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**LOUISE BLOUIN FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES  
THE SEVENTH ANNUAL BLOUIN CREATIVE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

**- NOBEL LAUREATES, LEADING CEOS, ENTREPRENEURS AND WORLD-RENOWNED ARTISTS -  
INCLUDING IRINA BOKOVA, IAN BREMMER, AMBASSADOR TIBOR TÓTH, ERIC MASKIN, JON  
WELLINGHOFF AND CHARLES RENFRO - GATHER IN NEW YORK CITY FROM SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2012 -**

**New York, NY** - The **Louise Blouin Foundation** (LBF) is pleased to announce the seventh annual **Blouin Creative Leadership Summit** (BCLS), a forum in strategic partnership with the **United Nations Office for Partnerships** that engages in dialogue and exchanges best practices and strategies amongst an unparalleled group of world leaders from a wide array of disciplines to meet the challenges and grasp the opportunities of globalization. From **September 20-21, 2012**, approximately 100 international directors of global agencies, leading CEOs, Nobel laureates, technology innovators, media magnates, celebrated artists and architects, and pioneering researchers will engage in a think-tank discussion at the **Metropolitan Club** in New York City, before honoring individuals whose leadership has extended beyond borders to bring about positive social, economic, scientific or cultural change at the **Louise Blouin Foundation Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner**.

*"The Blouin Creative Leadership Summit is a unique platform that encourages a united global community to devise cross-disciplinary solutions to address urgent challenges that confront multiple nations and threaten our collective future,"* says **Louise Blouin**, Founder and Chairman of Louise Blouin Foundation. *"The BCLS allows acclaimed international leaders to discuss, debate, and encourage action on the issues that affect us across all borders and cultures."*

Timed to coincide just days before the **Clinton Global Initiative Annual Meeting** and the **United Nation's General Assembly**, the two-day Summit will feature panel discussions pertaining to economics, security, commodities, genetics, and education, as they relate to technology, innovation, and creativity. Other topics will include an annual favorite - culture beyond borders - as well as other subjects related to health care and global reform, business, neuroscience, the Middle East, and city design and planning.

This year's opening keynote address will be delivered by **Irina Bokova**, Director-General of **UNESCO**, who will discuss how to best face the challenges of globalization and coordinated global governance, with closing remarks presented by **Dr. Ian Bremmer**, President of the **Eurasia Group**, who will share how global cooperation, reciprocity and engagement might be managed in a world without clear leadership.

**Roland Rich**, Officer-in-Charge for the United Nations Office for Partnerships comments, *"We are delighted to partner again with the Blouin Creative Leadership Summit. As in previous years, this year's summit promises to be an exciting and inspirational event that will lead to innovative ways to work together to achieve the **United Nations Millennium Development Goals**."*

Other 2012 Blouin Creative Leadership Summit delegates include **Nobel laureates, Peter Agre (Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health), Eric Maskin (Harvard University), Edmund Phelps (Columbia University)**; researchers and scientists **Solomon Assefa (Thomas J. Watson Research Center, IBM), John Henry Clippinger (MIT Media Lab; ID3), Todd Evans (Department of Surgery, Weill Cornell Medical College), Stephen Kosslyn (Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University), Ihor Lemischka (The Black Family Stem Cell Institute), Larry Young (Center for Translational Social**

Neuroscience, **Emory University**); special guests **Angela Kane** (Disarmament Affairs, **United Nations**), **Patricia O'Brien** (Office of Legal Affairs, **United Nations**), **Robert Orr** (Strategic Planning, **United Nations**), Ambassador **Tibor Tóth** (**Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization**), **Jon Wellinghoff** (**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**); media notables **David Andelman** (*World Policy Journal*), **Greg Bartalos** (**Barrons.com**), **Matthew Bishop**, (*The Economist*), **Jack Farchy** (*Financial Times*), **Benjamin Genocchio** (**Art+Auction**), **Lally Weymouth** (*The Washington Post*), **Paul Wilmott** (*Wilmott Journal*); architects and designers **Gisue Hariri** (**Hariri & Hariri**), **Mickey McManus** (**MAYA Design**), **Charles Renfro** (**Diller Scofidio + Renfro**); and artists **Mariko Mori** and **Shirin Neshat**, amongst many others. For a complete list of 2012 delegates, see below.

Previous BCLS delegates have included **H.E. Michelle Bachelet**, **Dr. Craig Barrett**, **H.E. José Barroso**, **Michael Chertoff**, **President Bill Clinton**, **Arianna Huffington**, **Chris Hughes**, **H.E. Lech Kaczynski**, **Jaap de Hoop Scheffer**, **Pascal Lamy**, **Dr. Eric Kandel**, **Kōichirō Matsuuro**, **Luis Moreno-Ocampo**, **H.E. Amre Moussa**, **Sir Paul Nurse**, **H.E. Sheikha Lubna al Qasimi**, **Lieutenant General Robert Schmidle**, **Dominique Strauss-Kahn**, **Ted Turner**, **H.E. Matti Vanhanen**, **Dr. J. Craig Venter**, **Monique Villa** and **H.E. Asif Ali Zardari**.

