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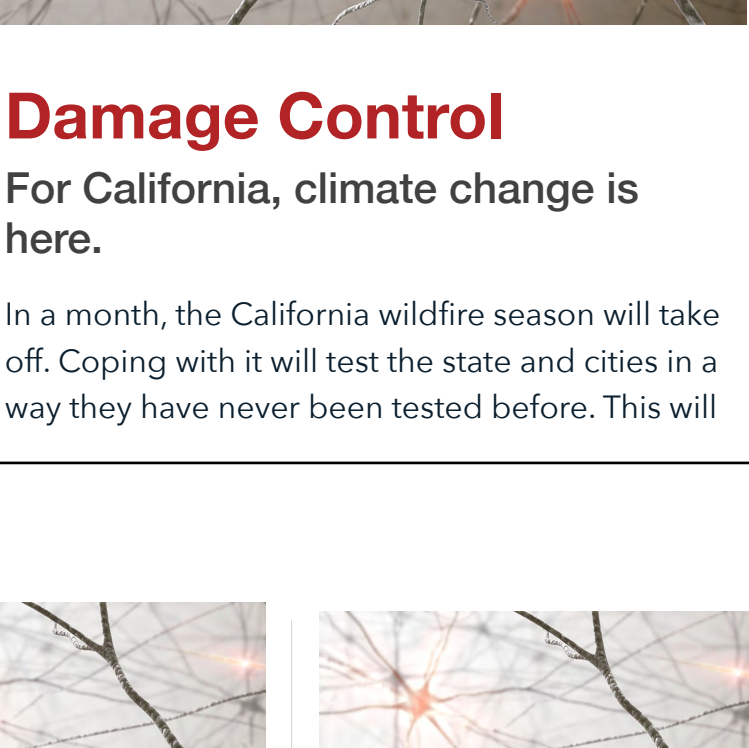
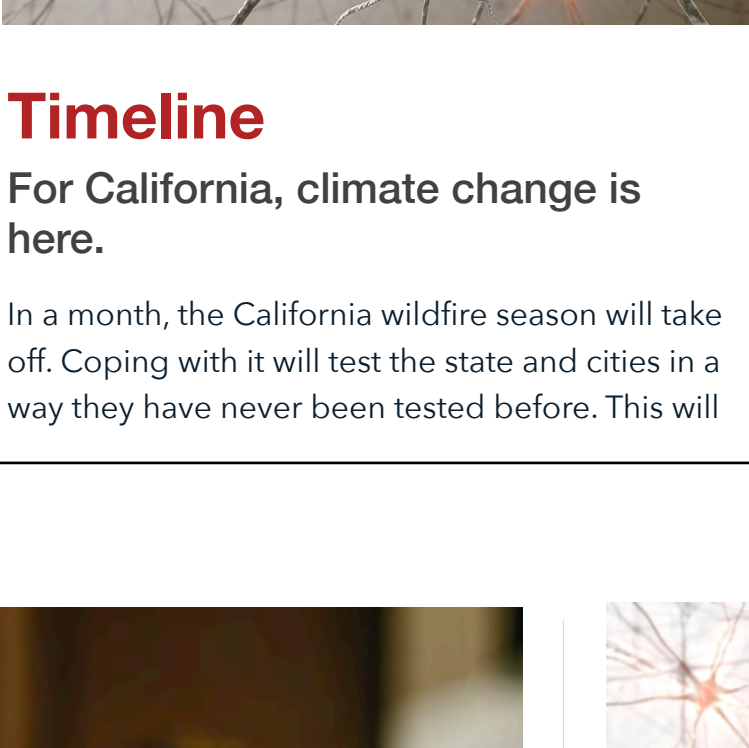
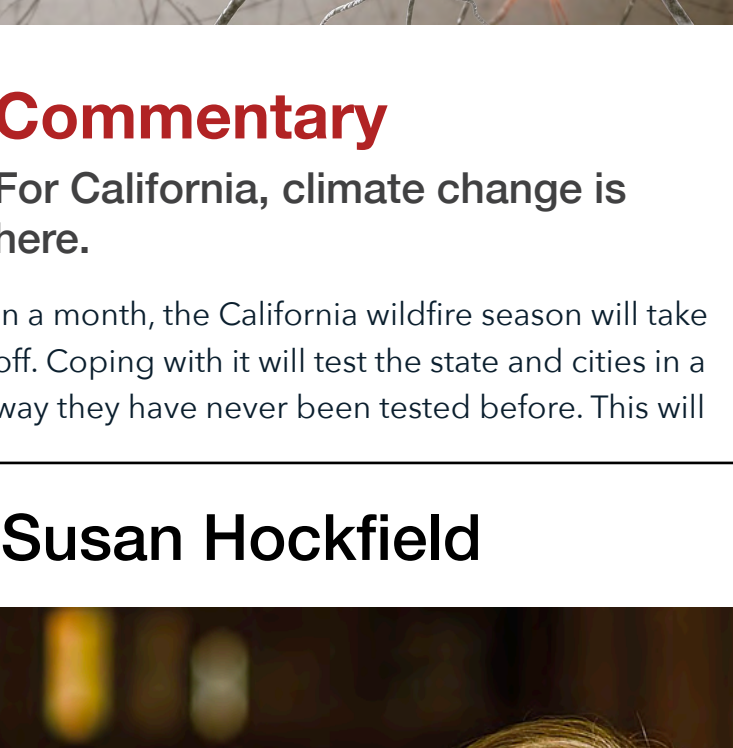


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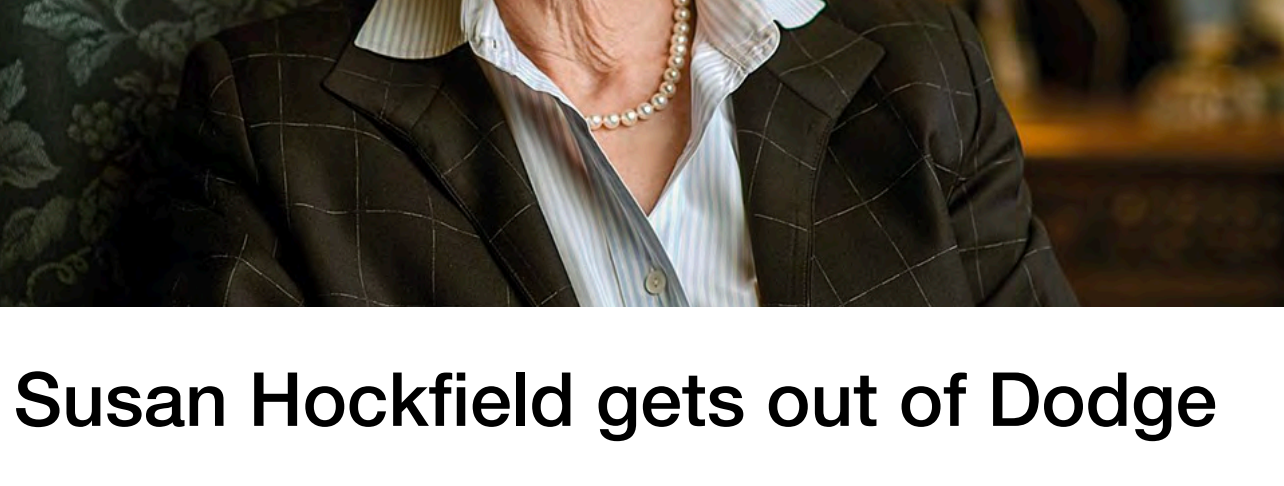
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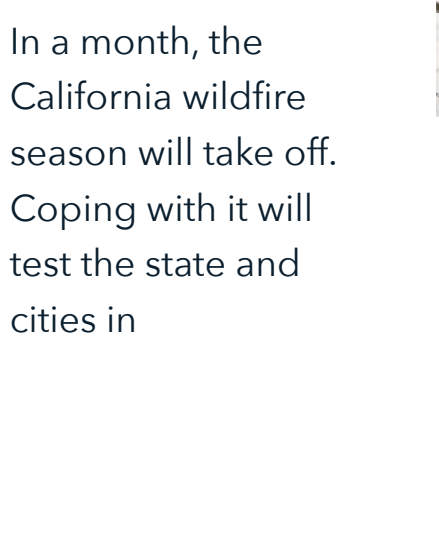
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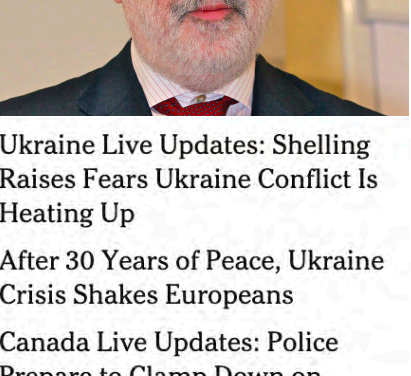







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##### World News



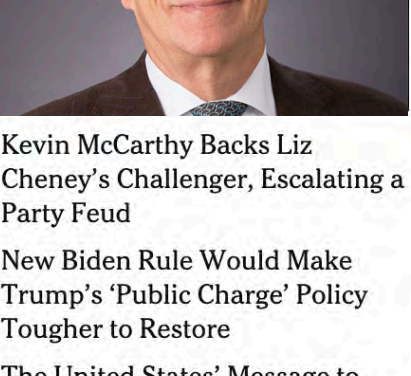
Ukraine Live Updates: Shelling Raises Fears Ukraine Conflict Is Heating Up  
After 30 Years of Peace, Ukraine Crisis Shakes Europeans  
Canada Live Updates: Police Prepare to Clamp Down on Protesters

##### U.S. News




Prosecutors Show Voluminous Evidence of Racism by Arbery Murderers  
Afghans Who Bet on Fast Path to the U.S. Are Facing a Closed Door  
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##### U.S. Politics



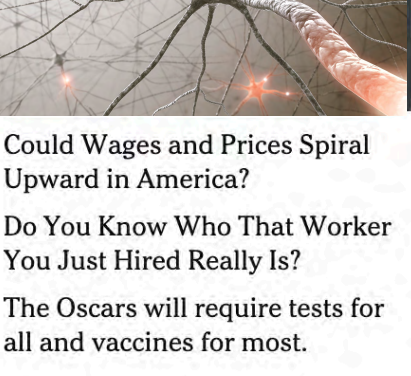
Kevin McCarthy Backs Liz Cheney's Challenger, Escalating a Party Feud  
New Biden Rule Would Make Trump's 'Public Charge' Policy Tougher to Restore  
The United States' Message to Russia: Prove Us Wrong

##### New York




Composting on the Chopping Block in Mayor Adams's Budget  
Letitia James Doesn't Need to Run for Governor to Grab the Spotlight  
N.Y. Attorney General Can Question Trump and 2 Children, Judge Rules

##### Business




Could Wages and Prices Spiral Unleashed in America?  
Do You Know Who That Worker You Just Hired Really Is?  
The Oscars will require tests for all and vaccines for most.

##### Technology




Spotify Bet Big on Joe Rogan. It Got More Than It Counted On.  
The World Needs What Intel Makes. Can It Make a Comeback?  
How Tech Can (and Can't) Help You Fight Soaring Energy Bills

##### Science




The Paradox of the Lizard Tail, Solved  
A Parasitic Wasp Unmasked: One Species Is Actually 16 Species  
A 2,700-Year-Old Figurine Revives a Weighty Mystery

##### Sports




A Russian Star Falls and Another Rises in a Blur of Jumps, Tumbles and Tears  
Olympics Live Updates: Figure Skating Shaken by Kamila Valieva Collapse  
How the Quad Jump Is Changing Women's Figure Skating

##### Obituaries




Gail Halvorsen, 'Candy Bomber' in Berlin Airlift, Dies at 101  
Martin Tolchin, Former Times Reporter and a Founder of The Hill, Dies at 93  
Dr. Herbert Benson, Who Saw the Mind as Medicinal, Dies at 86

##### The Upshot




4 Bed, 3 Bath, No Garage Door: The Unlikely Woes Holding Up Home Building  
Beijing Olympics: Who Leads the Medal Count?  
Four Charts That Reveal Tom Brady's Greatness

##### Climate and Environment



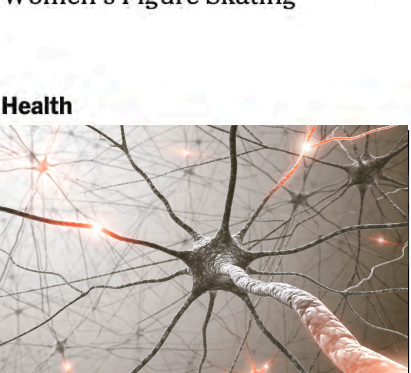
White House Takes Aim at Environmental Racism, but Won't Mention Race  
How Bad Is the Western Drought? Worst in 12 Centuries, Study Finds.  
Wolves Will Regain Federal Protection in Much of the U.S.

##### Education




A Lawsuit Accuses Harvard of Ignoring Sexual Harassment by a Professor  
Why Liberal Suburbs Face a New Round of School Mask Battles  
How It Feels to Be an Asian Student in an Elite Public School

##### Health




Covid Patients May Have Increased Risk of Developing Mental Health Problems  
Trans Swimmer Revives an Old Debate in Elite Sports: What Defines a Woman?  
Doctors Are More Likely to Describe Black Patients as Uncooperative, Studies Find

##### Reader Center



Ready, Set, Gerrymander! The Power of Telling a Story Through Audio  
Molly Young Is Thinking About Buying a Wheelbarrow

##### Explore Times Events



The New Normal, a Virtual Event on Life and Love After Omicron  
Explore the Sound of Activism With Tom Morello  
How Is the Pandemic Reshaping New York City's Cultural Landscape?

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Outline for Engagement

The overarching question driving GEI is: *How can we enable human development that is sustainable?* In response the Environmental Research Council (ERC) has focused on six of humanity's most pressing environmental challenges.

- **Global Climate Change:** Greenhouse gas emissions affect Earth's chemistry, climate, weather patterns and ocean circulation in ways we are only beginning to understand. Global climate change threatens major disruptions to terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, as well as human societies. What are the plausible trajectories of the global climate system, and what are the risks and uncertainties associated with each path? How can we better communicate those risks? And how can human societies both mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change?
- **Health of the Oceans:** Overfishing, coastal runoff, habitat disruption, and acidification due to increasing concentrations of atmospheric carbon dioxide have markedly changed the world's oceans. Although oceans play a significant role in the climate system and provide vital ecological services, they are poorly understood and ineffectively governed. How have human activities affected the coastal zones and open ocean? How can we reduce our impact on the oceans through better management of coastal development, fishing, and other human activities?
- **Fresh Water Supply:** We are rapidly depleting and degrading our vital fresh water supplies due to unsustainable practices—inefficient irrigation, water-intensive lifestyles and landscaping, groundwater use exceeding replenishment, contamination—and the simple reality of population growth. Already, some one billion people lack reliable access to water, while two billion have inadequate sanitation. How does water circulate through the Earth system, and how are these cycles impacted by climate change? How can we better design households, landscapes, patterns of development and use, agricultural practices and industrial processes to conserve water? What clean water technologies can be developed and implemented effectively?
- **Resilience of Ecosystems:** Ecosystems around the world are under pressure from harvesting, fragmentation, and changes in the water and biogeochemical cycles that sustain them. Many have already experienced major changes, and their future viability is uncertain. What attributes of ecosystems are most critical to their stability? How does biological diversity enhance ecological resilience in the face of natural and human-caused disturbances? How can we properly value ecosystem services so that they remain available to future generations?
- **Environmental Contamination:** Synthetic chemical compounds are becoming ubiquitous in the environment and are accumulating rapidly. Contamination threatens to have both acute and chronic effects on human health and the environment, but those impacts remain poorly understood. What are the chronic and acute effects of exposure to different kinds of contaminants? How can we design chemicals, pharmaceuticals, materials, genetically-modified organisms, and production processes that are benign- by-design? And how can we mitigate the damage from harmful products already in circulation?
- **Sustainability of Societies:** With global population

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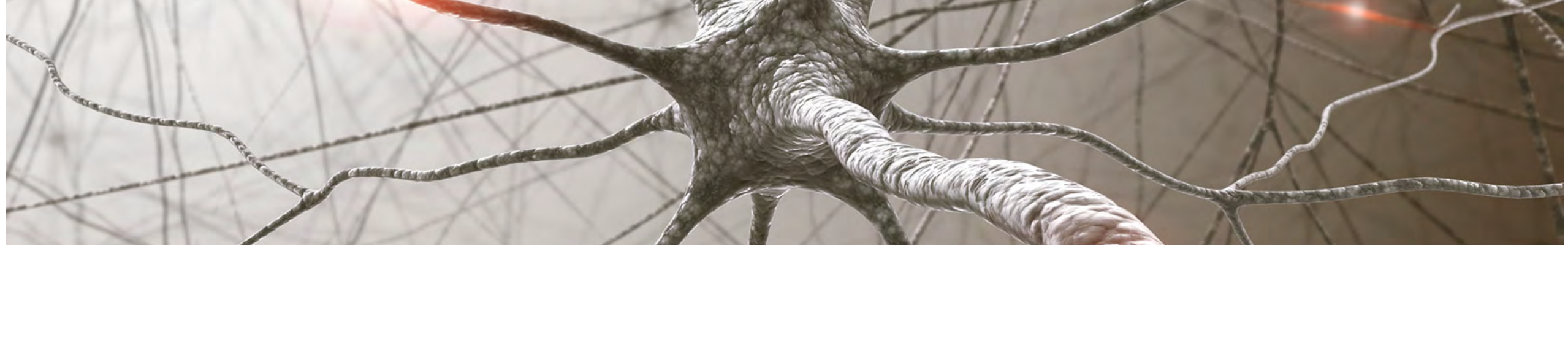






