SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Enrique Peña Nieto
President of Mexico

Enrique Peña Nieto is the 57th President of Mexico. He was elected into office in 2012 after serving as governor of the State of Mexico from 2005 to 2011. During his tenure in public service, he has occupied several positions in the government of the State of Mexico. From 2000 to 2002, he was Secretary of Administration and from 2003 to 2004, he was elected Representative of the 13th District in the 65th Session of the State of Mexico, where he was Coordinator of the Parliamentary Group of the Institutional Revolutionary Party. During this time, President Peña Nieto represented the State of Mexico as Deputy Secretary of the Interior; President of the Directive Council of Social Security; President of the Internal Council of Health; and Vice President of the National System for Integral Family Development. In 2005, Enrique Peña Nieto ran for and won the governorship of the State of Mexico, which he held until 2011. At the end of his term as governor, he pursued the presidency and won the national elections on July 1, 2012. He was sworn into the Office of the Presidency on December 1, 2012. He holds a B.A. in Law from the Universidad Panamericana and a M.A. in Business Administration from the Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM).

Angel Gurría
Secretary-General, OECD

Angel Gurría is the Secretary-General of the OECD since June 2006. He was re-appointed to a second mandate in September 2010. As OECD Secretary-General, he has reinforced the OECD’s role as a “hub” for global dialogue and debate on economic policy issues while pursuing internal modernisation and reform. Mr. Gurría is a Mexican national and came to the OECD following a distinguished career in public service in his country, including positions as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Finance and Public Credit in the 1990s. Mr. Gurría holds a B.A. degree in Economics from UNAM (Mexico) and a M.A. degree in Economics from Leeds University (United Kingdom). He is married and has three children.
Luis Videgár Ray Caso
Secretary, Finance and Public Credit of Mexico

BA (Hons) in Economics, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM); PhD in Economics with specialization in public finance, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Professor, ITAM and Iberoamerican University. 1992 and 1994, Adviser to the Secretary of Finance and Public Credit. 1996, Adviser to the Secretary of Energy. 2001-05, Director, Public Finance, advisory group PROTEGO. Secretary of Finance, administration of Enrique Peña Nieto as Governor of the State of Mexico; implemented disciplinary policies as well as the modernization of the public sector; promoted constitutional and regulatory reforms related to public-private partnerships. Until March 2011, Member of Congress. President, Budget and Public Debt Commission, LXI Legislature. March - July 2011, President, Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), State of Mexico and General Coordinator, political campaign of Eruviel Ávila Villegas for Governor of the State of Mexico. Recently, General Coordinator, presidential campaign of Enrique Peña Nieto, Coordinator, Public Policy and General Coordinator, Government Transition Team. Dec. 2012, appointed Secretary of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico. First Place, Banco Nacional de México National Economics Award (1995).

Fernando Aportela Rodríguez
Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico

Fernando Aportela is the Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico since December 2012. Prior to that he was the Executive Director of Investment Banking of Evercore Mexico until November 2012. In 2004 he joined Protego, which subsequently in 2005 merged with Evercore Partners becoming Evercore Mexico. Before that he was Undersecretary of Finance of the State of Veracruz, Mexico. Fernando Aportela also served as director of economic research in the Central Bank of Mexico, deputy director of the team of economic advisors to the President of Mexico and member of the team of economic advisors to the Minister of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico. Mr. Aportela received a B.A. from Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) and a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dan Andrews
Senior economist, Structural Policy Analysis Division, Economics Department, OECD

Dan Andrews is a Senior Economist in the Structural Policy Analysis Division of the Economics Department at the OECD. He currently leads the Department’s Productivity Work stream and his research generally exploits micro-data to assess the impact of structural reforms on aggregate productivity, with a particular focus on resource misallocation, innovation and knowledge-based capital. He has also written extensively on housing markets and the links between income inequality, intergenerational social mobility and growth. Prior to joining the OECD in 2009, Dan was a central banker at the Reserve Bank of Australia for a decade and undertook graduate studies at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.
Gary Banks
Dean, Australia and New Zealand School of Government