For a full list of BCLS participants and panel topics, or to register to attend, please visit:  
[www.creativeleadershipsummit.org](http://www.creativeleadershipsummit.org)

In keeping with the annual BCLS events, the Louise Blouin Foundation will also host the Louise Blouin Foundation Awards Ceremony and Gala on **September 20, 2012**. As a celebration dedicated to honoring leaders in politics, science, business and the arts who have made extraordinary contributions on a global level, this year the Foundation will honor Nobel laureate **Peter C. Agre**, PIMCO CEO **Mohamed El-Erian**, and artist **Shirin Neshat**.

An online auction featuring artworks, meetings and internships with delegates, as well as experiential packages, will supplement the events held on **October 4-25, 2012**. The auction will benefit **ART+HOPE**, a Louise Blouin Foundation initiative that supports artists who promote the use of art and culture as powerful tools for expression to compel social change. To view the full list of auction offerings or to bid on an item, visit:  
<http://www.charitybuzz.com/arthope>

The interests of Louise Blouin Foundation are echoed by **Louise Blouin Media**, with the launch of its latest property, **Blouin News** ([www.blouinnews.com](http://www.blouinnews.com)), a ground-breaking, internationally-engaged Louise Blouin Media news site that combines cutting-edge news curation with expert analysis to offer time-sensitive audiences crucial content from a global perspective.

The United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) promotes valuable alliances and partnerships worldwide. Working with corporations, philanthropic foundations and civil society organizations, the Office seeks ways to leverage their skills in leadership, management, technology and innovative delivery systems to help achieve the Millennium Development Goals. It also provides a platform for policy dialogues to effectively address global challenges. From children's health to women's engagement to education for all, the Millennium Development Goals are the heart of the work the UN Office for Partnerships.

UNOP also oversees the United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF) and the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships (UNFIP). UNDEF funds projects that strengthen the voice of civil society, promote human rights and encourage the participation of all groups in democratic processes around the world. UNFIP works with the United Nations Foundation to support its role as funder of projects delivered by the UN, an advocate for the United Nations and a platform for connecting people, ideas and resources to help the United Nations solve global problems.

Since 2006, the Blouin Creative Leadership Summit has been developed with the support and expertise of the United Nations Office for Partnerships. The United Nations Office for Partnerships promotes new alliances and partnerships worldwide. Working with companies, foundations and civil society organizations, the United Nations Office for Partnerships leverages their management skills, technology, and innovative delivery systems to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. It engages partners on strategic issues and provides a platform for policy dialogue to effectively address global challenges.

The 2012 Blouin Creative Leadership Summit is sponsored by **Yiyuan Society/Jin Tai Art Museum**. Additional partners include **American Airlines, Honest Tea, and Martha Clara Vineyards**, and media sponsors **Foreign Affairs** and **World Policy Journal**.

The Louise Blouin Foundation, founded in 2004 by Louise Blouin, is an international non-profit organization that seeks to address challenges and opportunities of globalization through cultural understanding and dialogue. The globalization platform focuses on such diverse areas as international trade, foreign policy, education and the environment, through the utilization of a multidisciplinary approach that emphasizes the role of culture and the sciences to provide solutions to current and future issues.

**Louise Blouin Media** is the leading global media company focused on art, culture, luxury and lifestyle sectors. Properties range from in-depth reporting and coverage of the art market in **Art+Auction**, to the insider art scene in **Modern Painters**, to the breaking news and analysis on **Blouin ARTINFO**, which recently introduced ten new international editions including **Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Russia**, and the **United Kingdom**. In addition, Louise Blouin Media owns and operates art publisher, **Somogy**; art market analytic tool, **Blouin Art Sales Index**; **Global Consulting and Communications Services** – a global branding, consulting and communications group.

For additional information about the Louise Blouin Foundation or the Blouin Creative Leadership Summit, please contact Eunice Kim at 646 753 9061 or [ekim@artinfo.com](mailto:ekim@artinfo.com)

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**2012 DELEGATES:**

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PETER AGRE | Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health – Nobel Laureate

JULIUS AKINYEMI | Entrepreneur-in-Residence, MIT Media Lab

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IRINA BOKOVA | Director-General, UNESCO

IAN BREMMER | President, Eurasia Group

ROBERT CAVNAR | Chief Executive Officer, Luca Technologies

GRACIELA CHICHILNISKY | Professor of Economics and Mathematical Statistics, Columbia University; Director, Columbia Consortium for Risk Management

MELISSA CHIU | Vice President for Global Art Programs and Museum Director, Asia Society

JOHN HENRY CLIPPINGER | Research Scientist, MIT Media Lab; Executive Director, ID3

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