



Speaker Biographies

Daniel Miles, PhD, is a Director at Econsult Solutions, Inc. At ESI, Dr. Miles leads economic analysis projects across a variety of sectors and industries. Prior to joining ESI, Dr. Miles was a Senior Economist in the New York office of Oxford Economics, where he led a multinational team of economists based in New York, Belfast and London. His projects included estimating the economic impacts of laser fusion energy and the size and impacts of the Longevity Economy, analyzing the public/private partnership (PPP) policies of several Asian countries and developing a cigarette market and excise tax forecasting model of the Philippines. At Oxford Economics, Daniel also worked closely with the Thought Leadership team, where he was the lead economist on a wide range of projects, including estimating the economic impacts of mobility, data analytics and transformations in the manufacturing sector.

From 2008 to 2011, Daniel was an Associate at Econsult Corporation. During his time at the firm, Daniel contributed to a number of studies, including evaluating the financial feasibility and economic impact of using tolls to finance transportation infrastructure improvements, the preparation of an economic development plan for an older industrial city, estimating the economic value of permanently preserved open space, modeling the impact of changes in Philadelphia's business tax system, and estimating the economic impact of changes in stormwater billing methods of a major U.S. city.

In 2011, Dr. Miles received his Ph.D. in Policy with a concentration in Economics from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) where his dissertation was focused on land use economics. At UMBC, Daniel was supported by a prestigious National Science Foundation (NSF) IGERT Fellowship through the Center for Urban Environmental Research and Education (CUERE). Dr. Miles also received his Masters degree in Public Policy in Environmental Policy and a Certificate in Ecological Economics from the University of Maryland School of Public Policy. Daniel earned his Bachelors in Political Science and Economics with honors from the University of Scranton.

Anne Bovaird Nevins is the Senior Vice President of Marketing and Business Development, of the Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation (PIDC). Ms. Nevins is responsible for managing PIDC's marketing and communications, business development, and client relations initiatives and supervises a team of six. Anne also develops and manages PIDC's relationships with clients in the corporate and commercial development sector, including large scale office, retail, and hospitality businesses and development projects. Anne works in close partnership with the City and other economic development partners to market Philadelphia as a smart location for business and to attract and retain companies, developers, and investors. Anne is an active volunteer in her community and serves as a member of the Board of the Fairmount Community Development Corporation.

From 1999 to 2001, Anne served in the White House Office of Cabinet Affairs, which is responsible for coordination between the President and all cabinet agencies. She then joined the Salt Lake Organizing Committee for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and managed the logistical and hospitality arrangements for all U.S. dignitaries attending the Olympics. Anne returned to her native city of Philadelphia and managed corporate sponsorships for the Kimmel Center, Philadelphia's regional performing arts center. She then served as Director of Development for Historic Philadelphia, Inc. and raised substantial funds to renovate Franklin Square, an eight-acre urban park in the center of Philadelphia's historic district. Anne has a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Wharton School and a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Pennsylvania.

Nikolaus Grieshaber has served as Chief Financial Officer of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission since June 2008. Prior to that, he held positions of Director of Treasury Management and Treasury Manager. Before joining the Commission in 2000, he was a finance manager and portfolio manager for ADP Capital Management, Assistant Treasurer for BTR Dunlop Finance, Cash Manager for Silo, Inc. and Investment Analyst for American Life Insurance Company. Nick is Chair of the International Bridge, Tunnel, and Turnpike Association (IBTTA) Public and Private Finance Committee and Chair of the Finance Committee for the E-ZPass Group.

Ahsan M. Nasratullah is the President of JNA Capital, Inc., and the Chief Executive/ Manager of the Global City Regional Center. Mr. Nasratullah has twenty-seven years of experience in urban planning, development, and real estate finance. JNA Capital sources debt and equity for real estate projects, both for its own account and for a select group of developers/non-profit sponsors in the Philadelphia area. Mr. Nasratullah has developed several urban mixed-use/hospitality projects in and around academic campuses and in collaborations with local institutions. Highlights amongst them include:

- The Shops at Liacouras Walk and the Conwell Inn at Temple University
- The Hub on Chestnut at University of Pennsylvania campus (an NMTC financed project)

Mr. Nasratullah serves on the Board of several Philadelphia institutions and has been guest speaker on real estate and urban development topics at Temple University, the University of Pennsylvania/Wharton School, and Cliveden of the National Trust. He holds a Masters of Urban Planning degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Humanities from Lawrence University, Michigan.