



Biographies of Speakers

Opening Session

Angel Gurría

Secretary-General, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)



Angel Gurría was born on May 8th, 1950, in Mexico. Mr Gurría came to the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) following a distinguished career in public service. As Mexico's Minister of Foreign Affairs (Dec. 1994-Jan. 1998), he made dialogue and consensus-building one of the hallmarks of his approach to global issues. From January 1998 to December 2000, he was Mexico's Minister of Finance and Public Credit, ensuring a smooth economic transition between different administrations. As Secretary-General of the OECD since 2006, Mr. Gurría has firmly established the Organisation as a pillar of the global economic governance architecture including the G7, G20 and APEC, and a reference point in the design and implementation of better policies for better lives. He has

broadened OECD's membership with the accession of Chile, Estonia, Israel, Latvia and Slovenia, and has made the Organisation more inclusive by strengthening its links with key emerging economies. Under his watch, the OECD is leading the effort to reform the international tax system, and to improve governance frameworks in anti-corruption and other fields. He has also heralded a new growth narrative that promotes the well-being of people, including women, gender and youth, and has scaled up the OECD contribution to the global agenda, including the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals. Mr. Gurría holds a B.A. degree in Economics from UNAM (Mexico) and a M.A. degree in Economics from Leeds University (United Kingdom).

Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary of Denmark



The Crown Princess is a passionate advocate for health, gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. She is committed to creating awareness, respect and ensuring compliance of women and girls' sexual and reproductive health and rights, including access to family planning and the reduction of maternal and child mortality. Crown Princess Mary was a member of the High-Level Task Force for the International Conference on Population and Development and serves as patron of several international organisations and agencies, including the United Nations Population Fund and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe, but also a number of Danish NGOs: Danish Refugee Council and Maternity Worldwide.

The Crown Princess is also an Influencer of Women Deliver's 'Deliver for Good Campaign' and is a member of the ICRW Leadership Council. In 2007 the Crown Princess founded The Mary Foundation with the mission of fighting social isolation. Under her leadership the foundation brings together untraditional partners to develop and manage projects and programmes that focus on prevention, the creation of opportunities and empowering vulnerable individuals and groups who find themselves socially isolated. The foundation's focus areas are: domestic violence, bullying and wellbeing and loneliness. Since its inception in 2014, Crown Princess Mary has been patron of the Copenhagen Fashion Summit and an advocate for sustainability in fashion. She is a frequent speaker at international conferences and an honorary member of various associations and societies. Before moving to Denmark, The Crown Princess worked in management in the advertising and communications sector in Australia. Crown Princess Mary holds a double degree in law and commerce from the University of Tasmania.





Moderator

Masamichi Kono

Deputy Secretary-General, OECD



Mr. Masamichi Kono was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the OECD in August 2017. His portfolio includes the strategic direction of OECD policy on Environment, Development, Green Growth, Taxation, Science, Technology and Innovation, Financial and Enterprise Affairs & Anti-Corruption along with representing the OECD at the Financial Stability Board meetings. Prior to joining the OECD, Mr. Kono was the Vice Minister for International Affairs, Financial Services Agency, Japan (JFSA) and President of the Asian Financial Partnership Center of the JFSA. In that capacity, he represented the JFSA in various international bodies and meetings, and was responsible for coordinating policies relating to international affairs for the JFSA. He has had a long career in financial supervision and the regulation of financial services,

both in Japan and in the international arena, since joining the public service in 1978. Before joining the Financial Services Agency, Mr Kono was Secretary to the WTO Financial Services Committee between 1994 and 1999, as Counsellor of the Trade in Services Division, World Trade Organisation. He also served for 4 years at the OECD Secretariat in the Economics Department, at the beginning of his career. Mr Kono holds a B.A. in law from Tokyo University.

