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Building the Next Era of Labor Unions in America

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Welcome address

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Introduction

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Discussion and closing remarks

Sara Horowitz has been an innovative leading voice of the growing freelance economy, creating solutions for the new workforce for over two decades. She is the founder and executive director of Freelancers Union, which is building a new form of unionism for its more than 350,000 members nationwide through creative, cooperative, market-based solutions to pressing social problems.

Sara recognized early on the vital role independent workers would play in our networked, interconnected world. In 2003, she used her experience as a union organizer to found the nonprofit Freelancers Union, which promotes the needs of the independent workforce through advocacy, education and serving the needs of the freelancers. Today, 55 million Americans are independent workers (about one-third of the entire workforce).

In 2008, Sara launched Freelancers Insurance Company, the first portable benefits model for freelance and 919 workers, wholly owned by the union providing independent workers with high-quality, affordable, and portable health insurance. The union's National Benefits Platform, launched in 2014, helps freelancers across America access benefits, including retirement, life, liability, dental and disability insurance.

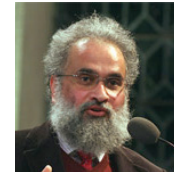
Sara is currently the Chair of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, received a MacArthur Foundation fellowship, was recognized as one of the World Economic Forum's 100 Global Leaders for Tomorrow, and was selected as one of the 2015 "POLITICO 50," the magazine's marquee annual list of thinkers, doers and visionaries transforming American politics.

Sara is also a highly regarded writer who maintains a rigorous speaking schedule all over the world. She has been featured in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Economist, Wired, The Atlantic and Fast Company; PBS' NOW and NewsHour programs, and National Public Radio's "Talk of the Nation" and "All Things Considered." Her recent book, "The Freelancer's Bible" (Workman Publishing Company) was named one of Forbes' "Best Books to Boost Your Career."

The daughter of a labor lawyer and granddaughter of a former vice president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, she is also the recipient of the Eugene V. Debs Award for her contribution in building the labor movement for gig workers.

Sara is a lifelong resident of Brooklyn, NY.

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