# Campus Activism

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## Elected Officials

Tania Fernandes Anderson, Boston City Councilor District 7

Ricardo Arroyo, Boston City Councilor District 5 Burhan Azeem B.S. MIT '19, Cambridge City Councilor Dennis Carlone, City Councilor, Cambridge

Mike Connolly, Massachusetts State Representative Jesse Clingan, Somerville City Councilor, Ward 4 Ben Ewen-Campen, Somerville City Councilor Julia Mejia, Boston City Councilor At-Large

Councilor Judy Pineda Neufeld, Ward 7, City of Somerville

Patricia Nolan, City Councilor, Cambridge

Councilor Ruthzee Louijeune, At-Large, City of Boston

JT Scott, Somerville Ward 2 City Councilor

Sumbul Siddiqui, Mayor of Cambridge

Kristen Strezo, City Councilor at-Large, Somerville MA

Erika Uytterhoeven, State Representative of the 27th Middlesex District

Jake Wilson, City Councilor-At-Large, Somerville

Quinton Zondervan, MIT EECS SM '95, City Councilor, Cambridge

## Climate Science and Policy Community

Philip Alston, John Norton Pomeroy Professor, New York University School of Law

Dr. Alyssa Battistoni, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Barnard College

Dr. Jason Box, Professor in Glaciology at the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland

Dr. Robert Brulle, Visiting Professor of Environment and Society, Brown University

Dr. Holly Jean Buck, Assistant Professor of Environment & Sustainability, University of Buffalo College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. J. Mijin Cha, LLM, JD Assistant Professor of Urban and Environmental Policy, Occidental College Dr. Noam Chomsky, Institute Professor Emeritus, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Laureate Professor, University of Arizona

Dr. Daniel Aldana Cohen, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Director, Socio-Spatial Climate Collaborative, University of California, Berkeley

Judith Enck, former Regional Administrator, US Environmental Protection Agency; Senior Fellow and Visiting Faculty Member, Bennington College

Dr. Gabriel Filippelli, Chancellor's Professor of Earth Sciences, Executive Director, Environmental Resilience Institute, IUPUI

Dr. Dana R. Fisher, Professor of Sociology, University of Maryland, Contributing Author for Working Group 3 of IPCC AR6

Dr. Benjamin Franta, JD, PhD Candidate in History of Science, Stanford University; Member of the California Bar

Karenna Gore, Executive Director, Center for Earth Ethics, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Columbia University

Dr. Jacquelyn Gill, Associate Professor of Paleoecology & Plant Ecology, School of Biology and Ecology and Climate Change Institute, the University of Maine

Dr. Peter H. Gleick, Member US National Academy of Sciences, MacArthur Fellow

Dr. Jessica F. Green, Associate Professor, Political Science & School of the Environment, University of Toronto

Dr. Jade d'Alpoim Guedes, Associate Professor in the Department of Anthropology and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego

Dr. Genevieve Guenther, Founder and Director, End Climate Silence, Affiliate Faculty, Tishman Environment and Design Center, The New School

Dr. James E. Hansen, Director, Climate Science and Awareness Program, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Dr. John Harte, Distinguished Professor of the Graduate School, Ecosystem Sciences, University of California, Berkeley

Dr. Noel Healy, Associate Professor of Geography and Sustainability, Salem State University; Contributing Author for Working Group 3 of IPCC AR6

Richard Heede, Climate Accountability Institute

Dr. Jessica Hernandez, Climate Justice Policy Strategist for the International Mayan League

Dr. Jason Hickel, Professor, Institute for Environmental Science and Technology, Autonomous University of Barcelona; Visiting Senior Fellow, London School of Economics

Dr. Robert W. Howarth, David R. Atkinson Professor of Ecology & Environmental Biology, Cornell University, Co-Editor in Chief, OLAR, journal of Ocean-Land-Atmosphere Research

Dr. Peter Kalmus, Climate Scientist, NASA JPL

Dr. Regina Larocque, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Associate Director, MGH Center for the Environment and Health

Dr. Simon Lewis, Professor of Global Change Science, UCL

Bill McKibben, Schumann Distinguished Scholar, Middlebury College; Co-founder and Senior Advisor, 350.org

Dr. Naomi Oreskes, Henry Charles Lea Professor of the History of Science and Affiliated Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Harvard University

Dr. Mark Paul, Assistant Professor of Economics and Environmental Studies, New College of Florida

Dr. Nathan Phillips, Professor in the Department of Earth & Environment, Boston University

Dr. Thea Riofrancos, Associate Professor of Political Science, Providence College

Dr. Juliet Schor, Ecological Economist and Professor of Sociology, Boston College

Dr. Drew Shindell, Nicholas Distinguished Professor of Earth Science, Duke University; Coordinating Lead Author for IPCC AR5 and 2018 Special Report

Dr. Mick Smyer, former Provost and Emeritus Professor of Psychology at Bucknell University; Senior Fellow in Social Innovation at Babson College

Dr. Julia Steinberger, Professor of Social Ecology & Ecological Economics, University of Leeds; Lead Author for Working Group 3 of IPCC AR6

Dr. Richard C. J. Somerville, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego; Coordinating Lead Author for IPCC AR4

Gus Speth, JD, Former Dean, Yale School of the Environment; Co-founder, National Resources Defense Council; Founder, World Resources Institute

Sandra Steingraber, PhD; Senior Scientist, Science and Environmental Health Network; Co-founder, Concerned Health Professionals of New York

Dr. Geoffrey Supran, Research Associate, Department of the History of Science, Harvard University

Dr. Olufémi O. Táíwò, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Georgetown University

Dr. Aradhna Tripati, Professor, UCLA in the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability, the Department of

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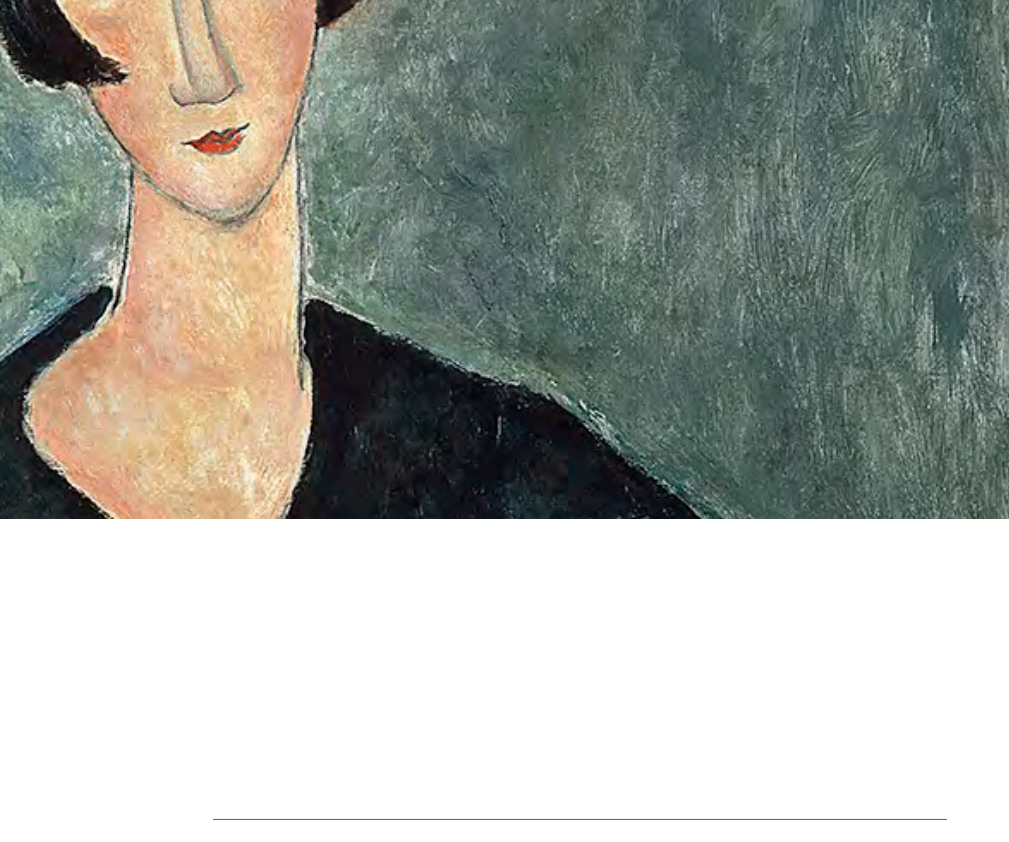
# Skoltech — The “Innovation Hub”

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June 24, 2010 | MIT News Office



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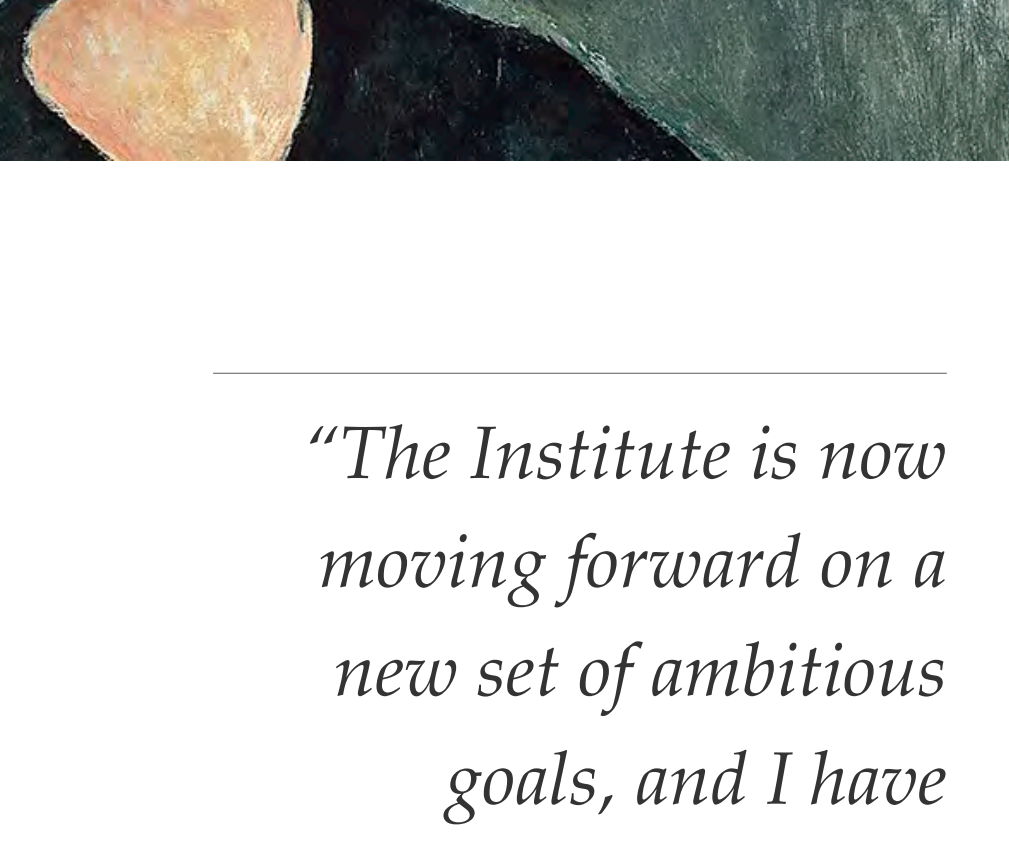
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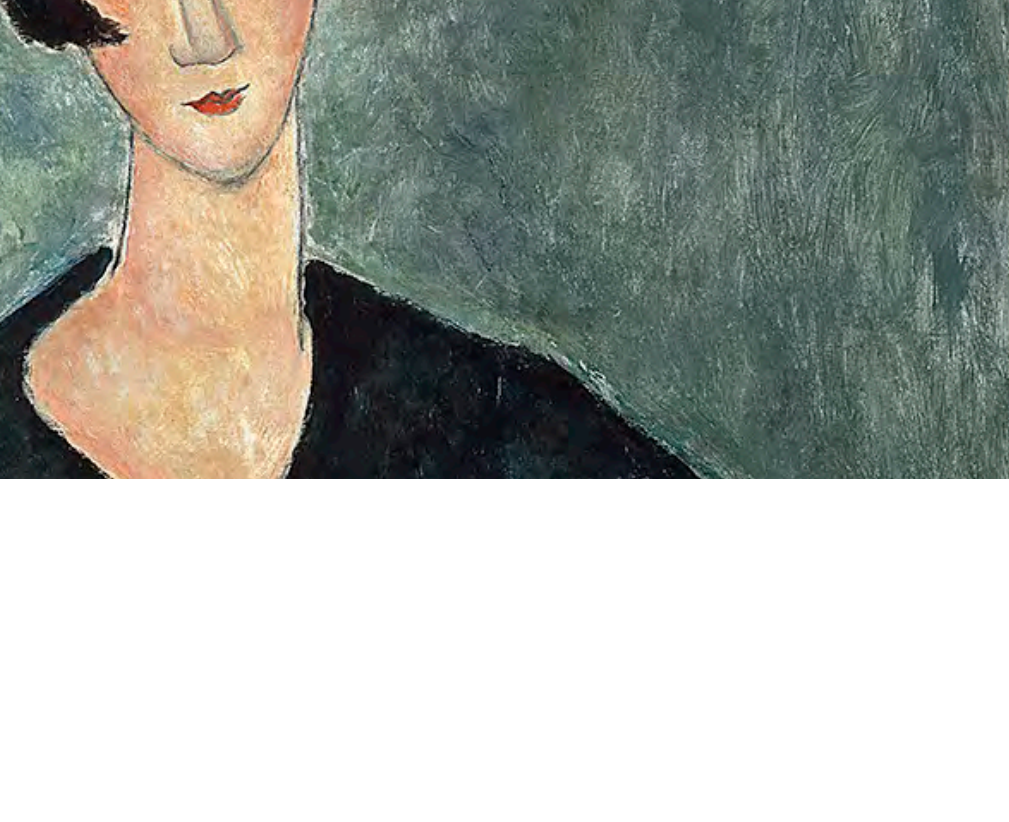
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## Skolkovo Foundation and MIT to collaborate on developing the Skolkovo Institute of Science and Technology

new innovation center outside Moscow



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The agreement launches a three-year collaboration between the Skolkovo Foundation, SkTech (pronounced, “ess-kay tek”) and MIT to develop a new graduate research university. The new institution aims to break new ground in bringing together Russian, US and global research and technology – and in integrating teaching, research, innovation and entrepreneurship.

“The relationship between SkTech and MIT will be good not only for Russia: we are convinced it will be good for the worldwide community of scholarship, research and innovation,” said Viktor Vekselberg. “Humanity today faces problems of great complexity and urgency. We aim to attract outstanding faculty, students and researchers to SkTech. This superb talent will work with other leading universities and institutes in Russia and throughout the world, united in the mission of sharing knowledge and research to make an impact.”

Today’s announcement is the culmination of extensive discussions between the Skolkovo Foundation, SkTech and MIT faculty and administration to explore the potential and parameters of the collaboration.

“MIT and SkTech, working together, aim to create a new model for graduate education and research in science and technology,” said MIT President Susan Hockfield. “SkTech will offer MIT and other universities throughout the world new opportunities for collaboration with the excellent scientists and engineers in Russia’s universities and research institutes, and its structure will promote a multidisciplinary approach to difficult scientific problems.”

Education and research at SkTech will be organized around multidisciplinary technological challenges, rather than traditional academic disciplines. The new institution will focus on the following programs:

- energy science and technology
- biomedical science and technology
- information science and technology
- space science and technology
- nuclear science and technology

Master’s and doctoral degree programs will be organized under these programs, with focused degree tracks in specialized research areas within each program.

Research centers under the SkTech organizational umbrella will be multidisciplinary and multi-institutional. In each center, faculty, researchers and students from one or more Russian universities will collaborate with faculty, researchers and students from one or more universities outside Russia.

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# Susan Hockfield resigns

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## Looking to the Future

Thursday, February 16, 2012

I write to share with you my decision to step down from the presidency of MIT. Over the past seven years, working together we have accomplished far more than I set out to do. The Institute is now moving forward on a new set of ambitious goals, and I have concluded that the powerful momentum we have built makes this an opportune moment for a leadership transition.

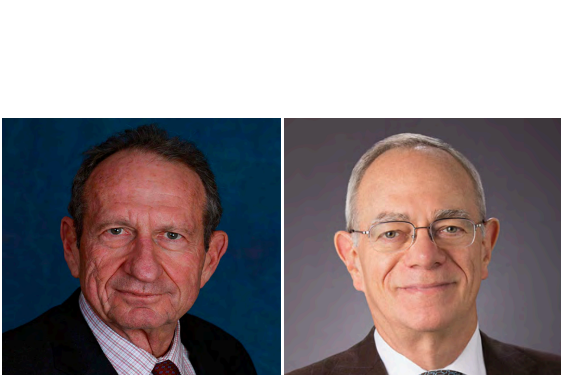
I came to MIT in December 2004 with a profound sense of the privilege and the responsibility of the president's role. But nothing could have prepared me for this remarkable community of creative minds. Together, we have made tremendous progress in dozens of ways, strengthening MIT's foundations and setting our sights for the future. We are designing the policy, technology and education required to address the global need for sustainable energy. We have accelerated MIT's ability to synthesize the strengths of science and engineering to fight disease and to invent new powers of computation. We have expanded the Institute's global connections. We are charting a course to a new future for American manufacturing. We have also built a framework for the future of our campus and neighborhood, fortified the Institute's financial structures, strengthened MIT's culture of inclusion and increased the number of undergraduates we can educate. With the recent introduction of MITx, we are changing the conversation around affordability, access and excellence in higher education. Through last year's celebration of MIT's Sesquicentennial, our community emerged reenergized and refocused on our mission of service to the nation and the world. And we achieved all this and more while steering the Institute through the worst global financial crisis since the Great Depression.