Speakers

Cornelia Richter

Vice-President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)



Cornelia Richter is Vice President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development. She gives strategic direction to the institution, and promotes corporate approaches and solutions. She has direct oversight of the budget, quality assurance and ethics offices. Before joining IFAD, Richter was Managing Director at GIZ, the German development agency. She brings extensive experience acquired in different fields of international cooperation through assignments such as Advisor for Planning and Research and Multilateral Institutions at the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation, Macroeconomic Advisor in Africa, and several managerial positions at GIZ, including Director General for Asia and the Pacific, and Director General for Global and Sectoral Issues. Cornelia Richter holds a degree in economics

and social science from the University of Göttingen. She completed postgraduate studies in systemic management at the University of St Gallen, Switzerland, and in organizational development at Columbia University in the United States. She is a member of several advisory boards, including the German Asia-Pacific Business Association, the Latin American Association for German Companies, the German Development Institute, the European Interuniversity Association, the Foundation for Peace and Development and the NGO Child Aid.





Marjeta Jager

Deputy Director-General, International Cooperation and Development, European Commission



Marjeta Jager is currently Deputy Director General for the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO). Ms Jager has been working in the European Commission since 2005, starting as Director for Security in DG Energy and Transport and later being Director for international energy and transport files and coordination, as well as being Head of Cabinet of the Transport Commissioner. Before joining the Commission Ms Jager was more than a decade working on the accession of Slovenia to the EU for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and she was the first Coreper I Ambassador of Slovenia to the EU.

Yemurai Nyoni

Youth Ambassador and Founder, Dot Youth Organisation, Zimbabwe



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Session 1

*The Economic Empowerment of Youth and Women in Developing Countries:
Which are the Right Policy Levers?*

Moderator

Gabriela Ramos

OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20



Gabriela Ramos is the OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20. Besides supporting the Strategic Agenda of the Secretary General, she is responsible for the contributions of the Organisation to the global agenda, including the G20 and the G7. She leads the Inclusive Growth Initiative and the New Approaches to Economic Challenges and also oversees the work on Education, Employment and Social Affairs (including gender). Previously, she served as Head of the OECD Office in Mexico and Latin America, co-ordinating several reports on Mexico to advance the health and education reform. She developed the OECD's Mexico Forum and edited and launched the "Getting it Right" flagship publication series. Prior to joining the OECD, Ms Ramos held several positions in the Mexican Government, including Director of Economic Affairs (and OECD issues) in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Technical Secretary at the Office of the Minister for the Budget. 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 Policy from Harvard University, and was a Fulbright and Ford MacArthur fellow. She was decorated with the Ordre du Merit by the President of France, François Hollande, in 2013.

Speakers

Sidi Tiémoko Touré

Minister for the Promotion of Youth, Youth Employment and Civic Engagement of Côte d'Ivoire



Sidi Tiémoko Touré was appointed Minister of Youth Promotion, Youth Employment and Civic Service, in January 12th, 2016. Prior to this date, he occupied the position of Minister Delegate to the President of the Republic, responsible for the Promotion of Youth and Youth Employment since May 13th, 2015. Sidi Tiémoko Touré was also head of Cabinet of the President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, H.E Alassane Ouattara, from 2010 to 2015. During the same period, he was appointed Director of the electoral campaign of Côte d'Ivoire in charge of youth promotion. Sidi Tiémoko Touré has been a member of the constituency of Béoumi, Andoekrenou and Kondrobo since December 18th, 2016. In 2006, he joined former Prime Minister Alassane Ouattara, chief of staff of the President of the RDR. Sidi Tiémoko Touré was an activist of the Rassemblement des Jeunes Républicains (RJR), the youth branch of the RDR and the Chairman of the Basic Committee. In 1998 he founded the Young Liberals Organization of Côte d'Ivoire (OJLCI) and then became President of the Organization of African Liberal Youth (OJLA) from 2003 to 2007. Graduate of the Centre for Diplomatic and Strategic Studies (CEDS) of Paris, of the Houphouët Boigny National Polytechnic Institute (INPHB), of the School of Commerce and Management (ECG), of the INSTEC (Higher National Institute of Technology) Commercial, Technical High





School of Abidjan (LTA) and Military Preparatory School (EMPT) of Bingerville, Sidi Tiémoko in 2017, the MUST Certificate of HEC Paris. Minister Sidi Tiémoko Touré is the author of a book entitled “*Alassane Ouattara and the Youth, the time of the possible*”.

