

Dean's Remarks • July 13, 2023

Dear SPS Community,

I hope you all are enjoying the summer season.

I would like to extend yet another congratulations to our recent graduates on their commencement that took place on May 17, 2023 at Yankee Stadium. This year's ceremony was the 190th Commencement and celebrated 22,000 students from the class of 2023.

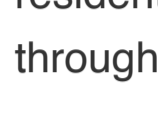
After commencement season we stayed busy, with several events held in June. These events included the 45th Annual NYU International Hospitality Industry Investment Conference, with more than 1,800 attendees. Also, this year's tremendously successful second annual NYU Coaching & Technology Summit. At this event, I had the pleasure of announcing the new NYU SPS Coaching Innovation Lab, led by director **Woody Woodward**, who was the event co-chair along with **Anna Tavis**.

I am continuously inspired by the successes of our NYU SPS community. Have a wonderful summer.

Warmly,

Angie

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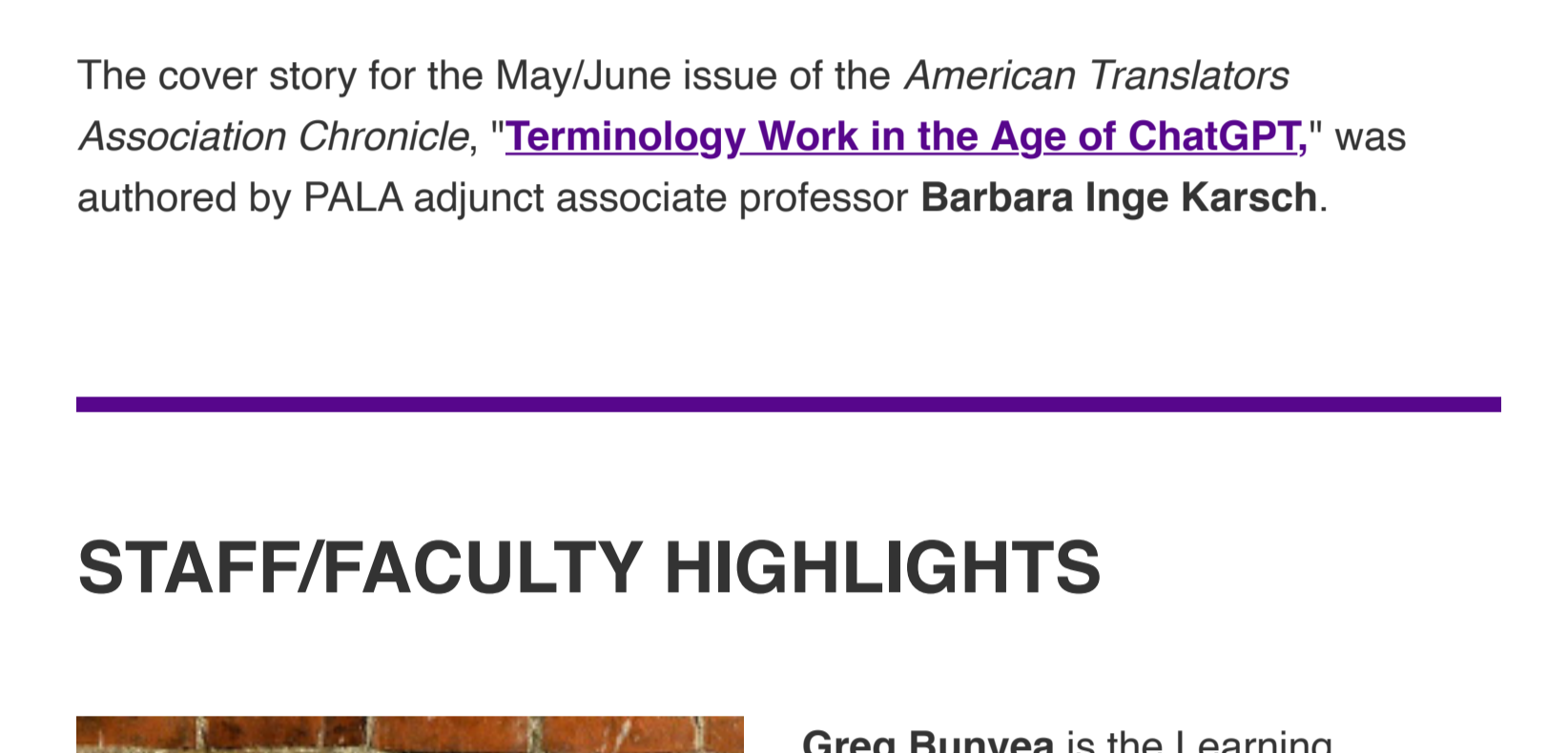
NYU SPS HIGHLIGHTS