The momentum of all that we have accomplished has tempted me to stay on to see our many efforts bear their full fruit. But to support our ambitious goals for the future, MIT has begun the crucial work of planning for a significant new fundraising campaign. A campaign on this scale will

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Letter to the Community: Looking to the Future



### Who's Running MIT?

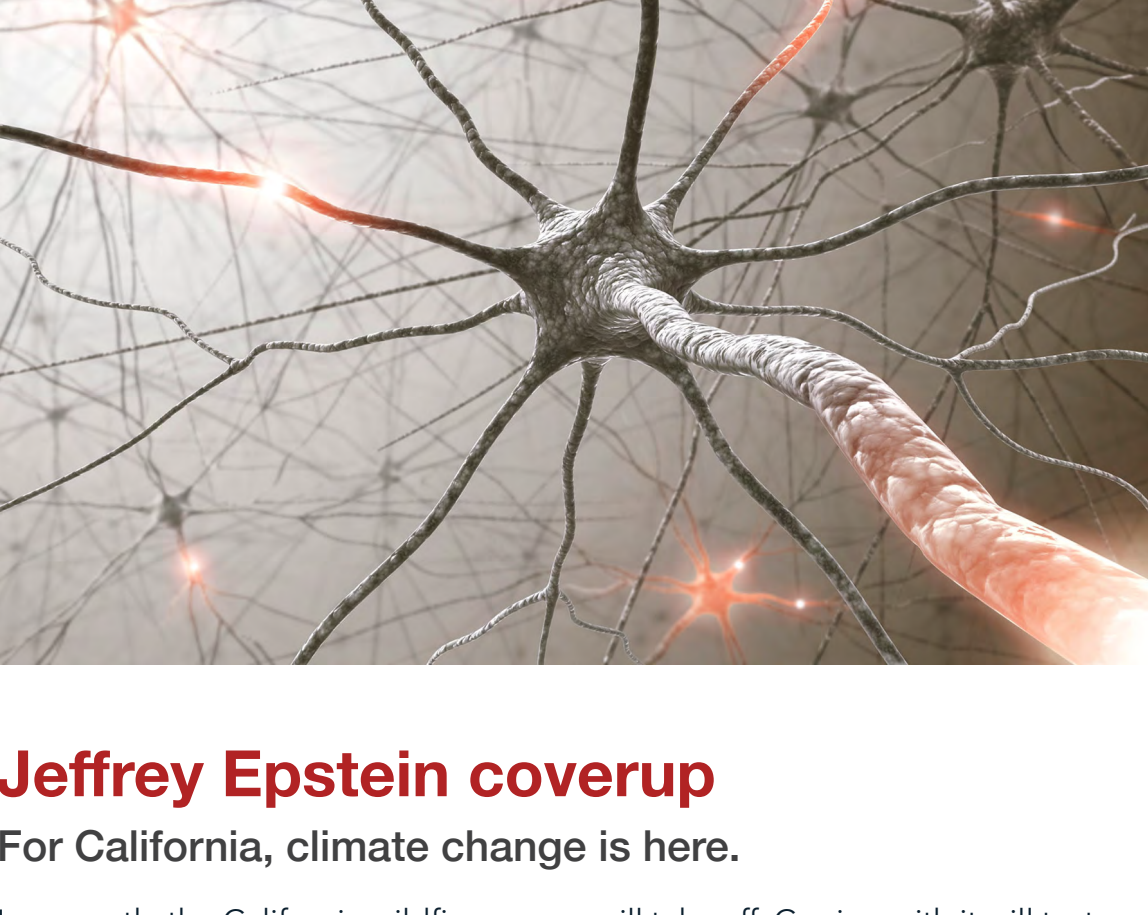
Original Columbia Session

It sounds like a stupid, obvious question. And normally it would be. But Susan Hockfield gave "The Institute" to Rafael Reif and John Deutch, who were acting in the interest of the Schlumberger oil company.

Reif is still President, so does that mean that Schlumberger is still running MIT?

I don't think so.





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# MIT Greenwashing

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## Final Report of the Environmental Research Council (ERC)

April 17, 2012

To the members of the MIT community,

I am pleased to accept the final report of the Environmental Research Council (ERC), Implementing the MIT Global Environment Initiative.

The **report** incorporates input received from a forum held December 15, 2011 that presented results of the draft report and the inputs from a subsequent comment period. I thank the ERC and in particular its Chair, Professor Dara Entekhabi, for producing a compelling vision of MIT's role in advancing sustainability and in addressing pressing environmental issues.

I commend the ERC for identifying strategic research themes that transcend disciplinary boundaries and which integrate scientific understanding, engineering solutions, and social research to synthesize new approaches to the world's environmental challenges. The report also describes a portfolio of current and new educational offerings, including a new undergraduate minor in Environment and Sustainability.

The video of the recent forum on Environmental Research can be viewed at <http://techtv.mit.edu/collections/erc> and the final ERC report can be accessed [here](#). I have asked Professor John H. Lienhard V and Professor Maria T. Zuber to co-lead a Global Environment Initiative (GEI) planning group to prepare a proposal for execution for consideration by the next administration. They will focus on plans for resource development and coordination of potential future activities across the Institute.

The pressures on vital environmental systems and questions about their sustainability have profound implications for human welfare. The goals outlined in the ERC report define important opportunities for research and education on one of the most pressing challenges facing humanity today.

*“The Institute is now moving forward on a new set of ambitious goals, and I have concluded that the powerful momentum we have built makes this an opportune moment for a leadership transition.”*

Susan Hockfield





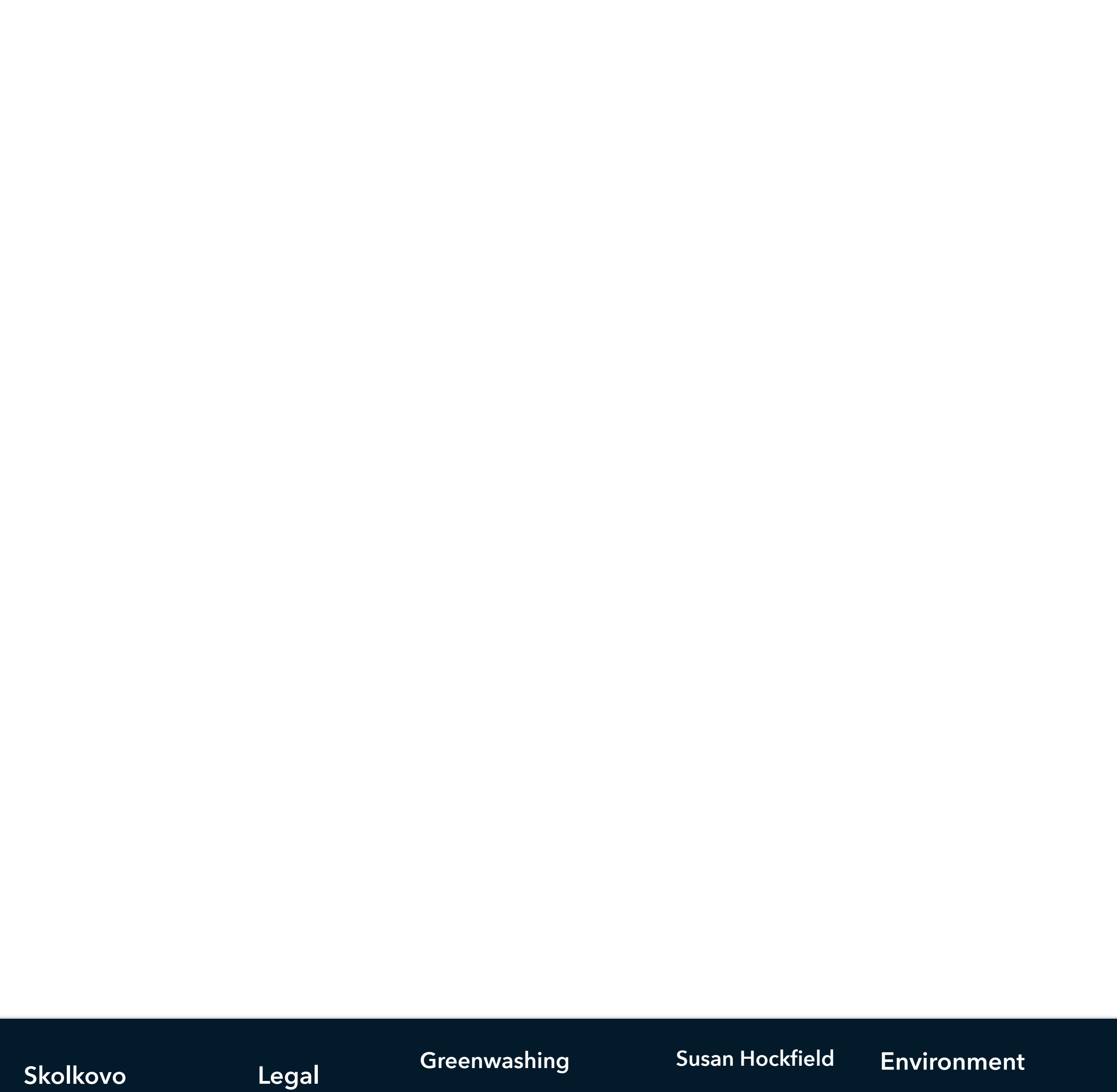
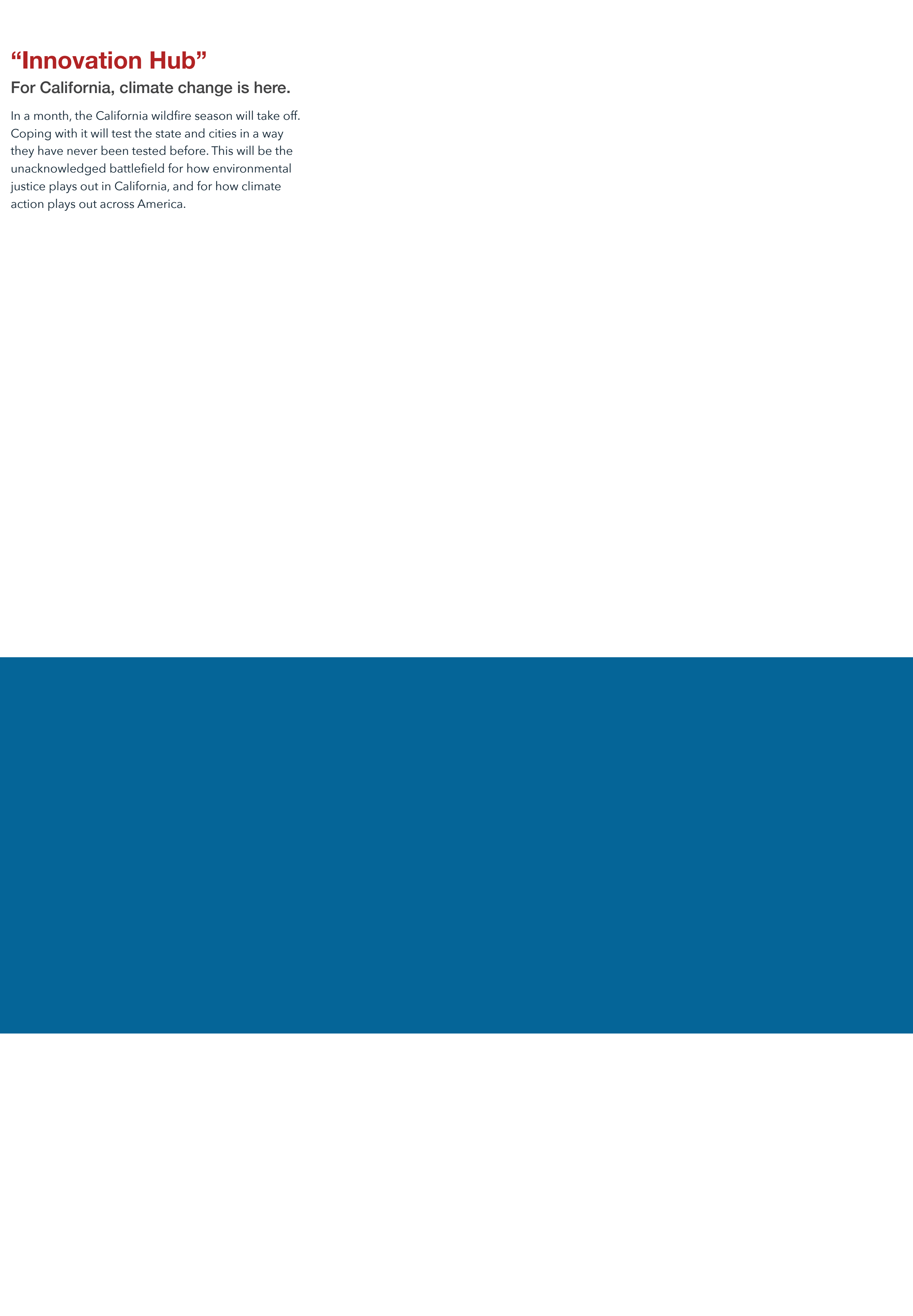
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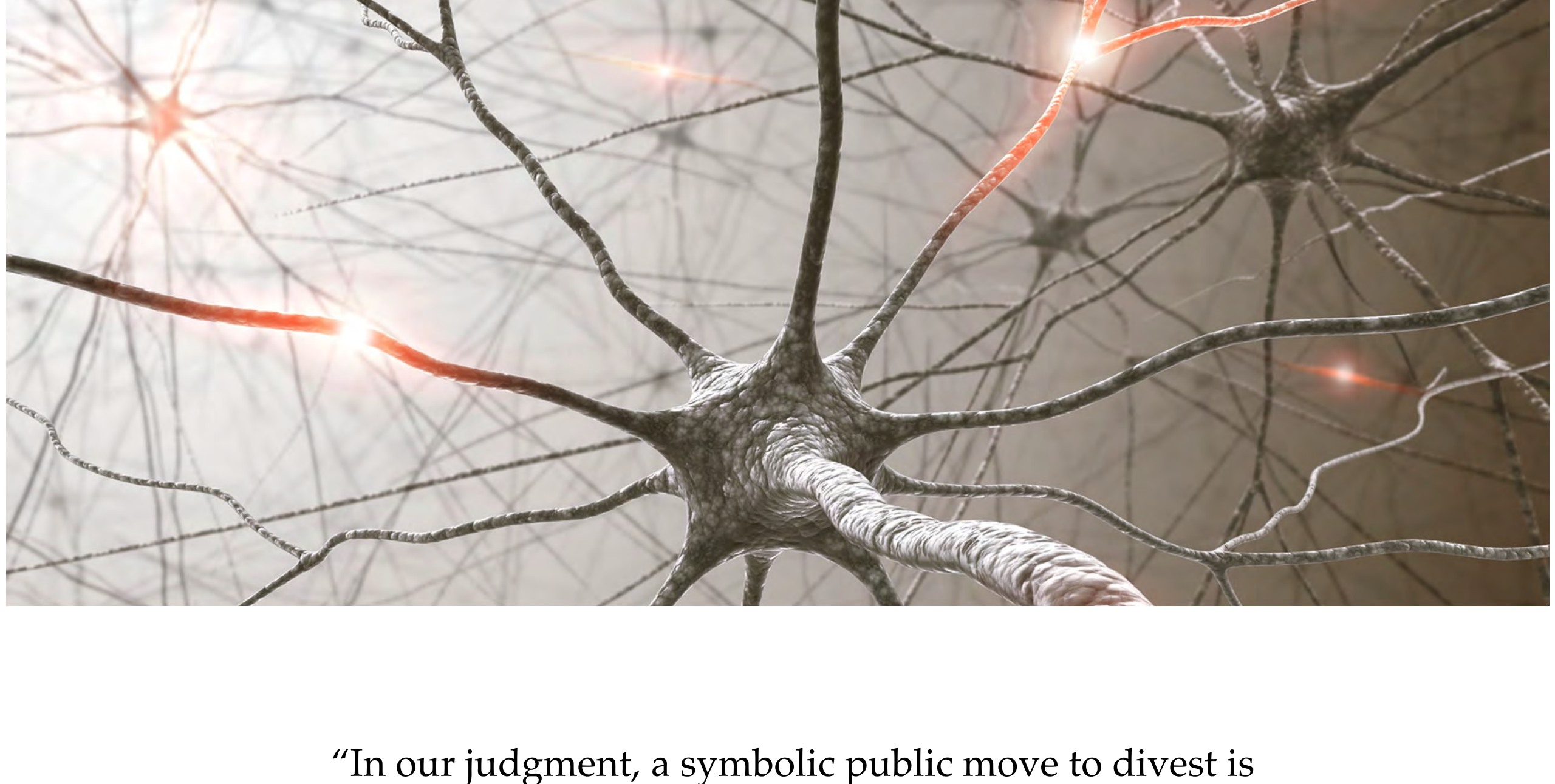
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## The Question of Divestment

By L. Rafael Reif

October 21, 2015

This section describes how divestment emerged as an issue on our campus and why we have chosen not to divest.

