

## Biographical notice – Professor Landry Signé

Professor Landry Signé is a world-renowned professor, award-winning author, innovative educator, distinguished futurist, and extraordinary global leader who has won over 80 prestigious awards and distinctions, authored over 200 diverse publications and manuscripts, and delivered over 1,000 keynotes and thought leadership engagements, including testimonies before the United States Senate and the U. S. House of Representatives. He has extensive and impactful experience at top institutions such as Stanford University, the University of Oxford, Brookings Institution, Georgetown University, and the Thunderbird School of Global Management, and co-chaired initiatives for the World Economic Forum, among others.

He is widely recognized for his bold strategies bridging ideas and actions to solve some of the world's most complex challenges while seizing opportunities related to the global political economy; global governance and multilateralism; the Fourth Industrial Revolution, AI and emerging technology, and how they transform governments, industries, and societies; the future of technology policy; global business and emerging markets; and the political economy of development and Africa, building inclusive prosperity and sustainability worldwide.

He was named one of the World Economic Forum's "top [50] foremost future-oriented leaders" in the world, a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader for "finding innovative solutions to some of the world's most pressing issues," one of the "100 Most Influential Africans in the world" and "Thought leader extraordinaire" by New Africa Magazine, one of the "most creative thinkers" (Carnegie Corporation of New York), one of "Apolitical's 100 Most Influential Academics in Government" in the world, one of the "100 Iconic African Leaders" worldwide, among the "Global Top 100 Most Influential Export and International Trade" leaders, one of the "100 Most Influential People of African Descent," an Andrew Carnegie Fellow for being one of the "most creative thinkers," a Desmond Tutu Fellow, a Rubenstein Fellow, and a Wilson Center Public Policy Fellow, among others.

He is Executive Director and Professor at the Thunderbird School of Global Management in Washington, DC, as well as Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution, Distinguished Fellow at Stanford University, Co-Chair of the World Economic Forum's Regional Action Group for Africa, Co-Chair of the WEF Friends of the AfCFTA, Chairman of the Global Network for Africa's Prosperity, and member of the WEF Global Future Council on the Future of Technology Policy, among others. He is also a Senior Adviser to top global leaders (presidential, ministerial, and C-suite levels) and the author of numerous books published by the world's #1 ranked academic press in the field (Cambridge University Press). His most recent books include *Innovating Development Strategies in Africa* (Cambridge University Press, 2017); *African Development, African Transformation* (Cambridge University Press, 2018); *Unlocking Africa's Business Potential* (Brookings, 2020); *Africa's Fourth Industrial Revolution* (Cambridge University Press, 2023); and *Realizing Africa's Potential* (Brookings Institution Press, 2025).