# If We Want to Win: A Latine Vision for a New American Democracy

### Participant Bios

### **Diana Campoamor**

Diana Campoamor is an editor, an advisor to philanthropists, and a mentor to change makers. She founded the Nuestra América Fund (NAF), an initiative focused on documenting Latine leadership and best practices in philanthropy. She was the founding President of Hispanics in Philanthropy (HIP) through 2017. Campoamor served on the Boards of the Council on Foundations, Independent Sector, and the International Planned Parenthood Federation/Western Hemisphere Region. Among her honors, she received the Council's Scrivner Award for Creative Grantmaking, the Maestro Award from Latino Leaders magazine, and was named consecutively among *The NonProfit Times* "Top 50 Leaders." She previously edited *Nuevos Senderos: Hispanics and Philanthropy*.

#### Nelson I. Colón

Dr. Nelson I. Colón is the president and CEO of the Puerto Rico Community Foundation (<u>Fundación Comunitaria de Puerto Rico</u>), a philanthropic institution with a 35-year trajectory, working with communities in Puerto Rico and sharing its knowledge internationally. He holds a Doctorate degree in Education from Harvard University, an MA in Cultural Anthropology from SUNY Binghamton, and a BA in Sociology from University of Puerto Rico (UPR).

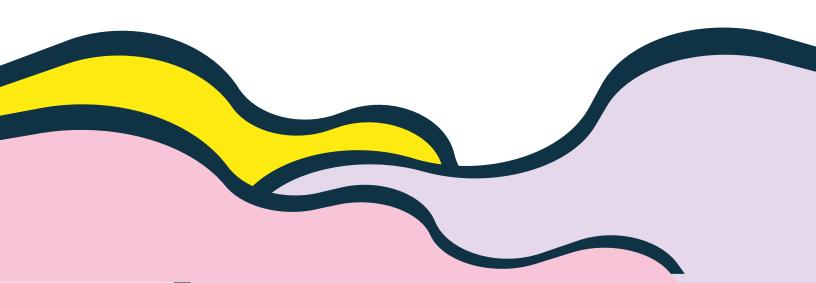
He joined the Foundation in the early 80's as program director and became president and CEO in 2000. Under his leadership, several initiatives aimed at building equity in Puerto Rican communities have been launched, in the areas of education, housing, community, and economic development, and—after Hurricane María—renewable energy, water, racial, and gender equity, and Sustainable Development Goals. Also, after the 2020 earthquakes and the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Colón lead the design and implementation of the Foundation's philanthropic response to both emergencies, focusing on promoting and strengthening community action. The Foundation has centered its strategy on building community capital from the ground up: human, social, physical, financial, environmental, and cultural.

Dr. Colón has spoken on issues of community capital, racial equality, economics, human rights, and philanthropy at many events on the Island, the United States, and countries in America, Africa, Europe, and Asia. He stands out in the global arena, leading the first international meeting of community foundations in Bellagio, Italy, in 1996, and the first International Community Philanthropy Conference in 1997 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He has received numerous recognitions, including Distinguished Faculty, University for a Night 2002 Seminar, at the United Nations. He also founded and directed the Caribbean Project for Peace and Justice of the American Friends Service Committee.

He has taught anthropology at major universities in Puerto Rico (Universidad de Puerto Rico y Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico), and has served on several boards of directors related to education and philanthropy in Puerto Rico and the U.S. His writings have been published in international magazines such as *Revista - Journal Harvard Review of Latin America*, and *El Nuevo Día*, the main newspaper on the Island.

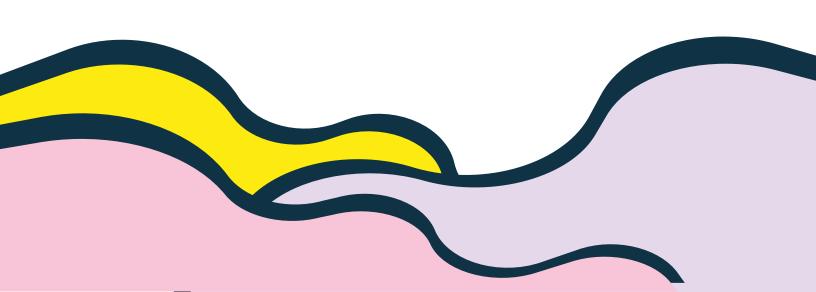
## **Anjanette Delgado**

Puerto Rican writer and journalist Anjanette Delgado authored a 2009 Latino International Book Award winner, *The Heartbreak Pill* (Simon and Schuster, 2008), as well as *The Clairvoyant of Calle Ocho* (Kensington Publishing & Penguin Random House, 2014). She has contributed to numerous anthologies, *The Kenyon Review*, *Pleiades*, *Vogue*, the *New York Times* ("Modern Love"), the *Hong Kong Review*, National Public Radio, and HBO. A Bread Loaf Conference alumnus, she won an Emmy Award for writing in 1994 and served as a 2015 Flannery O'Connor Short Fiction Award judge and as a 2016 Peter Taylor Fellow in Fiction. Her short story "Lucky" was a 2020 Pushcart Prize nominee. She holds a Florida International University master's degree in creative writing and lives in Miami.