Max Trejo

Secretary-General, Ibero-American Youth Organisation



With more than 12 years of experience, Max Trejo is a Mexican technological entrepreneur who is committed to young people, uniting entrepreneurship and politics, creation and innovation. In 2016 he was elected Secretary-General of the International Youth Organisation for Ibero-America (OIJ). Prior to this, he was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the OIJ in 2013. As a young politician, he is transforming the OIJ into a global platform that positions the youth agenda at the presidential level through political, educational, economic, social and cultural agreements. Mr. Trejo began as an adviser to Mr. Enrique V. Iglesias, former Secretary-General of the Ibero-American General Secretariat (SEGIB) and as coordinator of the International Ibero-American Volunteers Programme and of the “Youth Ambassadors”. He was awarded the “National Youth Award” (2009) by the Government of Mexico, for promoting the position of young people as players in political and democratic culture. In Spain he was awarded with honours as best foreign student by the University of Santiago de Compostela. He was born in Mexico, and holds a Law Degree with honours by the Anahúac University, a Master's degree in Political Action by the Rey Juan Carlos University in Spain, a Diploma in International Studies by the CEU University in Madrid, and a Doctorate in Government and Public Administration by the Complutense University in Madrid.

Katja Iversen

Chief Executive Officer, Women Deliver



Katja Iversen is the President/CEO of Women Deliver – a leading global advocate for investment in gender equality and the health, rights, and wellbeing of girls and women, with a specific focus on maternal, sexual and reproductive health and rights. Iversen, an internationally recognized expert on development, advocacy, and communications, has more than 25 years of experience working in NGOs, corporates, and UN agencies. Previously, she served as Chief of Strategic Communications and Public Advocacy at UNICEF, a position she came to after almost six years of leading the team responsible for advocacy and communications on reproductive health at UNFPA. Katja has an extensive network within the UN, development communities, and global media. She has counselled and trained multiple Fortune 500 executives on cross cultural management and cross cultural communication. She is a member of the G7 Gender Equality Council, the Unilever Sustainability Advisory Council, the MIT Women & Technology Solve Leadership Group, and an International Gender Champion. Katja is also a sought lecturer and speaker.





Elizabeth Aguilin-Pangalangan

Director, Institute of Human Rights, University of the Philippines, Philippines



Professor Aguilin-Pangalangan is the Director of the Institute of Human Rights of the UP Law Center and heads Reproductive Health, Rights, and Ethics Center for Studies and Training (ReproCen). She teaches at the College of Law of the University of The Philippines and has taught Persons and Family Relations, Conflict of Laws, Contracts, Child's Rights, and other Civil Law subjects for more than 20 years. She was the Executive Director of U.P. Center for Integrative and Development Studies from 2007-2009. She was a fellow of the International Family Planning Leadership Program at the University of California Sta. Cruz (2005), a Visiting Scholar (1997-98) and a Research Fellow (2007) at East Asian Legal Studies Program of Harvard Law School. Professor Aguilin-Pangalangan drafted the Domestic Adoption Act of 1998, and was a member of the drafting committee of the implementing rules and regulations of the Magna Carta of Women (2010) and the Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Law (2013). She was Consultant to the UN Women on the CEDAW Based Legal Review of Migration and Trafficking Laws in the Philippines; to the Department of Foreign Affairs on the Development of ASEAN Legal Instruments on Human Rights; and has likewise given her time to the Department of Social Welfare and Development as member of the domestic adoption matching committee from 1998-2015.

Charlotte Petri Gornitzka

Chair, Development Assistance Committee, OECD



Charlotte Petri Gornitzka was elected as the Chair of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee in July 2016, taking up her position full time in October 2016. Before joining the DAC, Charlotte was Director General of the Swedish International Development Co-operation Agency (Sida). During her tenure at Sida, Ms Petri Gornitzka contributed to maintaining Sweden as one of the most generous providers of development assistance of the 28 DAC member countries, with a special focus on the neediest countries. Charlotte was a major advocate of developing and using innovative models to stimulate investment from the private sector in development activities. Previously, Charlotte was Secretary General of Save the Children International (2008-2010) and before that Secretary General of Save the Children Sweden (2003-2008). She has also had a successful career as Under-Secretary General and Director of Communications at the Swedish Red Cross (1998-2002). Prior to that, she was Under Secretary-General and Communications Director of the Swedish Red Cross. Charlotte is co-chair of the World Economic Forum Global Future Council on the Future of International Governance, Public-Private Cooperation and Sustainable Development and member of the Stewardship Board for Economic Growth and Social Inclusion.





