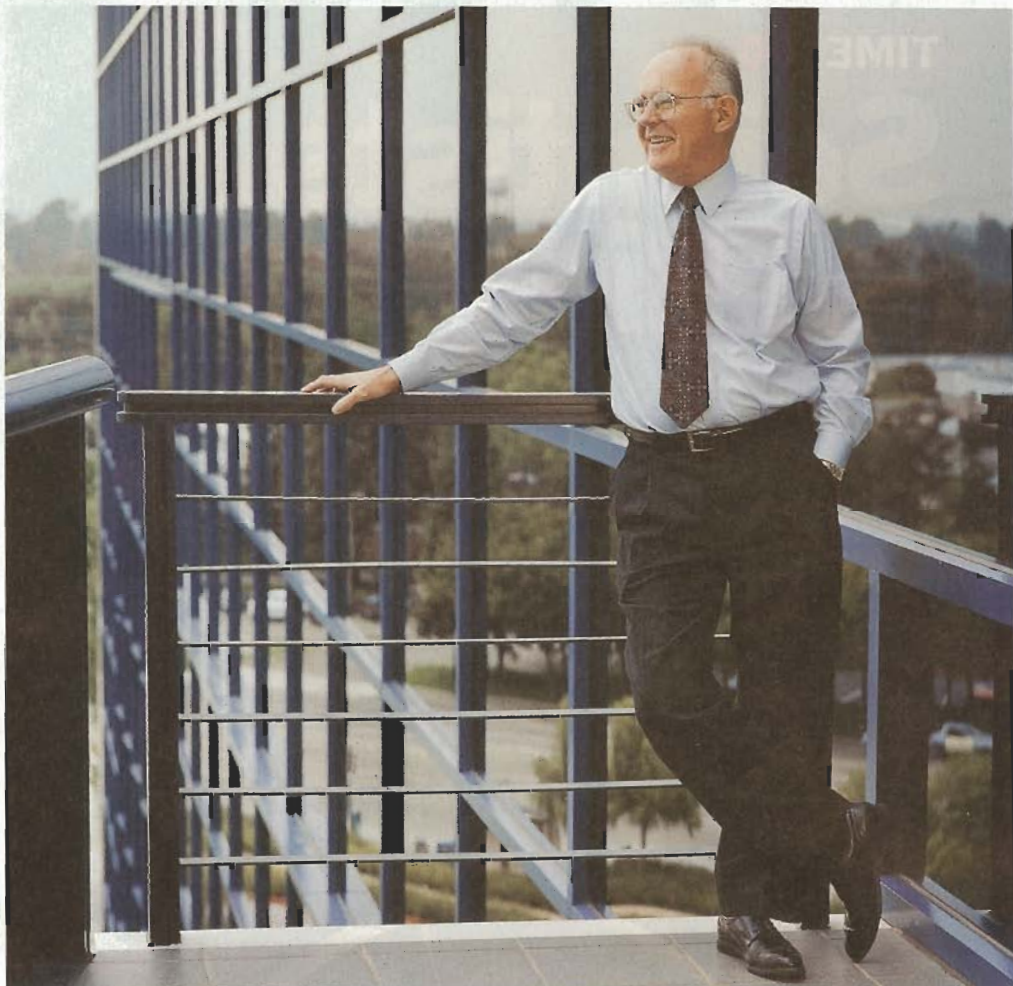


Rania al-Abdullah

Queen of Jordan

Cause: Economic empowerment. Queen Rania has been an advocate for microlending, launching the Global Endowment for the Poor to provide crucial loan capital to those with little income, particularly women. She recently became UNICEF's first-ever Eminent Advocate for Children.

Impact: Through her Jordan River Foundation, the Queen has helped address income disparities in Jordan. Her calls for international philanthropic collaboration have inspired new partnerships.



Li Ka-shing

Asia's richest man

Cause: Empowerment and community building through education and health care. The charitable foundation that Li calls his "third son" donates to hospitals and universities worldwide. The Hong Kong powerhouse grew from a humble start in plastics to a \$23 billion fortune via conglomerates Cheung Kong and Hutchinson Whampoa.

Impact: His donations exceed \$1 billion, and he recently pledged one-third of his wealth to his foundation.



Gordon Moore

Co-founder of Intel Corp.

Cause: Conservation. Moore and his wife Betty distributed more than \$50 million last year for conservation projects, drawing on the more than \$5 billion they set aside in 2001 for their environmentally focused foundation. Sample gift: \$23 million for Conservation International's Center for Applied Biodiversity Science.

Impact: Studies funded by the Moore Foundation have validated new approaches to conservation, including a "catch sharing" technique for restoring endangered fish populations.



Pierre & Pam Omidyar

eBay billionaires

Cause: Enabling the economic self-empowerment of individuals. In 2004 the Omidyars started Omidyar Network, which allows the microfinance sector to access private-capital markets in for-profit and not-for-profit ventures. The Network operates by helping connect people who want to give with those in need.

Impact: Since 1998, the Omidyars, both 39, have donated more than \$623 million, about \$66 million in 2006 alone.

Anil Agarwal

Founder of Vedanta Resources

Cause: University education in India. The London-based mining magnate has pledged \$1 billion to establish a world-class, need-blind university in Orissa, eastern India. To be called Vedanta, the school will focus on liberal arts, in contrast to India's many technically oriented schools.

Impact: Vedanta will help address the region's dearth of university spots, which keeps qualified students from going to high-quality colleges.