

ALBANIA



Jorida TABAKU

MP, Chair of the European Affairs Committee, Deputy Chair of the Democratic Party, and Member of the Economic and Finance Committee

Hon. Jorida Tabaku is a Democratic Party MP in the Parliament of Albania. She is the Deputy Chair of the DP and Chair of the European Affairs Committee in the Albanian Parliament and also Member of the Economic and Finance Committee. Member of Parliamentary Assembly Council of Europe and also Member of the joint Committee with EP on implementation of SAA. In her previous mandate she was Deputy Chair of Finance and Economy Parliamentary Committee.

Prior to being in Parliament she was Deputy Mayor of capital city of Tirana and Deputy Minister of EU integration. Ms. Tabaku has a PhD in Economics and is a lecturer at the University of Tirana and has been engaged in civil society and academia before entering politics.

Mrs. Tabaku has been the Chair of the Inquiry Committee regarding the Administrative Procedures for the Incinerators that was constituted on October 2022 and lasted for 6 months (until March 2023). The Inquiry Committee has been regarded largely as one of the best Inquiry Committee in the Albanian Parliamentary life. During the Hearing there appeared 4 ministers and former minister (including two deputy PM), 3 Mayors (including the actual mayor of Tirana) and the Prime Minister Edi Rama.

The report proposed from the opposition was more than 120 pages and criminally charged more than 50 persons on corruption, money laundering and abuse of power. Currently the Special Prosecution Office Against Corruption and Organized Crime is investigating on this case while two high political figures have been arrested.

Mrs Tabaku is also an expert in the Integration process and Economic and Finance area. After her work as chair of the Inquiry Committee, she has proposed a package of draft laws aimed to help improving the fight against corruption and ensure a better environment regarding public contracts and PPP's that are heavily criticized from IMF and World Bank in their reports.

She has been awarded as the best MP for the third time in a row from an independent watchdog "Institute of Political Study" that rank the MP according to their work and engagement in the Parliamentary life.

Mrs. Tabaku has been an international expert in Public Finances, and has written numerous articles on Small and Medium Enterprises. She is the co-author of the first Corporate Governance book for the University of Tirana.

ARMENIA



Armen GEVORGYAN Member of Parliament

Hon. Armen Gevorgyan is an Armenian politician, serving as a Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia since 2021. He is also part of the European Conservatives Group and Democratic Alliance since 27/04/2022. He is currently working with the Committee on European Integration, and he has been General Rapporteur on local and regional authorities: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development since 21/06/2022. He is also former Deputy Prime Minister of Armenia. He graduated from the University of Herzen and Twente in pedagogical sciences. In 2015 he headed the Armenian Development Initiatives Charitable Foundation. In August-November 2015, he participated in the Harvard Business School general management education programme.

BHUTAN



Jigme WANGCHUK MP. Chair of the Committee on Economic Affairs

Hon. Jigme Wangchuk is a Bhutanese politician, currently serving as Member of Parliament for the Samdrup Jongkhar constituency.

Hon. Wangchuk is Chair of the Social & Cultural Affairs Committee as part of the National Council, Parliament of Bhutan. Previously, he was member of the Economic Affairs Committee from 2008 to March 2013.

Prior to his political career, Hon. Wangchuk was a teacher and holds a Bachelor of Education from the National Institute of Education (NIE), Paro, Bhutan. He received the Blue Scarf Award from His Majesty the King on having been elected as a Member of National Council from Samdrup Jongkhar Dzongkhag (2008-2013).

BURKINA FASO



Moussa NOMBO MP, Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee

Hon. Moussa Nombo is a Member of Parliament known for his expertise in several areas of competence, including public finance, knowledge management, change management, governance management, and results-based management of projects and programmes.

He is pursuing various continuing education courses and certifications related to control, audit and evaluation of expenditure, strategic and operational planning, budgeting and monitoring-evaluation of public programmes, implementation of public finance reforms, leadership, and strategic change management. He holds a Master's degree in legal sciences from the University of Ouagadougou and a Master 2 in design and management of territorial digital projects from the University of Paris 10 Nanterre la Défense.

Nombo's professional background includes being the Head of Department of Material Expenses and Director of Authorisation and Accounting at the Ministry of Economy and Finance. He has also served as the Internal Controller of the Mining Sector Development Support Project and as a Knowledge Entrepreneur.

CANADA



Senator Rosa GALVEZ President of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Senator Rosa Galvez, originally from Peru, is one of Canada's leading experts in pollution control and its effect on human health. Senator Galvez was appointed to the Senate on December 6, 2016, representing Québec (Bedford).

Throughout her career, she has been requested by private, governmental and community organizations to offer expert advice. She has also advised a number of international organizations including on Canada-US and Quebec-Vermont agreements regarding the protection of the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River. She also conducted an important study on the catastrophic oil spill at Lac-Mégantic.

Senator Galvez is a member of the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec, the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering and Engineers Without Borders. Her research has led her around the world to countries such as France, Italy, Belgium, Japan and China.

She holds a Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering from McGill University and has been a professor at Université Laval à Québec since 1994, heading the Civil and Water Engineering Department from 2010 to 2016. She specializes in water and soil decontamination, waste management and residues, and environmental impact and risk assessment.

EGYPT



Amira SABER ALSAYED MOHAMAD MP, Secretary General of the Foreign Relations Committee

Hon. Amira Saber Alsayed Mohamad is a member of the Egyptian Parliament and the secretary general of the foreign relations committee. Hon. Amira holds an Master's degree in development studies from the University of Sussex, which is ranked first worldwide in the field of development studies where she received the distinguished Chevening Scholarship. She is an MBA holder who graduated from ESLSCA Business school majoring in International Marketing. Amira is a member of the Egyptian social democratic party and the Coordination committee of parties youth leaders and politicians, she had both PCT (professional Certified Trainer) certificate and public policy analysis certificate from the American University in Cairo.

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT



Michael GAHLER Member of European Parliament and Standing Rapporteur on Ukraine

Hon. Michael Gahler is a German diplomat and politician who has been serving as a Member of the European Parliament (MEP) since 1999.

Hon. Gahler is a member of the Christian Democratic Union, part of the European People's Party. He studied in Mainz and Dijon (1981–87) before training as a lawyer. He joined the Federal Foreign Office in 1990, where he served under ministers Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Klaus Kinkel and Joschka Fischer.

While in the diplomatic service, Hon. Gahler worked on international environmental policy (1991–93) and Germany's bilateral relations with the Baltic states and the Council of the Baltic Sea States. Between 1993 and 1995, he was seconded to work for the CDU party headquarters in Bonn.



FRANCE

Valérie RABAULT MP, Vice-President of the National Assembly

Hon. Valérie Rabault is a French politician who has presided over the Socialists and affiliated group in the National Assembly since 2018. A member of the Socialist Party (PS), she has represented the 1st constituency of the Tarn-et-Garonne department in Parliament since 2012. Rabault is an engineer by trade.

