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Dr Lisa Murphy **Technology Lead, Wellcome Trust**

Dr. Lisa Murphy is a Technology Lead in the Wellcome Trust Data for Science and Health team. They have been working across the health technology ecosystem for the last 6 years, having moved from clinical medical practice to specialise in data science, innovation pipelines, and technology ethics. Having had roles across PHE, NHSE, WHO, MSF, and industry, they bring a broad range of experience on how digital technologies can bring equitable and effective system transformation.



Lakshmi Sethuraman **Partner & Head of Health Practice (Sattva)**

Lakshmi Sethuraman, Partner and Head of Health Practice at Sattva is an expert in the field of digital health. With a strong focus on building relevant system-strengthening solutions, she has been instrumental in advising various health projects at Sattva. With a strong background in sales, business development, and strategy from her time at Manipal Group, Jubilant Retail, and ITC Hotels, Lakshmi has successfully assisted social organisations in building and scaling their operations sustainably. She is an alumna of the prestigious INSEAD social entrepreneurship program, exemplifying her commitment to driving positive change in digital health and beyond.



Dr. Dorairaj Prabhakaran **Executive Director, Centre for Chronic Disease Control, and Distinguished Professor at Public Health Foundation of India**

Dr. Dorairaj Prabhakaran is an eminent cardiologist, an epidemiologist, and an academician of global repute. At PHFI, he was instrumental in establishing the Centre for Chronic Conditions and Injuries and the Centre for Digital Health. He holds professorships at PHFI, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), and Emory University, Atlanta, USA. He was conferred the Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) by the University of Glasgow recently. In addition, he is a Visiting Scientist at the Harvard School of Public Health. A few key projects by the Centre for Digital Health include Digisahayam, an assisted telemedicine solution for digital health equity, and Swasthya Sahayak, a point-of-care technology that is operated using an Android tablet for providing several upstream and downstream benefits.



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Sameer Kanwar

Director of Digital Health, India & South Asia, PATH

Sameer Kanwar, the Director for Digital Health with PATH in India and South Asia Region, has 30+ years of experience in the Digital, Information, and Communication Technology domain. With a track record of spearheading digital initiatives, he excels in strategic planning, adoption, and implementation of cross-cutting digital health technologies. Sameer has led noteworthy projects like the UP COVID platform and the Health Facility Layer platform, integrated with the National Digital Health Mission of India. He also contributed to the development of the "Vision 2035 Public Health Surveillance In India" white paper published by NITI Aayog.



Dr Shehla Zaidi

Professor Health Policy & Systems Research and HPSR Group Lead Aga Khan University

Dr. Shehla Zaidi, Professor of Health Policy & Systems at Aga Khan University Pakistan and joint faculty at Aga Khan (International) in the UK, is a leading expert in embedding digital solutions within health systems. With a focus on universal health coverage, governance, and climate, her research involves policy analysis, program evaluations, and large implementation research. She played a pivotal role in shaping Pakistan's first post-devolution health policy, National Health Vision 2016-25, and has contributed to various country roadmaps, regional EMR policy frameworks, and global policy metrics. Shehla's expertise extends to training global health leaders in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and EMR, and she has established and directed the first Master's program in Health Policy & Management in Pakistan. She serves on international expert advisory committees for global health & international development and acts as an honorary faculty at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. She is also a consultant to the World Bank USA, FCDO-UK, WHO Geneva, and WHO-EMR.



Steven Serneels

Co-Founder (Iristick)

Steven is an experienced, serial entrepreneur with a focus on digital health. He founded and internationalised a Supply Chain and Operations Strategy company before venturing into impact investing in a bid to bridge the gap between social entrepreneurs and corporations, creating impactful, commercially viable solutions. Steven is also an investor and board member of several impact funds and impact-driven institutions, such as the Institute of Tropical Medicine. He is the co-founder and board member of Iristick, a company revolutionising smart safety glasses for Industry and Society. He published several articles on the above topics and regularly invited as speaker.