Mónica Aspe

Chair, Development Centre's Governing Board, Ambassador of Mexico to the OECD



Ambassador Mónica Aspe took up her duties as Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OECD on 2 June 2017. She chairs the Governing Board of the Development Centre since March 2018. In addition, she leads, together with the United Kingdom, the group of ambassadors "Friends of Going Digital". Ms. Aspe was born on 7 December 1977. She holds a Bachelor's degree from the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) and a Master's degree from Columbia University, both in Political Science. From 1999 to 2000, Ms. Aspe served in the Federal Electoral Institute as Advisor to the Electoral Counsellor. From 2007, she worked as a public policy consultant in different areas, including the evaluation of social programmes and studies of the impact and socioeconomic profitability of investment projects. In 2009, she was appointed Advisor to the Presidency of the Board of Directors at the National Broadcasting Chamber and, within some months, General Director. She successfully coordinated the dialogue between more than 1 250 affiliated radio and television stations and other stakeholders, such as governmental authorities and unions. In 2011, she joined the Ministry of Telecommunications and Transport, serving until 2015 as Coordinator of the Information Society. In that position, she had the opportunity to guide the initiative to provide an extended access to Internet and led the design and implementation of the Mexico Connected Points Network for digital skills, robotics and entrepreneurship. From 2015 until her appointment as Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OECD, Ms. Aspe served as Vice Minister of Communications. During her tenure, Ms. Aspe promoted the implementation of public policies stemming from the Telecommunications Reform of 2013 towards universal access to telecommunications services in Mexico and led the innovative international contest of a network that will provide telecommunications services to more than 100 million Mexicans, among other important initiatives.





Session 2

Investing in Rural Youth: What are the Priorities?

Moderator

Mario Pezzini

Director, OECD Development Centre and Special Advisor to the OECD Secretary-General on Development



Mario Pezzini is the Director of the OECD Development Centre. The OECD Development Centre is an institution where governments, enterprises and civil society organisations informally discuss questions of common interest. Its Governing Board includes most of the OECD countries but also developing and emerging economies as full members. The Centre helps policy makers in OECD and partner countries find innovative solutions to the global challenges of development. Before joining the Development Centre in 2010, Mario Pezzini held several senior management positions in the OECD, where he has been working since 1995. Prior to joining the OECD, Mr Pezzini was Professor in Industrial Economics at the Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris as well as in US and Italian Universities.

Also, Mr Pezzini served as an Advisor in the field of economic development, industrial organisation and regional economics in international organisations and think tanks (e.g. ILO, UNIDO, European Commission and Nomisma in Italy). Mr Pezzini started his career in the Government office of the Emilia-Romagna Region.

Speakers

Victoire Tomegah-Dogbe

Minister of Grassroots Development, Crafts, Youth and Youth Employment (MDBAJEJ), Togo



Mrs Tomegah Dogbe started her career at the Togolese Plastics Industry (ITP) as a Supply Manager and eventually became General Manager. She has subsequently held positions at the UNDP as Assistant Resident Representative in Operations in Togo and Congo Brazzaville and Deputy Resident Representative in Burkina Faso and Benin. In 2008, she is appointed Minister Delegate to the Prime Minister in charge of development at the base and in 2009, she is entrusted with the management of the Cabinet of the President of the Togolese Republic, position which she holds to this day. In 2010, she becomes Minister of Grassroots Development, Youth Craft and Youth Employment. Mrs Tomegah Dogbe graduated with a Master's degree in Economics and Management from the University of Lomé and obtained two

specialization in "General management option marketing and finance" from the Jutland Technology Institute – AARHÜS in Denmark, and in "Orchestrating Winning Performance" from the International Institute for Management Development (IMD) – in Lausanne (Switzerland). She also has a Specialised Diploma in Intervention Areas from the Virtual University of Development of UNDP New York in association with Jones International University.