Gary Banks is Dean of the Australia and New Zealand School of Government. From 1998 to 2012, he was the inaugural Chairman of the Productivity Commission, Australia’s independent research and advisory body on structural reform. In addition to overseeing the Commission’s activities, Gary has personally headed national inquiries on such topics as National Competition Policy, the National Reform Agenda and the Economic Implications of an Ageing Australia. He also chaired the Prime Minister’s Regulation Taskforce, which issued its influential report ‘Rethinking Regulation’ in 2006. For many years Gary Banks was responsible for the Office of Regulation Review, a gate keeper for good regulatory practice, and he established its successor body, the Office of Best Practice Regulation. He has degrees in economics from Monash University and the Australian National University. He is a Professorial Fellow at Melbourne University, an Adjunct Professor at the Australian National University and a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia. His contributions to public policy and structural reform in Australia have been recognised in the Economic Society’s inaugural Distinguished Public Policy Fellow Award and the Order of Australia.

José Miguel Benavente
Chief, Innovation and Competitiveness Division, Inter-American Development Bank

José Miguel Benavente is now the Chief of the Innovation and Competitiveness Division at the Inter-American Development Bank. Until recently he had a full professorship position at the Business School, Adolfo Ibañez University and for twenty years was a professor at the Economics Department of the University of Chile. He has widely published in the areas of innovation, R&D, applied microeconometrics, economic development, SMEs and criminology. During 2006 Benavente was appointed counsellor at the Chilean National Innovation Council and became its vice President during 2010. He has been adviser to the governments of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, and El Salvador on scientific and innovation policy and a consultant to the Central Bank of Chile, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the United Nations Commission for Latin America. In 2014 he has been awarded with a three year Nucleo Milenio Grant in social sciences in order to develop theoretical and applied research on innovation issues with a Latin American scope. He was also one of the co-authors of the best seller “El Otro Modelo” (Random House Mondadori), which was at the top of non-fiction book list in Chile for 15 weeks during last year. Benavente holds a PhD and a MSc in Economics from the University of Oxford, a MA in Development Economics from the University of Chile, and BA in Industrial Engineering from the Catholic University at Valparaiso.
**Herminio Blanco**  
*Founder and Chairman, IQOM*

Herminio Blanco is founder and chairman of IQOM, a consulting company on international trade. IQOM also provides the most complete world trade database and an online day-by-day analysis on trade issues affecting corporations doing business in the main countries in Latin America. Mr. Blanco is also the President of Soluciones Estrategicas, a corporation specializing in advising firms on international trade, antitrust, and investment issues and providing strategic advice on merger and acquisitions with Mexican corporations. He is the President of the Board of Iberdrola Mexico and a member of the boards of Bladex, Cydsa, Arcelor Mittal USA and Mexico. He is a member of the advisory board of Mitsubishi Corporation and advisor to some of the leading Japanese corporations including Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Sumitomo, Panasonic, Isuzu and Mazda.

Mr Blanco has served in four different Mexican presidential administrations. He was minister of trade and industry (1994-2000), vice minister for International trade negotiations (1993-94), vice minister for international trade (1988-90), advisor to the president of Mexico (1985-88), and advisor to the minister of finance (1978-80). Mr Blanco is well-known for his role as Mexico’s chief negotiator of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (1990-93). In addition to NAFTA, he was responsible for the successful negotiation of the Mexico-European Union free trade agreement and seven free trade agreements with ten Latin American countries and Israel. He also helped launching the negotiations for a free trade agreement with Japan and was Candidate of Mexico to the Direction General of the World Trade Organization (2013).

Mr Blanco obtained his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Chicago in 1978 and taught at Rice University from 1980 to 1985.

**Paul Conway**  
*Director Economics and Research, Productivity Commission, New Zealand*

Paul leads the Commission’s work on understanding the broad drivers of New Zealand’s productivity performance and the role of policy in improving it. He is also Chair of the Productivity Hub, a cross-agency collaboration of productivity researchers in the New Zealand public sector.

Paul is an economist with extensive international experience and has previously worked with the OECD, the World Bank, Westpac and the New Zealand Reserve Bank. His recent work has included published studies relating to product market regulation, competition and productivity in New Zealand, China, Russia and India, as well as broader OECD-wide analysis.

According to the RePEc ranking of researchers in economics, he is among the top 5% of published economists. Paul has a Master of Commerce and Administration (Economics), First Class, from Victoria University and a Bachelor of Commerce (Economics) from Otago University.
Chiara Criscuolo
Senior economist, Structural Policy division, Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation, OECD

Chiara Criscuolo contributes to the open innovation agenda, as member of the Big Innovation Centre Research Board. She links the Big Innovation Centre’s work to the activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and other globalization initiatives.