Rabault entered the private sector as a construction manager and then became involved in project financing. She then practiced her professional activity in the banking sector by becoming an inspector at Société Générale, then in 2003, was recruited by BNP Paribas London in the risk monitoring teams. In 2005, she joined the Paris office; from 2010, she became head of risk planning in the equity and commodities division of BNP Paribas Investment Bank. She resigned in June 2012 following her election to the National Assembly.

GHANA



Collins ADOMAKO-MENSAH MP; Treasurer of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF

Hon. Adomako-Mensah graduated from the University of Ghana in 2007 with a first class in banking and finance. He also holds a master's degree in finance from the University of Ghana. He is chartered member of the Chartered Institute of Banking. He was elected member of the Ghanaian Parliament for Afigya Kwabre North Constituency in the 8th Parliament of Ghana. He is member of both the finance and health committees of parliament. Prior to that, he served as staff of Fidelity Bank and GCB Bank Ghana Limited, between 2011-2019.



Kwaku KWARTENG MP, Chair of the Finance Committee

Hon. Kwaku Agyemang Kwarteng is a Ghanaian civil engineer, economist, and politician. He is a two term Member of Parliament for Obuasi West constituency in the Ashanti Region of Ghana.

Hon. Kwarteng is a member of Ghana's New Patriotic Party and a deputy minister of finance. He attended the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in nearby Kumasi, where he obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering in 1996. He later obtained a Master of Science degree also in civil engineering from the same university in 2013. He also has an M.A. in Economic Policy Management from the University of Ghana in 2009.



Akua SENA DANSUA Former Member of Parliament

Akua Sena Dansua is an experienced Ghanaian media and communications consultant, politician and governance and leadership practitioner. She was the Member of Parliament for North Dayi in Ghana and former Ambassador to Germany.

Akua Dansua was Electoral Assistant at the Electoral Commission of Ghana between 1979 and 1980. From 1983 to 1987 she was the Chief Reporter of the Nigerian Reporter newspaper.

She worked with the Weekly Spectator newspaper in Accra, Ghana, as a journalist, eventually becoming the Features Editor of the paper.

She held this position until she moved into politics. She has also served as Technical Advisor to the National Council on Women and Development and as a Media Consultant to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

She is the chairperson for Advocates for Gender and Development Initiatives-Ghana, which is an NGO at Kpando and a board member for Africa in Democracy and Good Governance (ADG) in The Gambia.

GUINEA



Dansa KOUROUMA MP, Speaker of Parliament

Hon. Dansa Kourouma is a civil society actor, doctor and electoral expert.

He is the President of the National Council of the Transition of Guinea since 22 January 20221.

He is president of the National Council of Guinean Civil Society Organisations (CNOSCG), vice-president of the West African Election Monitoring Network and president of the citizen platform for election monitoring in Guinea - Regard du peuple (RdP).

He was rapporteur and member of the National Transition Council from 2010 to 2014.

INDONESIA



Dyah Roro Esti Widya PUTRI MP, Member of the Committee on Energy, Industry, Research and Innovation

Hon. Dyah Roro Esti Widya Putri has been a Member of the House of Representatives for the Republic of Indonesia since 2019.

She strives to make a positive impact on environmental policy and the overall transition to a more sustainable future. She founded the Indonesian Institute of Energy and Environment (IE2I), an NGO based in Jakarta, Indonesia. The NGO is dedicated to raising awareness about global warming and the negative consequences of climate change.

She also holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Sociology from the University of Manchester. After completing her undergraduate studies, she completed graduate-level courses from Harvard University.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION



Emmanuel NYIRINKINDI Vice President of Cross-Cutting Solutions

Emmanuel Nyirinkindi is IFC's Vice President of Cross-Cutting Solutions. He identifies opportunities for closer collaboration and coordination across IFC and the entire World Bank Group to deliver solutions for clients. This involves overseeing work in four areas: to proactively create markets and enable the conditions for investments; to design effective public-private partnerships and targeted corporate finance solutions to maximize the private sector's role in development; to ensure that environmental, social, and governance (ESG) best practices are embedded throughout IFC's projects; and to design private sector strategies that enable all genders and underserved communities to fully participate in the economy.

Before becoming Vice President, Mr. Nyirinkindi served as IFC's Global Director for Transaction Advisory Services. He has over 14 years of IFC experience, working mainly across infrastructure development, including, since 2015, in his role leading the global Public-Private Partnerships Transaction Advisory and Corporate Financial Services teams and operations. Mr. Nyirinkindi first joined IFC's Johannesburg office in 2006 as a Senior Investment Officer, and served as the Regional Manager of IFC's Public-Private Partnerships Advisory Services for Africa before moving to Washington, D.C. He has a proven track record of leadership and execution in advising governments on designing and bringing to market commercially robust public-private partnerships across various sectors that provide high quality, affordable and efficient infrastructure and social services to communities.

Prior to joining IFC, Mr. Nyirinkindi worked for the Government of Uganda's Ministry of Finance where he introduced public-private partnerships in the electricity and railway sectors and coordinated legal and regulatory reforms in the basic infrastructure sectors. He worked in the petroleum products industry in Uganda and with the Faculty of Commerce at Makerere University in Kampala, where he earned his Bachelor of Commerce degree. Mr. Nyirinkindi also holds an MBA from the University of Kansas.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND



Tobias ADRIAN Financial Counsellor and Director of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department

Tobias Adrian is the Financial Counsellor and Director of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). In this capacity, he leads the IMF's work on financial sector surveillance, monetary and macroprudential policies, digital money, financial regulation, bank resolution, debt management, capital markets, and climate finance. He also oversees capacity building activities in IMF member countries with regard to the supervision and regulation of financial systems, bank resolution, central banking, monetary and exchange rate regimes, central bank digital currency, and debt management.

Prior to joining the IMF, Mr. Adrian was a Senior Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and the Associate Director of the Research and Statistics Group. At the Federal Reserve, he contributed to monetary policy, financial stability policies, and to crisis management.

Mr. Adrian has published extensively in economics and finance journals. His research spans macro-finance, monetary policy, financial stability, and climate finance, with a focus on aggregate consequences of capital markets developments. He has taught at Princeton University and New York University. He is member of the editorial boards of the International Journal of Central Banking and the Annual Review of Financial Economics.

Mr. Adrian holds a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Economics, an MSc from the London School of Economics in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics, a Diplom from Goethe University Frankfurt and a Maîtrise from Dauphine University Paris. He received his Abitur in Literature and Mathematics from Humboldtschule Bad Homburg.



Kristalina GEORGIEVA Managing Director

Kristalina Georgieva currently serves as Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, a position she was selected for on September 25, 2019 and has served as since October 1, 2019.