In Case You Missed it...



The inaugural **NYU SPS Research Showcase** was held on May 5th. This event featured 22 poster presentations of faculty research and thought leadership from across the School, as well as lightning presentations by SPS Centers, Labs, and Institutes.

NYCHA high school students explore the real estate industry in a new NYU School of Professional Studies-based program. A new initiative of the Public Housing Community Fund, formerly the Fund for Public Housing – in partnership with the NYU Schack Institute of Real Estate and development firm BFC Partners – the free Real Estate Scholars program exposes NYCHA residents in 11th and 12th grades to the commercial real estate industry through classes on a college campus.



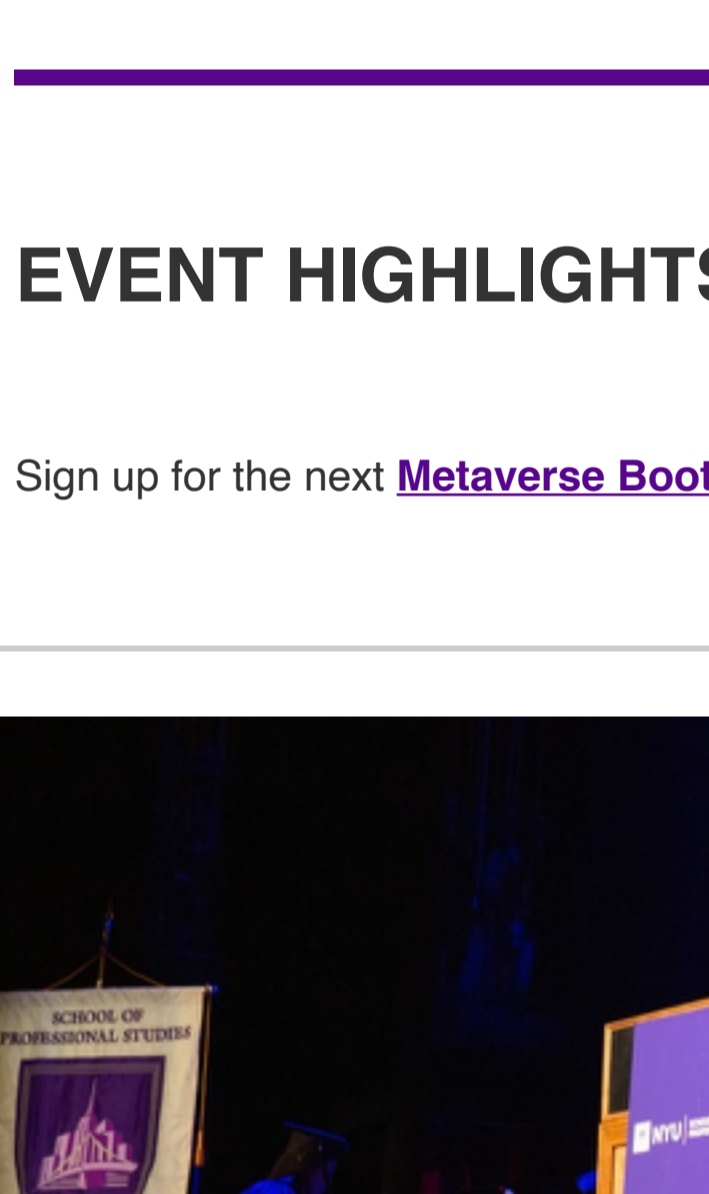
Andrea Chambers, the associate dean for the NYU SPS Center for Publishing and Applied Liberal Arts (PALA), along with **Jennifer Weltz**, the president of The Association of American Literary Agents, opened the U.S. Book Show's second day of programming featuring AALA's day of in-person educational programming. **Kristal Batanjany**, PALA adjunct instructor and director of finance for Simon & Schuster, also gave a talk on acquisition P&L.