The student-led group Fossil Free MIT has presented a petition with around 3,400 community signatures, calling on MIT to divest any holdings in a group of 200 fossil fuel companies whose identified reserves, if burned, would send the global climate over the 2°C limit that we highlighted in Section I. Their goal, as we understand it from them, is to use the pressure of an international movement of high-profile institutional divestment to draw attention to the seriousness of the climate threat, and to trigger action against it, by publicly stigmatizing the practices of the fossil fuel industry.

We agree entirely on the seriousness and urgency of the climate threat, and on the need for MIT to play a public leadership role. However, after studying this question, we conclude that divestment is incompatible with the strategy of engagement that forms the heart of today's plan. Serious action to confront climate change demands intense collaboration across the research community, industry and government; divestment would thwart our ability to collaborate and to convene opposing parties and inspire united action.

In our judgment, a symbolic public move to divest is not the most effective way for MIT to drive progress on the climate challenge, and pursuing it would interfere with the two strategies MIT should pursue because of their promise for direct progress: active engagement and bold convening.

As the plan we share today makes clear, we find that the best way for MIT to accelerate action on the climate challenge—in science, in technology, in policy and in the education of our students—is active engagement with organizations of many kinds. Rapid progress will depend on our collaborating with a wide range of industry partners, from the most disruptive local solar start-ups to fossil fuel giants that have mastered the challenges of delivering energy to millions of households.

Furthermore, acceleration will depend on our ability to help industry and government understand each other, on the road to designing sound policy incentives. We also see a unique opportunity for MIT to serve as a convener of widely different voices and sectors—from activists to industry leaders—to help shift the public dialogue on climate from deadlocked argument to a constructive conversation about solving problems.

Some argue that it would be possible to take a symbolic stance against greenhouse gas emissions by publicly divesting from fossil fuel holdings, while also continuing to work with fossil fuel companies in these many contexts. We disagree.

In our judgment, the deliberate public act of divestment would entangle MIT in a movement whose core tactic is large-scale public shaming. This would retard rather than encourage the open collaboration and ability to hear new ideas that are central to our research relationships, central to our ability to help government and business think creatively together, and central to our ability to convene and inform the thinking of those with opposing views.

Throughout the last two years, the student leaders of Fossil Free MIT have acted with great respect, in a spirit of candor and collaboration. We believe that we should behave the same way toward fossil fuel companies.

We are not naïve about the pernicious role of some segments of the fossil fuel industry in creating the current policy deadlock. We deplore the practice of “disinformation,” through which some industry players and related groups have obstructed public understanding of the problem of climate change. We are engaged in candid conversations with industry allies, and we will continue to advocate frankly with them as we all work together for systemic solutions to climate change, including a price on carbon; such a policy shift would change the incentives for us all and make fossil fuel companies, a rich source of technical talent, a central source of progress.

### A tipping point

As with the protection of the ozone layer, well-crafted policies can harness the creative forces of industry to serve the common good. We judge that growing awareness of climate change may be generating a tipping point in that policy dynamic now. Witness the fact that in Paris last Friday, October 16, 2015, the CEOs of ten of the world's largest oil and gas companies declared that their “shared ambition is for a 2°C future,” and called for “an effective climate change agreement” at next month's 21st session of the UN Conference of Parties to the UN Framework on Climate Change (COP21).

Six of those companies—BP, Eni, Saudi Aramco, Shell, Statoil and Total—are members of MITEI. We believe we have greater power to build on such momentum not by distancing ourselves from fossil fuel companies, but by bringing them closer to us.

We have chosen different tactics than those in the Fossil Free MIT petition. But our ultimate goal is not different. The members of Fossil Free MIT and the Climate Change Conversation Committee, many of whom are personally engaged in advancing leading-edge climate science and renewable energy technologies, stimulated much of the thinking that produced the coordinated commitments in the plan we issue today. Above all, they brought climate change to the top of MIT's institutional agenda by urging that MIT assume a role of public leadership.

We step up to that challenge with this plan—and with the tide of new ideas and energy we hope it will unlock across the global community of MIT. We hope everyone in our community—including those who wish we had divested—will work with us to help this vital effort succeed.

