 1985 to 1993, Mr. Miller served in the U.S. House of Representatives from the state of Washington. Prior to being elected congressman, he was active in state and municipal

governments, serving as Assistant Attorney General for Washington; Vice President and Legal Counsel for the Washington Environmental Council; and Seattle City Councilman.

While in Congress, Mr. Miller held a seat on the House Committee on International Relations and was a member of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus. He was active in furthering the struggle of Eastern European countries to gain freedom from the control of the then-Soviet Union, and he visited Lithuania to encourage free elections and independence there. For his leadership on human rights, the Seattle Anti-Defamation League gave Mr. Miller its Torch of Freedom Award.

For three years, Mr. Miller was Chairman of the Board of the Seattle-based Discovery Institute, an organization devoted to research and writing on international affairs, trade, defense, science, economics, technology, and transportation. In 1992, he founded the Discovery Institute's Cascadia Project, which promotes relations between western Canada and the northwestern United States.



Marilyn Carlson Nelson

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Carlson Companies, Inc.

In her role as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Marilyn is responsible for the day-to-day operations of one of the largest privately held companies in the world.

Marilyn graduated with honors from Smith College with a degree in International Economics and a minor in Theater. She also attended the Sorbonne in Paris and the Institute Des Hautes Etudes Economiques Politiques in Geneva, Switzerland, where she studied political science and international economics.

Recognized as a worldwide business leader, Marilyn currently serves on the boards of Exxon Mobil Corporation and U S West. She is Millennium Chair of the Travel Industry Association of America, leading this important industry group into the new century. She also served on the board of First Bank System from 1978 to April 1997. She has been a member of the World Travel and Tourism Council and a member of the World Economic Forum since 1997. At the invitation of President Bill Clinton, she was a delegate to the White House Conference on Tourism in 1996.

Capitalizing on her international business expertise, Marilyn leads the management of a global business portfolio encompassing Carlson Companies' major operating groups, specializing in Corporate Solutions and Consumer Services: Carlson Hospitality Worldwide (hotels, restaurants and cruise ships); Carlson Wagonlit Travel (business

travel and leisure travel brand); Carlson Leisure Group (leisure travel agencies and tour operators); and Carlson Marketing Group (incentive and loyalty marketing).

Marilyn has always been devoted to community programs and has served as President of the United Way of Minneapolis, Board Member of United Way of America, Chair of New Sweden '88, and leader of the Governor's Task Force to bring the 1992 Super Bowl to Minnesota. Supporting the family's strong Swedish heritage, Marilyn chaired the nine-month long "Scandinavia Today" celebration in the U.S.

During "Scandinavia Today," the King of Sweden bestowed upon Marilyn the Royal Order of the North star, First Class, and the President of Finland presented her with the Order of the White Rose, Officer First Class.

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Julia Ormond (panelist)

British actress and social activist Julia Ormond was appointed goodwill ambassador of the UN Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC) with the task of spotlighting the agency's efforts against human trafficking efforts. Ormond, who has for the past decade worked closely with various UN agencies and non-governmental organizations on issues relating to refugees and AIDS patients, is to raise global awareness of human trafficking as a modern form of slavery and galvanize action to combat it, UNODC said in a statement. Ormond is best known for her starring roles in Legends of the Fall, First Knight and Sabrina and Smilla's Sense of Snow.



Antonio Maria Costa

Mr. Antonio Maria Costa (Italy) was appointed in May 2002 Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Director-General of the United Nations Office in Vienna (UNOV). He holds the rank of Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations.

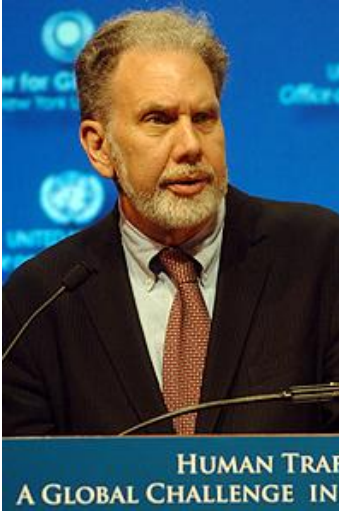
Mr. Costa was born on 16 June 1941 in Italy. He holds a degree in political science from the University of Turin (1963), a Degree in mathematical economics from the Moscow State University (1967), and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of California at Berkeley (1971).

From 1969 to 1983, Mr. Costa served as senior economist in the United Nations Department of International Economics and Social Affairs in New York. He was subsequently appointed Under-Secretary-General at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris where he served until 1987. He was a member of the OECD Working Group for financial transactions (later called FATF), a Member of IMF/World Bank Interim Committee and of the G-10 Group for the coordination of economic policy.

Between 1987 and 1992, Mr. Costa served at the Commission of the European Union as Director-General for Economics and Finance. In that capacity he served as EU Sherpa for the G8 meetings. He then joined the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD, in London) as Secretary-General where he oversaw political issues, institutional affairs, corporate governance and questions relating to shareholders.

Mr. Costa easily speaks a number of languages, including Russian.

Mr. Costa is married with three children, adopted from Italy, Colombia and Ethiopia.



