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Marina has been committed to Global Health innovation and management in biomedical research (ISGlobal) and humanitarian healthcare organizations (AAH, MSF) between Africa (Angola, D. R. Congo, Central African Republic, Ethiopia and Mozambique) and Europe.

She opened-up the Knowledge & Technology Transfer unit at ISGlobal in 2017 with the business development of innovative treatments such as new antibiotics against multidrug resistant bacteria (awarded Barcelona Activa Best start-up initiative 2019), point-of-care diagnostics (malaria, meningitis, HIV, Chagas) and digital health.

Currently launching the Energising Global Health Innovation and Entrepreneurship (ENERGHY) Summer School together with academic, tech transfer, hospital and industry partners and funded by EIT Health. Co-founder of EIT Health supported Senior Executive Program in Global Health Innovation Management (SEP GHIM) launched in 2019. Coordinator of the Global Health Management course in the Master in Global Health by ISGlobal and the University of Barcelona since 2017 and lecturer in the Master in Translational Medicine at University of Barcelona. Collaborates with Avicena health &amp; social projects and the start-up Roka Furadada.

Economist (Pompeu Fabra University), MSc in Demography (London School of Economics) and Executive Education in Leadership Development (IESE Business School). Living the adventure of a PhD on valuable social innovation for health equity.
Executive Director LaunchPad, NUI Galway

LaunchPad is a multi-award winning entrepreneurship programme based on the NUI Galway campus supporting student, staff and alumni to cultivate curiosity and creativity. Since inception in 2015 the programme has supported over 7,000 student innovators.

Natalie has worked across the areas of innovation, entrepreneurship and education management for over 10 years. She provides leadership and strategic planning to the LaunchPad programme in addition to designing and delivering content across all initiatives.

Natalie has worked across several EIT Health Campus projects including leading an entrepreneurship lab (e-lab) in 2019 in the area of mHealth. She has secured over 1.5 million euro in funding for entrepreneurship activity in NUI Galway.
Director StartUB! Tenure Track Lecturer University of Barcelona

Director of StartUB! unit of the University of Barcelona which aims to promote the entrepreneurial spirit and help students to develop and launch their startup. It offers different training programs, mentoring and access to funds.

He is also a Tenure-Track Lecturer at the Department of Business Economics and Management of the University of Barcelona.

He obtained his PhD at the Business Economics Department of the Autonomous University of Barcelona.

His research interests are in the field of innovation strategies, and open innovation and he has published in international journals and has presented his research in several conferences. He has been actively participating in different EIT Health initiatives since 2016.
Silvia Moriana (Barcelona, 1972) has a degree and a Master in Business Administration and Management from the Polytechnic University of Catalonia and ESADE (Higher School of Business Administration and Management) and a Master’s in Creative Process from ELISAVA (University School of Design and Barcelona Engineering).

Since 1998 working in the humanitarian and global health sector, mainly in Doctors Without Borders where she has held management positions both in headquarters and in the field. In the field Silvia has worked as Head of Mission or Emergency Coordinator in Ecuador, Bolivia, Sri Lanka, Yemen, the Central African Republic and Ethiopia. At headquarters, she was the Director of Human Resources between 2008 and 2013. She currently holds the position of Leader of Innovation and Transformation at the MSF Operational Center in Barcelona.

Between 20015 and 2018 Silvia worked at ISGlobal - Institute of Global Health in the role of coordinator of the Chagas initiative.
Head of Sanofi Espoir Foundation

After earning a Doctorate of Pharmacy in the University of Montpellier, France, in 1989, Valérie joined the French affiliate of what is now Sanofi, where she held positions of increasing responsibilities in Regulatory Affairs. After 15 years of experience in the field of European regulatory affairs, she joined the Access to Medicines department, in the Corporate Social Responsibility Division of Sanofi.

During more than 10 years, Valerie has developed a recognized expertise and network in the area of access to healthcare and quality of medicines in developing countries.

In 2017, she has been appointed Head of the Sanofi Espoir Foundation.