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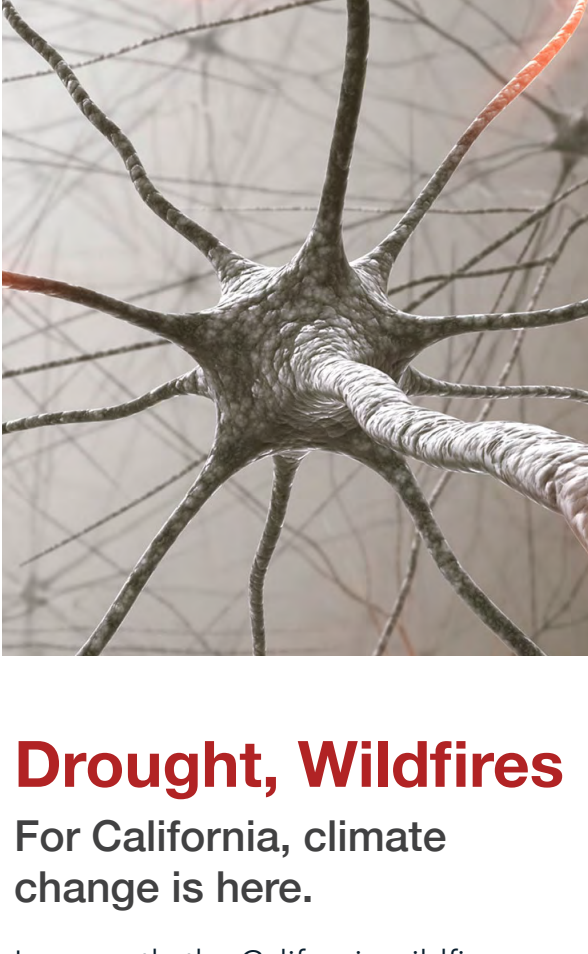
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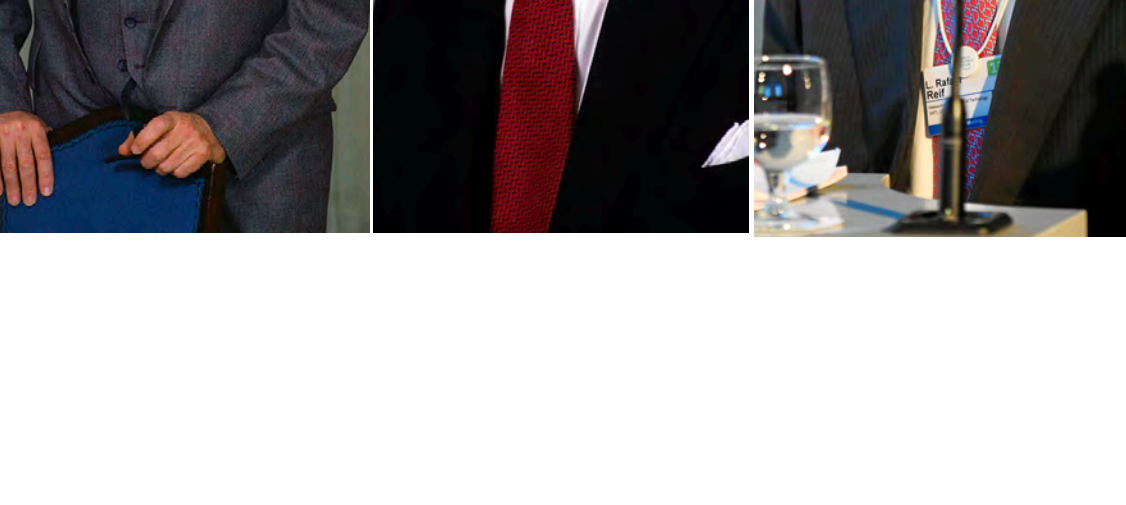
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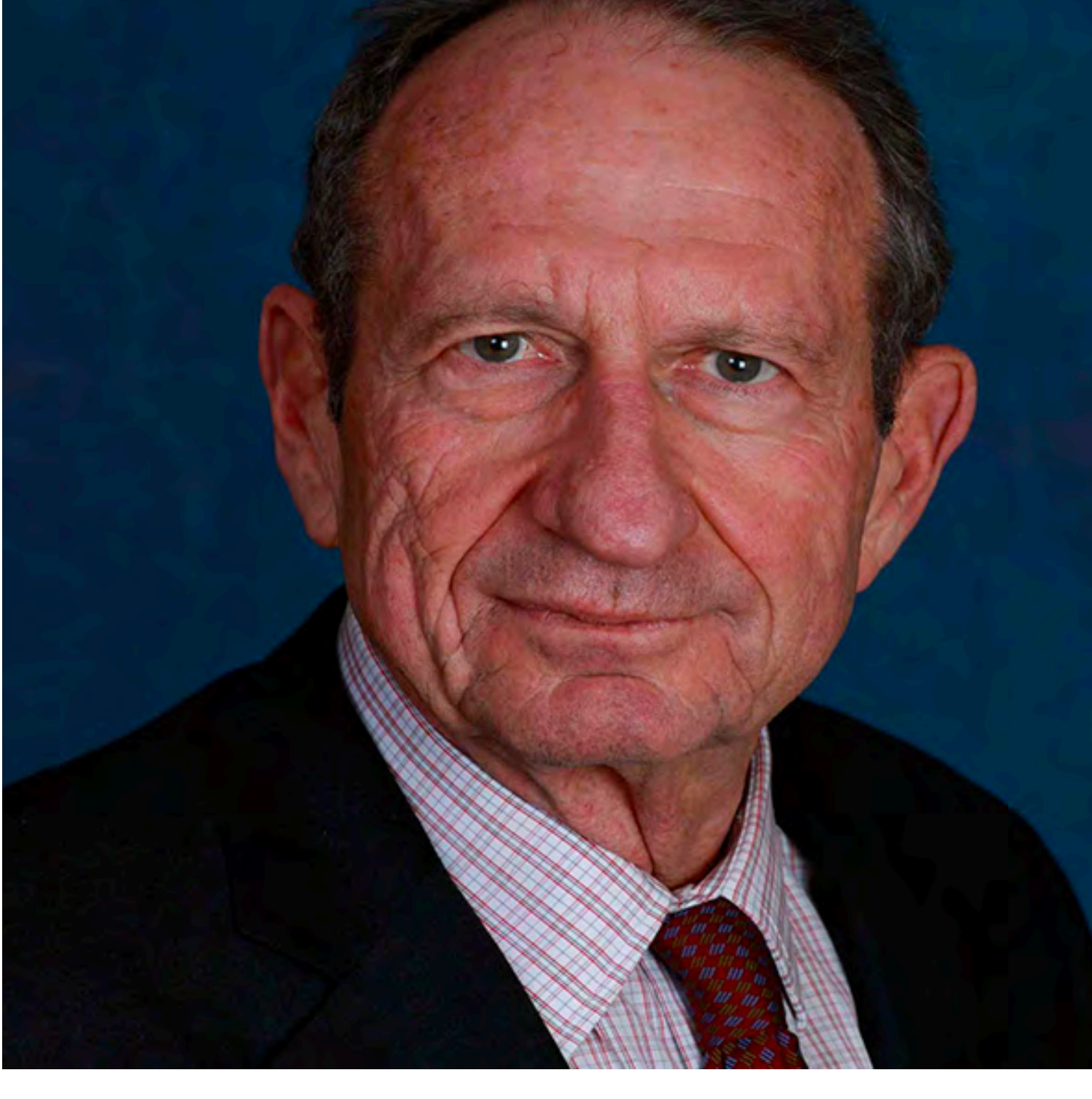
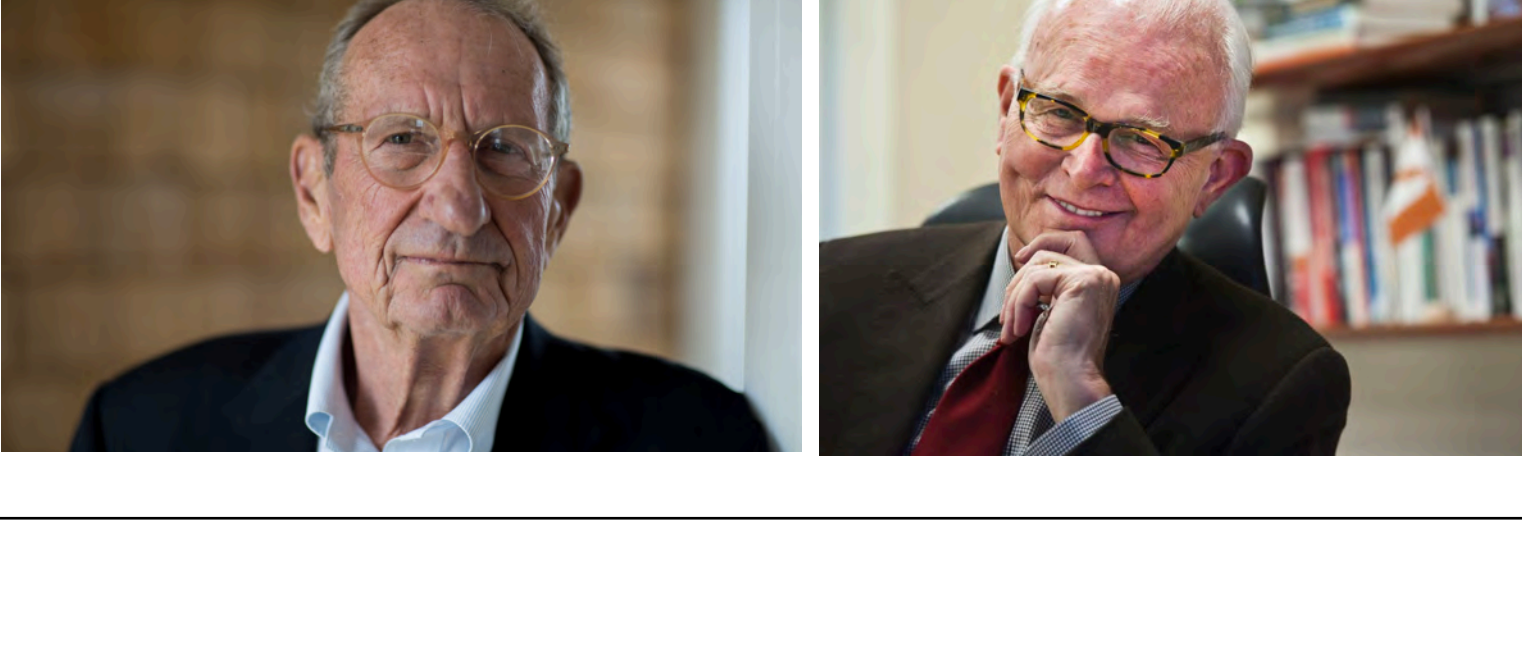
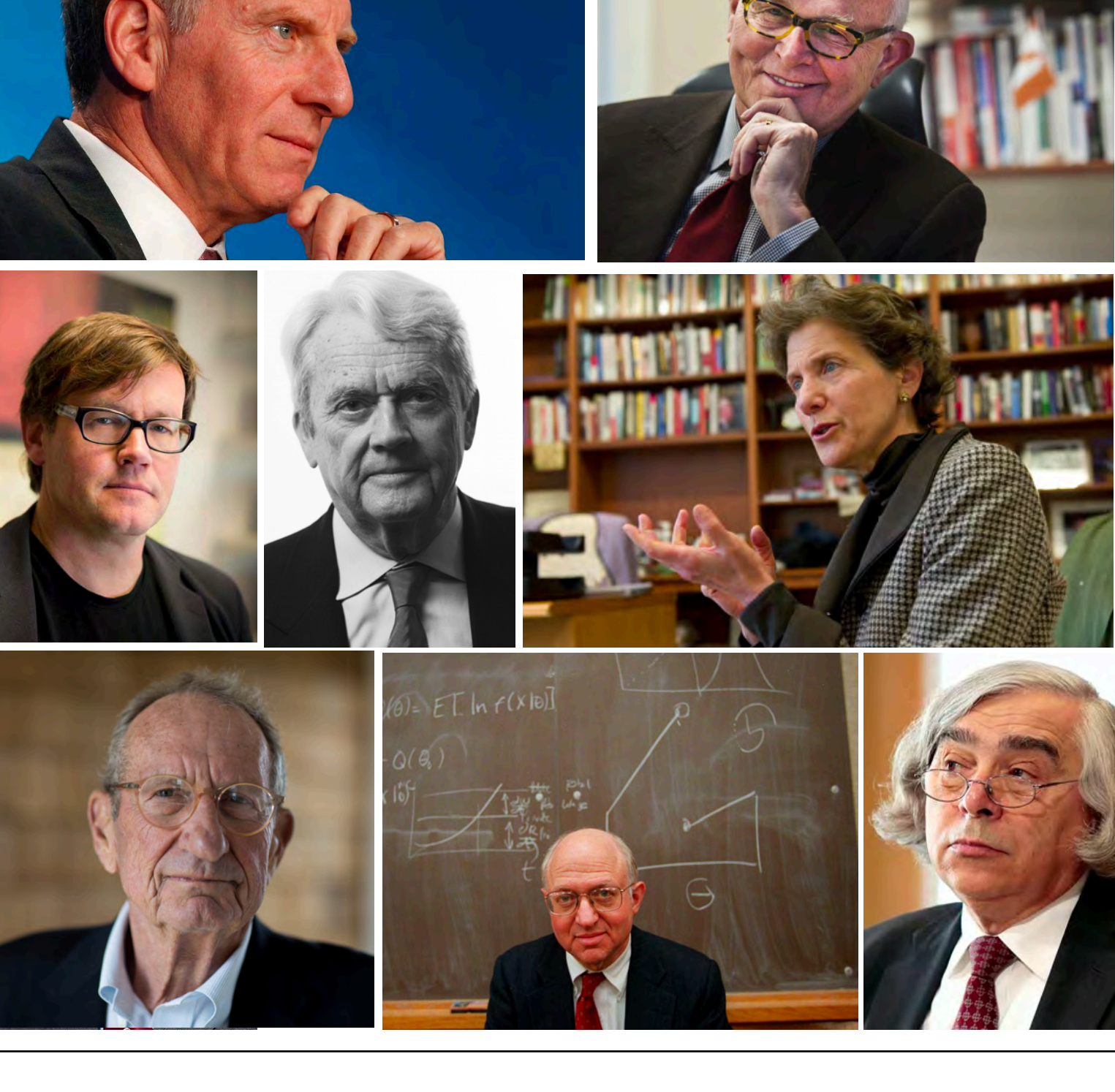
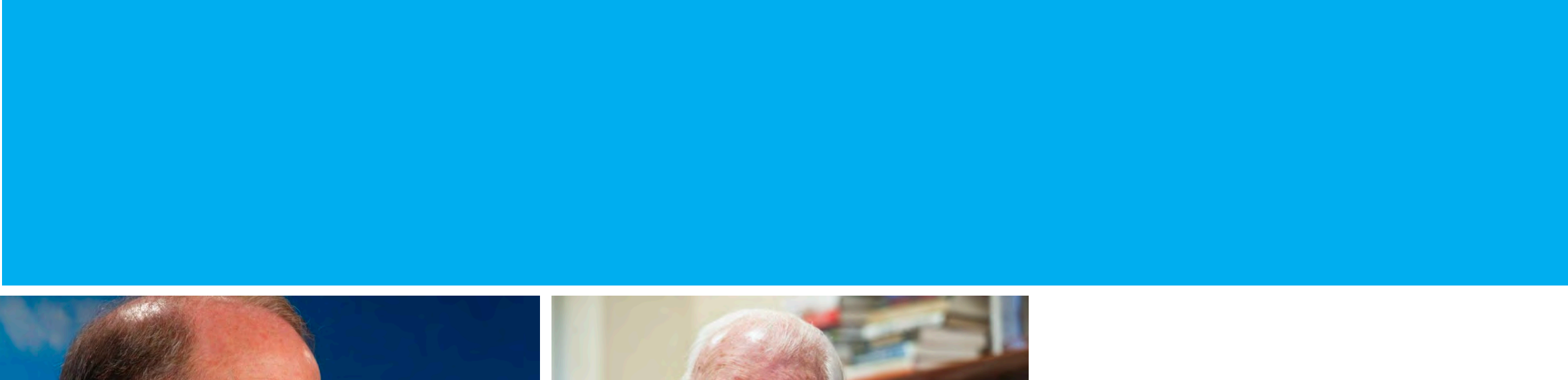
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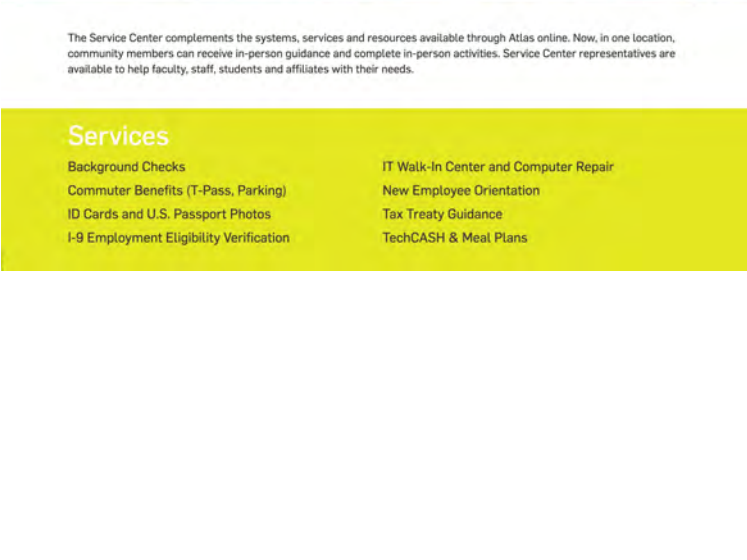
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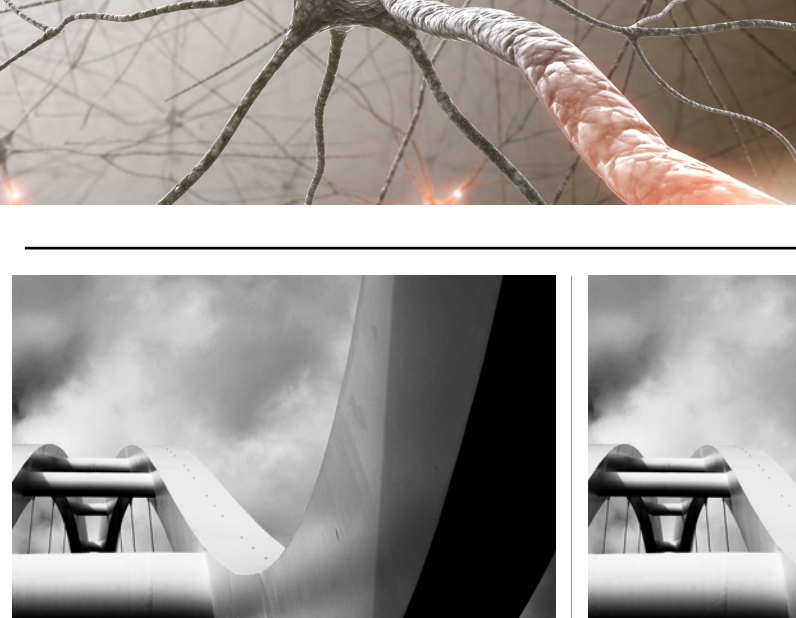
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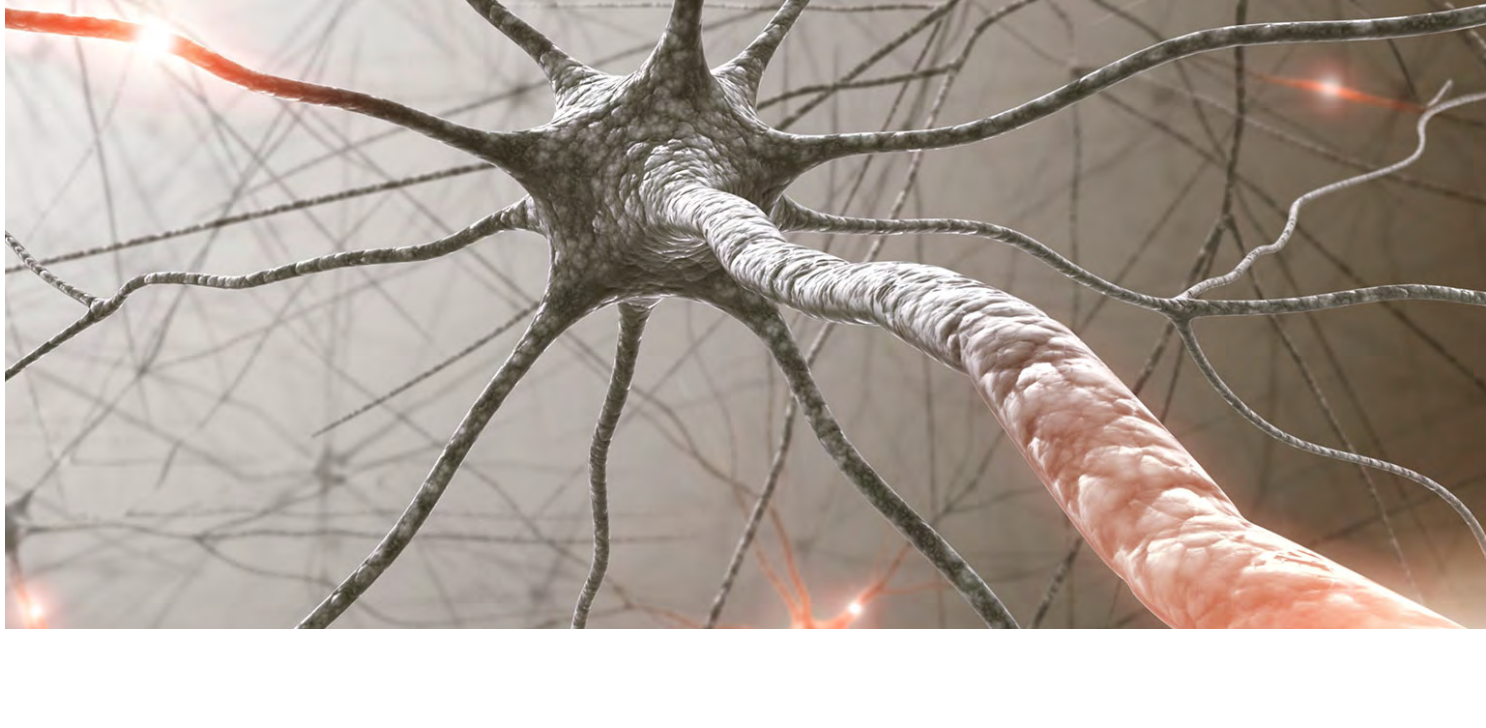
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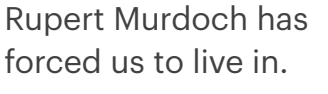
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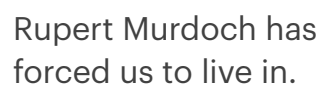
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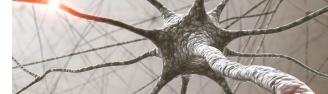
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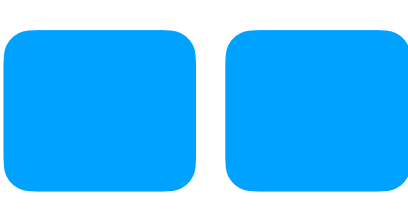
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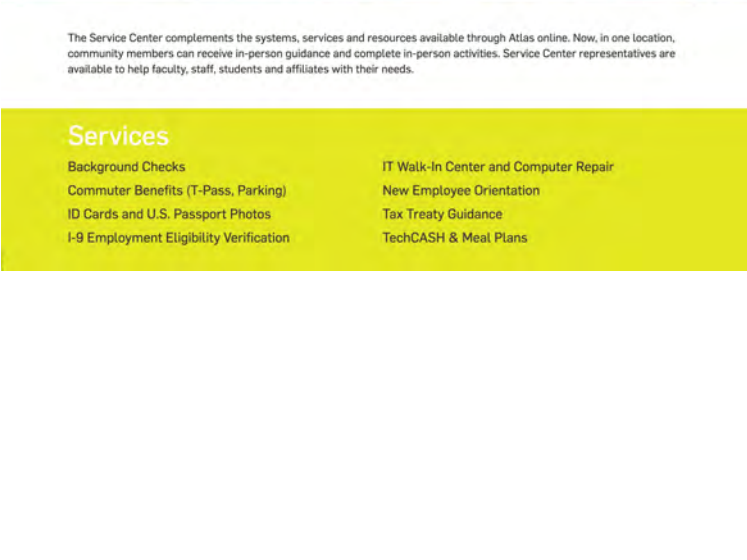
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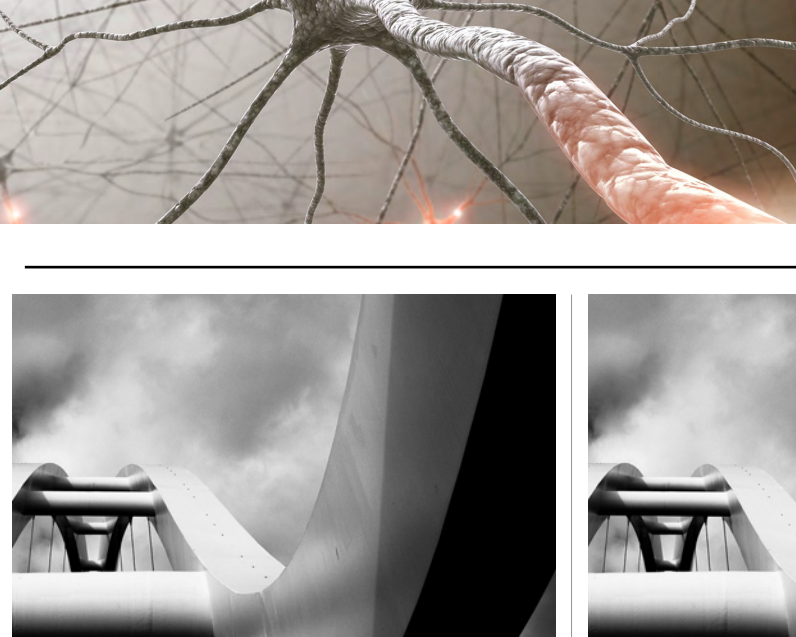
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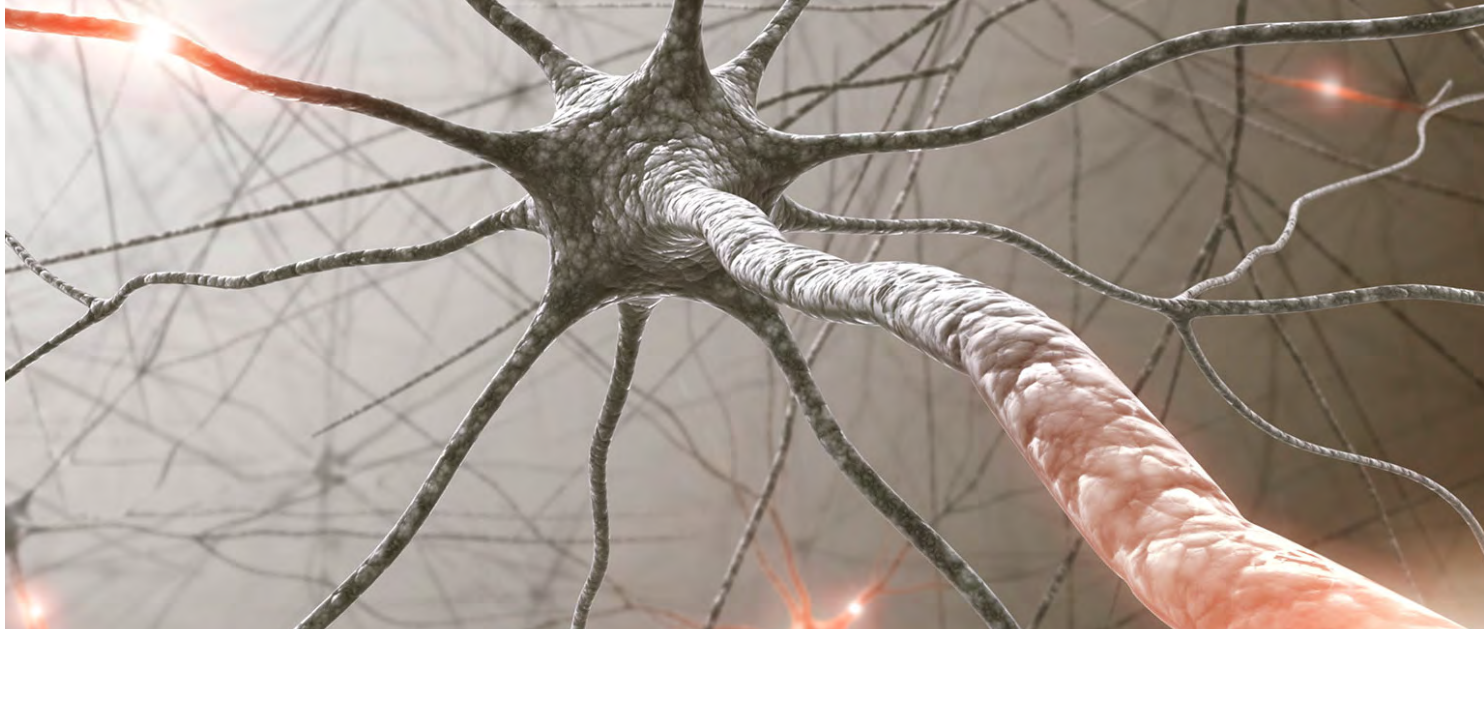
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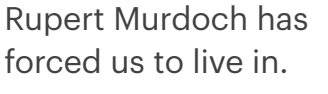
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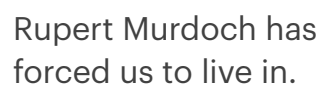
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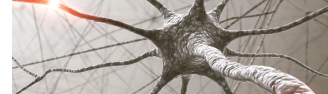
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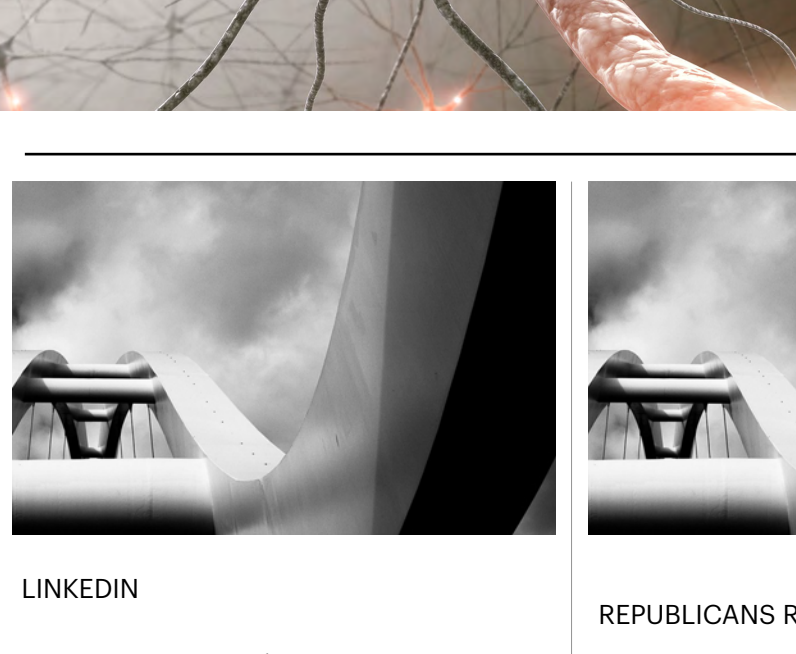
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Rafael Reif's Schlumberger Compensation (2007-2021):