NYU SPS Center for Global Affairs associate dean Carolyn Kissane was featured on **Bloomberg**, to discuss her views on the outcome of the G-7 Summit in Hiroshima, Japan, with an appearance of President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelensky, as the US and its allies work to gain support from swing nations.

World of Women COO Shannon Snow presented the NYU School of Professional Studies with a \$15K donation to support & empower girls in tech. This event was done in conjunction with the Metaverse Collaborative.

The cover story for the May/June issue of the *American Translators Association Chronicle*, "**Terminology Work in the Age of ChatGPT**," was authored by PALA adjunct associate professor **Barbara Inge Karsch**.

STAFF/FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

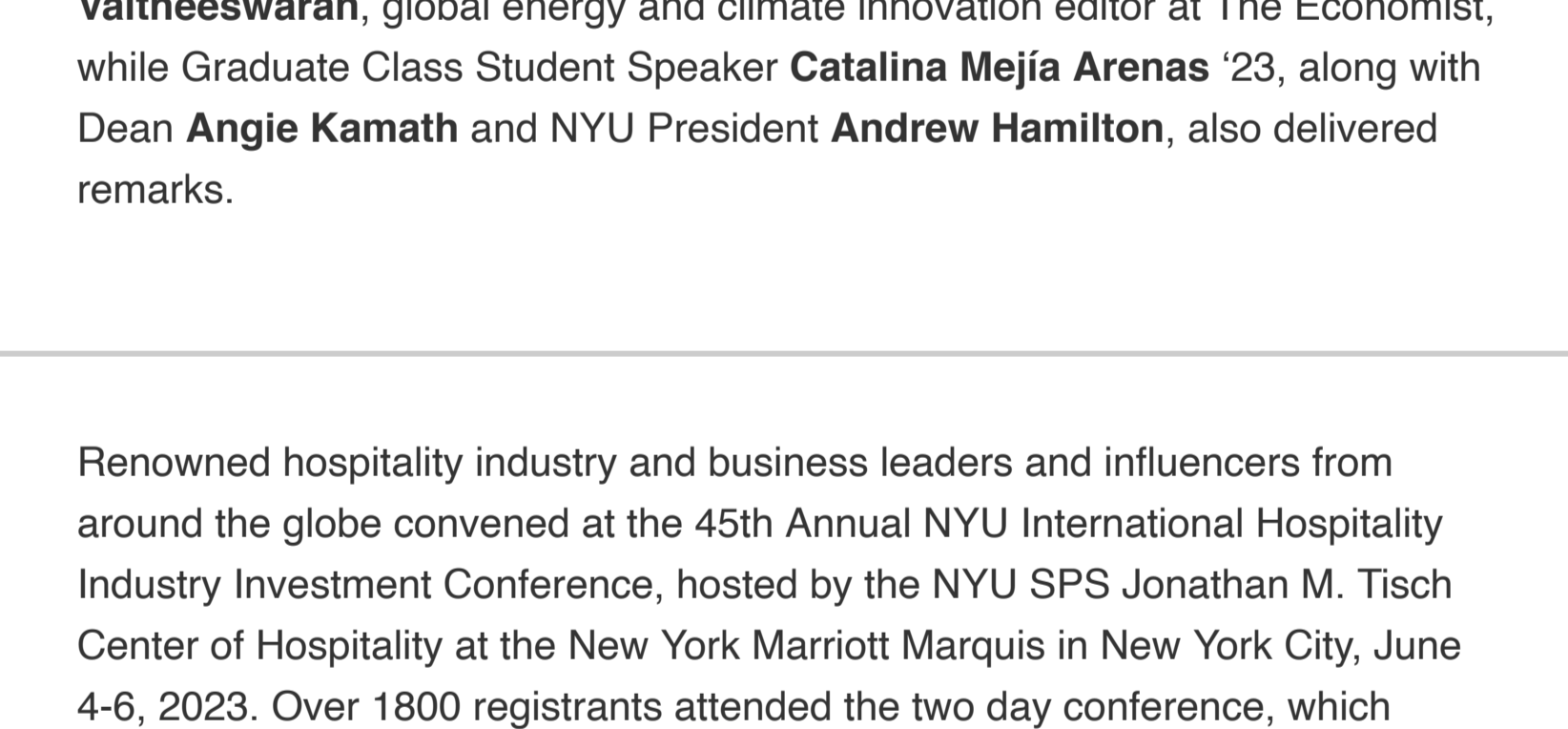


Greg Bunyea is the Learning Experience Lead at the NYU SPS Learning and Teaching Nexus. For nearly a decade, Greg has worked as an educator and technologist in higher education.

