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## James Manyika Joins the Board of the Markle Foundation

**New York, December 16, 2016** - The Markle Foundation today announced that James Manyika, a senior partner at McKinsey & Company, has joined its Board of Directors. Based in Silicon Valley for 20 years, Dr. Manyika has worked with many of the world's leading technology companies and their chief executives on a variety of issues including strategy and innovation. He is also director of the McKinsey Global Institute where he serves as one of three global leaders of McKinsey's business and economics research arm, and he serves on McKinsey & Company's Shareholder Council (McKinsey's Board of Directors).

Dr. Manyika has led pioneering research on the global economy, including growth and productivity, technology and the digital economy, automation and the future of work, globalization and competitiveness. His work is closely aligned with Markle's economic initiative that is focused on leveraging technology and globalization to expand opportunities for employment and to broaden ways Americans can learn and train for the work of the future. Dr. Manyika has been a member of Markle's Rework America initiative, a collective of more than 50 entrepreneurs, educators, technology leaders, CEOs, community leaders, and others committed to advancing solutions to provide access to opportunities in today's rapidly changing economy.

He is co-author of the Rework America book, *America's Moment: Creating Opportunity in the Connected Age*, and co-author of many MGI books including *No Ordinary Disruption: The Four Global Forces Breaking All the Trends*. Dr. Manyika also has published numerous academic and business articles and reports that have appeared in media writings and journals. He has spoken about the global economy at numerous forums around the world, including at the White House, G20/B20, UN General Assembly, the European Commission, Moscow Open Innovations, and the Vatican.

"We are so pleased to have James join Markle's board as we work to advance innovations that provide equal dignity for all Americans in the digital economy," said Zoë Baird, CEO and President of Markle. "His knowledge of the digital economy and technology trends will help us drive transformative strategies to scale a skills-based labor market where job seekers can get the skills for in-demand jobs and employers can find the workforce they need to grow."

President Obama appointed Mr. Manyika as vice chair of the President's Global Development Council at the White House, and U.S. Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker appointed him to her Digital Economy Board of Advisers, co-chaired by Markle CEO and President Zoë Baird. He is also on the boards of The Council on Foreign Relations, the Aspen Institute, the Oxford Internet Institute, MIT's Initiative on the Digital Economy, UC Berkeley's School of Information, and Harvard's Hutchins Center.

Dr. Manyika was on the engineering faculty at Oxford University, a member of the Robotics Research Lab and Fellow of Balliol College, Oxford University, a visiting scientist at NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Man-Machine Systems, and a faculty exchange fellow at MIT. A Rhodes Scholar and a Smith Rippon Senior Scholar, he holds DPhil, MSc, and MA degrees from Oxford in robotics and engineering, mathematics and computer science, and a BS degree in electrical engineering from the University of Zimbabwe.

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The Markle Foundation works to realize the potential of information technology as a breakthrough tool for some of the nation's most challenging problems. It leads a broad collaboration to Rework America to create good jobs and prepare people for today's rapidly changing digital economy. Markle's Skillful initiative is returning economic opportunities to Americans without a college diploma. For more information, visit [markle.org](http://markle.org), [skillful.com](http://skillful.com) and follow [@MarkleFdn](https://twitter.com/MarkleFdn) and [@JoinSkillful](https://twitter.com/JoinSkillful) on Twitter.