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Year	Cash	Stocks	Compensation
2007	\$52,500.00	\$147,680.00	\$200,160.00
2008	\$97,500.00	\$201,100.00	\$298,600.00
2009	\$120,000.00	\$110,228.00	\$241,793.00
2010	\$120,000.00	\$160,695.00	\$280,695.00
2011	\$127,500.00	\$197,528.00	\$325,028.00
2012	\$130,000.00	\$166,815.00	\$296,815.00
2013	\$130,000.00	\$167,468.00	\$297,468.00
2014	\$130,000.00	\$228,488.00	\$376,280.00
2015	\$130,000.00	\$212,873.00	\$355,879.00
2016	\$137,500.00	\$178,650.00	\$316,150.00
2017	\$137,500.00	\$178,650.00	\$280,695.00
2018	\$158,700.00	\$189,980.00	\$325,028.00
2019	\$155,000.00	\$184,180.00	\$357,265.00
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Source: Schlumberger SEC Proxy Statements 2007-2021

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Rafael Reif's Conflict of Interest

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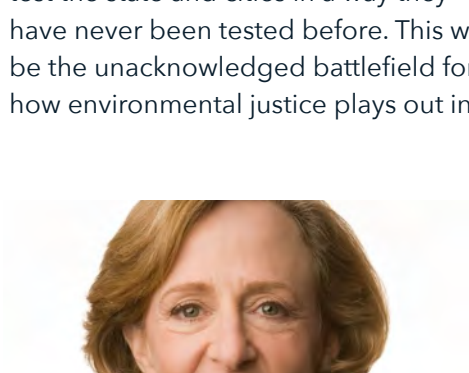
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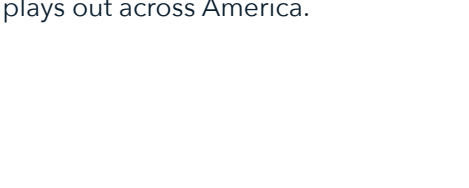
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2010-2015 “The Innovation Hub”	2012 - present Greenwashing	2015-present The “Engagement” Lie
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• From 2010-2015 Rafael Reif described the Skolkovo Institute as an “innovation hub”, emphasizing...</li><li>• He said nothing about shale research, the Bazhenov formation, degrees in Petroleum Engineering.</li><li>• Nothing about his annual Schlumberger salary (\$4.5 million over 14 years, with the majority of compensation in stock so that he had a direct interest in Schlumberger revenue.)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In April 2012 Provost Reif appointed Maria Zuber,</li><li>• Nothing about his annual ~\$300K Schlumberger salary, or that his total compensation would reach \$4.5 million, and that his heavy holding of Schlumberger made Schlumberger’s success in Russia relevant to his financial interest.</li><li>• MIT’s Skolkovo website, skoltech.mit.edu, was a carefully edited version of the actual <a href="#">skolkovo.ru/en</a> program, presenting only two of the 6 Skolkovo research centers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In 2015 MIT’s Fossil Free MIT movement, a student group demanding investment, had gained enough tract that the administration was forced to respond, and they produced “The Question of Divestment,” a 2-page section within the 15 page “</li></ul>
<p>“MIT hopes through [Skoltech] to help plant the seeds of an <i>innovation ecosystem</i> in Skolkovo that will benefit the participating institutions—and the rest of the world.”</p> <p>— Provost Rafael Reif MIT News, June 18, 2011</p>		

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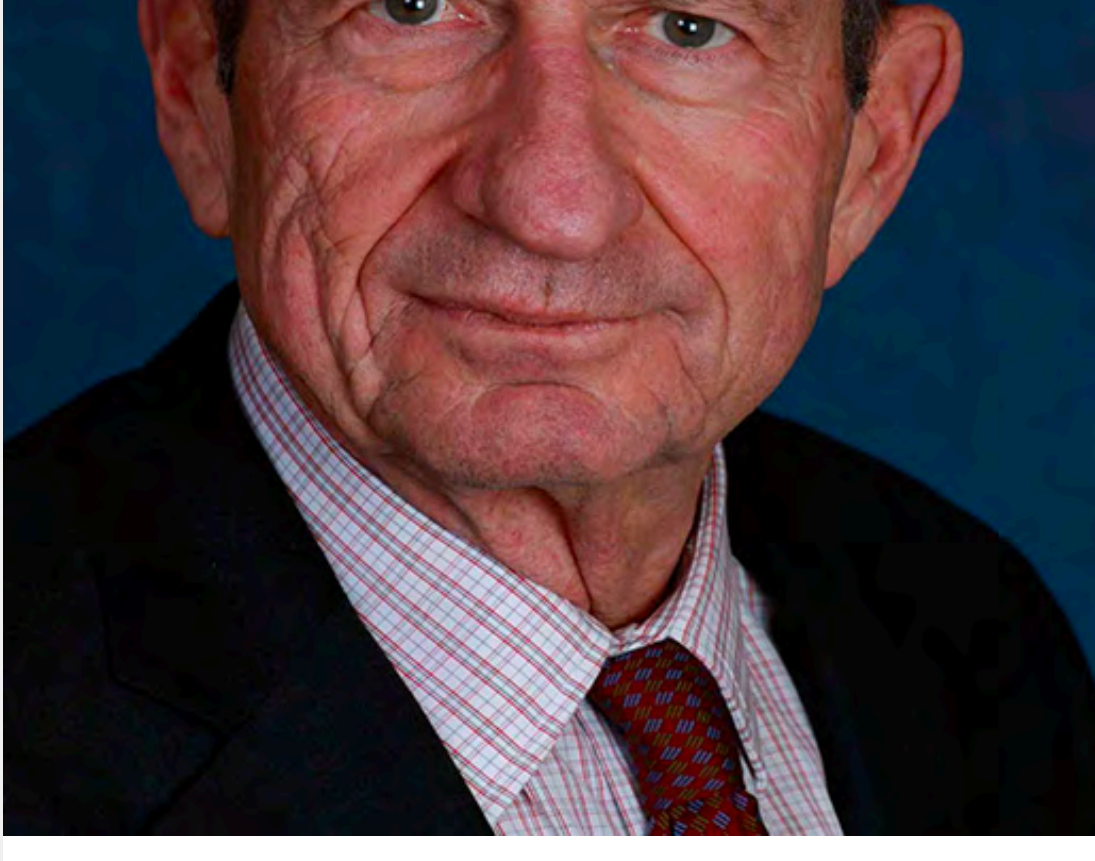








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Who Runs MIT?

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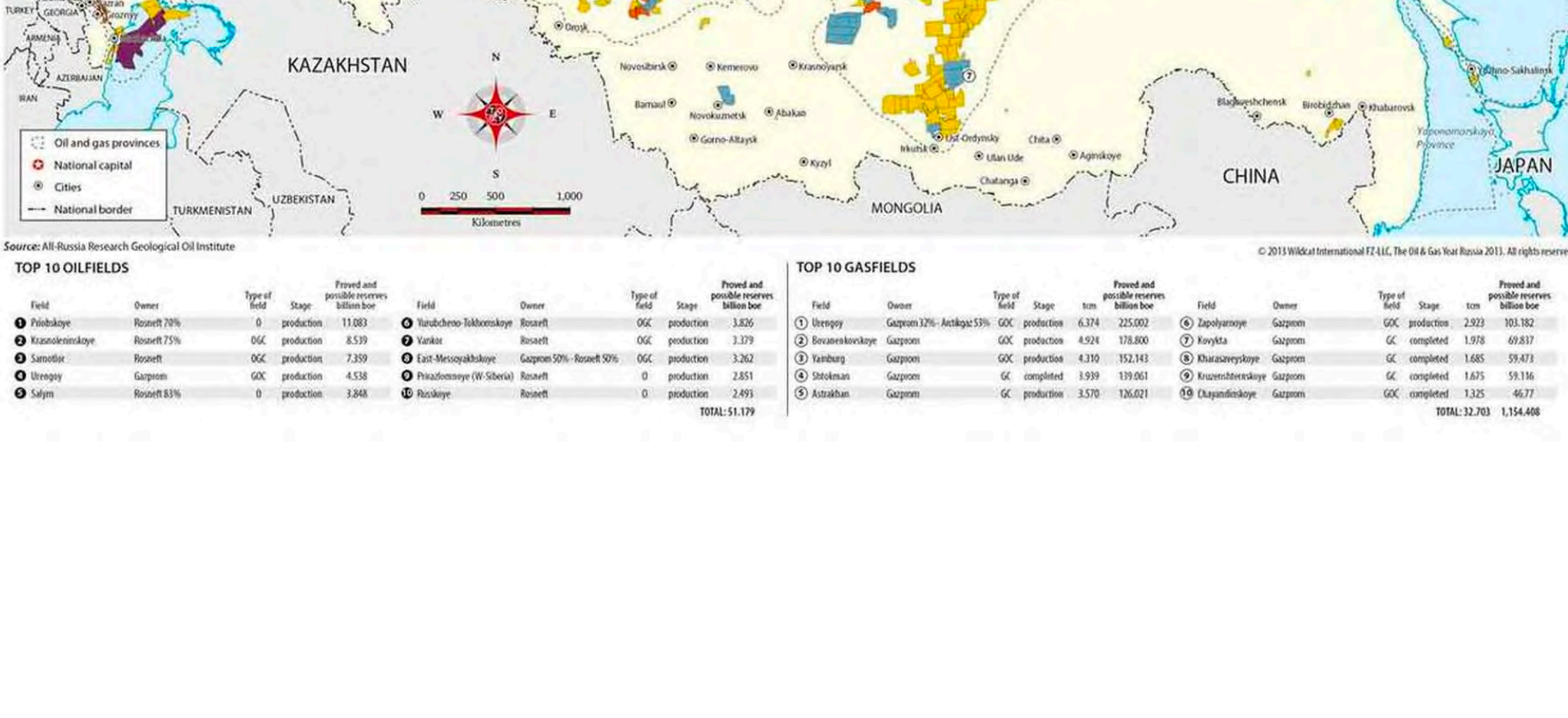
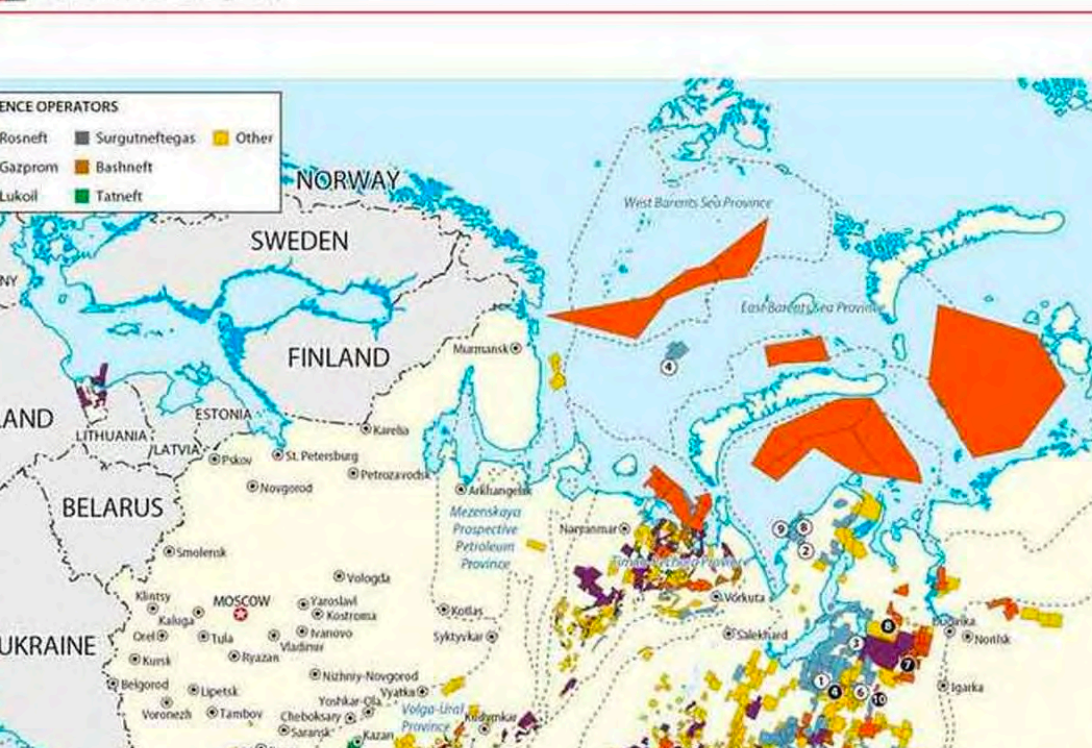
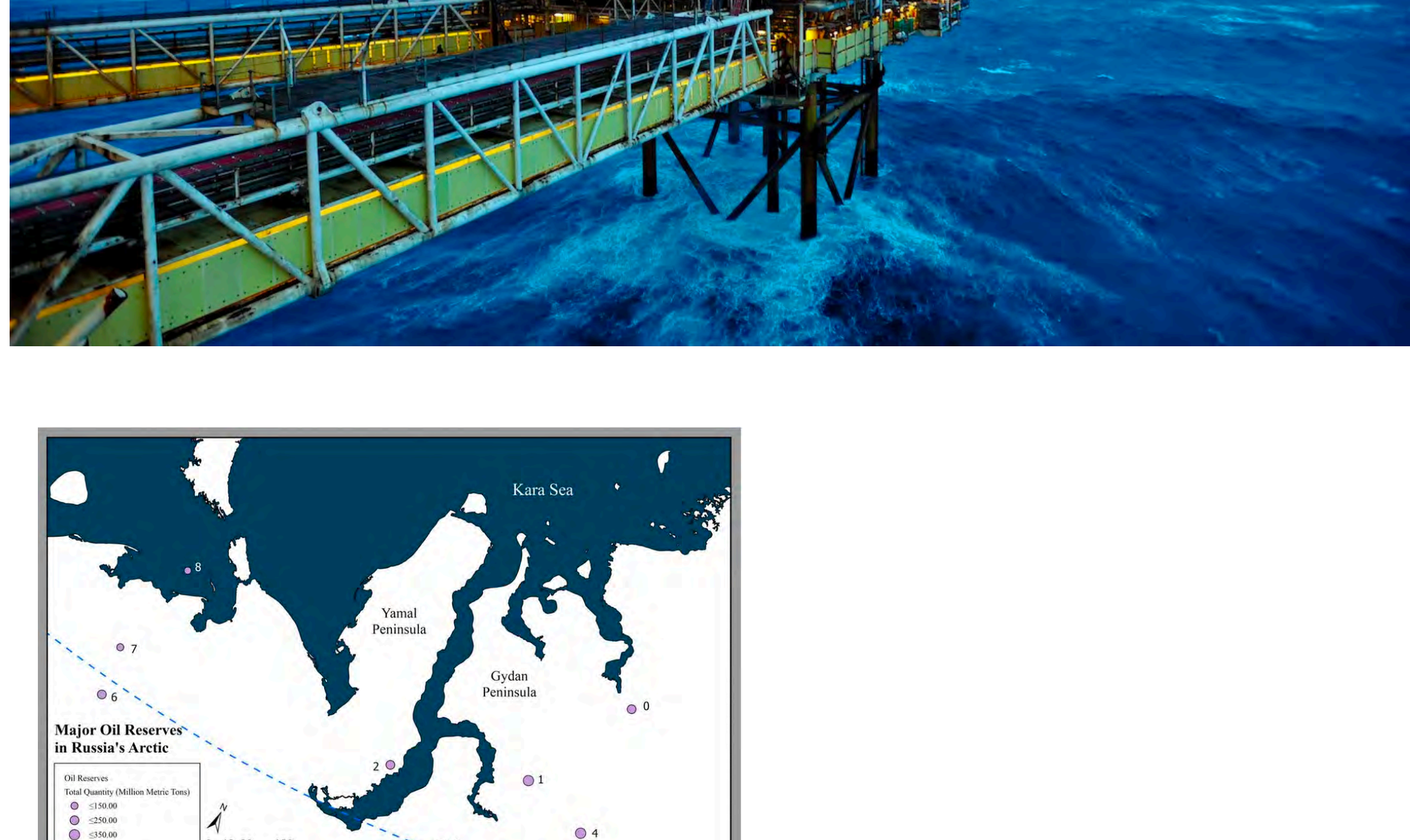
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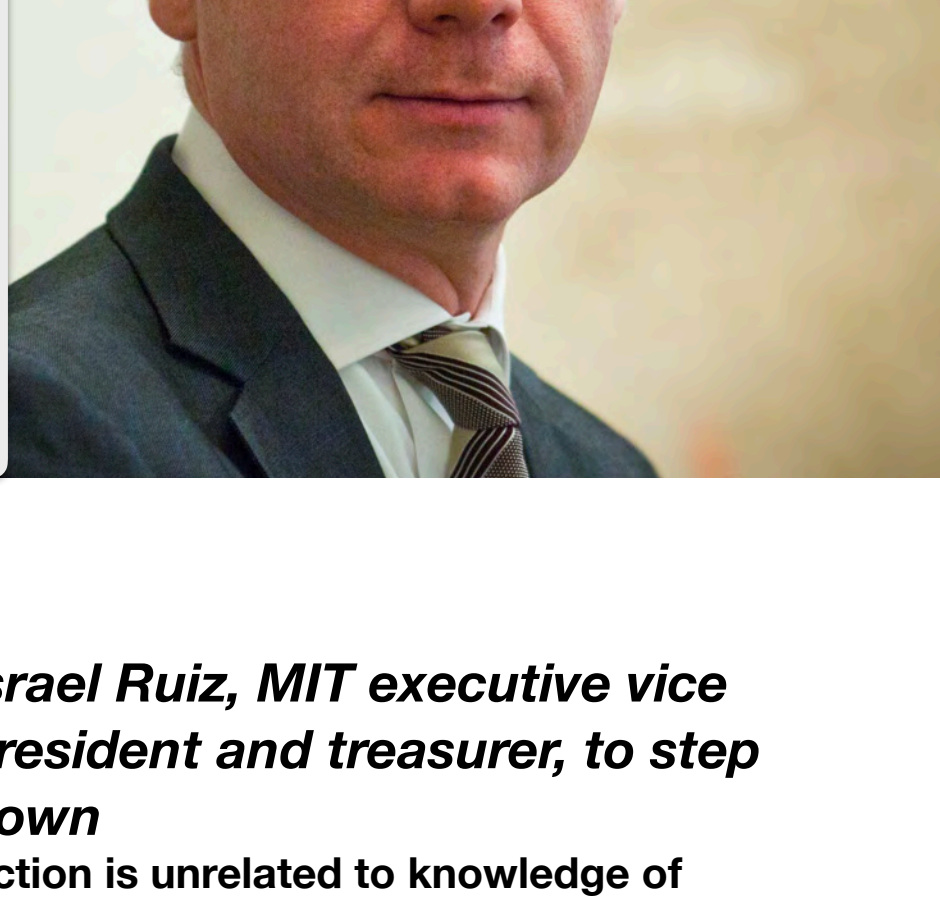








