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> On Jan 25, 2019, at 13:50, J <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

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> how was davos., who stood out besides [REDACTED]

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The event that invited me was done by John Werner (TCS Summit on AI, Blockchain and Future of Humanity) in cooperation with Sandy Pentland (Media Lab) and Tata industries.

The majority of talks in the TCS event were vanity/presence and had no substance. People that stood out to me were Karl Muth (economist, no bs, clear thinker), Ramesh Raskar (MIT), Panos Panay (does international music rights on the blockchain, but mercurial enough to be interesting), Amy Wilkinson (Stanford Business School), Megan Smith (Obama's science advisor, appears to be very good at politics), Mira Wilczek (runs the OgoLabs incubator), Shermineh Esmaty (Blockchain policy, Harvard), Asha Shulgin was very present, too (he's a very smart and sociable Russian blockchain entrepreneur).

Blockchain does not seem to have enough clear use cases besides crypto, and instead is mainly being integrated into pitches to attract investments and join the ecosystem, which may explain why most presentations were bs.

You probably know Dave Rubin and Jaan Tallinn (he talked about AI safety).

I ran into several bay area rationalists and even met a few new ones I liked, especially Tyler Cowen and Miya Perry. Bryce Hidysmith is a great friend with a fantastically sharp mind, but I met him before. Allison Uettmann started the Foresight institute.

My main crew between sessions rotated around Amber Ghaddar (brilliant and self-aware, formerly JP Morgan, now designs an AI tool to rate VCs), and went to dinner with her at Amol Sarva's Knotel (I run into Amol at ILL DLD and NYC events I attend).

I got briefly interviewed by Randall Lane (Forbes Magazine), and gave Sean Koh some advice about machine learning (runs his family office and builds a business around celebrity data), before connecting him with OgoLabs.

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