NYU President John Sexton

John Edward Sexton, the fifteenth President of New York University, also is the Benjamin Butler Professor of Law and NYU Law School's Dean Emeritus, having served as Dean for 14 years. He joined the Law School's faculty in 1981, was named the School's Dean in 1988, and was designated the University's President in 2001.

President Sexton is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a member of both the Association of American University Presidents (where he is a member of the Executive Committee) and the Council on Foreign Relations. He was the founding Chair of the Board of NASD Dispute Resolution, and now is the Chairman of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and Chair of the Federal Reserve Systems Council of Chairs. He serves as Vice Chair of the Board for the New York Academy of Sciences and as the Treasurer of the Commission of Independent Colleges and Universities of NY. While Dean of the Law School he was President of the Association of American Law Schools.

President Sexton received a B.A. in History (1963) from Fordham College; an M.A. in Comparative Religion (1965) and a Ph.D. in History of American Religion (1978) Fordham University; and a J.D. *magna cum laude* (1979) from Harvard Law School.

He is an author of the Friedenthal, Miller, Sexton, Hershkoff *Civil Procedure: Cases and Materials*. He also is the author of *Redefining the Supreme Court's Role: A Theory of Managing the Federal Court System* (a treatment of the Supreme Court's case selection process) in addition to several other books, numerous chapters, articles and Supreme Court briefs.

He holds honorary degrees from Fordham University, Saint Francis College, and Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. The student editors of NYU's Annual Survey of American Law dedicated their Volume 60 in his honor. He was named by Emory University the "Outstanding High School Debate Coach of the Last 50 Years" for work he did from 1960-1975. He has been the honoree at the Harvard Law Review Annual Banquet, and has been named "Alumnus of the Year" both at Fordham and at his high school, Brooklyn Prep.

Before coming to NYU, President Sexton served as Law Clerk to Chief Justice Warren Burger of the United States Supreme Court (1980-1981), and to Judges David Bazelon and Harold Leventhal of the United States Court of Appeals (1979-1980). For ten years (1983-1993), he served as Special Master Supervising Pretrial Proceedings in the Love Canal Litigation. From 1966 - 1975, he was a Professor of Religion at Saint Francis College in Brooklyn, where he was Department Chair from 1970-1975.



Melanne Verveer

Melanne Verveer is Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board of the Vital Voices Global Partnership, an international nonprofit that supports emerging women leaders in building vibrant democracies and strong economies. Vital Voices focuses on expanding women's participation in politics and civil society; increasing women's entrepreneurship and fighting human rights abuses, particularly the trafficking of women and children. Vital Voices provides international leadership training through a collaborative with Georgetown University that enables women leaders from around the globe to more effectively contribute to advancing progress in their societies. The Vital Voices Global Leadership Network connects thousands of women leaders who have participated in Vital Voices conferences or the Global Leadership Institute training programs.

Verveer served as Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady in the Clinton Administration. As a member of the White House senior staff, she advised the President and implemented a wide range of substantive policies, budget priorities and communications strategies. She was the First Lady's chief assistant in her international activities. In that role, her responsibilities included overseeing Hillary Clinton's global initiatives on women's rights as human rights, democracy building, micro-enterprise development, and the education of women and girls. She organized the First Lady's historic trips overseas, including her travels to Central and South Asia, Russia, Northern Ireland, Central Europe and Africa. She helped to create the US government's Vital Voices Democracy Initiative to promote women's economic and political progress globally. The initiative was an outgrowth of the U.S. response to the UN 4th World Conference on Women in Beijing in 1995. Verveer also took the lead in establishing the President's Interagency Council on Women, which serves as a model for governments to address issues of concern to women. She was instrumental in coordinating the US response to the growing global problem of the trafficking of human beings and represented the US government at various international conferences.

Verveer has over twenty-five years experience in government and public interest work. She has a broad knowledge of domestic public policy issues which she has brought to the international arena. Previously, she served as Executive Vice President of People for the American Way, a civil rights and constitutional liberties organization where she played a key role in the passage of several landmark civil rights bills. She was Coordinator for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs for the U.S. Catholic Conference, Field Manager of Common Cause and worked in both the US House and Senate as Legislative Director and Special Assistant respectively.

She was a founding member of the Coalition on Human Needs and has served on the Boards of Children of Chernobyl Relief Fund, Counterpart International, the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, Advocacy Institute, Public Allies, NETWORK and the

Center for Policy Alternatives, among others. She has played a leadership role in the Women Leaders Initiative of the World Economic Forum. She is a frequent speaker and consultant on a range of public policy issues. She received her undergraduate and master's degrees in Russian studies from Georgetown University, where she was a University Fellow. Verveer has been profiled in *The Washington Post*, *National Journal*, *Appointments with Power*, *Beachman's Guide to Key Lobbyists*, and *Who's Who of American Women*. She has received many awards, including the American Association of University Women's "Woman of Distinction" Award, Knock Out Abuse Leadership Honoree and the Basilian Humanitarian Award. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Women's Foreign Policy Group, the Washington Institute on Foreign Affairs and Women In International Security. She was a member of the Robert Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights delegation to Guatemala in 2003, and has served as a faculty member of the Salzburg Seminar. She and her husband, Philip, a Washington attorney, have three grown children and two granddaughters.