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Dear delegates,

And that's a wrap on Day 1! Whether you attended our Americas + Europe or Asia + Oceania track, we hope you learned a lot from all of our amazing speakers and had the chance to meet other delegates. In this email, please find today's highlights, the presidents' recommendations for Day 2 events, and reminders.

Day 1 Recap

We heard advice from global leaders in **healthcare, science, and technology**, including **Dr. Tedros Adhanom**, Director General of the **WHO**, about **the importance of unity and clear communication because of and in spite of differences in cultures and backgrounds.**

Re-watch Opening Ceremony Highlights: Dr. Tedros Adhanom Addresses HPAIR Delegates on the Power of Research and Innovation to Drive Social Change.

On the Americas side, we heard from **world-class business leaders**, including

Martin Sneader, the Global Managing Partner of **McKinsey** and **Andre Hoffman**, Vice Chairman of **Roche**, about **how to find continuity and a new normal in the transition to the virtual world, precipitated by the most trying times of our generation.**
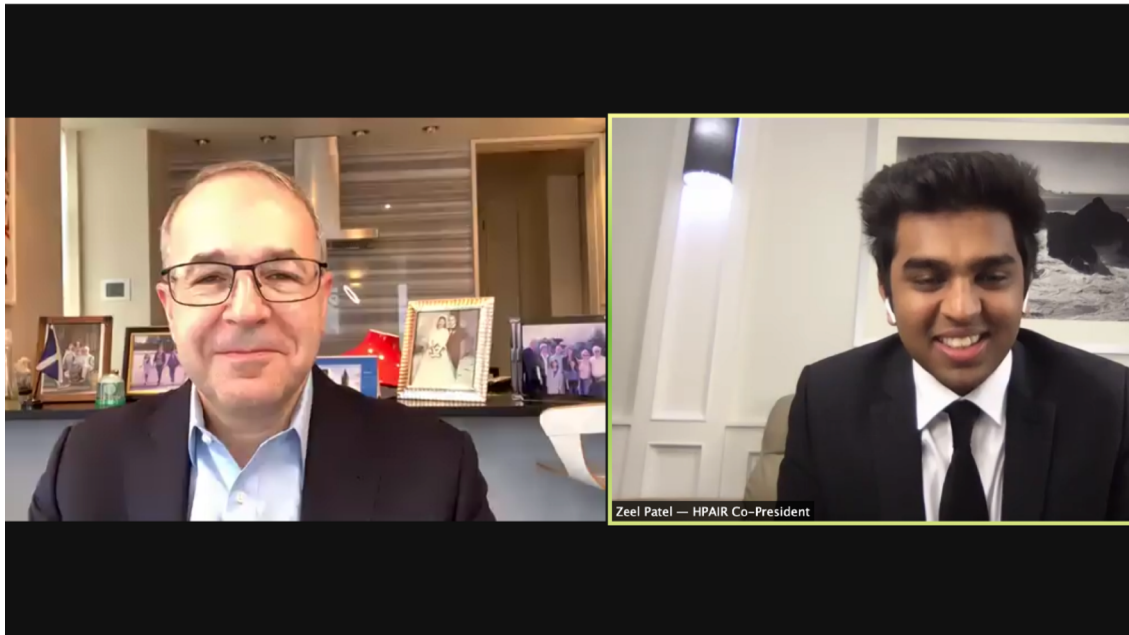
On the Asia side, we heard from not only **more world-class business leaders**, but **academic leaders**, including **Brian Wong**, former Group Vice Chairman at **Alibaba Group** and founder of RADII, and several **Harvard professors,** about **how Asia is moving the world forward to a digital economy, driven by rapid growth in technology.**

Re-watch Opening Ceremony Highlights: A Warm Welcome from Harvard
Professors.

Presidents' Recommendations for Day 2

- **9:00 -10:15 AM, 1/16, Eastern Standard Time**: Keynote with **Hari Nair,** VP at **Procter & Gamble**
- **10:30 -11:45 PM, 1/16, Eastern Standard Time**: Keynote with **Lesly Goh,** Former CTO of the **World Bank** and Professor at Cambridge University and NUS Singapore
- **7:30 - 8:30 PM, 1/16, Eastern Standard Time: Meet the HPAIR Team AMA - ask members of the organizing team about life at Harvard, organizing the conference, and more.**

- ***12:00 - 8:30 PM, 1/17 Eastern Standard Time:** Fireside Chat with Bandana Tewari,** Former Editor at Large for **Vogue India** and Sustainable Fashion Warrior

*Due to connectivity issues caused by weather events, Bandana was unable to connect on Day 1 and has kindly offered to reschedule for Day 2. This change will be reflected on the Run the World website.

Reminders

- *If you need assistance during the conference, you can visit the Zoom help desk or email help@hpair.org.*
- *Please be respectful towards all speakers, HPAIR staff, and other delegates. Please do not use inappropriate language or spam the comments. We reserve the right to remove you from the conference without refund due to disrespectful conduct.*
- *__Note about session recordings:__ Recordings of certain sessions are available to all delegates for the duration of the conference weekend to rewatch and are linked in the images of this email, as well as available at the bottom of the Run the World website conference event page. **After the conference, recordings of sessions will only be available to gold tier delegates.***

To close, we'll leave you with one final quote we heard from Brian Wong today:

> How should we think about embracing change?
>
> *"The possibilities."*

As we look towards the next 3 days of the conference**,** we hope you'll **embrace all of the possibilities** to **meet one another, learn from today's leaders,** and **feel inspired to become tomorrow's leaders.**

Best,
The HPAIR Team

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