Before joining the IMF, Ms. Georgieva was CEO of the World Bank from January 2017 to September 2019, during which time she also served as Interim President of the World Bank Group for three months.

Previously, Ms. Georgieva helped shape the agenda of the European Union while serving as European Commission Vice President for Budget and Human Resources. In this capacity she oversaw the EU's €161 billion (US \$175bn) budget and 33,000 staff, as well as the EU's response to the Euro Area debt crisis and the 2015 refugee crisis. Before that, she was Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response, managing one of the world's largest humanitarian aid budgets.

Ms. Georgieva began her career in public service at the World Bank as an environmental economist in 1993. After serving for 17 years, and in many senior positions, including Director for Sustainable Development, Director for the Russian Federation, Director for Environment, and Director for Environment and Social Development for the East Asia and Pacific Region, her career culminated in her appointment as Vice President and Corporate Secretary in 2008. In this role, she served as the interlocutor between the World Bank Group's senior management, its Board of Directors, and its shareholder countries.

Rishi GOYAL

Deputy-Director, Strategy Policy Review Department, and Head of the Gender Group

Biography forthcoming





Julie KOZACK Director, Strategic Communication

Julie Kozack is Director of strategic communications at the IMF. Prior to this role, Ms. Kozack had, over the past two decades, served in various senior level positions including as mission chief and lead negotiator on high-profile crisis countries, and as Deputy Director in the European Department (EUR), where she oversaw the IMF's work on Ukraine. Previously, she was a Deputy Director in the Western Hemisphere Department (WHD) and lead negotiator for Argentina. Ms. Kozack has also worked in the Fund's Research and Strategy and Policy Review Departments. She has been mission chief for Germany, Iceland (during the crisis program period), Lithuania, Poland, and deputy mission chief for Russia. Ms. Kozack was heavily involved in multilateral surveillance work, particularly on G20 and G7 engagement at the time of the global financial crisis.

Ms. Kozack further leveraged her leadership and communications expertise in her three-year role as the Director of the Singapore Regional Training Institute.

Ms. Kozack, a United States national, holds a PhD as well as two master's degrees in economics from Columbia University, New York. She earned a BA from Rutgers University.



Daniel LEIGH

Division Chief, the World Economic Studies Division, Research Department

Daniel Leigh heads the World Economic Studies division in the IMF's Research Department, which produces the World Economic Outlook (WEO). Earlier, he was chief of the Open Economy Macroeconomics Division, which produces the External Sector Report. In previous roles, he was Deputy Division Chief in the Western Hemisphere Department, where he covered the United States and served as Mission Chief for Belize and Suriname. He also served as Assistant to the Director of the Research Department, and covered Gabon and Peru in the Fiscal Affairs Department. His research interests are in international macroeconomics, with a focus on fiscal and monetary policy and forecasting. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Johns Hopkins University and an M.Sc. in Economics from the London School of Economics.



Andrew TIFFIN Deputy Division Chief, African Department

Andrew Tiffin is a Deputy Division Chief at the International Monetary Fund. Currently, he is responsible for preparing the Fund's Regional Economic Outlook for sub-Saharan Africa. He is also keenly involved in the Fund's digital-economy agenda and is leading the effort to incorporate artificial intelligence/machinelearning techniques into the standard analytical toolkit of the Fund.

In his previous position, he was the senior desk economist for both the Jordan and Lebanon teams. With a particular interest in refugee issues, he helped shepherd the successful negotiation of Jordan's recent economic program with the Fund. Prior to that, he coordinated the Fund's risk-assessment process, with a particular focus on stressed European countries. He reviewed the program strategies for Greece, Portugal, and Spain, and participated on the Italy team during the debt crisis of 2012. In his career at the Fund, Andrew has concentrated primarily on Eastern European economies, covering issues ranging from: energy-sector developments in Ukraine; to macroprudential policies in Romania; to the risks of financial crises in southeastern Europe. During the onset of the global financial crisis, Andrew was part of the Russia team.

Raised in Sydney, Andrew is an Australian national. He received his postgraduate training at Princeton University, where he obtained degrees in both economics and international relations. In addition to his work with the Fund, Andrew has held positions at the United Nations, the Reserve Bank of Australia, and with the Australian Government.



Mauricio SOTO

Deputy Division Chief, Fiscal Affairs Department

Mauricio Soto is the deputy division chief of the fiscal affairs department at the International Monetary Fund. His research interests include pension finance and economics, labor economics, and applied econometrics. His published work includes an analysis of the incentives facing older women when deciding to claim their Social Security benefits (Journal of Financial Planning), an investigation on the Chilean pension system (Pensions: An International Journal), and a study on the effects of stock market changes on contributions to defined benefit plans (Journal of Pension Economics and Finance). Soto is also responsible for developing a database from the 5500 forms, supported by a grant from the National Institute of Health through the Center for Retirement Research.



Rhoda WEEKS-BROWN General Counsel and Director, Legal Department

Rhoda Weeks-Brown is General Counsel and Director of the IMF's Legal Department. She advises the IMF's Executive Board, management, staff and country membership on all legal aspects of the IMF's operations, including its lending, regulatory and advisory functions. Over her career at the IMF, she has led the Legal Department's work on a wide range of significant policy and country matters. She has also lectured and written articles and many IMF Board papers on all aspects of the law of the IMF.

Ms. Weeks-Brown also served as Deputy Director in the IMF's Communications Department, where she led IMF communications and outreach in Africa, Asia and Europe; played a key role in the transformation of the IMF's communications strategy; and led IMF strategic communications on key legal and policy topics.

Before joining the IMF, she worked in a large corporate law firm in Washington DC. She is member of the Bar in New York, Massachusetts and the District of Columbia and a member of the Supreme Court Bar. She is also a member of the Committee on International Monetary Law of the International Law Association (MOCOMILA), and the Consultative Group for the Sovereign Debt Forum. Ms. Weeks-Brown serves on the Boards of TalentNomics, Inc., a non-profit organization focused on developing women leaders globally, and Results for America, a non-profit organization working to improve outcomes for communities through results-driven social programs. She was named one of the top 27 Global General Counsels (2020) by the Financial Times, and one of the top 5 General Counsels in the area of Promoting Ethical Standards.

Ms. Weeks-Brown has a J.D. from Harvard Law School and a B.A. in Economics (summa cum laude) from Howard University.

INTERNATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY NETWORK FOR EDUCATION



Joseph NHAN-O'REILLY Co-Founder & Executive Director

Joseph is an experienced education expert and advocate. He worked for over a decade at Save the Children leading the design and delivery of education programming and advocacy.

In 2010 Joseph was elected by northern civil society to the newly constituted Global Partnership for Education board and from 2014 to 2017 was the inaugural chair of GPE's Strategy and Policy Committee.