Member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of DNDi (Drug for Neglected Diseases Initiative), a collaborative, patients’ needs-driven, non-profit drug research and development organization that is developing new treatments for neglected diseases, and member of the Board of Directors of Tulipe, a not-for-profit organization that federate donations made by pharmaceutical companies to provide an emergency response to the needs of populations in distress as a result of acute health crises, natural disasters or conflicts.
ARNAU
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Innovation Manager Sant Joan de Déu Children’s Hospital (HSJD)

R&D Engineer in the Innovation Department of SJD Barcelona Children’s Hospital (HSJD). Arnau is focused on the development of research and innovation healthcare technology projects on Health IT, Digital Medicine and 3D printing, participating in National and European (PM7, H2020, EIT Health) competitive projects. Coordinator of the 3D planning service at HSJD.

Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree in Telecommunications Engineering from the Polytechnic University of Catalonia (UPC-BarcelonaTECH). Postgraduate degree in healthcare Innovation and Entrepreneurship d·Health Barcelona - BioCat (program affiliated to Stanford University Biodesign fellowship). Postgraduate of Quality in Big Data in Life Sciences and Healthcare by Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

Co-Director of the EXPERT3D Course. Lecturer in the Postgraduate degree d·Health Barcelona for Biodesign Healthcare Innovation and taught in a number of different programs an engineering bachelor’s thesis at the Polytechnic University of Catalonia, University of Barcelona and the Degree in Engineering in Industrial Design at ELISAVA - Design and Engineering School of Barcelona.
GERARD ALBREDA

Creation Project Coordinator at EIT Health Spain

Gerad has a degree in Biotechnology and a Master in Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Barcelona.

Before joining EIT Health in October 2019 where he works as a project manager of several programmes supporting start-ups and entrepreneurs, he worked as a research and development scientist at the Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces and Grifols. He is passionate about innovation and wants to be part of the transformation of the health sector moving forward.
Yolanda Amat is the Project Officer to the Education & Training Department at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health, ISGlobal. In this position, Yolanda works closely with the director and other team members providing administrative assistance in the different academic programmes.

She serves as the primary contact for the Students’ Office at the Faculty of Medicine-University of Barcelona and provides technical and logistical support on the various postgraduate programmes.

Yolanda joined ISGlobal in 2009. Before her current position at the E&T department, she served as a Project Assistant for the director of the Global Health Policy Unit (GHPU) at the Barcelona Centre for International Health Research (CRESIB) and was the Project Assistant for the Decade of Vaccines Collaboration (DoVC) Secretariat at ISGlobal.

Her training is in administrative skills, accounting and office management.
Assistant Professor University of Barcelona

Part-time professor of entrepreneurship at UB. He has a PhD from UB on business angels screening criteria and holds an MBA from IESE Business School. His topics of interest are health entrepreneurship, entrepreneurial ecosystems, entrepreneurial finance, and negotiations.

He has led projects on the lifesciences field such as several summer schools for healthcare post graduate students (2016-20), the growth program for health start-ups for the Granada health cluster (2020) and the UB acceleration program for health start-ups (2019-20). Other recent programs in which he has participated are the European Activate project on technology transfer or the innovation day at UB sponsored by EIT Health.

Aside from his academic activity Jaume has acted as a consultant for several entrepreneurs looking to raise capital or validate their business model and is himself an investor in several start-ups.
ICREA Research Professor & Head Malaria Program at ISGlobal

ICREA Research Professor and Head of Malaria Research Program at ISGlobal. As a pediatrician, with special interest in infectious disease epidemiology and public health, Dr. Bassat has attempted to combine his clinical work with biomedical research in those diseases that most affect the poor and vulnerable.

His main area of interest has been the prevention and treatment of malaria in childhood, with a particular focus on understanding the clinical overlap of malaria and other common pediatric conditions. His research has also covered the new paradigm of malaria eradication, with a particular interest in evaluating the role of drugs in elimination strategies.

He has also conducted work on the description of the epidemiology and etiology of respiratory infections (viral and bacterial), diarrheal diseases, and neonatal infections in places such as Mozambique, Morocco or Bhutan. Currently, his main interests are related to the validation and implementation of Minimally Invasive Autopsy (MIA) tools for the post-mortem investigation of Causes of death in the developing world.

He is also very interested in the validation and evaluation of technological devices for Global health purposes, and in particular on the evaluation of a new non-invasive approach for the diagnosis of meningitis.