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**Israel Ruiz, MIT executive vice president and treasurer, to step down**

**Action is unrelated to knowledge of Epstein's donations, Ruiz says**

Ruiz wrote in an email to *The Tech*, "I am immensely proud of the work that we have done to make MIT better at every level, to strengthen its financial foundation and to launch transformative initiatives that will benefit the community for years to come. ... We have worked together with the MIT community to not only recover from the 2009 financial crisis, but to come out stronger than ever before in support of MIT's boldest aspirations."

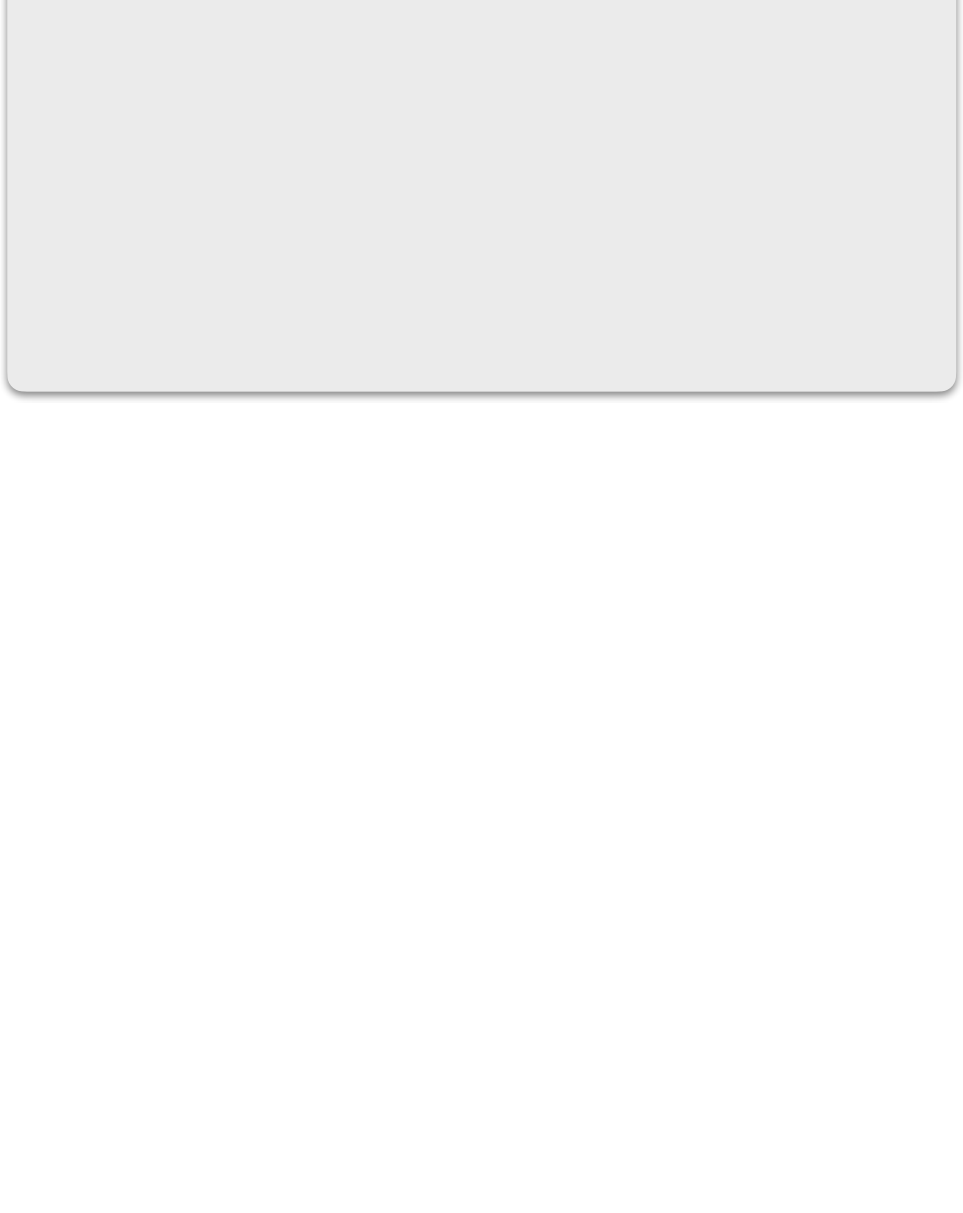
Ruiz wrote in his email, "While there is never the right time to leave a wonderful institution like MIT," his work around innovation inspired him, "to consider a change in my professional career ... and led to my decision to step down from my position to have the freedom to pursue them without conflicts." Ruiz did not further specify on what he intends to do after leaving MIT.

Ruiz mentioned in a separate email to *The Tech* that his stepping down is not related to his knowledge of Jeffrey

The reason we are losing the environmental fight is because we are fighting a #legal battle. Every single phrase has been vetted by lawyers to build a very specific defense for the two people who empowered Jeffrey Epstein at MIT. And despite outrage on the MIT campus ("More than 60 of MIT's leading female faculty members confront university president over Epstein" September 18, 2019 <https://lnkd.in/eyZxFjBc>), but no one seemed to read the actual report when it was published. The entire defense consisted of Ruiz and Reif saying they couldn't remember anything, and Reif saying he certainly would have remembered if someone mentioned the word "pedophile."

"On August 11, 2019, after the media began to focus on Epstein donations, Ruiz emailed President Reif stating that Epstein's donations to MIT had been discussed at Senior Team meetings, while noting that "information surrounding these decisions [was] clearly incomplete." President Reif responded: "I remember the STM conversations" but noted that "my recollection was that Joi [Ito] had already accepted the money and we were discussing what to do. Of course, my recollection is probably faulty..." Notably, earlier in the same email chain, it is clear that President Reif believed that MIT had never approved the Epstein donations. During his interviews, President Reif stated that while he believed that the concept of controversial donors may have been discussed at certain Senior Team meetings, including at relatively recent meetings in 2019, he did not recall any detailed discussions of Epstein, and certainly no explanation that he was a convicted sex offender or pedophile. Consistent with this, on August 26, 2019, President Reif noted in an email to Vice President and Secretary of the Corporation Suzanne Glassburn, "I don't remember anyone saying anything about what JE [Epstein] was convicted for and served prison for . . . . I certainly remember nothing being said about minors . . . I have never heard of the guy and his reputation before, and even after, until he

“...do you have time for a conversation about the gift discussion we had before the break? We have had a chance to discuss the nuances in light of the most recent news and would like to share Rafael [Reif] and others perspectives with you.”

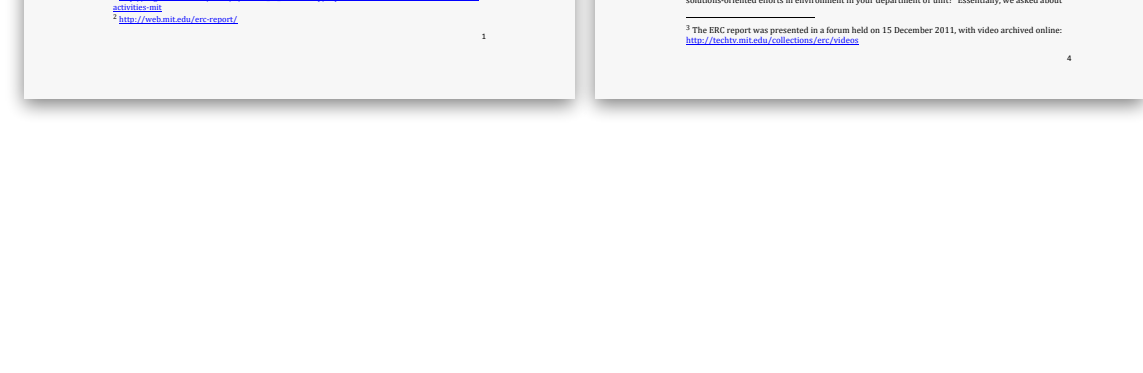




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# The Russian Manifesto

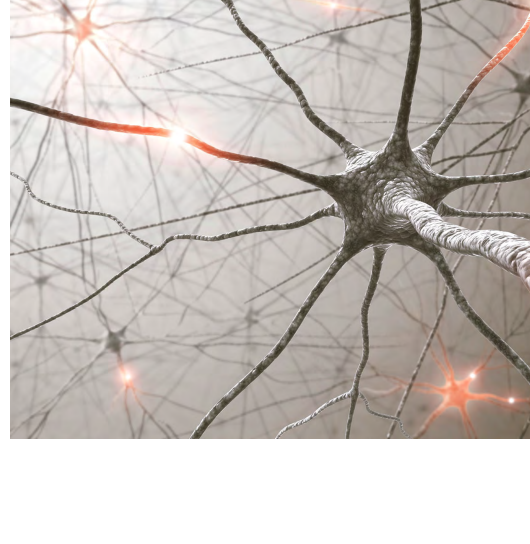
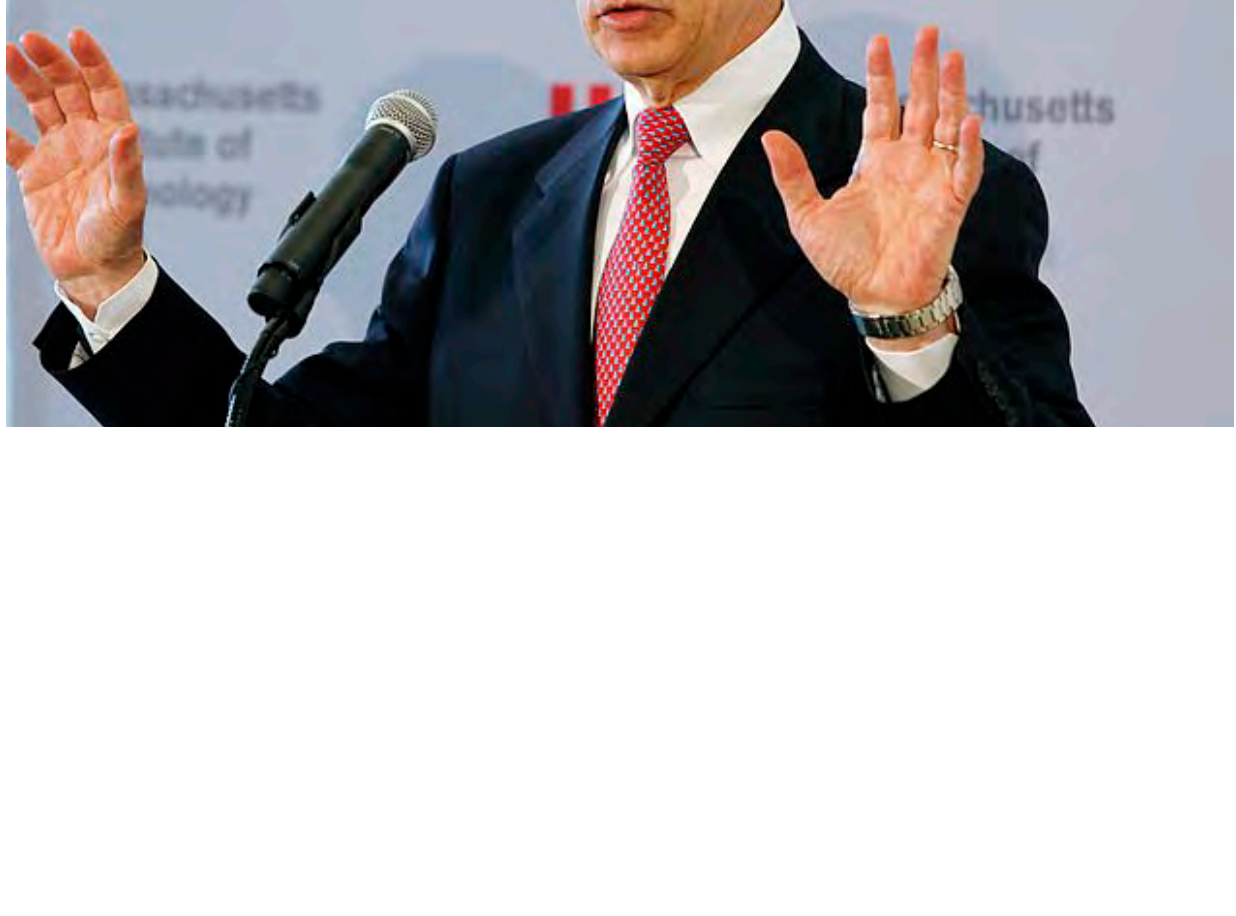
From "National Security Consequences of U.S. Oil Dependency," page 49, of 2000 report from the Task Force of the Council on Foreign Relations, co-chaired by John Dersich.

"Higher energy prices have already encouraged private firms to make additional investments in oil production outside the Persian Gulf, such as in Canada's oil sands. In addition to this welcome trend, efforts to encourage production in some areas— notably Russia—will require active policy efforts. Russia is the world's second-largest oil exporter as well as the largest producer and exporter of natural gas, on which Western Europe depends heavily. Russia plays an important role in many other international issues from stability in Central Asia to cooperation with Iran, including on its nuclear program.

"In the past three years, Russia has taken steps to place its oil and gas production and transportation system under greater central government control. The implication of this trend is that Russian oil and gas exports will increasingly serve political purposes, probably at the expense of the expansion of Russia's hydrocarbon sector. Russia is a major oil and gas exporter, and the United States has an interest in that country maintaining and expanding production. Thus, despite important differences in foreign policy objectives that divide the United States and Russia, the United States should continue to seek appropriate opportunities for opening the Russian oil sector to foreign investment and facilitating the use of advanced Western technology that will increase Russia's efficiency and level of production.







## Israel Ruiz

Information Systems  
MIT Police  
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Office of Sustainability



Homepages

A URL is your headquarters.

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The two most important, underutilized URLs in the world.

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Boston Globe

## ‘Significant errors...serious damage’: New report details MIT relationship with Jeffrey Epstein

Three top administrators knew of the disgraced financier’s donations as early as 2013, and knowingly accepting the donations.

By [Deirdre Fernandez](#) Globe Staff/Updated January 10, 2020, 2:13 p.m.



“Morgan, Newton, and Ruiz established an informal framework in 2013, under which all subsequent Epstein donations to MIT were ultimately approved and accepted.”

