

TEDx comes to Geneva Campus Press Release - 22 September 2020

Mental Health and our Growing Society

This October in the Auditorium of Geneva Business School in Geneva, our community will come together to explore the question:

Is our growing society equipped to care for the mental health of its individuals?

Mental well-being is key to a healthy and successful life. It is apparent that today more than ever before that questions of mental health are of greater importance and need to be discussed with some urgency. The lack of mental health awareness in our present-day society must be addressed, discussed, and reversed. The taboos associated with mental health must be broken at last and conversations on this topic must be normalized.

8 October at 19:00 in the Auditorium, Geneva Campus

The first TEDx event ever hosted by Geneva Business School will feature a wide range of experts with opinions and ideas looking at both the medical and societal implications of the theme. The speakers will challenge us to see the options available to answer this question with examples and expertise from the areas of psychiatry, western and alternative medicine, and International law and business.

At this fascinating TEDx event, you will hear from three experts in the fields of mental health and International business law. Join Vincent Subilia, Director-General of the CCIG, Logos Curtis, head of the Geneva Young Adult Psychiatry Unit, and Michael Ljuslin, doctor and expert in alternative therapies for mental health, for a fascinating evening followed by a light supper on the Geneva Campus of Geneva Business School. Social distancing and COVID-19 protocols will be observed in the Auditorium and throughout the campus.

MEET THE SPEAKERS Vincent Subilia

<u>Vincent</u> is the Director-General of the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services (CCIG) in Geneva. Vincent strives for a lively and diversified business community in Geneva. A qualified lawyer with robust expertise gained in Switzerland and abroad (including Brussels,

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London, New York, and Beijing) he has a depth of experience with diverse regional, national, and international institutions, including the General Council of the World Chamber's Federation, where we served as the elected Swiss representative. Vincent has also acted as President of the Swiss Chambers' Arbitration Institution.

Logos Curtis

Logos is the head of the Geneva Young Adult Psychiatry Unit, where he currently works on continually integrating psychiatric, psychotherapeutic, and psychosocial care into early interventions for young adults. Very active in clinical research, having published over fifteen scientific articles (H-Index=10) mainly in the field of young adults and psychoses, Logos is dedicated to the training and education of our future psychiatrists. He is very actively engaged in the teaching programs of the University of Geneva's psychiatry department. He heads up the postgraduate training group, and co-heads the pregraduate education groups both at Master level (Psychiatry) and Bachelor level (Clinical neurosciences).

Michael Ljuslin

<u>Michael</u> is an internal medicine physician working to empower patients and mitigate all kinds of suffering in their life. He is currently writing a doctorate on how to promote spirituality & meaning in the end-of-life existential distress, including the potential use of psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy in this context. He works with therapies assisted by non-ordinary-states-of-consciousness which include the medical use of psychedelics. In his current work, he practices hypnosis to support his patients. He is also qualified as an independent rater for the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS). He is an advocate of integrative, ecological, and sustainable medicine for the individual, society, and the environment.

Places are limited in the Auditorium so get in touch if you are interested to attend this exceptional event in Geneva.

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