Medical doctor specialized in Pediatrics and Tropical Medicine (University of Barcelona, 2004) and Epidemiology (London School of tropical medicine and hygiene, London 2007-08). PhD in Medical sciences by the University of Barcelona.
Obstetrician gynecologist, he is administrator of Gynecologie Sans Frontières since 2003, and deputy Head of Maternity Department of Diaconesses Paris.

Participates in programs to promote maternal health and prevention from cervical cancer internationally and in France among precarious women.

These actions consist of primary prevention through education and information meetings and secondary prevention through screening programs and treatment of pre-cancerous lesions.
JOAN BIGORRA

Director Innovation at ISGlobal & Senior Advisor of Innovation at Hospital Clínica Barcelona

Director of Strategy and Innovation at Barcelona Institute of Global Health (ISGlobal), Senior Advisor of Innovation at Hospital Clínica Barcelona and Associate Professor at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF). Member of the SAB of CIBER-BBN since 2007

Former Director of Innovation at University of Barcelona Clínica Hospital, from 2009 to 2014, Managing Director of the Fundació Clínica for Biomedical Research from 2006 to 2008. Former General Manager of Novartis Pharma Spain, former Medical Director and Head of R&D of Bayer Healthcare, Boehringer Ingelheim and Sandoz Pharma in Spain.

Graduate and Ph.D. in Medicine by the UAB; Board Certified Specialist in Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics; Graduate in Health Economics by the University of Tromso, Norway. Executive Education in General Management, Marketing and Finance by Harvard Business School (Boston, EEUU). Master in Biomedicine, Biotechnology and Law of the European Union, UNED.

Member of the Management Committee of the Spanish Hospital Network of Medical Technologies (ITEMAS) and a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Spanish Center of Biomedical Research on Biomaterials, Bioengineering and Nanotechnologies (CIBER-BBN). Senior evaluator of Health Innovation calls including Innovators under 35 Europe and EIT-Health.
Brendan graduated with honours from University College Dublin Medical School in 2006, having also gained a Bachelor of Medical Science as a concurrent degree. As a post-graduate, he became a Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and also a member of the Irish College of General Practitioners. Brendan was a BioInnovate Ireland Fellow 2014 during which time he developed his skills in identifying and determining opportunities in the life science sector.

Along with his co-founder, Gerry Clarke, Brendan founded Loci Orthopaedics in 2017. He has led the funding for this company's projects, now totalling over €6 million.

He is a named inventor on several patents and is leading the company in the commercialisation of the company's first product to market.
Lilisha is the Education Project Coordinator at EIT Health Spain. With a degree in Food and Nutrition and a Master in Nutrition Communication, she has worked in a variety of settings such as clinical and community health, academic, and municipal. Throughout her career she has evolved into a project manager and entrepreneur in the non-profit education sector and she is currently studying adult learning and development.

Lilisha enjoys collaborating with international, multidisciplinary teams and engaging with stakeholders.

She is passionate about driving positive change in health.
CEO start-up Roka Furadada

CEO & Founder of Roka Furadada, a company founded in 2019 in Barcelona, whose mission is to reduce the incidence of skin cancer through research, development and production of active ingredients and medical devices, with high efficiency and low toxicologic and environmental impact.

Judit has a long professional record in the corporate world, both in business & admin. and technical areas with pharmaceutical companies. Master’s degree in Biomedical Research and in Statistics Design Applied to Health Sciences Research from the UAB.

She is also food & cosmetics chair at AEFI (Spanish association of pharmaceutical industry professionals) and active member at 50&50 women leadership association and climate justice activist. Judit is doing her PhD at the IMIM (Hospital del Mar Institute of medical research).

Her research interests are in the field of the influence of multiple exposures such as heavy metals, pesticides and other organic molecules in pancreatic cancer ethiology.
Director Education EIT Health

EIT Health Education Director starting in April 2020. She will focus on developing our education strategy further and on stimulating our innovative education programmes.

Céline has more than 15 years’ experience in the space of medical education, much of that spent working with accreditors and learned societies. She has also been on the Board of Directors of the Global Alliance for Medical Education, serving as Secretary and Chairperson of the Nominations Committee.

In addition, she held several volunteer positions on various councils and committees of the Union Europeenne des Medecins Specialistes (UEMS).