Prior to joining SPS, Greg was a Learning Engineer at Carnegie Mellon University's Open Learning Initiative. In this role, Greg developed and delivered Open Education Resource (OER) course products in collaboration with faculty from universities around the world. He led adoption efforts with partners at the Royal Technical University of Stockholm, Sweden, and the State University of New York (SUNY) System.

Greg holds a MS in Education Technology from Carnegie Mellon University and BA in Computer Science from University at Buffalo, SUNY. His academic interests are in experience design, and how technologies can empower people to be creators and innovators.

Born and raised in the Hudson Valley, Greg is a life-long resident of New York State. In his spare time, he enjoys drawing and painting, visiting historic sites, and camping with his friends.



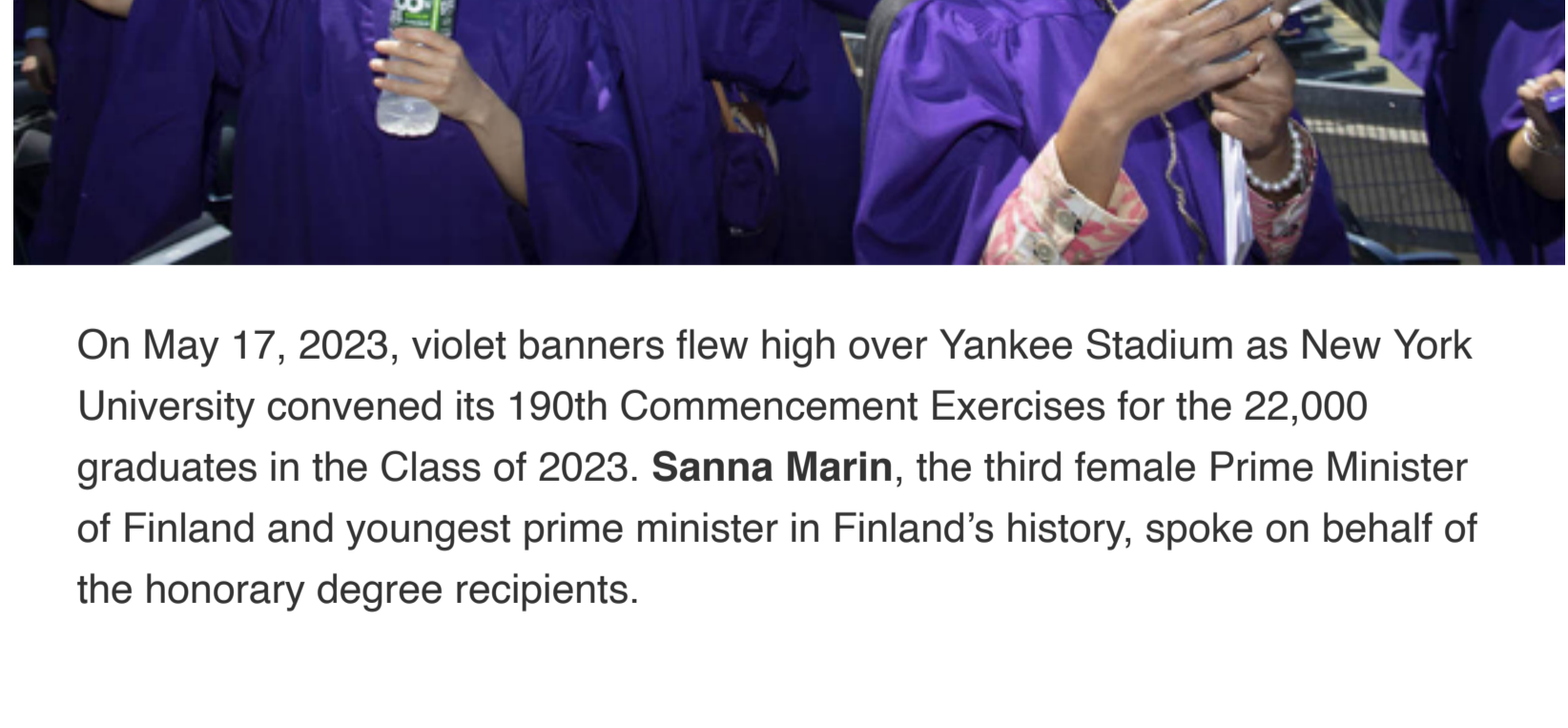
Each year, SVP for Finance and Budget and CFO **Stephanie Pianka** presents awards to recognize exemplary work by an NYU Finance Council member during the recent fiscal year.

