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Presenter biographies

Mr Chris Butler-Stroud

Chris Butler-Stroud has been the International Director, of WDCS, Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society since 1999, developing the organization from being solely a funding body for conservation research into a global advocacy organization.

During this time Chris has also actively participated in international process including the International Whaling Commission both as a Non-Government participant and also as a specialist adviser to the United Kingdom Government, in Convention on International Trade and Endangered Species, United Nations Environment Programme Protocol Concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (Caribbean), the Convention on Migratory Species, Agreement on the Conservation of Cetaceans in the Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea and Contiguous Atlantic Areas and the Agreement for the Conservation of Small Cetaceans of the Baltic and North Seas

Whilst with WDCS, Chris has served for ten years as a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the United Kingdom based Wildlife and Countryside Link, a registered charity, coordinating the activities of over 38 wildlife and countryside non-Government organisations (collectively with a membership of over eight million supporters) in their policy delivery with the United Kingdom Government.

Dr Matti Häyry

Matti Häyry is Professor of Bioethics and Philosophy of Law at the University of Manchester, United Kingdom; and during 2009-2011 Professorial Fellow at the University of Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, Finland.

In Manchester, he is the founder and director of the Doctoral Programme in Bioethics and Medical Jurisprudence. Matti is a founder member of the International Association of Bioethics, and he served on its Board of Directors during 2001-2009, most recently as the Association's President in 2007-2009.

He is the author, co-author, and co-editor of 26 books and volumes, including *Liberal Utilitarianism and Applied Ethics* (Routledge 1994), *The Ethics and Governance of Human Genetic Databases* (Cambridge University Press 2007), and *Rationality and the Genetic Challenge: Making People Better?* (Cambridge University Press 2010).

Matti Häyry was one of the original signatories of the Declaration on Great Apes in 1993.

Dr Sudhir Chopra

Professor Chopra is a Law Fellow at the Cambridge Central Asia Forum, Cambridge University, UK since February 2007. Earlier he was with the Lauterpacht Centre for Research in International Law and the Scott Polar Research Institute and Wolfson College and the Centre for International Studies. In Europe he has held teaching appointments at the University of Luxembourg, the University of Newcastle upon Tyne - UK, Riga Graduate School of Law - Latvia, Central European University - Hungary and has also lectured at the Katholic University of Leuvan, Belgium. In 2006 he was Piet Gilhuis Chair on the Future of Environmental Law in Tilburg University, Netherlands.

In India he has been a Professor of Law at the Calcutta University and National Law School of India Bangalore. In North America he has taught at the University of California Irvine, Western State University College of Law, San Diego and Valparaiso University, Indiana. He has also taught at the University of West Indies.

Dr. Chopra worked for the Department of Environment Government of India as its first Environmental Law Officer and later worked for the United States Environmental Protection Agency in Dallas. At the American Society of International Law he served as the Chairman of the Antarctica Group from 1984 to 1994 and Chairman of the Wildlife Law Group from 1986 to 1994 and Co-Chair from 1994 to 2004. He serves on the Editorial Boards of the International Legal Materials and the Journal of International Wildlife Law.

His major publications are: *The Antarctic Legal Regime*, co-editor (Nijhoff - 1988); *International Environmental Law*, co-author (Lupas - 1993 and 1995); "Whales Their Emerging Right to Life," co-author (American Journal of International Law, 1991). In May 1984 he raised the issue of Ozone Hole, Climate Change and melting of the Antarctic ice at Canberra ANZAS Congress.

Dr Thomas White

Thomas I. White is the Conrad N. Hilton Professor in Business Ethics and Director of the Center for Ethics and Business at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California. Professor White received his doctorate in philosophy from Columbia University and taught at Upsala College and Rider University in New Jersey, before moving to California in 1994.

Professor White is the author of five books (*Right and Wrong*, *Discovering Philosophy*, *Business Ethics*, *Men and Women at Work* and *In Defense of Dolphins: The New Moral Frontier*) and numerous articles on topics ranging from sixteenth-century Renaissance humanism to business ethics.

His most recent research has focused on the philosophical implications – especially the ethical implications – of the scientific research on dolphins. Professor White's latest book, *In Defense of Dolphins*, addresses the ethical issues connected with human/dolphin interaction – for example, the deaths and injuries of dolphins in connection with the human fishing industry and the captivity of dolphins in the entertainment industry. He is currently working on a book that extends the analysis of *In Defense of Dolphins* to orcas and the larger whales.