She was appointed as a founding member of the Biomed Alliance CME Committee, where she has led an environmental study of learned societies in the field of CME/CPD.

Throughout her career, she has contributed to a series of peer-reviewed publications in continuing medical education. Before joining EIT Health, Céline worked for the European Society of Cardiology, where she was the Head of Education. A keen team manager, Céline values interacting in dynamic teams and environments.
Núria Casamitjana, Director of Training and Education at ISGlobal and Associate Professor at University of Barcelona. B.A. in Pharmacy and PhD from UB, and Master in Occupational Health from UB-UPF.

She contributed to the creation of the Barcelona Centre for International Health Research (CRESIB-2006) and the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal-2010). She was Deputy Director at CRESIB (2006-2010) and has held senior management positions at UB, including Vice-rector for Academic Affairs (2002-2005).

At UB, she is Director of Masters of Global Health and Clinical Research; coordinator of PhD Programmes: TransGlobalHealth Erasmus Mundus and track on International Health of Medicine and Translational Research; coordinator of other global health courses including leadership ones.

She is former President of tropEd International Network for Education and Training in International Health. She was Board member of the Partnership for Maternal Neonatal and Child Health (2015-2019), and since 2018 she is Board member of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health.

She has been coordinator of EIT Health Campus Pillar at the University of Barcelona since 2015 to 2019. Currently she is member of the EIT Health Strategic Education Board and Commissioner of the UB Rector for the CHARM European Universities project.
Albert Cirera is vice Rector of Entrepreneurship, Transfer and Innovation at the University of Barcelona, boosting entrepreneurship and innovation training and acceleration.

Professor at Electronics and Biomedical Engineering Department of University of Barcelona. I have published more than 100 papers, directed more than 20 projects and directed 8 PhD thesis.

My scientific activity was awarded with ICREA Academia award in 2010. In parallel I have carried out initiatives and contracts with different companies. 10 patents and 2 spin-off founded, and received the Antoni Caparrós Award in 2008.
Coordinator Urban Planning, Environment & Health Initiative ISGlobal

Public health specialist, has over 15 years of experience connecting research with implementation. B.A. in Environmental Studies (Brown University, 1997), Master in Public Health (Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School) and a Master in Psychosocial Intervention (University of Barcelona 2009).
Assistant Professor University of Barcelona

Freelance Business Development and Management consultant specialized in the service industry. She has supported and trained organizations in the education, tourism and hospitality industries in business development.

Dedicated to health-related projects within the service industry, supporting entrepreneurs in the development of their new ventures and especially in the construction and implementation of their business models.

Currently experimenting with gaming and design thinking methodologies to improve strategic decision-making and contribute to creativity and innovation within organizations. Associate Professor at the Faculty of Management and Economics of the Universitat de Barcelona and member of the consolidated Business Research group (SGR-1168). She has taught internationally in-company and in several educational institutions at undergraduate and graduate levels. She collaborates actively with StartUB! as a mentor and trainer for young entrepreneurs.

She has been involved in several EIT Health projects with the Universitat de Barcelona (Injoy I & II; IBD4Health and AI For Health Summer Schools; d-Healthy; Innovation Day Barcelona 2018 & 2019, WeHealth Innovation Day 2019) and other European projects such as ACTTiVAte. Certified facilitator in the LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® method.

Bachelor and Master Program in Business Administration and Management from ESADE-Ramon Llull University. PhD candidate and researcher in the area of international business with a focus on the service industry.
Neil Ferguson Ph.D. is a Programme Manager who works with the Launchpad in the National University of Ireland Galway. Neil is focused on incubating and supporting the next generation of entrepreneurs through inspiring and supporting students and alumni in validating and development of their business ideas from concept to business launch.

Neil provides resources, one-on-one coaching, access to networks of advisors, and a place where entrepreneurs can find other like-minded students.

Neil also comes with 20+ years of experience of business development and held several management positions at NUI Galway’s Technology Transfer Office and Ireland’s Centre for Research in Medical Devices.

While there, he was instrumental in generating a large portfolio of patents, commercial agreements and spin-out companies.
Diagnostic Advisor Medical department at Médecins sans Frontières

I am a biologist with a Master in biology (physiology, molecular biology, biochemistry) and diploma on tropical disease from university of Paris. I work with MSF since 1998 and have done several missions in the field, mainly in Angola, Uganda, Malawi, Liberia.

