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FUTURE TALENT FORUM NYU Abu Dhabi

Transformational Leadership

Welcome to policymakers, corporate executives,
and university leaders from around the world



The demands of leadership today have never been more complex. In the face of rapid change and instability, it means finding direction in the noise, making sense of what feels uncertain, and pulling people with you into the unknown.

Venue

NYU Abu Dhabi

Saadiyat Marina District



Official Agenda
Nov 12-13, 2025
Agenda Subject to Change

Agenda **November 12** Morning 10:00 – 13:00

10:00-10:30 Registration & Coffee

10:30-10:35

Welcome Address

Daniel **Kjellsson**

Director-General, **Future Talent Council**

Claudia **Tattanelli**

Chairperson of the Board

Future Talent Council

10:35-10:45

Welcome Address

Baishakhi **Taylor**

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs,

NYU Abu Dhabi

10:45-11:00

Opening Statement

From Hype to Evidence:

3 Labor Market Realities

Right Now

Elena **Magrini**

Head of Global Research, **Lightcast**

11:00-11:30

Technology, Talent &

Transformation: Shaping the

Future of Work

Dr. Christian **Schmeichel**

SVP and Global Head of People & Culture

Services, **SAP**

11:30-12:00

From Vision to Action:

Cross-Sector Leadership for

the Future of Work &

Learning

Claudia **Tattanelli** (Moderator)

Chairperson of the Board

Future Talent Council

CEO & Cofounder, **C-Yourculture**

John **Fischetti**

Chair, **Future Talent Council**, Center for

Higher Education Transformation

Mark **Patterson**

Executive Director, **Magnet / Toronto**

Metropolitan University

Roselyn **Cason-Marcus**

Global Director of Partner Talent

Attraction and Affinity, **McKinsey**

12:00-12:30

Cognitive Offloading:

AI at Work and the Human

Costs of Convenience

Prof. Dr. Michael **Gerlich**

Head of Center for Strategic Corporate

Foresight and Sustainability,

SBS Swiss Business School

12:30-13:00

The Next Generation

Speaks: Youth Perspectives

on Jobs, Skills, and the

Future of Work & Learning

Danielle **Solar**

Executive Director,

FTC Emerging Leader Initiatives

13:00-13:50

Lunch

Agenda November 12 Afternoon 14:00 -16:00

Breakout Discussions 14:00-14:45

ROOM 001C	ROOM 012	MAIN STAGE	ROOM 007
<p>AI Policy and the Urgency of University Innovation</p> <p>John Fischetti Chair, Future Talent Council Center for Higher Education Transformation</p> <p>Emir Cetinel Director, Strategic Insight Networks, Future Talent Council</p> <p>Prof. Samantha Pugh Institutional Academic Lead for AI, Professor of STEM Education, University of Leeds</p> <p>Bing Xiang Founding Dean, Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business</p>	<p>The Power of Culture: Driving Transformation and Business Success</p> <p>Claudia Tattanelli, CEO C-YourCulture</p>	<p>Turning Vision into Velocity: The Power of Transformational Leadership (from a dataset of 30,000 C-suite assessments)</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Michael Gerlich Head of Center for Strategic Corporate Foresight and Sustainability, SBS Swiss Business School</p> <p>Daniel Kjellsson Director-General, Future Talent Council</p> <p>Rob Henderson CEO, Biotalent Canada</p>	<p>Inside Schneider Electric's Talent Attraction Strategy</p> <p>Asli Cakir, VPHR Gulf Countries, Schneider Electric</p>

Breakout Discussions 15:00-15:45

ROOM 001C	MAIN STAGE	ROOM 007
<p>Bringing the Good Weather – A Framework for Transformational Leadership</p> <p>John Fischetti Chair, Future Talent Council, Center for Higher Education Transformation</p>	<p>Careers in Flux: Labor Market Insights on AI Skills & Ageless Talent</p> <p>Elena Magrini Global Head of Research, Lightcast</p> <p>Mark Patterson Executive Director, Magnet / Toronto Metropolitan University</p>	<p>Retention as TA Strategy</p> <p>Tim Ackermann, Director People & Culture, International Freezone Authority, Dubai (IFZA)</p>

15:50-16:00

Closing Remarks

Daniel **Kjellsson**
Director-General, **Future Talent Council**

Claudia **Tattanelli**
Chairperson of the Board, **Future Talent Council**

Baishakhi **Taylor**
Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, **NYU Abu Dhabi**

16:00

Networking, facilitated 1-on-1 meetings, refreshments



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Day 2

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Agenda November 13 Morning 9:00 – 12:00

09:30-10:20 Registration & Coffee

10:00-10:05

Welcome Back

Daniel **Kjellsson**

Director-General, **Future Talent Council**

Claudia **Tattanelli**

Chairperson of the Board

Future Talent Council

10:05-10:35

AI Is Not the Point, It's What Comes After That Matters

Nancy **Gleason**

Future of Work Expert, and Director of Academic Excellence, **Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI)**