Chiara is a senior economist in the OECD Structural Policy division of the Science Technology and Innovation Directorate working on entrepreneurship, enterprise dynamics, productivity and policy evaluation. She is also a research associate at the Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) at the London School of Economics. She is co-ordinating large cross-country microdata projects on employment dynamics and on productivity. Prior to joining OECD, she was Research Fellow at the Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics. She has been involved in industrial policies evaluations and has coordinated large cross-country microeconometric studies on innovation. In 2009, she was part of the Expert Group on Impacts of R&D Tax Incentives of the European Commission. In 2011 she prepared a testimony for the US-Senate Finance Committee on R&D tax credits. She has published in the American Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of International Economics, the International Journal of Industrial Organization, and the Canadian Journal of Economics. Chiara is part of the editorial board of OECD Journal: Economic Studies.

She holds a doctoral degree in Economics from University College London.

Jackson De Toni
Planning Manager, Brazilian Agency for Industrial Development (ABDI)

Jackson De Toni, Economist, PhD in Political Science - Brasilia University. Currently, Planning Manager and Project Specialist at the Brazilian Agency for Industrial Development (ABDI), subordinated to the Ministry of Foreign Commerce, Development and Industry of Brazil.
Simon Duggan  
**General Manager, Macroeconomic Modelling and Policy Division, Australian Treasury**

Simon Duggan is a Senior Executive from the Australian Treasury where he holds the position of General Manager of Macroeconomic Modelling and Policy Division. In his current role, Simon provides advice on the outlook for the Australian economy, monetary policy, fiscal policy, financial market conditions and macro-financial risks. Simon also has primary carriage within the Treasury for providing advice on structural reform priorities to raise Australia’s growth potential. Simon’s previous position was General Manager of the Australian Treasury’s Domestic Economy Division, where he produced the Government’s economic forecasts. Prior to this, Simon was Senior Adviser to Australia’s Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund and an economic adviser to the Australian Treasurer.

José Manuel Entrecanales Domecq  
**Chairman of Acciona**

José Manuel Entrecanales Domecq began his professional career at Merrill Lynch in London and New York. In 1991 he joined ACCIONA, where he served as Corporate Development Director, Finance Director and a Member of the Board before being appointed Chairman in 2004. Between 1994 and 2000 he was also a Board Director of Vodafone Spain, and between 2000 and 2007 he was Chairman of Vodafone Spain and of the Vodafone Foundation in Spain. Mr. Entrecanales was the Executive Chairman of Endesa between 2007 and 2009, when ACCIONA sold its stake in the Spanish utility to Enel of Italy. Among his many institutional activities in Spain, Mr. Entrecanales has held the Presidency of the Instituto de la Empresa Familiar, Spain’s leading organization for family-owned businesses, since 2012. In addition, Mr. Entrecanales is Vice Chairman and Founder of the Pro-Cnic Foundation. He is also a patron of the Fundación Príncipe de Asturias, the Fundación Príncipe de Girona, and the Prado Museum. He is also Chairman of the José Manuel Entrecanales Foundation. Abroad, Mr Entrecanales is an active participant in some of the leading public-private initiatives supporting sustainable development and the fight against climate change. In 2013, Mr. Entrecanales joined the Advisory Board of the “Sustainable Energy for All” initiative led by the United Nations and the World Bank. He has been a member of the executive committee of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) since 2009. He also belongs to the UN Global Compact and the Corporate Leaders Group on Climate Change.
José Rogelio Garza Garza
Deputy Secretary of Industry and Trade, Mexico

José Rogelio Garza Garza has served as Deputy Secretary of Industry and Trade under President Enrique Peña Nieto and Secretary Ildefonso Guajardo Villarreal since 2013. Prior to his appointment, he was Director of the National Chamber of Electronics, Telecommunications, and Information Technology (CANIETI) since 2001. While working for the Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development, which is today part of the Ministry of Economy, he served as private secretary to both the Deputy Director of International Trade Negotiations and the Deputy Director of Negotiations for Automotive and Electronics Industries. He was Director of Economic Deregulation for the Secretariat of the Comptroller and Administrative Development and the quality assurance coordinator for the ISO-9002 program for the Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development and CANIETI. He has served as Vice President of the Association of Economists in Nuevo León, Associate Director of the Confederation of Industrial Chambers (CONCAMIN), and Associate Director of the Electronic Standardization and Certification Institute (NYCE). He has presented research on information technology at numerous conferences hosted by government and academic institutions in Mexico and Spain. Mr. Rogelio Garza has a B.A. in Economics from Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey and a Masters in International Business from the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas in Madrid, Spain.