For the past 14 years, I am working as Diagnostic Advisor in the medical department of MSF in Barcelona. Beside the direct technical support to MSF field projects, the role of the advisor is to look for the most appropriate diagnostic tools suitable for our missions. The main challenge is to find the appropriate diagnostic tools and strategies for neglected tropical diseases and outbreak investigations. I am currently supporting the development of the mobile outbreak laboratory initiative in MSF Barcelona.
EIT Health Alumni Ambassador

HealthTech Entrepreneur and Expert Patient Healthcare initiatives. He has a background in management, business and product development. Beginning his academic training as an engineer with a MSc in Telecommunications, complemented with a bachelor in market research and a MBA in international business.

He has engaged with several innovation and entrepreneurship programmes like the EIT Health Bioentrepreneurs Bootcamp and the Wild Card.

He is co-founder of Rheo Diagnostics and two other startups. He is currently founding a spin-off in the Urology field to improve the urinary tract health and the continence.

Joan is also the Local Representative in Barcelona of the EIT Health Alumni Network, Mentor of early-stage startups of University of Barcelona and Innovation Consultant of EIT Health projects. He loves to meet with other innovators and entrepreneurs, facilitate connections, and give back what he has learned, so drop him a line if he can contribute to the success of your Healthcare initiative.
Founder & CEO Newborn Solutions

Javier Jiménez was born in 1982 in Barcelona, Spain. He received his B.Sc. degree in Telecommunications in 2008 and his Ph.D. degree in Biomedical Engineering in 2016 from the Technical University of Barcelona, and his MBA in 2014 from EAE Business School (Barcelona).

After growing his expertise in electronics from 2004 to 2008 in the computer (Fujitsu-Siemens), communications (SMC Networking), automotive (Kostal), and space industries (Indra), his interests focused in medical imaging quantification at the High Technology Institute in Barcelona until 2012, and next on medical imaging innovation at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge (USA) until 2015, when he incorporated his first venture Newborn Solutions (NBS).

As an entrepreneur in medical devices, he has deepened his knowledge of technologies and has gained much know-how in business-related areas such as product development, management, intellectual property, quality and regulatory, finances or fundraising. Javier (and NBS) has received several awards and was recognized as the 2016 Innovator under 35 in Spain and top ten in EU by MIT Technology Review Magazine.
Tim has extensive commercial and technical experience with a BEng in Materials Engineering with business studies and a BSc in Medical Device Innovation. Having cut his teeth in product development as managing director of a start up in the UK, he has since focused solely on Medical Devices, working as a Senior Research & Development Engineer at Medtronic.

On completion of the BioInnovate Fellowship Program in 2017 his drive has been to develop technology within the interventional pulmonology space where he has built strong relationships with industry leaders and clinicians alike.

Working closely with healthcare professionals and patients is a key motivation to his passion in the Medtech sector.
Lola Jover, Programme Support Officer at the Education and Training Department at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health, ISGlobal. B.A in Pedagogy and MSc in Education and International Development from University College London.

She has more than 5 years’ experience managing international education projects in several international NGO’s in the UK and Nicaragua.

Currently, she works closely with the Academic Coordinator of the Education and Training Department coordinating the Master of Global Health from ISGlobal and the University of Barcelona.

She also assists with the coordination of other postgraduate courses and activities of the department.
Humanitarian Project Manager and Logistics Coordinator at Médecins sans Frontières

As a Humanitarian Project Manager and Logistics Coordinator for healthcare programmes, I have worked in complex operating environments for 24 years, across the world.

I have extensive experience in emergency disaster response and support to medical relief projects:

- Project Coordinator “Mobile Outbreak Laboratory” - Médecins Sans Frontières 2020
- Logistics Coordinator Ebola-MSF – DRC 2019
- Project manager - “Logistic Typology” project MSF Paris 2017
- Emergency Logistics Coordinator - MSF – Iraq 2017
- Logistics Referent - ALIMA 2014-2016
- International Logistics Coordinator – MSF - Brussels 2009-2014

- Coordinator of the Technical Support Unit – MSF Brussels 2003-2009
- Posted during this period in Zaire, Uganda, Sri-Lanka, Yemen, Sierra-Leone, Republic of Congo, Uganda, CAR, Afghanistan, Iran, Angola, DRC, Ethiopia, Chad, Sudan & Indonesia.