He was a member of the design team for Education Cannot Wait the new global fund for education in emergencies and served on its Executive Committee. He participated in ECW's first country visit, which was to Uganda, and resulted in ECW's first Multi-Year Resilience Programme.

He was appointed by the UK's Secretary of State for International Development to the UK National Commission for UNESCO where he supports the UK's engagement with UNESCO on global education.

He is currently the Chair of the Global Book Alliance a multi-stakeholder initiative working to transform book development, procurement and distribution to ensure that no child is without books.

ITALY

Giulio CENTEMERO

MP, Co-Chair of the Panel on Trade and Investments, representative to the World Bank and IMF, and member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean

Hon. Giulio Centemero is a member of the Chamber of Deputies at the VI Finance Committee, coordinator of the financial markets unit of the Economics Department of the Lega and Treasurer of the party since 2014. He is a member of the Italian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM).

He is a Chartered Accountant and Statutory Auditor, with a degree in economics and commerce from the University of Bergamo and an executive Master in PA management from SDA Bocconi as well as a graduate certificate in Project management from Boston University.

Hon. Centemero trained professionally in tax M&A and at the same time consolidated his political experience in the European parliament together with Matteo Salvini. He is also co-chairman of the economic panel of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean, a member of the executive board of the International Parliamentary Network for Education and president of the parliamentary intergroup of Friendship Italy - Armenia.

He has published interviews and articles in generalist and financial sector magazines and channels. His greatest interest lies in fintech and alternative capital markets.

IVORY COAST



Madjara Tiegbana COULIBALY MP; Board Member of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF

Hon. Madjara Tiegbana Coulibaly was elected Member of the Côte d'Ivoire National Assembly on March 2021. Prior to that, she was executive at the Central Bank of West African States for 35 years. Hon. Coulibaly is also Chair of Bâton du pèlerin, an NGO dedicated to help women and children getting out of poverty.

JAMAICA



Marlene MALAHOO FORTE QC, MP, Minister of Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Hon. Marlene Forte is the Minister of Law and third term legislator who has served in both Houses of Parliament of Jamaica: Now as the elected Member of Parliament for the Constituency of Saint James West Central (since 2016 February 25); previously as Opposition Senator Senate Spokesperson on Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade (2012 -2014) and Shadow Minister of Health (2015 -2016 February); earlier, as Government Senator and State Minister of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade (2009 July -2011 December).

She is the former Attorney General of Jamaica and served from 2016 to 2022. She took the oath of office as the Honourable Attorney General of Jamaica, when the Jamaica Labour Party (JLP) Andrew Holness-led Cabinet was sworn in on 2016 March 7. With twenty years of professional service, she has had a distinguished legal career at both Bar and Bench. She has also been a strong advocate for reform of Jamaica's Justice Sector and Law Lecturer. As Consultant Counsel at the private bar from her LexFORTE Chambers, she has also successfully appeared at all levels of the courts, including before the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council in England.

Hon. Malahoo Forte holds a Master of Public Administration (MPA) Degree & Diploma in Public Policy and Management from Harvard University, a Master of Law (LLM) Degree in Commercial Laws with further specialty in Financial and Regulatory Laws (Commonwealth Scholar) from King's College London, a Bachelor of Laws Degree (LLB) (Hons) from the University of the West Indies in Barbados, a Certificate of Legal Education from the Norman Manley Law School (Jamaica) and Diploma in International Arbitration and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London. She is also a Yale World Fellow and alum of Yale University.

KOSOVO



Jeta STATOVCI

MP, Vice Chair of the Economy Committee and Budget Committee

Hon. Statovci is one of the youngest members of the parliament of Kosovo and has been in office since March 2021. She serves as Deputy Chair of the Committee on Economy, Industry, Entrepreneurship and Trade and is a member of the Committee on Budget, Labor and Transfer. Furthermore, she participated in the Inquiry Committee on Energy Crises Management and Parliamentary Committee on Stabilization Association Agreement at the Parliament of Europe. During her time at the parliament, she has paid vast focus towards economic developments in the country, in relation to labor market – with focus on woman and youth, energy sector, and entrepreneurship.

Previously, she served as Health and Social Policy Advisor to the Speaker of the Assembly of Kosovo, who is currently the President of the Republic of Kosovo, Vjosa Osmani. During that time Hon. Statovci was actively involved in proposing steps to combat COVID-19 and was part of the team drafting an anti-COVID law. She also has experience working as a health management lecturer and consultant for several institutions.

Jeta Statovci holds a Masters's degree from the London School of Economics (LSE) in International Health Economics and a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Management from the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT Kosovo).

MADAGASCAR



Miarintsoa RAKOTOMALALA MP, Member of the Trade and Consumption, Legal Affairs, and Youth and Sports Committees

Hon. Rakotomalala Miarintsoa Andriantsitonta Emmanuel Marie is an independent politician hailing from Madagascar. He was elected as a member of parliament in Ambatolampy, a town located in the central highlands of Madagascar.

As a member of parliament, Hon. Rakotomalala serves on three important commissions: the Trade and Consumer Affairs Commission, the Legal Commission, and the Youth and Sports Commission. These commissions play a crucial role in shaping policies related to trade, consumer protection, legal matters, and youth development. He represented Madagascar at the 144th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) held in Bali from 20 to 26 March 2022.

His dedication and hard work have earned him a reputation as a competent and committed parliamentarian. He is known for his ability to work across party lines and build consensus on important issues. His commitment to public service is evident in his work both within and outside of parliament. He has been actively involved in various community development projects aimed at improving the lives of people in his constituency.

NEPAL



Gagan THAPA MP; Board Member of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF

Hon. Thapa was born and raised in Kathmandu, graduated from Siddhartha Vanasthali School in 1992, and finished his Bachelor of Science in chemistry from Tri Chandra College in 1998, and M.A Sociology from Tribhuvan University in 2003. Currently, he is serving as a Member of Parliament, Nepal. Prior to that, he served as the Minister of Health and Population of Nepal from 2016 to 2017.

NEW CALEDONIA



Pascal SAWA MP, Chair of the External Affairs Committee

Hon. Pascal Sawa has been a member of the Congress of New Caledonia and Chair of the External Relations Committee since 2019 and the President of the Francophone Parliamentary Assembly Young Parliamentarians Network since 2022. Hon. Sawa is also serving a second mandate as Mayor of the Houaïlou Municipality until 2026. He was elected on four main platforms: social cohesion, regional planning, good governance, and environmental protection.

NIGERIA



Hon. Steve AZAIKI

MP; Vice Chair of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF

Hon. Steve Azaiki is a Member of the National Assembly of Nigeria. He is a Professor by profession and holds a PhD in Crop Science from the Agricultural Academy in Kiev Ukraine. He holds a second PhD in Public Administration from the Ukrainian Regional University of Personnel Management.