Awa Caba

Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, SOORETUL, Senegal



Awa Caba is an entrepreneur and IT consultant on agribusiness. She is co-founder and director of Sooretul, the first digital platform for the promotion of agricultural products processed by women in Senegal. Sooretul received the *Rebranding Africa Award* in 2015, *Pitch AgriHack* in 2016 and an international recognition from President Barak Obama for bringing innovation in the agriculture and technology sector. She has also worked for the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and GIZ (German Technical Cooperation to support marketing and communication strategies for local products, and the establishment of an AgriTech Hub in Thiès to provide solutions for young Senegalese in agriculture through information and communication technologies (ITCs). She is co-founder of the first

women's technology network in the Senegalese Jjiguene Tech Hub whose goal is to encourage and inspire more women to integrate the ICT and STEM ecosystem (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). Awa has a degree in Computer Engineering from the Ecole Supérieure Polytechnique of Dakar and completed her studies in Business & Entrepreneurship at the University of Iowa in the United States.

David Asiamah

Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Agro Mindset, Ghana



Named by Forbes as one of Africa's 30 most promising entrepreneurs under 30, David Asiamah is founder of Agro Mindset, a mission-driven firm specializing in agribusiness ventures. The focus of the group is to run highly profitable farm-based enterprises with long term growth potential and showcase this know-how to the youth and private sector in an industry relevant manner. David has been recipient of multiple awards including the *Agriculture Laureate* and *Rising Star* from the International Perspective for Policy & Governance with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) at the Impact Africa, *Achiever Awards for Agriculture Excellence*, the *Future Awards for Agriculture*, *GUBA for recognition of Innovation and Best Practice in Corporate Sustainability* and the *Ghana*

Top 30 Under 30 amongst others. Agro Mindset Farms is 2016 winner of Best Poultry in the Afigya Kwabre District of Ghana. David has an insatiable passion to always outdo his previous accomplishments. He holds an MSc in Agriculture and Development from the University of Reading, UK.

Hans Jöhr

Corporate Head of Agriculture, Nestlé



Dr. Hans Jöhr is the Corporate Head of Agriculture at Nestlé in Vevey, Switzerland. As such, Mr. Jöhr is responsible for providing technical and strategic leadership in the groups' world-wide agricultural raw material supply chain and sourcing concept. Dr. Jöhr is a member of the IPC (Intl. Policy Council on Agriculture Food and Trade), the Swiss National Committee of FAO and was a former member of the Advisory Council of the Swiss State Secretariat of Economic Affairs (seco). He also serves as a Board Member of the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) in Africa. Dr. Jöhr has practical experiences as farmer and a formal education in agricultural economics, completed with a doctorate degree in economic science with complementary management programmes at INSEAD (l'Institut Européen d'Administration des

Affaires, Fontainebleau, France) and IMD (International Institute for Management Development, Lausanne, Switzerland) as well as at Harvard Business School.





Ibrahima Coulibaly

President, National Coordination of Peasant Organizations, Mali



Farmer, Ibrahima Coulibaly works in the field of agricultural production (cereals, arboriculture, breeding, market gardening, beekeeping). Engaged in autonomous peasant organizations since the advent of democratization in Mali in March 1991, responsible from the very beginning of the autonomous peasant movement, he assumes responsibilities at all levels in the pyramid of peasant organizations (local, regional, national, sub-regional and international through ROPPA and Via Campesina). Currently, Mr. Coulibaly is President of CNOP (National Coordination of Farmers Organizations in Mali), a national platform that brings together the country's major farmers' organizations. CNOP is very committed to agricultural policy issues and was, under its direction, prime contractor for the development of Mali's

first agricultural policy through an agricultural orientation law that recognizes the principle of food sovereignty and the central place of family farming, the dominant mode of production in Mali and in the West African subregion. Mr. Coulibali currently serves as vice-president of ROPPA (Network of Farmers' Organizations and Agricultural Producers of West Africa) and is also a member of the International Coordinating Committee of Via Campesina.





