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Thanks [REDACTED]! Moving you to BCC.

[REDACTED] – Thanks for accepting one more source for your consideration! I work with the [Future Investment Initiative Institute \(FII\)](#), which you might be familiar with as it hosts an annual gathering of high-profile CEOs and executives in Riyadh each year.

Wanted to offer the Chairman, [Richard Attias](#) and CEO, [Penny Richards](#) as potential sources for [REDACTED]. FII might not be a household name necessarily but among global business leaders and CEO's it is well known and draws high profile names. It would be a great opportunity to talk with Richard and / or Penny about how they have crafted this stellar network as a non-profit to make real impact across global investment and political landscapes. I've included a bit more about their backgrounds below my signature but look forward to hearing from you if this might be a fit!

Thanks,  
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**Richard Attias** has led the charge in convening global leaders for over 8 years at FII and can speak to what it means to be a 'leader of leaders' gathering global CEOs, business executives and policymakers to discuss the most pressing advancements around technology, education, healthcare and sustainability. **Unlike many of his peers, Richard is someone who has occupied positions at the top of the corporate world and now as a global leader in the third sector, which he feels has given him a set of unique perspectives, including his steadfast belief in the need for the public sector to work in partnership with the private sector, which is often better placed to drive change and innovation.**

He has an interesting background, having been involved in the development and production

of more than 2000 events over the past 30 years, including World Economic Forum Annual Meeting at Davos, Clinton Global Initiative, Nobel Laureates Conferences, The New York Forum, The New York Forum AFRIC, UNESCO NGO Forum, One Planet Summit, Olympism In Action, Future Investment Initiative, Bloomberg New Economy Forum, The African Cup, The African Games, and multiple opening ceremonies.

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**Penny Richards** brings a wealth of experience in leadership and organizational development as FII Institute's CEO. She was the founding CEO of the Aspen Institute in the UK, where she transformed a visionary concept into a dynamic organization, fostering a committed community of leaders across the UK and globally. Her distinguished career includes significant roles at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the BBC, where she served as Asia Bureau Chief Editor, overseeing news coverage for half the world's population. Ms. Richards has also been the Chief Operating Officer for The Elders, a group of independent global leaders working together for peace and human rights.

Penny also sits on a number of non-profit organization's Boards and committees – including Medical Action Myanmar, Aspen Institute UK and ShelterBox.

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