He had a stint as science teacher in Bishop Dimeari Grammar School. On Return from studies abroad, he got employed in the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity in 1993. He retired in 2007 after serving as State Director in Rivers and Oyo States Directorates of the National Directorate of Employment (NDE). In Bayelsa State, he served in about 16 positions, notably pioneer Commissioner of Agriculture and Natural Resources; twice as Secretary to the State Government (SSG), and a number of honorary advisory positions in the state. At the national level, he served as Special Adviser to the Minister of Special Duties, Minister of Federal Capital Territory, Abuja; Minister of Police Affairs and Minister of Youth Development.

He is a founder and co-founder of several non-governmental organizations, notably the World Environment Foundation for Africa (WEMFFA) and the National Think-Tank of Nigeria (NTTN). He is a board member of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and the IMF (PN) and actively engages in World Bank parliamentary activities.

PORTUGAL



Ricardo BAPTISTA-LEITE MP and Vice-Chair if the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF; Founder and President of UNITE Parliamentary Network

Hon. Ricardo Baptista-Leite is a medical doctor and Member of the Portuguese Parliament, where he sits on the Health and Foreign Affairs Committees. In Dr. Baptista-Leite's role as MP, and under the auspices of UNAIDS, he is the Founding President of UNITE – Parliamentarians Network to End HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis and Tuberculosis, a global platform of policy makers.

Hon. Baptista-Leite is also Head of Public Health at the Institute of Health Sciences of the Catolica University of Portugal, Coordinator of the Sustainable Healthcare Unit at the NOVA Information Management School, and Guest Lecturer at NOVA Medical School. Dr. Baptista-Leite is the founder of CREATING HEALTH – Research and Innovation funding and Co-founder of the Estoril Conferences.

Hon. Baptista-Leite is a Ph.D. candidate in Public Health at Maastricht University and has completed post-graduate studies at multiple universities, including Johns Hopkins, Harvard Kennedy School, and Harvard Medical School.

SOUTH AFRICA



Yunus CARRIM MP. Chair of the Select Committee on Finance

Hon. Yunus Carrim is a South African politician who served as the Minister of Communications from 2013–2014. Carrim is a self-proclaimed Marxist and serves on the South African Communist Party Central Committee and is a Politburo member. Currently, Honorable Carrim is also a board member of The Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & International Monetary Fund. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the Natal Indian Congress, a member of the Executive Council of the United Democratic Front in Pietermaritzburg, and a Secretary of the Pietermaritzburg Combined Ratepayers and Residents Association from 1986 to 1990. He was a Senior Lecturer in Sociology at the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal.

SPAIN



Antonio ALARCO

MP, President of the International College of Surgeons (Spanish section)

Antonio Alarcó was first elected Senator in 2008 and has been reelected ever since. He has been President of the National Health and Social Welfare Commission of the Spanish Senate, Permanent Member of the Standing Committee at the Spanish Senate, Member of the Economy and Business Commission (XII, XI Legislature).

He also worked as Member of the European Commission (XII Legislature), Member of the Ibero-American Affairs Commission (XII, X Legislature), Member of the Special Commission on Demographic Evolution in Spain (XII Legislature), and President of the Human Genome and Personalized Medicine Study, among other positions.

He is Professor of Surgery at the University of La Laguna (Spain) and holds a PhD in Sociology with the thesis entitled: "Social Perception of User's and Professional's Health, Tourism Implications". He also has a second PhD in Scientific Journalism in the Daily Press; Biomedicine Aspects."

He is Vice President of the International College of Surgeons, Director of the Training Center in Robotics, Telemedicine and Telesurgery at the HUC - European Master in "Telemedicine & Bioengineering applied to Telemedicine."

TANZANIA



Neema LUGANGIRA MP, Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee

Hon. Neema Lugangira (MP) is a Member of Parliament in Tanzania who bring forward extensive experience and successful track record in championing policy and legislative reforms for improved investment enabling environment for the agricultural, mining and oil & gas and health sectors to mention a few. As a Parliamentarians her personal prioritised agendas include food and nutrition security; digital development, community health, gender equality in politics and NGOs sector development in Tanzania and across Africa.

Her continued passion and commitment for sustainable and economic development not only in her country Tanzania but also Africa led her to be the Founding Chair of the African Parliamentary Network on Internet Governance (APNIG) and the Founding Chair of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and International Monetary Fund – Tanzania Chapter.

Hon. Lugangira is also the Founder of two NGOs; Agri Thamani, which is committed to ending malnutrition in Tanzania; and Omuka Hub that aims to accelerate digital inclusion in peripheral regions of Tanzania.

Internationally, Hon. Lugangira is a Member of the International Parliamentary Network on Education (IPNEd); the UNITE – Global Parliamentarians Network to End Infectious Diseases; serves as the Co-Chair of Global Parliamentary Group to Combat Neglected Tropical Diseases; Vital Voices Fellow; and WSIS Gender Trendsetter for Advancing Digital Gender Inclusion.

UKRAINE



Iaroslav ZHELEZNIAK MP, First Deputy of the Parliamentary Committee on Finance, Taxation and Customs Policy

Hon. Yaroslav Zhelezniak is head of the 20-member Holos faction in the Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine's parliament. He is the first deputy head of the parliamentary committee for finance, tax and custom policy. Previously, Zhelezniak worked as advisor to the prime minister on parliamentary relations (2017-2019) and advisor to the minister of economic development and trade for government affairs and parliamentary relations (2015-2017) as a member of the Strategic Advisory Group on Reform Support in Ukraine (SAGSUR). As an advisor to Ukrainian government, Zhelezniak was responsible for adopting bills, in particular, on ProZorro public procurement system, corporate governance in state-owned enterprises, medical reform, deregulation, and others. He also worked as an expert on parliamentary and government relations in multinational B2C corporation Anheuser-Busch Inbev (2014-2015) and Ukrainian GRconsulting company Kesarev Consulting (2010-2014). He graduated from the Institute of International Relations of the Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University with a master's diploma in international business relations.

UNITED KINGDOM



Liam BYRNE MP, Chair of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank & IMF

Liam is the Labour MP for Birmingham Hodge Hill, a member of His Majesty's Privy Council, elected Chair of the Global Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and IMF and a member of the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee.

As Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster during the Great Financial Crisis, Liam coordinated No 10 Downing Street for Gordon Brown before serving as Chief Secretary to Her Majesty's Treasury. He is a former member of the Council of Europe and is one of Westminster's leading authorities on China.

An economic historian, Liam has published over twenty books, pamphlets and chapters on economic history, foreign policy and public service reform. Liam's history of British capitalism, Dragons was published in 2016. Liam has written for Newsweek, the Financial Times, the Daily Mirror, the Guardian and New Statesman, and lectured at Harvard University, Oxford University and the LSE.

