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MARIKA BERNHARD (NÉE BAUR), Senior Project Manager, International Relations, Robert Bosch Foundation

Within the international relations department of the Robert Bosch Stiftung, Marika is in charge of projects focusing on social innovation and entrepreneurship — changing civic space and community philanthropy. As a member of the steering committee for social investments, Marika is also responsible for the foundation's related activities. Alongside her work at the Robert Bosch Stiftung, Marika is founder and chairwoman of a network and think-tank for social entrepreneurship in southern Germany. Before joining the Robert Bosch Stiftung in 2016, she served as a cultural manager in Germany, Israel and Spain. Marika studied Cultural Studies at the University of Tubingen and holds a master's degree in Non-Profit Management & Communications from Zeppelin University, Friedrichshafen.



For the past decade, JP has worked to foster collaboration and build partnerships across sectors to advance community wellbeing and sustainable development. He joined CFC in 2014 to help connect the work of Canada's community foundation movement with a network of partners from the public and private sector and civil society.

Prior to joining CFC, JP held various positions in the international development sector in Canada, and internationally, including at North Star Alliance, a groundbreaking public-private partnership founded by the UN World Food Programme and TNT Express.

ANDREA DICKS, Chief Operating Offiver, Community Foundations of Canada

Andrea brings a unique perspective to the CFC team having held roles in both the nonprofit and corporate philanthropy sectors. Andrea has held leadership positions with the PricewaterhouseCoopers Canada Foundation and the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Toronto and Central Ontario, and was the founding Executive Director of the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough. Following this role, Andrea headed north to Ottawa to join the Rideau Hall Foundation start-up team alongside CFC. After supporting the Rideau Hall Foundation's incubation, Andrea returned to focus fully on community foundations. Today, as CFC's Chief Operating Officer, she works across the full breadth and depth of CFC's purpose — relentlessly pursuing a future where everyone belongs.









IRINA NOVIKOVA, Program Director, CAF Russia

Irina first began working in philanthropy eight years ago at Charities Aid Foundation and continues to be inspired by her experiences at work. For several years now, she has worked with the Community Philanthropy Support Program where she is involved in impact measurement of charitable projects, using an approach that focuses on social return on investment. Irena loves her job and the feeling of satisfaction that comes with helping people and accomplishing projects. She is fond of travelling and reading (her favourite book is "The Lord of the Rings" by J.R.R. Tolkien as it describes simple truths like real friendship, faith and love, and most importantly, teaches us to never lose hope or give up.



CAREN MOIRONGO, Assistant to the Managing Director & Project Referent, Community Foundation of Stuttgard

Having worked as the Assistant to the Managing Director and Project Referent for the Community Foundation of Stuttgart for three years, Caren has seen first-hand the importance of engaging civil society as well as local private and governmental sectors in helping shape communities so that no one is left behind. Many of Bürgerstiftung Stuttgart's projects are initiated at roundtables where its staff invite different actors to work on these issues. Among other topics, her current interests include conversations about diversity and inclusion, topics with which she has lived experience.



ULKIRE REICHART, Director, Community Foundations Germany

In 2012 Ulrike took over the lead of the community foundation project and created a lively network/alliance of 400 associated community foundations in Germany. With representatives from community foundations, she developed an overall strategic vision for the CFs and the alliance. The vision is: community foundations in Germany become professional non-profit asset managers, platforms for civic engagement and specialists in agenda setting for their local society by 2030.