Gustavo Fabian Grobocopatel
President and Chief Executive Officer of Grupo Los Grobo S.A.

Gustavo Fabian Grobocopatel is President and Chief Executive Officer of Grupo Los Grobo S.A. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Bioceres S.A., an Argentine biotechnology firm, and advises the Economic and Social Council of Torcuato Di Tella University in Argentina, the Council of Fundación Dom Cabral in Brazil, and the Council of EGADE – TEC Monterrey in Mexico. He is an active member of various business associations, such as the Argentine Business Association (AEA), the Argentine chapter of IFAMA (International Food, Agriculture and Management Association), and Endeavor Argentina. He currently serves as President of the Agribusiness Chapter of LIDE Argentina and Secretary and Founding Partner of Cámara Argentina de Biotecnología. Mr. Grobocopatel has received international recognition for his work in agronomic engineering. In 2004, the Argentine National Congress honored him with the Domingo Faustino Sarmiento Merit Award for his contribution to the community and its educational institutions. In 2007, he was awarded the title “Most Creative Argentine” by the Círculo de Creativos de la República Argentina and received the Platinum Konex Award for the Agribusiness Entrepreneur of the Decade. In 2009, América Economía Magazine recognized him as the Best Businessman in the Region. In 2011, he was awarded the Entrepreneur of the Year award by Ernst & Young LLP, and in 2012 was recognized for his contribution to corporate social responsibility with the Businessman of the Year award by ComunicaRSE. In 2013, El Cronista, Apertura and PricewaterhouseCoopers presented him with the Business Leader in Innovation Award. Mr. Grobocopatel studied Agricultural Engineering at the University in Buenos Aires in and European Production Systems and Agriculture at Iowa State University.
Ildefonso Guajardo Villarreal
Secretary of the Economy of Mexico

Ildefonso Guajardo Villarreal has served as the Secretary of the Economy of Mexico under President Enrique Peña Nieto since 2012. Prior to his appointment, Secretary Villarreal has twice represented the State of Nuevo León in the National Congress: in the 58th Congress from 2000-2003, and the 61st Congress from 2009-2012. In 2009, he led as its President the Commission on Economic Development and Tourism in the House of Representatives. From 2006 to 2009 he served as Representative and Leader of the Minority Group to the 70th State Congress of Nuevo León. From 2003 to 2006 he was head of the Governor’s Executive Office in Nuevo León. He has separately held leadership positions in a number of public offices, including with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs; Tourism; Trade and Industrial Development; and Planning and Budget. Prior to his congressional career, Secretary Villarreal served as Director of the North American Free Trade Agreement Affairs Office at the Embassy of Mexico in Washington, D.C. and worked at the International Monetary Fund. He has also been a visiting professor at Arizona State University and an adjunct professor at the University of Pennsylvania. Secretary Villarreal obtained his B.A. in Economics at the Autonomous University of Nuevo León and M.A. in Economics from Arizona State University, with doctoral studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

Chang-Tai Hsieh
Phyllis and Irwin Winkelried Professor of Economics


Hsieh has been a visiting scholar at the Federal Reserve Banks of San Francisco, New York, and Minneapolis, as well as the World Bank’s Development Economics Group and the Economic Planning Agency in Japan. He is a Research Associate for the National Bureau of Economic Research, a Senior Fellow at the Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis of Development, a Co-Director of the China Economics Summer Institute, and a member of the Steering Group of the International Growth Center in London.