Liam graduated top of his year at Manchester University, before winning a Fulbright Scholarship to the Harvard Business School where he graduated with honours, and later becoming a Gwilym Gibbon Research Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford.

Before entering politics, Liam worked in strategic consulting and banking, before founding a fast-growing venture-backed European technology company in 2000. He gave up his company in the 2004 by-election to serve Hodge Hill in East Birmingham where five generations of his family have lived and worked.

WORLD BANK GROUP



Federico BENNETT Economist, Office of the Chief Economist, Middle East and North Africa Region

Federico Bennett joined the World Bank in 2015, first serving in the Office of the Chief Economist of the Latin America and Caribbean region. He joined the Middle East and North Africa's chief economist office in 2023. Previously, he worked for the Interamerican Development Bank as a research fellow on integration and trade. Before that he served as a management consultant working on mass-retail demand forecasting. Bennett has conducted research on how ambiguity-averse attitudes interact with strategic complementarities. He holds a PhD and MA in economics from Duke University and a MSc in industrial engineering from the Instituto Technologico de Buenos Aires.



Anna BJERDE Managing Director of Operations

Anna Bjerde is the World Bank's Managing Director of Operations since April 3, 2023.

The Office of the Managing Director brings together the Operations Units of the World Bank which includes the Regional Vice Presidencies and Operational Policy and Country Services. The World Bank's Fragile, Conflict and Violence Global Themes Department also reports to the Managing Director. World Bank operations comprise an active portfolio of 1,813 projects to a value of \$300 billion. Annual lending has averaged around \$65 billion over the past three years. The operational complex of the World Bank also produces groundbreaking analytical work informing policy reforms, priority investments, technical assistance, and targeted poverty reduction. World Bank operations are grounded in a country-based model and focus on responding to the crises of recent years and medium-term development priorities including addressing challenges like poverty reduction, equitable growth, and climate change.

Prior to assuming the role of Managing Director, Ms. Bjerde served as Vice President for Europe and Central Asia, where she led the World Bank's efforts to steer the region through a series of overlapping global shocks—the COVID-19 pandemic, a cost-of-living crisis, natural disasters, and the World Bank's largescale response to Ukraine.

She previously worked as Director of Strategy and Operations for the Middle East and North Africa region. Between 2015-2018, she oversaw the World Bank's strategies, lending, and analytical work for Sustainable Development, covering all the World Bank's regions. She was also the Director of Strategy and Operations in the Europe and Central Asia region in 2014-15. Ms. Bjerde held a leadership role overseeing the World Bank's operations in Sustainable Development and Infrastructure in the Africa region between 2011-2013.

Ms. Bjerde holds a Master's in Business and Economics from the University of Stockholm, and a Master's in Business and Economics from the University of Stockholm.



Hana BRIXI Global Director for Gender

As Global Director for Gender, Hana Brixi leads a global effort to promote gender equality and women's empowerment. She sets the overall direction for the World Bank Group's Gender knowledge agenda, drives Bank-wide efforts for results in closing gender gaps, and fosters partnerships with public and private sector stakeholders toward innovations at scale.

In her career, Ms. Brixi has contributed to advances in human development, public finance, and governance. As Manager of the Human Capital Project, she led a global effort to protect and invest in people with an emphasis on girls and women empowerment. Prior to this, she held managerial and leadership positions in the Social Protection & Jobs and Governance Global Practices and in the Middle East & North Africa, East Asia & Pacific, and Europe & Central Asia regions. Based in China during 2001-10, she also served as World Health Organization's Manager and UNICEF Chief in China.

Ms. Brixi has published articles in professional journals and written several books on economic development, including Trust, Voice and Incentives on service delivery and Government at Risk on fiscal management. She holds graduate degrees in physics and economic policy from Masaryk University and Princeton University, respectively.



Andrew DABALEN Africa Region Chief Economist

Andrew Dabalen is the World Bank's Africa Region Chief Economist since July 1, 2022. The Chief Economist is responsible for providing guidance on strategic priorities and the technical quality of economic analysis in the region, as well as for developing major regional economic studies, among other roles.

He has held various positions including Senior Economist in the World Bank's Europe and Central Asia Region, Lead Economist and Practice Manager for Poverty and Equity in Africa and most recently, Practice Manager for Poverty and Equity in the South Asia Region. His research and scholarly publications focused on poverty and social impact analysis, inequality of opportunity, program evaluation, risk and vulnerability, labor markets, and conflict and welfare outcomes. He has co-authored regional reports on equality of opportunity for children in Africa, vulnerability and resilience in the Sahel, and poverty in a rising Africa.

A Kenyan national, Dabalen holds a master's degree in International Development from University of California - Davis, and a PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics from University of California - Berkeley.



Indermit GILL Senior Vice President and Chief Economist

Indermit Gill is Chief Economist of the World Bank Group and Senior Vice President for Development Economics. He brings to the role a broad combination of leadership, expertise, and practical experience working with governments on macroeconomic imbalances, growth, poverty, institutions, conflict, and climate change.

Before starting this position on September 1, 2022, Gill served as the World Bank's Vice President for Equitable Growth, Finance, and Institutions, where he played a key role in shaping the Bank's response to the extraordinary series of shocks that have hit developing economies since 2020. Between 2016 and 2021, he was a professor of public policy at Duke University and non-resident senior fellow at the Brookings Institution's Global Economy and Development program.

Gill is widely regarded for his contributions to development economics. He spearheaded the influential 2009 World Development Report on economic geography. His pioneering work includes introducing the concept of the "middle-income trap" to describe how countries stagnate after reaching a certain level of income. He has published extensively on key policy issues facing developing countries—among other things, sovereign debt vulnerabilities, green growth and natural-resource wealth, labor markets, and poverty and inequality.

Gill has also taught at Georgetown University and the University of Chicago. He holds a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Chicago.



Maninder GILL Director of Environmental and Social Standards

Maninder S. Gill is Global Director for the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework.

Prior to this, Mr. Gill was Director, Social Development for the World Bank from 2014–June 2019, leading a team of about 300 social scientists committed to promoting socially inclusive development in the World Bank's operational and analytical work.

Prior to this assignment, he was the Director responsible for the design and implementation of the World Bank's internal institutional reforms.

Mr. Gill joined the Bank in 1995, and has held several positions in the social development sector over the years, including as Sector Manager for the social development units in the Bank's Europe and Central Asia Region, and the Latin America and Caribbean Region.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Gill worked in the Indian civil service, where his assignments included being the chief executive of a medium-sized town, director of rural development programs at the district level, and project manager for the resettlement program associated with a large hydro-cum-irrigation project.

Mr. Gill is an Indian national and holds an MBA in Finance and Marketing from Punjabi University.