Professor White is a Fellow of the Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics in the United Kingdom and served as U.S. Ambassador for the United Nations' Year of the Dolphin program. He is also a Scientific Advisor to the Wild Dolphin Project, the research organization supporting Dr. Denise Herzing's long-term study of a community of Atlantic spotted dolphins in the Bahamas.

Dr Hal Whitehead

Hal Whitehead is the Killam Professor in the Department of Biology at Dalhousie University in Canada. Dr Whitehead was educated at Cambridge University. His research focuses on social organization and cultural transmission in the deep-water whales, but he also works on their ecology, population biology and conservation. Field work is mainly carried out in the North Atlantic and South Pacific Oceans. He has developed statistical tools and software for analyzing vertebrate social systems. He uses individual-based stochastic computer models to study cultural evolution, gene-culture coevolution and mating strategies.

Hal Whitehead, who has published numerous refereed journal articles and book chapters, is the author, among other books, of *Analyzing Animal Societies: Quantitative Methods for Vertebrate Social Analysis* (University of Chicago Press, 2008) and of *Sperm Whales: Social Evolution in the Ocean* (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2003). He is also co-editor of *Cetacean Societies: Field Studies of Dolphins and Whales* (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1999).

Dr Lori Marino

Lori Marino is Senior Lecturer in Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology and an affiliate of the Center for Ethics, both at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. She is also co-founder and Director of *The Aurelia Center for Animals and Cultural Change*, a new non-profit organization focused on the application of science and scholarship to animal advocacy to promote change in how we perceive other animals. Her research interests include the evolution of brain, intelligence and self-awareness in cetaceans (dolphins and whales) and other species, human-nonhuman animal relationships, and animal welfare/rights and ethics. She is the author of over 80 publications in the areas of cetacean neuroanatomy and brain evolution, comparative behavioral ecology and evolution in cetaceans and primates, and the ethical dimensions of human-nonhuman relationships. In 2001, she and Diana Reiss published the first definitive evidence for mirror self-recognition in bottlenose dolphins in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. She has published several methodological critiques of dolphin-assisted therapy and dolphin-human interaction programs as well. She teaches animal intelligence, brain imaging, animal welfare, and many other related courses.

Mr Nicholas Entrup/Dr Margi Prideaux

Nicolas Entrup, is the Managing Director of the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (WDCS) Germany and in Austria. He has been active in campaigning for animal rights and animal protection initiatives internationally for 20 years, the last 18 of which has been focused on the conservation and protection and cetaceans. Nicolas was invited to establish WDCS in continental Europe, founding the organization's presence in Munich, Germany in 1999.

His main focus is acting as international campaigner and campaign coordinator for WDCS priority campaigns, predominantly to ban whaling and preventing the capture and trade of cetaceans. He regularly represents WDCS at international conferences and processes, including the International Whaling Commission, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, the Convention on Migratory Species, and the Agreement for the Conservation of Cetaceans in the Mediterranean and Black Seas, as well as formal representation of WDCS with public and Governmental and Intern-Governmental decision makers.

Margi Prideaux is specialist in migratory species protection policy development, with over 19 years of marine policy and negotiation experience; she has participated in over a dozen different international and Australian domestic processes.

Margi completed her PhD in International Relations, in 2003, focusing on the development of cetacean protection policy & law and until recently was an Associate Fellow and Adjunct Lecturer with the School of International Studies at the University of South Australia. She has numerous reports, papers and conference

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presentations on marine migratory species protection, regional agreement development, marine protected areas and the role of global civil society in track one and track two international diplomacy. Margi currently serves as the Strategic Policy Director to the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (International).

Dott Paola Cavalieri

Paola Cavalieri, is the editor of the international philosophy journal *Etica & Animali*, the author of *The Animal Question. Why Nonhuman Animals Deserve Human Rights* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2001) and of *The Death of The Animal: A Dialogue* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2009).

She co-edited, with Peter Singer, the award-winning book *The Great Ape Project: Equality beyond Humanity* (London, Fourth Estate 1993).

Dott. Paola Cavalieri is the principle organizer of this conference *Cetacean Rights: Fostering and Moral and Legal Change*