One of the awards is the "Excellence" award, for a member of the Council that has helped advance the strategic goals of their school or unit and has been an excellent steward of University resources demonstrating overall excellence in finance and how we deliver finance at NYU.

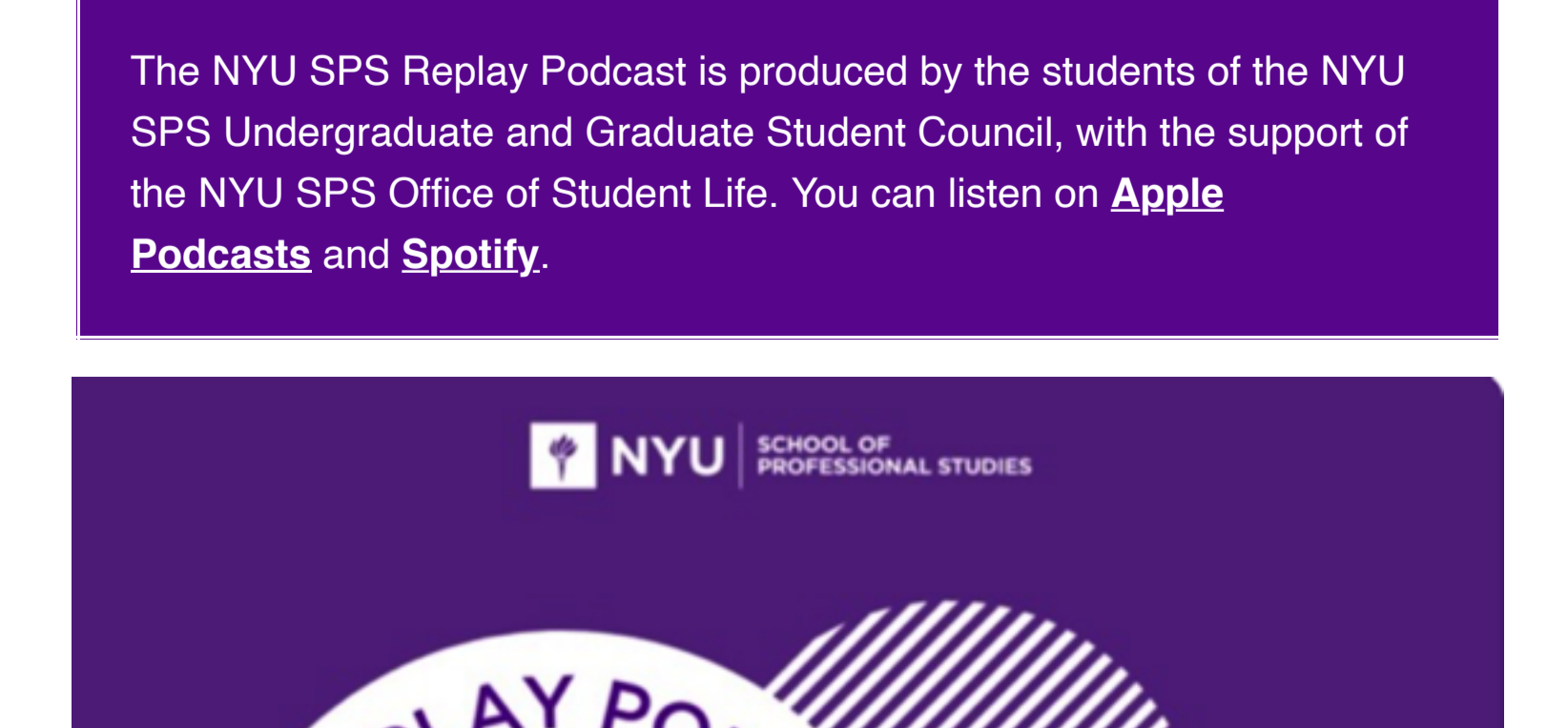
This year, Associate Dean for Administration **Carlo Pellicciari** earned the "Excellence Award" for his work in helping Dean **Angie Kamath** develop the budget model and strategy, for the work he did for the sale of the hospitality conference, his work addressing existing challenges at the SPS, and for helping the school prepare for a solid future. Congratulations, Carlo!