Bachelor “Logisticien de la Solidarité Internationale” Bioforce Développement Institute, France.
Head Economics and Focal Personal Sierra Leona, Sant Joan de Déu Children’s Hospital (HSJD)

Head of the Economic Management Support Unit at Hospital Sant Joan de Déu. Bachelor of Business Administration and Management and MBA at ESADE.

More than 18 years of experience in the health sector, in financial areas; developing management support tasks, creating indicators, improving circuits, implementing ERP management software.

Regular collaborator and reference person in SJD Barcelona Children’s Hospital with the Saint John of God Catholic Hospital in Sierra Leone, in organizational improvement projects, project development, search for financing.
EIT Health Alumni Ambassador

Ariadna Moreno

Research Assistant at the Center for Research in Healthcare Innovation Management at IESE Business School and EIT Health Alumni.

She has a background in engineering, management and health innovation. Ariadna graduated in Chemical Engineering from the Polytechnic University of Catalonia and got her MSc in Industrial Management and Innovation from Uppsala University in Sweden. Ariadna is currently working as a Research Assistant at the Center for Research in Healthcare Innovation Management at IESE Business School in Barcelona.

She supports the coordination and development of several EIT Health projects such as: leading the market and business analysis of an artificial pancreas for type 2 diabetic patients, supporting women empowerment in health innovation, and coordinating the business activities of a new technology for visual-motor rehabilitation.

Ariadna has been actively involved in EIT Health since its beginnings as a student and continues nowadays supporting the organization as a local representative of the EIT Health Alumni Network in Barcelona and beyond.
David Murphy is Director of Knowledge Transfer and Innovation at NUI Galway where he has responsibility for business innovation development and commercialisation of the University's intellectual property portfolio. This includes licensing, start-up support, research relationships with industry, and entrepreneurial support programmes.

Before taking up this post in 2015, David was Vice President for Innovation and External Relations with Fidelity Ireland where he established their European centre for applied technology, corporate social responsibility and communication programs and lead research, development and academic collaborations programmes.

David graduated from National University Ireland Galway receiving a Master's Degree in Technology Management and Innovation.
**BEGONYA NAFRIA**

Share4Rare project, Sant Joan de Déu Children’s Hospital (HSJD)

Patient Engagement in Research Coordinator at Sant Joan de Déu Children’s Hospital. She has long experience in the field of the involvement of patients and families in research initiatives. She has also a personal story as a caregiver and patient advocate because is the sister of a young adult with cerebral palsy. Her areas of expertise are focused in paediatric patients involvement in research and specifically in the field of clinical trials.

Fellow of EUPATI (first cohort), Coordinator of eYPAGnet (European Young Patients Advisory Group Network – www.eypagnet.eu), Coordinator of Kids Barcelona (YPAG of Sant Joan de Déu Children’s Hospital- www.kidsbarcelona.org), member of Children’s Medicines Working Party of EFPGCP, volunteer member of the Editorial Board of Center for Information & Study on Clinical Research Participation (CISCRP), reviewer of Research Involvement and Engagement Journal, Chair of the Educational Committee of ICAN (International Children’s Advocacy Network) and member of the Patients and Families working group of EmprEMA (European Network of Paediatric Research of EMA), Coordinator of the cross-cutting theme of patient’s involvement in Conect4Children project (pan-European paediatric clinical trials network) and participant of PARADIGM project, both funded by IMI. Coordinator of the Share4Rare project, funded by the European Commission (H2020) that has the aim to develop a digital platform addressed to improve the research in the field of rare diseases through the collective intelligence of patients and families (www.share4rare.org).
President of MSF Spain/OCBA since October 2016. Degree in Medicine and Surgery from the Autonomous University of Barcelona and a Master’s degree in Tropical Medicine and International Health from the University of Barcelona.

After an experience as a doctor in Girona (Spain), he made his first intervention in the field with MSF in 2001 in the Canary Islands, when he participated in an exploratory mission to assist the immigrant population. Since then, his work with MSF has taken him to Somalia, Côte d’Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, Angola, Zambia, India, Timor, Guinea Bissau, Tunisia, Libya, Ethiopia and South Sudan.