Colleen GOROVE-DREYHAUPT Manager, External and Corporate Relations

Biography forthcoming



Arturo Herrera GUTIERREZ

Global Director for Governance Global Practice in the Equitable Growth, Finance, and Institutions Practice Group (EFI) Vice Presidency

Mr. Herrera, a Mexican National, has extensive experience in governance, as a practitioner and from the development and academic perspectives. He joined the World Bank in 2010 as Senior Public Sector Management Specialist in the Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) region. He held various positions in the Bank including as Sector Manager in LAC, Practice Manager in Governance Global Practice for the LAC and East Asia and the Pacific regions in the Global Unit before leaving the World Bank Group in 2018.

Between 2018 and 2021 he has held leadership positions in the Government of Mexico as Co-Head of the Finance Team in Presidential Transition Team, Deputy Finance Minister and, most recently, as Minister of Finance and Public Credit.

As Global Director for Governance, Mr. Herrera's priorities include leading the formulation of strategy and engagement of the Bank's work on public institutions and country-level governance, especially in fragile, conflict and violent settings; maximizing the effectiveness of operational support for public financial management and public procurement; fostering excellence in the Governance Practice's work on public sector administration and operational support for legal and judicial reforms.

Mr. Herrera has also taught Monetary and Banking and Macro and Micro Economics at both El Colegio de Mexico and New York University where he completed his doctoral studies in Economics.



Asif Mohammed ISLAM

Senior Economist, Office of the Chief Economist, Middle East and North Africa Region

Asif Islam is a senior economist for the Middle East and North Africa Region of the World Bank Group. His research focuses on private sector development. He has published in peer-reviewed journals on several dimensions of the private sector including entrepreneurship, technology, crime, informality, and gender. He has also published on fiscal policy, environment, and agriculture. He coauthored several reports including the World Development Report (2019) - The Changing Nature of Work, What's Holding Back the Private Sector in MENA? Lessons from the Enterprise Survey, and Uncharted Waters: The New Economics of Water Scarcity and Variability. He holds a PhD in Applied Economics from the University of Maryland-College Park, and a bachelor's degree in economics and computer Science from Macalester College.



Stefan G. KOEBERLE

Director, Strategy and Operations, Middle East and North Africa Vice Presidency

Dr. Stefan Koeberle became the Director of Strategy and Operations, Middle East and North Africa at the World Bank in 2020. Koeberle joined the Bank as a Young Professional in 1993 and worked as an economist in Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, and East Asia and the Pacific, including postings in Thailand where he was part of the economic team helping to address the consequences of the East Asia Financial Crisis. He has served as the Director, Strategy and Operations for LCR and Country Director Indonesia and the Director of Strategy, Risk and Results in the Operations Policy and Country Services (OPCS) Vice Presidency. Before taking on his role in MENA, he served as the Strategy and Operations Director in the Bank's Integrity Vice Presidency. Prior to joining the World Bank, Koeberle worked as a post-graduate fellow at the German Development Institute in Berlin. He holds a Ph.D. in economics from Cambridge University.



Daniel LEDERMAN

Lead Economist and Deputy Chief Economist, Middle East and North Africa

In January 2018 Daniel Lederman became Lead Economist and Deputy Chief Economist for the Middle East and North Africa Region of the World Bank Group. Previously he served as Deputy Chief Economist for Latin America and the Caribbean, Lead Trade Economist in the World Bank's International Trade Department (PRMTR), Senior Economist in the Development Research Group (DECRG), and Senior Economist and Economist in the Office of the Chief Economist for Latin America and the Caribbean. Before joining the World Bank in 1995, he worked for the United Nations' Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. Lederman received a B.A. in Political Science from Yale University and M.A. and PhD degrees from the Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS).



David MALPASS

President

David R. Malpass was selected as 13th President of the World Bank Group by its Board of Executive Directors on April 5, 2019. His five-year term began on April 9.

Mr. Malpass previously served as Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs for the United States. Mr. Malpass represented the United States in international settings, including the G-7 and G-20 Deputy Finance Ministerial, World Bank–IMF Spring and Annual Meetings, and meetings of the Financial Stability Board, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

In 2018, Mr. Malpass advocated for the capital increase for the IBRD and IFC as part of a reform agenda featuring sustainable lending practices, more efficient use of capital, and a focus on raising living standards in poor countries. He was also instrumental in advancing the Debt Transparency Initiative, adopted by the Bank Group and the IMF, to increase public disclosure of debt and thereby reduce the frequency and severity of debt crises.

Before joining the U.S. Treasury, Mr. Malpass was an international economist and founder of a macroeconomics research firm based in New York City. He served as chief economist of Bear Stearns and conducted financial analyses of countries around the world.

Previously, Mr. Malpass served as the U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Developing Nations and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Economic Affairs. He focused on an array of foreign policy and development issues, including U.S. involvement in multilateral institutions; the Bank Group's 1988 capital increase, which supported the creation of the Bank's environment division; the Enterprise for the America's Initiative; and Brady bonds to address the Latin American debt crisis. He also served as Senior Analyst for Taxes and Trade at the U.S. Senate Budget Committee, and as Staff Director of the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress. Mr. Malpass has served on the boards of the Council of the Americas, Economic Club of New York, National Committee on U.S.–China Relations, Manhattan Institute, and Gary Klinsky Children's Centers, as well as various for-profit entities. He is the author of numerous articles on economic development.

Mr. Malpass earned his bachelor's degree from Colorado College and his MBA from the University of Denver. He was a CPA and undertook advanced graduate work in international economics at the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University and has studied Spanish, Russian, and French.

Mr. Malpass and wife Adele Malpass, a journalist, live in Washington, D.C. They have four children and share a strong family interest in development issues.



Sheila REDZEPI

Vice President, External and Corporate Relations

Sheila oversees all aspects of communications and public affairs in support of the Bank's mission to end extreme poverty and boost shared prosperity. She also manages the Bank Group's strategic presence in donor countries, and oversees its multilateral engagements. In this role, Sheila advises the President and senior management on brand, reputation, media and employee communications as well as stakeholder and community relations decisions.

Sheila joined the World Bank Group from Unilever, where she held several positions notably Global Vice President, Sustainability Policy and Advocacy and Vice President, Communications and Sustainability, Europe. She worked alongside Unilever's CEO and executive on engagement with industry platforms and non-profits and oversaw the implementation of sustainability and purpose led agenda in Unilever's Europe region.

Before joining Unilever, Sheila worked at Weber Shandwick, a global public relations firm, based in the United Kingdom, United States and Europe and most recently held the position as Director of Corporate Communications and EMEA region Head of Social Impact.

In 2017 Sheila was named a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader.

A Danish national born in the former Yugoslavia, Sheila earned her Masters of Philosophy in Media Studies from the University of Bergen, Norway, a Master of Arts in International Political Economy, and a Bachelor of Arts in Modern History and Politics from the University of Sheffield, U.K.



