

## Dr. Peter Jackson



After a corporate career in IT and HR, Peter has been bridging the gap between research and practice through his own practice and academic activities at Oxford Brookes University. This twin focus means a constant drawing on one domain to inform the other. Over 20 years, he has taught hundreds of students on the MA and Doctorate in Coaching & Mentoring with the aim of developing their independent skills to use their best available knowledge in their practice. He is currently working on a project for EMCC Global researching the use of evidence in coaching. He is co-editor (with Elaine Cox) of *Doing Coaching Research* (Sage), and (with Tatiana Bachkirova and David Clutterbuck) *Coaching & Mentoring Supervision: Theory and practice* (McGraw Hill – now in a second edition), including authored chapters on ‘The dissemination and implementation of research-based coaching knowledge’ (in the former collection) and ‘Supervision for enhancing reflexivity’ (in the latter). Peter continues to serve on the editorial board of two journals, including the *International Journal of Evidence Based Coaching and Mentoring*, chairs Oxford Brookes’ International Coaching Supervision Conference, and has been an external examiner for four other universities. He teaches qualitative research

methodology on the Doctorate in Coaching & Mentoring programme Peter is ESIA and EIA (Senior Practitioner) accredited. He was lead on supervision for the Association for Coaching 2009-2011 and Council member/Editor of Association for Coaching Bulletin 2004-2008.

## Dr. Saba Hasanie



Dr. Saba Hasanie is the Managing Director and Senior Partner at the firm OSC Leadership Development. A market leader in the APAC region, OSC works with some of the most influential global clients across several industries. Saba is a coaching psychologist, a master credentialed coach (MCC), coach supervisor, and practitioner-scholar. With over 25 coaching & psychology certifications, a doctorate in coaching psychology, a diploma in coaching supervision, published author, and part of the prestigious Forbes Coach Council, Saba is invited to speak on global platforms about her work in the field of coaching with large multinational organizations. Saba originally hails from Canada but has been based in Singapore and has worked extensively across the region for the past 15 years.

## Dr. Marilena Antoniadou



Dr. Marilena Antoniadou is an accomplished academic leader, consultant, and business coach with extensive experience in higher education, particularly in managing education strategies and fostering employability. Currently serving as the Associate Dean for Education and Employability at the American College of Greece, she oversees academic programs, curriculum development, faculty development, and accreditation processes. Her leadership emphasizes bridging the gap between academia and industry, equipping students with practical skills for successful careers.

Previously, Marilena held significant roles at Manchester Metropolitan University, including Director of Education for the Faculty of Business and Law, where she spearheaded initiatives to enhance student satisfaction, retain triple accreditation, and elevate global rankings. Her teaching and research interests lie in organizational behavior, workplace emotions, and education for sustainable development, with numerous publications in academic journals. Marilena's professional journey reflects her passion for driving positive change in education. A Principal Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and an active member of professional bodies, she has led innovative projects, secured research funding, and contributed to curriculum development internationally. Holding a PhD in Organizational Behavior and several postgraduate degrees, she is dedicated to developing inclusive, collaborative environments that inspire growth and learning.

## Dr. Mark Crowder



Mark is a Reader (Associate Professor) in education at Manchester Metropolitan University, which he joined in September 2013, having previously taught at the University of Chester. He has more than 20 years' management experience in both public and private sectors and studied at Liverpool John Moores University and the University of Liverpool before gaining his PhD in cognitive psychology at the University of Chester.

He has gained national recognition, including Chief External Examiner for the University of Westminster, BAM Research Methods SIG Steering Committee, and Association for Business Psychology North-West committee. This experience is supplemented by roles with substantial international impact, such as co-editor of *Innovations in Education and Teaching International* journal, and the accreditation panel of Network of International Business Schools (NIBS) for universities in the Netherlands, Hungary, the USA and Türkiye.

Mark is a Principal Fellow of Advance HE and a Fellow of the CMI and is a Certified Business Psychologist and a Certified Management and Business Educator. He is the institutional lead for the Network of International Business Schools, and faculty lead for a range of projects including international case competitions and Developing Education Excellence. Within his own department, he is student mobility lead and COIL lead. His research interests are primarily centred around education and the psychology of decision-making.

## **Dr. Kevin McGarry**



Dr. Kevin McGarry is an author, distinguished sales executive and industry thought leader within the financial services sector, boasting an impressive 30-year career marked by exceptional expertise in team leadership and performance enhancement. Renowned for his insightful perspectives on effective leadership, Kevin has delivered keynote presentations on a wide array of topics including leadership effectiveness, team engagement and leading multi-generational teams.

As the founder of McGarry Leadership and CEO of Leading 360, a global leadership organization headquartered in London, Kevin spearheads a transformative vision aimed at empowering leaders to unlock their full potential, thereby creating lasting impacts within their organizations and beyond. His leadership journey includes pivotal roles as National Sales Manager for Nationwide Mutual Funds and National Sales Manager for Symetra Annuities, alongside notable tenures at Alliance Bernstein and MFS.