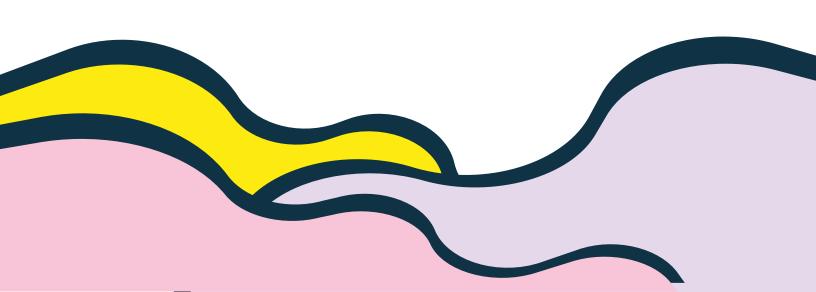
### Julio Frenk (Opening Remarks)

Dr. Frenk is the president of the University of Miami since August of 2015. He also holds academic appointments as Professor of Public Health Sciences at the Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine, as Professor of Health Sector Management and Policy at the Miami Business School, and as Professor of Sociology at the College of Arts and Sciences. Prior to joining the University of Miami, he served for seven years as the dean of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and the T & G Angelopoulos Professor of Public Health and International Development, a joint appointment with the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. Dr. Frenk was the Minister of Health of Mexico from 2000 to 2006. There he pursued an ambitious agenda to reform the nation's health system and introduced a program of comprehensive universal coverage, known as Seguro Popular, which expanded access to health care for more than fifty-five million previously uninsured persons. He was the founding director-general of the National Institute of Public Health in Mexico, one of the leading institutions of its kind in the developing world. He also served as executive director in charge of Evidence and Information for Policy at the World Health Organization and as senior fellow in the global health program of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, among other leadership positions. His scholarly production, which includes over 180 articles in academic journals, as well as many books and book chapters, has been cited over 23,000 times. In addition, he has written three best-selling novels for youngsters explaining the functions of the human body. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the U.S. National Academy of Medicine, the National Academy of Medicine of Mexico, and El Colegio Nacional. Dr. Frenk holds a medical degree from the National University of Mexico, as well as a Master of Public Health and a joint Ph.D. in Medical Care Organization and in Sociology from the University of Michigan. He has received honorary degrees from ten universities.



## Felicia Marie Knaul (Closing Remarks)

Dr. Knaul has dedicated more than three decades to academic, advocacy and policy work in global health focused on reducing inequities and improving the condition of vulnerable groups, primarily in low- and middle-income countries and especially in Latin America and the Caribbean. At the University of Miami, she is a Professor at the Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine, Director of the Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas, and a Full Member of the Cancer Control Program at the Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. Her research focuses on global health, cancer, and especially breast cancer, access to pain relief and palliative care, health systems, and reform, health financing, women and health, medical employment, poverty and inequity, female labor force participation, and at-risk children and youth. Dr. Knaul has produced nearly 300 academic and policy publications and has authored and served as lead editor of several books. She has created and coordinated many international research and advocacy networks and serves on several editorial boards. Dr. Knaul maintains a strong and synergistic global program of research and advocacy anchored in Mexico, where she is Senior Economist at the Mexican Health Foundation; member of the Mexican National Academy of Medicine; and Level III (senior) of the Mexican National System of Researchers. In 2008, because of her breast cancer experience, Dr. Knaul founded Cáncer de Mama: Tómatelo a Pecho, a Mexican non-profit agency that promotes research, advocacy, awareness, and early detection, and has trained thousands of primary care personnel using novel techniques that are now being applied in other countries in Latin America and in South Florida with migrant populations. She has expanded her advocacy work internationally and currently serves on philanthropic boards including NCD Child, Casa de Esperanza, Women in Global Health, and the International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care (IAHPC).



## **Dr. Lillian Manzor** (Moderator)

Dr. Lillian Manzor is Associate Professor of Modern Languages and Literatures and Hemispheric Caribbean Studies at the University of Miami and Founding Director of the Cuban Theater Digital Archive (<a href="www.cubantheater.org">www.cubantheater.org</a>). She is widely published in the field of Latin American and Latine cultural studies and theater and performance studies. As a community engaged scholar, she works with many theater companies in the United States, Cuba, and Latin America, and she has been actively involved in developing US-Cuba cultural dialogues through theater and performance since 1993.

# **Hector Mujica**

Hector Mujica leads the economic opportunity portfolio at Google.org—Google's philanthropy arm—across the Americas. Prior to Google, Mujica worked, among other jobs, performing constituent casework at the office of U.S. Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz in South Florida and in bilateral relations at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. Mujica holds a bachelor's degree in international business from Florida International University, a certificate in social entrepreneurship from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, and a master's degree in public administration from the University of California, Berkeley. Outside of work, Mujica serves on the Boards of Directors of Hispanics in Philanthropy and the Hispanic Federation. The Venezuelan-born philanthropy executive grew up near Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and now resides in Berkeley, California.



#### Robert K. Ross, MD

Dr. Robert K. Ross is President and Chief Executive Officer for the California Endowment, a health foundation. Before his July 2000 appointment, Dr. Ross served as Director of the Health and Human Services Agency for San Diego County. His past service also includes Philadelphia Department of Public Health Commissioner, clinical medicine instructor at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and San Diego State University's School of Public Health faculty. He serves on the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans and as Co-Chair of the Diversity in Philanthropy Coalition. Dr. Ross was a member of the Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors Board, National Vaccine Advisory Committee, and the Board of Grantmakers in Health. He is an American Academy of Pediatrics Diplomate. He was a Council on Foundations Distinguished Grantmaker of the Year for 2008.