Norbert SCHADY

Chief Economist Human Development

Norbert Schady, a German national, is Chief Economist for Human Development in the World Bank Group. Previously, he was Principal Economic Advisor, Social Sector, at the Inter-American Bank (2010-2021), Senior Economist in the Development Research Group (2003-2010), Economist in the Poverty Group of the Latin America region of the World Bank (2000-2003), and a Young Professional at the World Bank (1998-2000). Mr. Schady has also taught at Georgetown University and Princeton University. He received his PhD from Princeton University and his BA from Yale University. Mr. Schady has published extensively in academic journals, including in the Quarterly Journal of Economics, American Economic Journal: Applied, American Economic Journal: Policy, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Human Resources, and Journal of Development Economics, among many others. He is also the author of numerous flagship reports, including The Early Years: Child Well-Being and the Role of Public Policy, Conditional Cash Transfers: Reducing Present and Future Poverty, and Closing the Gap in Education and Technology. Mr. Schady's main research areas include early childhood development, teacher quality, cash transfer programs, and the effects of economic contractions on the accumulation of human capital.



Axel Van TROTSENBURG Managing Director of Operations

Axel van Trotsenburg oversees the World Bank's operational program and ensures that the Bank's delivery model continues to meet the needs of client countries. He also builds support and mobilizes financial resources across the international community for efforts to assist low and middle-income countries.

Mr. van Trotsenburg brings deep experience in regional operations and finance, drawing on his experience as the longest-serving Vice President at the Bank. A Dutch and Austrian national, he was Acting World Bank CEO from September 2 – 30, 2019 and served as World Bank Vice President for Latin America and the Caribbean from February 2019. From 2016 to January 2019, Mr van Trotsenburg served as World Bank Vice President of Development Finance (DFi). Here, he oversaw strategic mobilization of resources, and was responsible for the replenishment and stewardship of the International Development Association (IDA), the largest source of concessional financing for the world's poorest countries. He has led the policy negotiations and process for two IDA replenishments, which together mobilized a record \$125 billion—\$50 billion in 2010 for IDA16 and \$75 billion in 2016 for IDA18. Under his leadership, for the first time, IDA leveraged its equity by blending donor contributions with internal resources and funds raised through debt markets.

Apart from his experience in managing World Bank finances, Mr. van Trotsenburg has had extensive experience in country operations and managing regional programs, including in Africa. Prior to his role as Vice President of DFi, he served as Vice President for the East Asia and Pacific Region from 2013 to 2016. From 2009 to 2013, he served as Vice President for Concessional Finance and Global Partnerships.



Tea TRUMBIC

Manager, Women, Business and the Law

Tea Trumbic is the Manager for the Women, Business and the Law project in the World Bank's Development Economics vice-presidency. She leads a multidisciplinary team to produce data and analysis on laws and regulations that impact women's economic inclusion. She has 20 years of experience working in government and international organizations on evidence-based policy for sustainable and inclusive economic development. She joined the World Bank in 2006, working on the Doing Business project on tax and credit information regulations. She has also developed indicators focusing on agribusiness regulations. Her work has focused on regulatory framework analysis of the business environment in several countries globally, including extensive work on Eastern European and Central Asian countries.

Tea also worked at the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia and the International Monetary Fund. She holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Stanford University and a master's degree in economics from the London School of Economics.



Juan Pablo URIBE

Global Director for Health, Nutrition & Population and the Global Financing Facility

Juan Pablo Uribe, MD, is the Global Director for Health Nutrition and Population at the World Bank and Director of the Global Financing Facility for Women Children and Adolescents (GFF).

Previously, Mr. Uribe was the CEO of Healthcare Providers for United Healthcare/ Banmédica for Chile and Peru and served from 2018 to 2019 as Minister of Health and Social Protection of Colombia. Prior to that, he was the Director General of the Fundación Santa Fe de Bogotá, a leading organization in Colombia working in health care, health education and public health. Between 2009 and 2011, he was the World Bank's Health Sector Manager for East Asia and the Pacific.

In his career, first as a medical doctor specializing in public health and public administration, and later in both public and private sector organizations, Mr. Uribe has contributed significantly to the development of public health, health systems and public policies.



Juergen VOEGELE Vice President, Sustainable Development

Juergen Voegele, Ph.D., assumed the position of Vice President for Sustainable Development at the World Bank on April 1, 2020. In this role, he oversees the work of Global Practices and thematic groups that bring together the best expertise from across the World Bank Group and from partners, to help countries tackle their most complex challenges in the area of sustainable development. The practices and groups under his responsibility include Agriculture and Food; Climate Change; Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy; Environmental and Social Framework Implementation Unit; Social Development; Urban, Disaster Risk Management, Resilience and Land; and Water.

Prior to this appointment, Dr. Voegele was Global Director of the World Bank's Climate Change Group and Senior Director of the World Bank's Agriculture and Food Global Practice. Dr. Voegele is chair of the CGIAR System Council Board, which oversees agricultural research programs tackling poverty, food and nutrition security, and improved natural resource management around the world. Since 2016, Dr. Voegele has served as co-chair of the Global Future Councils of the World Economic Forum. He is also a member of the EAT Foundation Advisory Board since May 2017.

Since joining the World Bank in 1991, Dr. Voegele has held several assignments, chairing the Agriculture and Rural Development Sector Board as well as the Environment Sector Board, leading the Agriculture Unit in China, the Agriculture and Rural Development Unit of the Europe and Central Asia Region, and the Agriculture and Rural Development Department of the World Bank (later recast

as the Agriculture and Environmental Services Department). Career highlights include his leadership of the acclaimed Loess Plateau watershed management project in China and managing a multi-sectoral team that disbursed more than \$1 billion for 70 projects in response to the global Avian influenza crisis. Those latter efforts were replicated during the 2008 global food crisis.

Dr. Voegele holds a PhD in Agricultural Economics and a Master's in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Hohenheim, in Germany.

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Fortune Daniel MOLOKELE-TSIYE

MP, Member of the Health and Childcare, and Women's Affairs and SMEs, and Higher and Tertiary Education committees

Hon. Fortune Daniel Molokele-Tsiye is a member of the Health and Childcare Committee, Women's Affairs and SMEs Committee, and the Higher and Tertiary Education Committee.

He is a Zimbabwean politician who is currently serving as the duly elected Member of Parliament of Zimbabwe representing Whange Central Constituency in Matabeleland North province. Hon. Molokele-Tsiye is an active change champion under the Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) as led by President Advocate Nelson Chamisa.

He is the Founding Partner and CEO of the Molokele Law Chambers, a new legal practice that is located at Empumalanga township in Whange. He is also a pro-democracy human rights lawyer well known for my active fight for democracy in Zimbabwe and South Africa.Over the years he has established himself as a Pan-African civil society leader focusing mostly on a human rights-based approach to advocacy in the health sector.