Kevin's academic achievements are equally impressive, with degrees from the University of Connecticut and Middlesex University in London, culminating in a Doctorate from the University of Wales Trinity Saint David in Professional Practice in Leadership. His extensive certifications, including CHSA, CMBC, CLTC, CBC, CRPC, CIMA, and CIMC, underscore his commitment to continuous learning and professional excellence.

Beyond his professional pursuits, Kevin remains deeply engaged in his community, serving as coach for softball and basketball as well as a past Board Member of the UCONN Club. In his leisure time, he enjoys spending time with his family in Avon, CT, indulging in hobbies like golf, travel, scuba diving, and reading.

## Anne Calleja



Anne Calleja has over 35 years of experience in Business, Education, and Leadership Development and holds an MSc in management science. She is an accredited Executive Coach and Master Coach Supervisor, with AC. An Honorary member of APECS and Professional member of EMCC and UCA and accredited Supervisor with UCA. Anne is an accredited and registered (BACP, UKCP, BSCH) practicing psychotherapist and clinical supervisor. She supervises cross-professionally (coaches, therapists, and therapeutic coaches). She has her private practice in Oxford.

Anne contributes voluntarily to many Coach and Supervision professional associations, including Chair Elect for BACP Coaching Division, AC Supervision Lead for Engagement and Development, and contributing to the AC Supervisor Accreditation Scheme, set up the Virtual Friday Reflection Groups and Chaired the Supervision Special Interest Group. She set up and led the AC Mental Health Well Being Interest Group and co-created the strategy to provide resources to support coaches and supervisors when mental health issues arise in their practice, producing a webpage, podcasts and resources for mental health in coaching and supervision culminating in a Global Mental Health and Wellbeing Conference in 2024.

Anne designed and was lead tutor for Oxford University OUCE – ‘An Introduction for Coaching’ for 5 years with over 150 participants. Anne regularly contributes to Professional Development through various Professional events ( AC, UCA, GSN, APECS ) and published a Case Study in Ethical Studies for Coach Development & Practice, co-authored with Carol Whitaker published by Routledge. She also published three techniques in 101 Coaching Supervision Techniques, Approaches, Enquiries and Experiments, edited by Michelle Lucas and published by Routledge.

## Ursula Clidiere



Ursula Clidière is an EMCC and AC accredited Coach Supervisor and AC-accredited Master Executive Coach and has a doctoral degree in work psychology (I/O) with a subsequent specialization in adult development.

Inspired by adult developmental and creativity fueled approaches to Coaching and Coach Supervision, Ursula has completed an EMCC-accredited Practitioners Diploma Program that examines tapping into innate creativity reservoirs, which in turn supports effective coaching and supervision practices. As her interest in adult development deepened, Ursula trained as a Leadership Maturity and Developmental Coach (Cook-Greuter, Laske, Sharma).

Ursula is a contributing member in two global coach supervision organizations, the CAD (Center for Dialectical Thinking) and various adult development networks, and active in two global professional coaching bodies (coach associations). She

frequently speaks at events and conferences. Together with Anne Calleja and Carol Whitaker, she co-chaired the AC Working group on MHWB and led the development of a Guidance Document for Coaching Practitioners when Mental Health enters the room.

## Carol Whitaker



Carol Whitaker is the Director of Whitaker Consulting. She is an AC Accredited Master Coach Supervisor and has over 15 years of experience supervising both 1-1 and Groups, including Oxford Brookes University Students doing their MA in Coaching and Mentoring Practice, ILM7 Executive Coaching PG Cert.

Her portfolio covers coaching, team/group coaching, coach supervision, mentoring and facilitation. Carol has co-authored two books, 'Coaching Supervision: A Practical Guide for Supervisees' and 'Peer Supervision in Coaching & Mentoring: A Versatile Guide for Reflective Practice'. Both published by Routledge plus the Peer Supervision Chapter in Coaching & Mentoring Supervision: Theory and Practice 2nd Edition, and Case Study in Ethical Studies for Coach Develop & practice, co-authored with Anne Calleja and also published by Routledge. Along with Anne and Ursula, Carol was a co-chair of the AC MHWB Working Group.

## Carol Assalian



Caroline Assalian is a respected Business and Performance Coach, instructor and Founder of KasKor Business Coaching. With a distinguished career as an international executive, athlete and coach, she is dedicated to unlocking human potential and empowering leaders to achieve excellence.

Recognized nationally and internationally, she has led transformative initiatives across multiple industries. A recipient of Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, she has also been named one of Canada's Most Influential Women in Sport five times.

As a WABC Certified Master Business Coach™, Caroline applies an evidence-based approach to drive growth, resilience and confidence, enabling leaders to achieve their goals and deliver meaningful impact. Fuelled by an unwavering passion for performance, Caroline equips leaders with the skills and mindset to lead with a coach approach—fostering self-awareness, curiosity and agility. Through this approach, she cultivates purposeful, integrity-driven leadership and an enduring commitment to success.