He is the recipient of an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Research Fellowship, an Elected Member of Academia Sinica, and the recipient of the Sun Ye-Fang award for research on the Chinese economy.
Enrique V. Iglesias
President of the Inter-American Development Bank

Enrique V. Iglesias was the first Ibero-American Secretary General from 2005 to 2014. Between 1988 and 2005, he served as the 3rd President of the Inter-American Development Bank. Prior to his election as president of the IDB, Iglesias was Uruguay’s Minister of Foreign Relations, (1985-1988); Executive Secretary of the U.N. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), (1972-1985); Secretary General of the U.N. Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy, held in Kenya in 1981; and chairman of the conference that launched the Uruguay Round of international trade negotiations in Punta del Este, Uruguay, in 1986. These negotiations led to the creation of the World Trade Organization, the successor to the General Agreements on Tariffs and Trade. Iglesias served as President of Uruguay’s Central Bank from 1966 to 1968. Iglesias has taught economic development at Uruguay’s Universidad de la República and served as director of its Institute of Economics. He has written numerous articles, papers and books on Latin American and Uruguayan economic issues, capital markets, external financing and multilateralism. Iglesias has received ten honorary academic degrees from American and European universities, official decorations and professional awards, among them the Príncipe de Asturias award. In 2014, Mr. Iglesias was honored with the Toison de Oro, one of Spain’s highest honors. In 2003, the U.N. Secretary General nominated Mr. Iglesias as a Member of the High Level Group which produced the report “A safer world: the responsibility we share” dealing with the challenges to world peace and security and with U.N. reform. Mr. Iglesias is also a member of Mr. Annan’s High Level Group for the Alliance among Civilizations. Born in Asturias, Spain, Iglesias is a naturalized Uruguayan citizen. He graduated from the Uruguay’s Universidad de la República in Economics and Business Administration in 1953 and pursued specialized programs of study in the United States and France.

Claude Lavoie
Director, Economic Studies and Policy Analysis, Canadian Department of Finance

Claude Lavoie is Director of the Economic Studies and Policy Analysis in the Canadian Department of Finance. His group is responsible to conduct in-depth research on economic and fiscal issues, including productivity, to inform economic policy decisions. Previous to this position, Claude was Assistant Chief at the Bank of Canada, where he oversaw the Bank’s economic projection. Prior to this, he worked as a senior economist in various economic research groups. He was awarded the jubilee Queen medal for his outstanding service to Canada and the Governor General Medal for Academic Performance. In all his functions, Claude has followed the debate on productivity for over 20 years.
Ernesto López Córdova
Head, Economic Productivity Unit, Mexican Ministry of Finance

Dr. Ernesto López Córdova serves as Head of the Mexican Ministry of Finance’s Economic Productivity Unit, where he leads the design and implementation of public policy aimed at increasing economic productivity while promoting social inclusion. In this role, he acts as Technical Secretary to Mexico’s Economic Cabinet, its National Productivity Committee, and its Business Advisory Council for Economic Growth. He also sits as Chair to the Subcommittee on Employment, Income, and Savings of Mexico’s national social inclusion program, PROSPERA.

Dr. López Córdova brings over 13 years of prior experience at multilateral development institutions. From 2008 to 2013 he served as the Inter-American Development Bank’s Lead Country Economist for Mexico, and from 2006 to 2008 led the Enterprise Analysis Unit for the International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group (IFC).

Dr. López Córdova received his PhD in Economics from the University of California, Berkeley, in addition to BA and MA degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He holds certificates in Economic Development and International Economics from both Harvard University and Columbia University, respectively. He has published numerous articles pertaining to the impact of business environments on firm performance; the economic and social impacts of economic integration; and the effect of migrant remittances on economic development, among others.

William F. Maloney
Chief Trade & Competitiveness Economist, The World Bank

William F. Maloney is Chief Trade and Competitiveness Economist in the World Bank Group and Visiting Professor at the University of the Andes in Bogota, Colombia. He was a Professor of Economics at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (1990-1997) and then joined the World Bank, working as Lead Economist in the Office of the Chief Economist for Latin America until 2009. From 2009 to 2014, he was Lead Economist in the Development Economics Research Group.

Mr. Maloney received his PhD in economics from the University of California Berkeley (1990), his BA from Harvard University (1981), and he studied at the University of the Andes in Bogota, Colombia (1982-83).