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Sign up for the next **Metaverse Bootcamp**, happening Aug. 28 - Sept. 1.



The 2023 NYU School of Professional Studies Undergraduate Convocation Ceremony took place at NYC's Beacon Theatre on Monday, May 15. NYU SPS 2023 Distinguished Alumni Award honoree **Lauren Greenberg** '06 addresses the Class of 2023. Undergraduate Class Student Speaker Wanda Bryce '23 spoke to her fellow graduates at the ceremony. Dean **Angie Kamath** and NYU President **Andrew Hamilton** also delivered remarks.



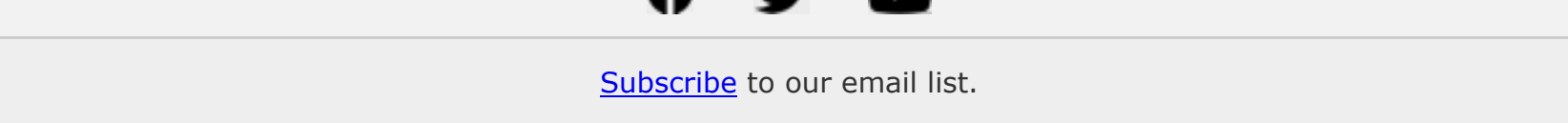
On Friday, May 19, the 2023 NYU School of Professional Studies Graduate Convocation Ceremony took place at the historic Radio City Music Hall. **Vijay Vaitheeswaran**, global energy and climate innovation editor at The Economist, while Graduate Class Student Speaker **Catalina Mejia Arenas** '23, along with Dean **Angie Kamath** and NYU President **Andrew Hamilton**, also delivered remarks.

Renowned hospitality industry and business leaders and influencers from around the globe convened at the 45th Annual NYU International Hospitality Industry Investment Conference, hosted by the NYU SPS Jonathan M. Tisch Center of Hospitality at the New York Marriott Marquis in New York City, June 4-6, 2023. Over 1800 registrants attended the two day conference, which featured presentations by global hotel CEOs, owners, developers, investors, lenders, analysts, and other innovators on current issues and trends in the industry.

On Friday, June 16, 2023, at Convene in New York City, the NYU SPS Programs in Human Capital Management hosted the second annual NYU Coaching and Technology Summit, where nearly 300 chief human resource officers, talent executives, and learning and development leaders engaged with industry innovators, entrepreneurs, and thought leaders at the forefront of coaching-enabled success and optimization. During the summit, Dean **Angie Kamath** announced the creation of the NYU SPS Coaching Innovation Lab with **Woody Woodward** as Director.

NYU NEWS

NYU has [released a statement](#) following the Supreme Court's recent ruling on affirmative action.



