A Global Engagement: Bold Ideas for Global Philanthropy
Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Join the Council and a diverse array of colleagues for a daylong immersion in global grantmaking. This gathering will focus on provocative and challenging ideas that can help move the needle in global philanthropy for years to come. Expect a stimulating day of thought-provoking ideas and practical tools on a wide range of topics, Please note that there is a separate registration fee for this event.

Civil Society and the Law: The Changing State of Play and What Funders Can Do About It
9–10 a.m.
Around the world, the rules governing the nonprofit sector are becoming stricter, challenging not just the capacity of civil society to do its essential work but also the ability of funders to support it. A Global Engagement opens with an important dialogue on the state of play for regulating the nonprofit sector in emerging markets and elsewhere in the global South and what funders must do to address the growing challenges.

Speed Networking
10–10:45 a.m.
Make contact with conference participants you’d like to connect with in greater depth later in the week.

Seven Bold Ideas for Global Philanthropy
10:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

More than a decade into the 21st century, the time is ripe to ask if global philanthropy is rising to the huge challenges before us. In this lively and stimulating session, thought leaders will offer bold idea for global philanthropy that could help the sector more effectively operate in a fast-changing world and remodel the way philanthropy does its work. Then, following lunch, participants will break into small groups to delve more deeply into each of the seven bold ideas, including the following:

**Bold Opportunities for Philanthropy in the Digital Age**
How does the digital infrastructure that connects us via mobile phone, data, and the Internet change how we organize ourselves in philanthropy? Rob Reich and Lucy Bernholz of Stanford University’s Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society will look at some of the potential governance, organizational, and financial implications for using private resources for public good in a digital age.

**Social Entrepreneurship as a Tool to Empower Marginalized Communities**
Social entrepreneurship has emerged as a powerful tool to invest in social change work, but do current structures and investment practices favor the already privileged while closing doors to talented social change agents from more marginalized communities? Wanjiru Kamau-Rutenberg of Akili Dada will explore how social entrepreneurship can become a tool that more efficiently distributes finite investment dollars to the very best ideas and leaders.
Values and Evidence—Not at Odds: Seeking a Healthier Relationship With Results in International Philanthropy

Does the increasing obsession with results in international philanthropy reflect a deeper prioritization of money as the change agent, rather than people? Jennifer Lentfer of how-matters.org discusses the implications of a perceived lack of evidence about “what works” on change-leaders working on the ground.

The Lemming Dilemma: How Foundations Can Address Important Trends Without Running Off the Cliff

There are times when it makes sense to follow the fashion in funding international work, and times when it doesn’t. Adele Simmons of the Global Philanthropy Partnership will discuss the “Lemming Dilemma”: When it’s okay for philanthropy to follow the latest trends, when it’s not, and how foundations can avoid running off the cliff.

Additional speakers will be confirmed in the coming weeks.

Networking Lunch
12:45–1:30 p.m.

Bold Ideas: Small Group Discussions, Part One
1:45–2:45 p.m.
Participants will select the four bold ideas they’d like to discuss and debate with presenters and other participants.

Bold Ideas: Small Group Discussions, Part Two
3–4 p.m.
The day continues with a second round of three small group discussions on the bold ideas presented earlier in the day.

A Challenge to Act Boldly
4:15–5 p.m.
A Global Engagement concludes with report-outs from each of the small group discussions and a challenge to global grantmakers to act even more boldly.