He has published on issues related to international trade and finance, developing country labor markets, and innovation and growth. In addition to publications in academic journals, he coauthored Natural Resources: Neither Curse nor Destiny and Lessons from NAFTA, Does What you Export Matter: In Search of Empirical Guidance for Industrial Policy, as well as several flagship publications of the Latin American division of the Bank, most recently Informality: Exit and Exclusion.
Catherine L. Mann
Chief Economist, Head of the Economics Department and OECD G20 Finance Deputy, OECD

Following 20-plus years in Washington DC, she was the Rosenberg Professor of Global Finance at Brandeis University and from 1997-2011 was a Senior Fellow and visiting Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics. Earlier Ms. Mann served as a Senior International Economist at the US President’s Council of Economic Advisors and worked as a Special Assistant to the Vice-President for Development Economics/Chief Economist at the World Bank. She spent 13 years on the Federal Reserve Board as a Senior Economist. She is a US citizen and holds a PhD in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and a Bachelor’s Degree in Economics from Harvard University.

She has authored or co-authored seven books, 60 articles, and numerous shorter pieces and testimony. She frequently appears on Bloomberg, CNBC, and public broadcasting, and has been quoted in Businessweek and The Economist. She has delivered key-note speeches and engaged in projects on technology and policy in numerous countries ranging from China, South Africa, Tunisia and Vietnam to Australia, Finland, France, and Germany, among others.

Her research spans two main topics – global imbalances and globalisation of technology and services.

Antonio Celia Martínez-Aparicio
President and Chief Executive Officer of Promigas SAESP

Antonio Celia Martinez-Aparicio has been President and Chief Executive Officer of Promigas SAESP since 1992 and serves as its Principal. With over 23 years of experience in the energy industry, he has held previous positions such as Chief Financial Officer of Ashmore Energy International and Director of the Investment Department of Corporación Financiera del Norte and General Manager for the Terpel del Norte. He founded and currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Naturgas, a local association of natural gas companies, and the National Association of Industries in Colombia. He is Chairman of Grupo Nutresa SA and has been its Director since 2005. He is the Founding member and President of the Board at Empresarios por la Educación (Entrepreneurs for Education), Vice President of the Boards of the Universidad del Norte and Fundación Pies Descalzos (Barefoot Foundation), and a member of the Boards of Colombia Humanitaria (Colombia Humanitarian) and the Fondo de Adaptación (Adaptation Fund). He has been a Director of Gas Natural de Lima y Callao S.A since February 2011. He serves as a Director of “Fondo de Inversiones para la Paz” for the Colombian Stock Exchange, and formerly directed Elektro Eletricidade E Servicos SA. Mr. Martinez-Aparicio received an engineering degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and holds Masters degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Universidad de los Andes, and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.
**Tu Anh Nguyen**  
**Senior researcher, Central Institute for Economic Management, Hanoi, Vietnam**

Nguyen Tu Anh (PhD) is senior researcher at Central Institute for Economic Management (Hanoi, Vietnam), and acts as Director of Department Macroeconomic Policy. Dr. Tu Anh obtained his PhD in Economics from Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne (Paris, France), M.A. in Economic Theory and Econometrics from Midi-Pyrénées School of Economics, Université Toulouse 1 (Toulouse, France), M.A. of Development Economics from Institute of Social Studies (the Hague, the Netherlands) & National Economics University (Hanoi, Vietnam), and B.A. of international economics from Foreign Trade University (Hanoi, Vietnam). His PhD dissertation was entitled “Sources of economic growth: physical capital, human capital, natural resources and TFP”.

**Dirk Pilat**  
**Deputy Director, Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation, OECD**

Mr. Dirk Pilat, a Dutch national, is Deputy Director of the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation. As Deputy Director, he supports the Director of STI in pursuing the Directorate’s programme of work and contributing to the achievement of the strategic goals of the Organisation as defined by the OECD Secretary-General.

He joined the OECD in February 1994 and has worked on many policy issues since then, including the OECD Innovation Strategy and OECD Green Growth Strategy, how to draw greater benefits from information technology for economic growth, how to strengthen growth performance in OECD economies (the OECD Growth Project), how to strengthen the performance of the services sector, as well as work on climate change, labour markets, product market regulation, global value chains, productivity and entrepreneurship. He was Head of the Science and Technology Policy Division from 2006 to January 2009, with responsibility for the OECD’s Committee for Scientific and Technological Policy, and Head of the Structural Policy Division, with responsibility for the OECD’s Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, from February 2009 to December 2012.

Before joining the OECD, Mr. Pilat was a researcher at the University of Groningen, in the Netherlands, where he also earned his PhD in Economics.

