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Stephan Morais is the Founder and Managing General Partner of Indico Capital Partners, a leading venture capital firm based in Portugal. He was formerly an Executive Board Member at Caixa Capital, the Private Equity and Venture Capital fund management company of Caixa Geral de Depósitos with potential 700 Million Euros under management, where he led Venture Capital and co-led Private Equity investments. While at Caixa Capital, he led the most relevant international investment rounds of Portuguese technology companies. He has been a Non-Executive Director and Independent Board Advisor in numerous companies.

With a diversified background as an investment banker, consultant, entrepreneur and CEO, he has lived in 8 countries and 4 continents over the last 21 years. He is also an Advisor to the European Commissioner of Science and Innovation, Past Chairman of the European Venture Finance Network and Past Board Member of the European Venture Capital and Private Equity Association and Board Member of the International Venture Club.

Appointed as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2010, he holds a degree in Engineering from Instituto Superior Técnico (Lisbon), and an MBA from the Harvard Business School. Fluent in Portuguese, Spanish, English and French.

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David Braga Malta is a Life Sciences Entrepreneur, Inventor and Investor. David founded both Cell2B and BoostPharma, where he served as president and director respectively. Cell2B focused on the development of cell therapies for the cure of immune and inflammatory diseases. The leading program of the company, for acute Graft versus Host Disease reach first in man with promising results. From there David acted as Venture Consultant for Caixa Capital, helping to establish a Life Sciences investment policy for Portugal.

Currently a Venture Partner at Vesalius Biocapital, David is involved in the inception of new bio-ventures actively scouting for disruptive technologies to build transformative results. David has received numerous awards for his work and was nominated a World Economic Forum Global Shaper having served as the curator of the Lisbon Hub.

David holds a PhD in Bioengineering from the MIT Portugal Program and a M.Sc. Degree in Biological Engineering, Instituto Superior Técnico, Portugal (class valedictorian). His academic career focuses on the field of regenerative medicine with different publications and patents in the field.