10:35-11:15

The New Architecture of Work From Classroom to Boardroom

– and Back. Rethinking Job Design, Capability Models, & Organizational Culture When AI is Everywhere

Lisa **Umenyiora**

Executive Director, Careers and Student Life, Imperial Business School

Sharan **Singh**

Chief Growth Officer, Minerva Project

Massimiliano **Savarese**

Executive Vice President, Organization and Culture Transformation, First Abu Dhabi Bank

Daniel Kjellsson (Moderator)

Director-General, Future Talent Council

11:15-12:00

Human Capital in an Age of Infinite Machine Capability

Julian **Phillips** & his AI **Athena**

Author, Speaker, Futurist & Business Leader

12:15-13:00

Lunch

Breakout Discussions 13:10-14:00

ROOM 001B

Building Bridges: K12 & Higher Education contd.

John **Fischetti**

Chair, **Future Talent Council**, Center for Higher Education Transformation

ROOM 005

Communicating Culture

Fatema **Al Afeefi**, Chief People & Impact Officer (Acting), **du**

ROOM 001C

Identifying and Managing AI Workforce Risk as a Leader

Elena **Magrini**

Head of Global Research, **Lightcast**

Daniel **Kjellsson**

Director-General, **Future Talent Council**

Mark **Patterson**

Executive Director, Toronto Metropolitan University

Paul **Preston**

Chief Strategy Officer, **Keyin College**

Breakout Discussions 14:15-15:00

ROOM 001B

Building Bridges: K12 & Higher Education contd.

John **Fischetti**

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ROOM 005

Fostering Inclusive Cultures: Beyond Diversity, Toward Belonging

Roselyn **Cason-Marcus**, Global Director of Partner Talent Attraction and Affinity at **McKinsey**

Monroe **France**, Strategic Advisor to the President, **Adler University**

ROOM 001C

Future-proof Talent Attraction: Strategies, Tactics and Partnerships.