**Jean Pisani-Ferry**  
**Commissioner-General for Policy Planning, France Stratégie**

Jean Pisani-Ferry has been since May 2013 Commissioner-General for Policy Planning, reporting to the French Prime Minister. Prior to this appointment, he was the Director of Bruegel, the Brussels-based economic think tank that he contributed to create in 2005. Pisani-Ferry was previously Executive President of the French PM’s Council of Economic Analysis (2001-2002), Senior Economic Adviser to the French Minister of Finance (1997-2000), Director of CEPII, the French institute for international economics (1992-1997), and Economic Adviser with the European Commission (1989-92). Pisani-Ferry is also Professor with the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin. He has taught at Université Paris-Dauphine, Ecole polytechnique Paris and the Université libre de Bruxelles. Pisani-Ferry's publications include numerous books and articles on economic policy and European policy issues.
Stefan Profit

Head of Division, Economic Analysis, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy

Stefan Profit is heading a research unit in the Economic Policy Department of the German Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy focussing on empirical analysis in the field of inclusive growth, productivity and investment, also assessing potential growth and distributional effects of structural reforms. During his previous assignments in the ministry, he worked in the field of labor market reform and energy policy, foreign economic affairs, policy planning, and served as a personal advisor to the Minister. Previous to his engagement within the federal government he worked for the Bertelsmann Foundation. He has an academic background in labor economics holding a doctoral degree from Humboldt University Berlin.

Gabriela Ramos

Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20, OECD

Gabriela Ramos is the OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20. Since 2006, she has been advising and supporting the Secretary-General’s strategic agenda. She is responsible for the contributions of the Organisation to the global agenda, including the G20 and G7, and oversees the preparations of the yearly OECD Ministerial Council Meeting. She has contributed to the launch of major OECD initiatives related to gender, skills, development, and has also launched and supervises the New Approaches to Economic Challenges and the Inclusive Growth initiatives, and oversees the activities of the Directorate for Financial and Enterprise. Previously, she served as Head of the OECD Office in Mexico and Latin America, where she promoted OECD recommendations in many areas including health and education. She helped in the preparations of several OECD reports on Mexico, developed the OECD Forum there and launched the “Getting it Right” flagship publication series. Prior to joining the OECD, Mrs. Ramos held several positions in the Mexican Government, notably as advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Director of OECD Affairs. She has also held several positions as Professor of International Economy at the Universidad Iberoamericana and at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México. Ms Ramos holds an MA in Public Policies from Harvard University, and was a Fulbright and Ford MacArthur fellow.
Jaana Remes  
**Economist, McKinsey Global Institute (MGI)**

Dr. Jaana Remes is an economist and a partner at the McKinsey Global Institute (MGI), McKinsey & Company’s business and economics research arm, based in San Francisco. Since 2003, Jaana has led MGI’s research on productivity, competitiveness, and growth. Her most recent research looks at global productivity and growth prospects in an era of demographic decline. Her core research interests include how different policies have contributed to industry competitiveness and growth; in-depth assessments of the barriers to productivity and growth across a range of economies, including the US, Mexico, Brazil, Canada, UK, Finland, Sweden, and South Korea; as well as the impact of multinational companies on emerging economies. Jaana also leads MGI’s Urban World research series that includes shifting economic power of cities, the rising urban consuming class, and mapping of the global company landscape; as well as the patterns of urban growth and renewal across the Americas. She has led MGI’s research on energy, with a focus on understanding the microeconomic underpinnings of global energy demand and the opportunity to reduce energy consumption through higher energy productivity.

Jaana advises global business and government leaders on related topics and frequently contributes to policy debates through articles and conference presentations. She is a member of OECD’s Science, Technology, and Innovation Directorate’s advisory group and a nonresident senior fellow with the Strategic Foresight Initiative of the Atlantic Council.

Álvaro Santos Pereira  
**Director, Country Studies Branch, OECD**

Álvaro Santos Pereira is Director of the Country Studies Branch at the Economics Department of the OECD since 1st April 2014 where he oversees the peer review process for the Economic Surveys. He provides leadership in the co-ordination and management of the activities of the Directorate and ensures that it is at the forefront of the international political economy agenda. He identifies challenges and develops ways in which the OECD can promote policies to improve member and partner countries long-term Economic performance.

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