

CULTURE, CREATIVITY AND SPORT AWARD



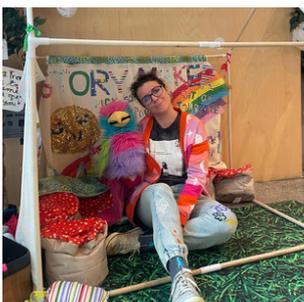
SOFIE QWARNSTRÖM
University of Essex, Edinburgh and Glasgow

Dr. Sofie Qwarnström is a Jung and Shakespeare scholar, author, and the founder and artistic director of Hoops of Iron, the first professional English-language theatre company in the Geneva region. Her vibrant theatre productions provoke community engagement and intercultural dialogue across borders. She now aims to build Hoops of Iron into a cross-European touring platform and develop a Shakespeare-based drama-therapy methodology.



YINGYING ZHENG
School of Oriental and African Studies

YingYing Zheng is the co-founder of two independent designer brands "Moment the Label" and "The Corner Paris". Her UK experience became the theoretical foundation of her brand's aesthetic philosophy which integrates critical thinking, open dialogue and cross-cultural awareness into fashion. Today, her brands are stocked in over 200 boutiques worldwide, from Saint-Tropez to Brugge, Milan, Singapore and Hong Kong.



FANNI SÜTŐ
University of Roehampton, London

Fanni Sütő is a teacher, storyteller, writer, and translator whose multifaceted work aims to educate, connect, and bring people together through language and stories. As a writer, she represented Hungary at the EU-China Literary Festival, showcasing her country's creativity and cultural heritage. Her UK education gave her mastery of English, insight into multiculturalism, and the resilience to thrive independently.

Today, Fanni uses her multicultural awareness and empathy to teach diverse audiences and tell stories that foster understanding and connection.

BUSINESS AND INNOVATION AWARD



ADAM MESSAI
Cranfield University

Adam Hakim Messai is a French–Algerian business leader and Deputy CEO of SAIDAL Group, Algeria’s national pharmaceutical champion. He leads large-scale industrial and healthcare transformations that strengthen medicine supply, improve service levels, and build more resilient systems across Europe and Africa.



PRISCILLA PETIT
University of Essex

Priscilla Tshibemba-Petit is an international legal counsel in financial services and insurance regulation at a leading Paris law firm. Dual-trained in Common Law and Civil Law, she holds an LL.B in English and French Law from the University of Essex and the University of Paris Nanterre. She is involved in regulatory matters and the regulatory aspects of M&A transactions for French and international financial institutions. Priscilla is Co-Chair of the American Bar Association’s International Finance and Securities Committee and the founder of Voilà The Budget, a personal finance platform reaching over 18,000 followers.



PIERRE TIBERGHIE
King’s College London

Pierre Tiberghien is a Paris-based lawyer specialising in intellectual property and the music industry. After five years as a litigation lawyer in leading international law firms, he founded his own independent practice and now advises artists, managers and producers on structuring their careers, protecting their rights and negotiating contracts. Pierre now aims to grow his practice and build a larger firm dedicated to empowering creative professionals and shaping a fairer, more sustainable creative industry in France.

SOCIAL ACTION AWARD



LOÏC CHAVE
University of Sheffield

Loïc Chave, former national lead on LGBTQIA+ rights at the French Ombudsman's office, is now head executive of Le Refuge Foundation's Observatory, main shelter for queer people rejected by their families. Their work has shaped national policies and supported 400 people annually, while training 500 regional advocates. Today, they wish to continue to improve access to rights for queer people, for example by printing and expanding the reach of the Observatory's latest report so it can guide more policymakers and advocates.



PAUL DE MARNIX
King's College London

Paul de Marnix is Chief Executive Officer of 21, the social innovation accelerator of the French Red Cross. He leads programmes supporting entrepreneurs developing solutions for disability, ageing, child protection and poverty reduction. To date, 21 has supported over 90 entrepreneurs, whose innovations have positively impacted more than 530,000 people across France. He now aims to scale social innovation further by strengthening cooperation between public institutions, civil society and entrepreneurs in Europe.



MANON LUQUAND
University of Edinburgh

Manon Luquand is a social innovation and gender equality advocate, and the founder of the programme "Elles Cassent Tout" #ShelImpacts, funded by the British Council through a climate action initiative. The programme supports women entrepreneurs, with a particular focus on women from rural and disadvantaged areas, by creating a safe and empowering space for them to build confidence, strengthen public speaking skills, and develop sustainable entrepreneurial projects. Through this work, Manon has contributed to advancing gender equity, climate-conscious entrepreneurship, and leadership opportunities for women at the local and national levels in France.

SCIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY AWARD



JADE ADLER
University College London

Jade Adler is a Sustainability Expert reshaping healthcare in the age of climate and environmental health urgency. At the National Agency for Healthcare Performance (ANAP), she envisions and leads actions to adapt this sector, responsible for 8% of France's emissions. She also develops solutions making sustainability a lever for hospitals to ease debt. Inspired by the UK, she developed partnerships with NHS trusts and foreign counterparts. Ms. Adler helps steer France towards net-zero, while advancing a worldwide vision of a medicine healing without harming.



QUENTIN DESSALLES
London Business School

Quentin Dessalles is a Project Director for Decarbonation at Groupe BPCE, one of France's largest banking groups. He leads the industrialization of climate strategies, architecting the data-driven frameworks and governance used for example to mobilize over one billion Euros in annual financing for home energy efficiency across France.



JUAN CARLOS OCAMPO
University of Sheffield

From designing STI prevention protocols for abandoned psychiatric inpatients in Ecuador to fighting health de-funding alongside Canadian drug user advocates, Juan Carlos Ocampo challenges systems harming society's vulnerable. He coordinates a national consortium focused on preventing climate-amplified epidemics through community-centered approaches in France, whilst advising WHO Europe, UNODA, and civil society organizations. Juan Carlos aims to develop AI-powered, climate-aware early warning systems predicting epidemic risks amongst structurally marginalized communities bearing disproportionate disease burdens.