Stefan **Müller-Nedebock**,

Managing Partner, **C-YourCulture**

Hala **Baddawi**

Regional Head of Talent Attraction, **Schneider Electric**

Carissa **Hickling**

ex-Global Head of TA, TA Intelligence, **Siemens**

Rob **Henderson**

CEO, **Biotalent Canada**

15:15-15:45

Closing Day Two

Final Remarks & Summary



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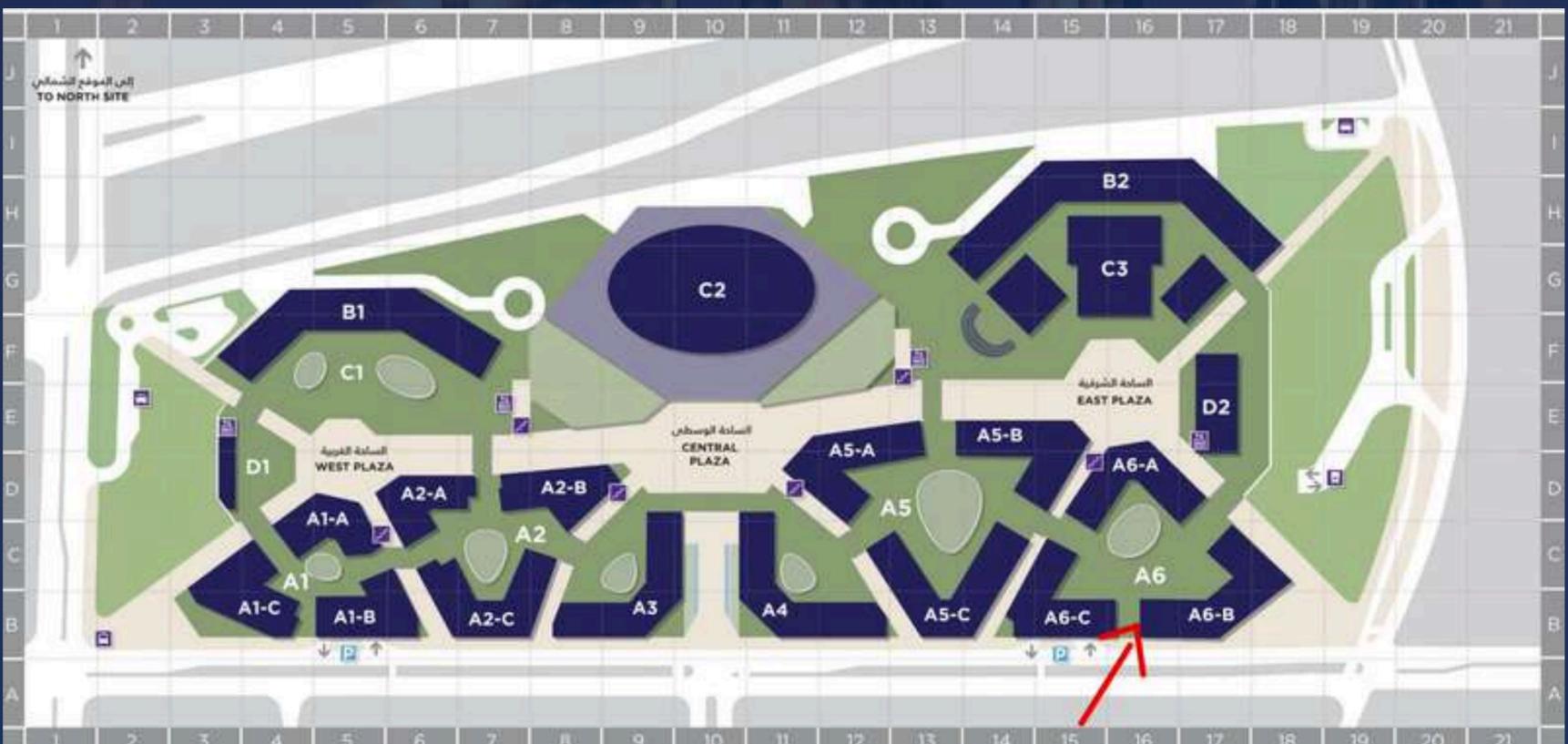
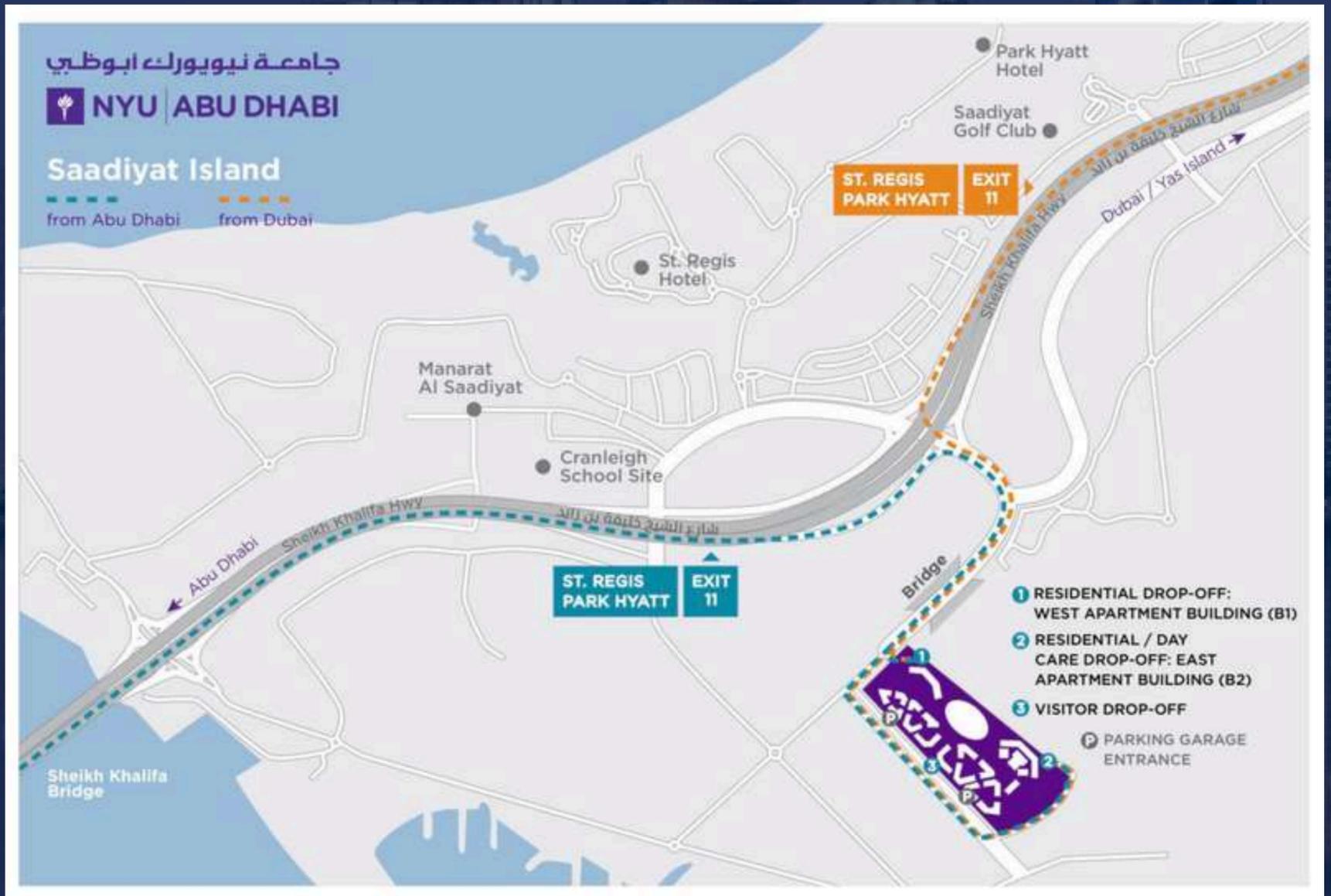
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