He has extensive experience in emergencies, has worked in contexts of conflict and displacement, violence, nutritional crises and emergencies related to epidemic outbreaks. During this period he has also been responsible for the Emergency Unit of MSF and operations coordinator in Latin America.

Founder of Humanitarian Cooperative, an organization that seeks to increase social awareness of humanitarian crises and the response of NGOs, has worked for institutions such as the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation for Development (AECID) and non-governmental organizations such as the Red Cross, Action against Hunger or Intermón Oxfam, among others.
Liliana Palacios is a nurse by profession, Master in Public Health and Structures management currently working in Médecins Sans Frontières Spain as Health Advisor in the Operations Department. She follows the activities in Democratic Republic of Congo, Central African Republic and Cameroon. Her role implies the guiding and orientation to the teams in the ground regarding the medical strategies to implement taking in consideration the context and technical standards.

Before this, she has worked for several years as Medical Coordinator and Field Coordinator in contexts as Colombia, Guatemala, Ethiopia, Yemen, Kenya and Haiti; where the response to emergencies are a permanent challenge to the teams.
Magda is a Senior Program Officer in the Global Program Advocacy and Communications team and is responsible for immunization advocacy and supports the Multilateral Partnerships team at BMGF. Prior to joining the foundation in 2016, she spent 20 years working for the UN, civil society, academia, government, and private sector. She has worked on development policies and programs on health, nutrition, education, gender, conflict and humanitarian affairs worldwide.

Magda was Special Adviser to Graça Machel for over a decade on women and children rights. Her previous positions include: Director of the Decade of Vaccines Collaboration; Head of Global Health Policy Barcelona Centre for International Health Research Hospital Clinic, University of Barcelona; Special Adviser to the Gavi Alliance Board Chair; Special Adviser on Gavi Private Philanthropy; Gavi Resources Mobilization Senior Program Officer; and Program Officer posts in DFID, WHO, UNAIDS and UNICEF. She studied at the University of Pennsylvania, has a degree from the Haarlem Business School in the Netherlands, and an MBA from Webster University.
JORDI SERRANO

Founder & CEO Universal Doctor

Medical Doctor and the Founder and CEO of UniversalDoctor: The Digital Global Health Company.

Most recently UniversalDoctor won the United Nations World Summit Award for Global Champion of the mHealth category. During the last weeks, UniversalDoctor together with a group of enthusiastic supporters has created and launched EpidemiXs, a project that wants to secure the dissemination of validated and curated content for the COVID-19 crisis and the collection of validated data from citizens. Recently he has been included in the Future50 HIMSS Europe: Supported by IBM Watson Health, is a new initiative by HIMSS Europe that aims to identify and bring together the top 50 Healthcare IT leaders in Europe.

Jordi was consulting as a Health and Innovation Consultant to the World Health Organization (WHO), from 2013 to 2016 where he coordinated different projects and supported the World Health Organisation Innovation Group.
Senior Adviser Programme Planning and Mentoring UNAIDS

Previously she served as the PEPFAR/GF Implementation Adviser for the UNAIDS Country Office in Nigeria. Focusing most of her attention on making the money from the USG/PEPFAR work in support of the Government of Nigeria. In addition, Ms. Sobers has been supporting the office in ensuring a functional Joint Team and the implementation of the Country Envelope. She also is very interested in Health and HIV Financing and has been working with the Government of Nigeria to look at pathways for sustaining the HIV Response in the face of flattening external donor resources.

Prior to her assignment in Nigeria, Ms. Sobers supported the development and implementation of Global Fund Grants in the Caribbean as the UNAIDS Regional Investment and Efficiency Adviser, first posted to the Regional office in Trinidad and Tobago and later to the Sub-Regional Team in Jamaica.

Ms. Sobers started her career in UNAIDS Belize, supporting strategic information, policy and strategy development and high-level advocacy for keeping HIV on the political agenda.

After completing her undergraduate studies in Biotechnology and Statistics from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica, Ms. Sobers worked as a statistician for the Belize Social Security Board and later as the Monitoring and Evaluations Officer for the National AIDS Commission.

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