Note the shift into the passive tense — “were approved and accepted.”

The only reason they were able to pull off this deception was because of the way they dissolved **responsibility** and **accountability**.

They hid Israel Ruiz in a trio of VPs that no one could keep straight, as opposed to making it clear that he was the person in charge...

because then it would become clearer that he and Reif were on the same page with Jeffrey Epstein.

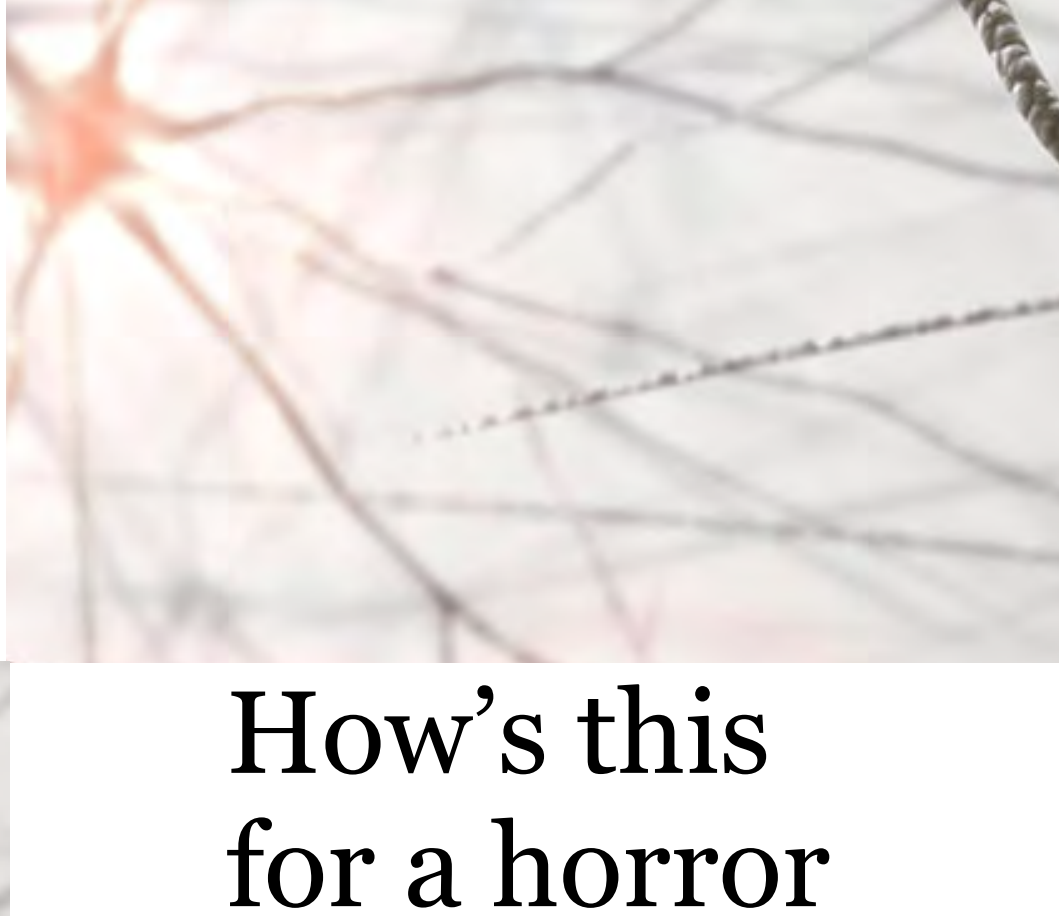
By giving a fake mea culpa to three VPs that no one knew, **Reif escaped the consequences of his actions**.

This investigation result was managed and manipulated by Ruiz and Reif as



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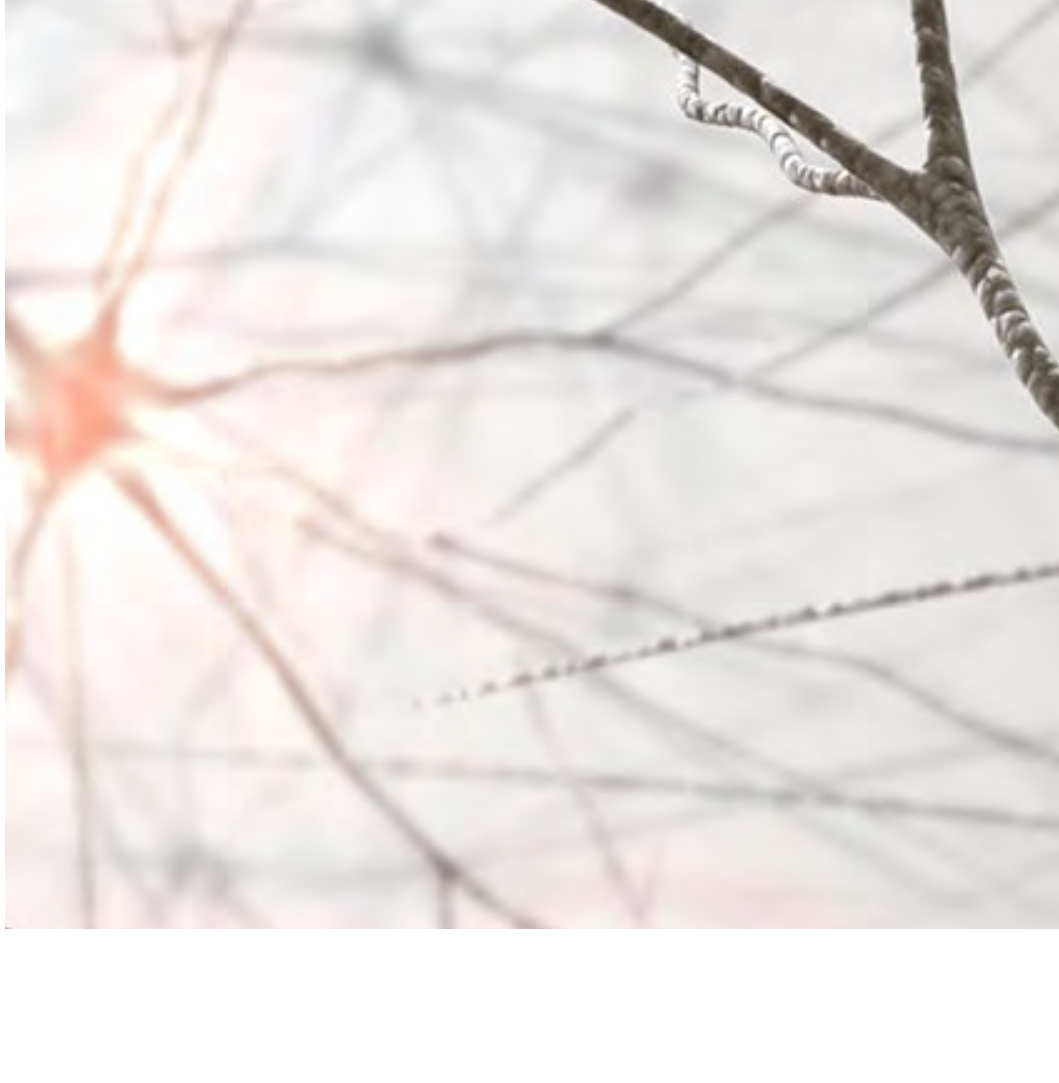
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Soviet oil

If you work at an institution or company,

Shale

These are the movers and shakers in your field. What they have to say to you, collectively, is far

Arctic

Only a global network can convey in real time the global reality of climate change and climate action.



MIT News article on Skolkovo

An important result expected from the collaboration of MIT and Skolkovo Foundation is to promote MIT's culture of innovation and entrepreneurship among Russian scientists and students. The Skolkovo project will create paths to bring technologies to industry, launch high-tech start-ups, and facilitate the growth of the regional innovation ecosystems. MIT will also evaluate ways for including researchers and students from collaborating Russian institutions in MIT's innovating competitions and events.

MIT and the Skolkovo Foundation expect to conclude their evaluation by the end of 2010. If they make a final decision to proceed with one or more of these concepts or others, they expect to negotiate and sign a definitive agreement during the first quarter of 2011.

Today's agreement is a result of an historic effort by the President of Russia, Dmitry Medvedev, to modernize the national economy and promote technological innovation. Discussions started in January 2010 during a two-day visit to MIT by senior Russian government officials, led by First Vice Prime Minister Igor Shuvalov, Deputy Chief of Presidential Staff Vladislav Surkov, and others. Mr. Surkov now chairs a task force established by President Medvedev to create a nationwide umbrella for technology development, commercialization and education in Russia within the Skolkovo project.

Susan Hockfield on why Rafael Reif on Skolkovoshe is leaving MIT

"MIT is challenged and excited by the opportunity to help create in Russia a new model for graduate education and research in science and technology," said MIT Provost L. Rafael Reif, who signed today for MIT. "SIST's educational and research activities are envisioned to offer new avenues for MIT and other research universities outside of Russia to collaborate in discovery and innovation with the world-class scientific and engineering talent of Russia's universities and research institutes. MIT hopes through SIST to help plant the seeds of an innovation ecosystem in Skolkovo that will benefit the participating institutions--and the rest of the world."

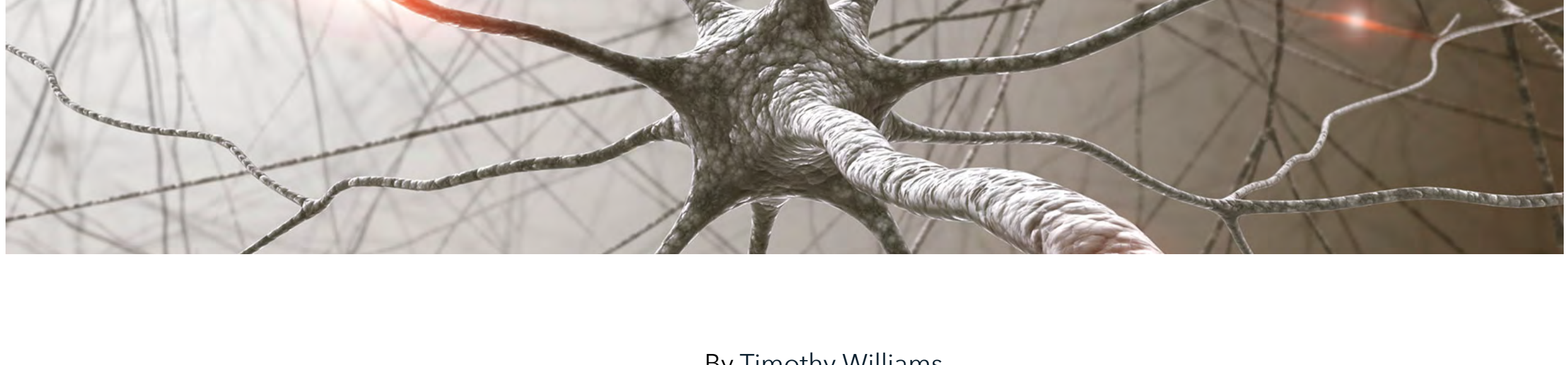
"...The Institute is now moving forward on a new set of ambitious goals, and I have concluded that the powerful momentum we have built makes this an opportune moment for a leadership transition...

"The momentum of all that we have accomplished has tempted me to stay on to see our many efforts bear their full fruit. But to support our ambitious goals for the future, MIT has begun the crucial work of planning for a significant new fundraising campaign. A campaign on this scale will require the full focus and sustained attention of the Institute's president over many years. I have concluded that it would be best for the Institute to begin this next chapter with new leadership...



# The Jeffrey Epstein Coverup

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By [Timothy Williams](#)

Jan. 6, 2015

A well-known criminal defense lawyer, who along with Prince Andrew has been accused of having sex with an under-age girl, has denied the allegations in a federal court filing and asked that his name be removed from the case.

In court papers filed Monday in the Southern District of Florida, representatives for the lawyer, [Alan M. Dershowitz](#), called the claims that he had sex with a minor “outrageous and impertinent.”

The accusations against Mr. Dershowitz, a professor emeritus at Harvard Law School, and Prince Andrew, second son of Queen Elizabeth and fifth in line to the British throne, came in a motion filed Dec. 30 as part of a broader, long-running federal lawsuit. Mr. Dershowitz and Prince Andrew are not parties to the broader lawsuit.

The motion claimed that Jeffrey E. Epstein, a wealthy businessman who has previously pleaded guilty to soliciting prostitution, had forced the girl, beginning at age 15, to have sex with “politically connected and financially powerful people,” including Mr. Dershowitz and Prince Andrew. Buckingham Palace has vehemently denied the allegations against the prince.

**The woman, who was not identified in the court document, was repeatedly sexually abused by Mr. Epstein as a minor, the filing said,** and was “required” to have sex with Prince Andrew and Mr. Dershowitz several times, including in Florida, New York, New Mexico and the Virgin Islands and on private planes.

The motion also claimed that Mr. Dershowitz had abused other minors and had been “an eyewitness to the sexual abuse of many other minors” by Mr. Epstein and others.

In a statement accompanying the court filing, Mr. Dershowitz said the encounters could not have occurred for several reasons, including the one time he had visited Mr. Epstein’s house in New Mexico. The house was still under construction, and Mr. Dershowitz said he had stayed for about an hour. He was accompanied, he said, by his wife and daughter and another couple.

“Mr. Epstein was not there,” Mr. Dershowitz said. “Nor were there any young girls visible at any time.”

Bradley J. Edwards, a lawyer for the woman, declined to comment Tuesday.

Mr. Dershowitz’s lawyers said in their motion that the allegation was “nothing more than a vehicle to impugn the reputation of Professor Dershowitz, filed with the certain result of stirring up media interest.”

The motion argued that Mr. Dershowitz, who has previously served as Mr. Epstein’s lawyer, should be allowed to remove his name from the case given that the allegations of sexual abuse had harmed his reputation.

“Few accusations, if any, can launch such an immediate sensation as well as an enduring taint, notwithstanding their utter falsity and the impeccable reputation of the accused,” the motion said.

## Challenging idea that **climate denial** is the primary obstacle to climate action.

Climate denial is unquestionably a real thing.

But it is **not** the obstacle to climate action.

### Skolkovo

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Mental Health

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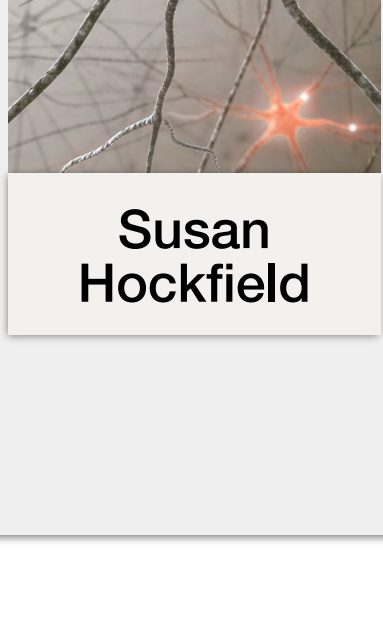
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Human Trafficking

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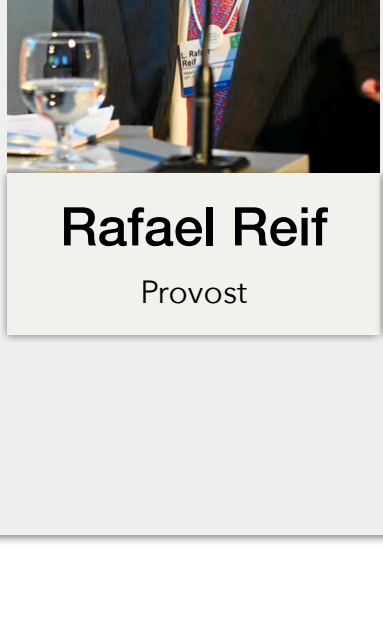
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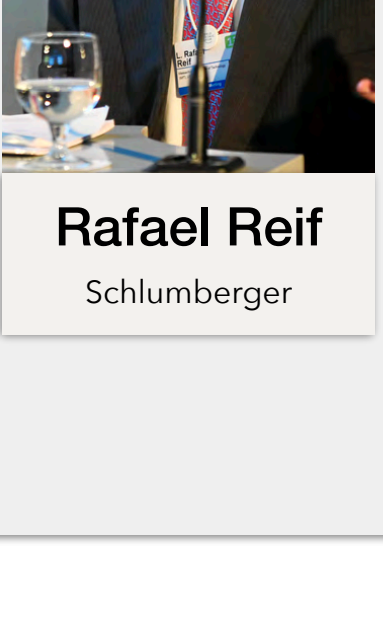


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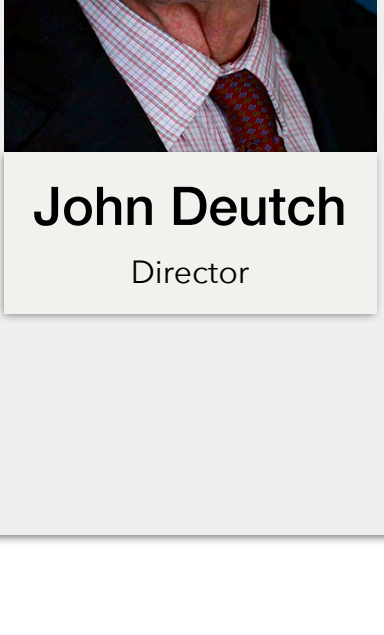


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