On May 17, 2023, violet banners flew high over Yankee Stadium as New York University convened its 190th Commencement Exercises for the 22,000 graduates in the Class of 2023. **Sanna Marin**, the third female Prime Minister of Finland and youngest prime minister in Finland's history, spoke on behalf of the honorary degree recipients.

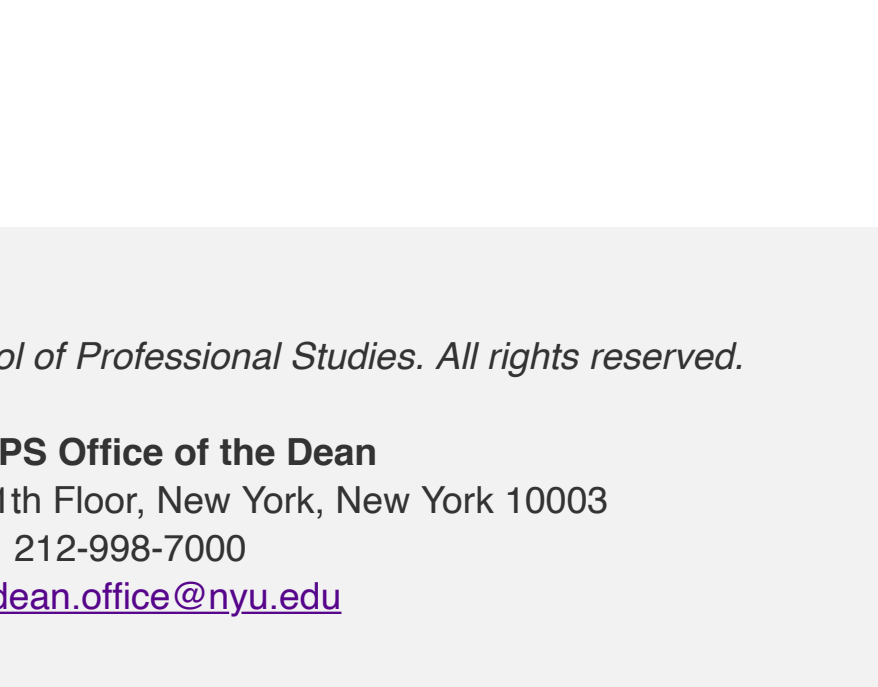
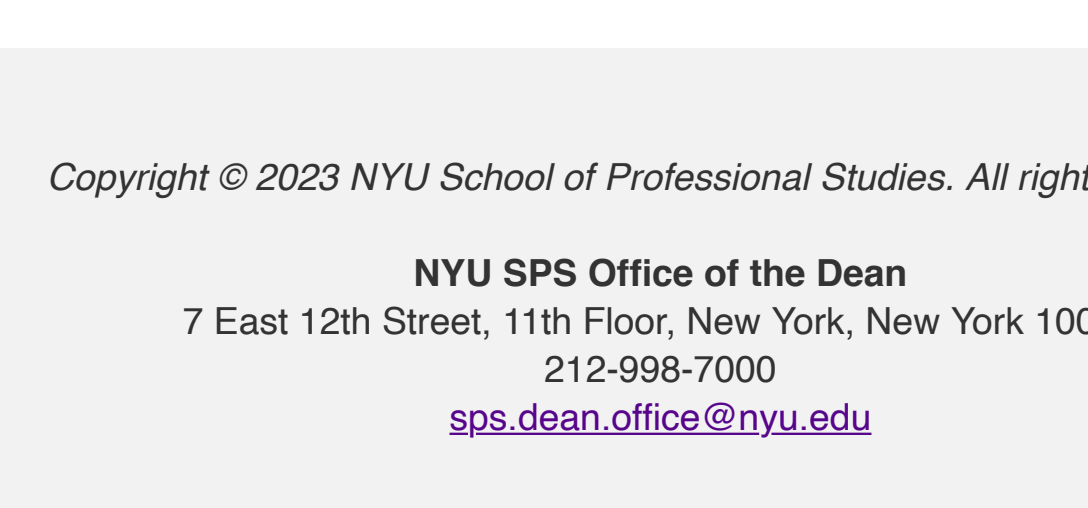
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