Session 3

Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Fragile and Conflict Affected Contexts

Moderator

Jorge Moreira da Silva

Director, Development Co-operation Directorate, OECD



From 2013 to 2015, he was Portugal's Minister of Environment, Energy and Spatial Planning. Prior to this Ministerial position, Mr. Moreira da Silva served as Senior Environmental Finance Advisor and Programme Manager on Climate Change Innovative Finance at UNDP's Bureau for Development Policy (2009-2012); Senior Advisor to the President of Portugal (2006-2009); Secretary of State for Science and Higher Education and Secretary of State for Environment and Spatial Planning (2003-2005). He also served as First Vice-President of the Executive Board of Partido Social Democrata, PSD (2010-2016); Member of the Portuguese Parliament (1995-99; 2005-2006; 2015-16); and Member of the European Parliament (1999 - 2003). As Member of the European Parliament, he was the Standing Draftsman on

climate change and he authored the Report and the political agreement on the EU Emissions Trading Directive in 2003. He has served as Visiting Full Professor at the Lisbon University and Founder and Chairman, since 2011, of the Lisbon-based think-tank Platform for a Sustainable Growth. Mr. Moreira da Silva graduated from the University of Porto with a degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering and holds a postgraduate degree in Senior Management from the AESE-IESE Business School, Navarra University, Spain. As Director, Mr. Moreira da Silva plays a key role in positioning the OECD's work on development co-operation at the leading edge.

Speakers

H.E. First Lady of Afghanistan Rula Ghani



At his inauguration on September 29, 2014, President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani introduced his wife of 40 years, BibiGul Ghani, to the Afghan nation, and predicted that she would soon be involved in attending to the needs of the most vulnerable among the population. That was over three years ago and since then the First Lady has indeed opened the doors of her office and has received delegation after delegation from the farthest corners of the country. BibiGul sees her role as a listener, as a facilitator, and as an advocate. She listens attentively to the people as they share with her their hopes, their concerns, their demands. She encourages them to find solutions and she advocates their cause whenever and wherever she can. The First Lady was born in Lebanon. She met her husband, President Ashraf

Ghani at the American University of Beirut. She holds a Diplôme de l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques of Paris and two Masters, one in Political Science and the other in Journalism.





Her Royal Highness Princess Abze Djigma, Burkina Faso



H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma is a Mossi Princess from Burkina Faso and a direct descendant of Princess Yennenga, the mother of the Mossi people and a famous warrior in the 12th century. She is: Chair of the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation; Special Envoy of the President of Burkina Faso, Resource Mobilisation for SDG's and Climate Change; Ambassador for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency of Burkina Faso; Deputy head of delegation of the COP23 delegation of Burkina Faso; Former Board Member of UNISDR Private Sector Alliance for Disaster Resilient Societies; President Senior Advisor External relations and Gender for the Center Region Council of Burkina Faso; Founder and CEO AbzeSolar S.A.; Initiator and leader of the “MAMA-LIGHT® Initiative for Sustainable Energy”, a Worldwide

program that provides access to affordable energy for women, small business and children. It empowers the informal sector, it drives the generation of new jobs and it creates a sound basis for gender equality and women empowerment. The program is selected by the United Nations as one of the 14 global breakthrough solutions for achieving the new Sustainable Development Goals; Initiator of the Global Expertise Hub for the Informal Sector. The Hub works with and on behalf of the informal sector and facilitates their empowerment. It brings together the Bottom Up needs and challenges with the Top Down actions in a structured and integrated manner.

Carin Jämtin

Director General, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)



Carin Jämtin is Director-General of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency since May 2017. Ms Jämtin's long career within the Social Democratic Party at both local and national level includes being Minister of International Development Cooperation under Prime Minister Göran Persson (2003-2006) and Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs (parts of 2006); member of the World Bank's Commission on Growth and Development (2006) the purpose of which being to broaden and deepen the understanding of sustainable economic growth as part of poverty alleviation; Vice Chair of the Stockholm City Council as well as leader of the Social Democratic Group in the City Council (2006-2011); Party Secretary of the Social Democratic Party (2011-2016). Furthermore, Ms Jämtin was Head of the

International Development Cooperation Department at the Olof Palme International Centre (1999-2003).





Kawinzi Muiu

Director for Gender, UN World Food Programme



Kawinzi Muiu is WFP's Director for the Gender office, spearheading the implementation of the new Gender Policy (2015-2020). The Policy aims at integrating gender equality and women's empowerment into all WFP's work and activities, to ensure that the different food security and nutrition needs of women, men, girls and boys are addressed. Kawinzi joined WFP after working as management consultant with PricewaterhouseCoopers and project analyst with the African Development Bank. As well as handling a wide range of issues on WFP's budget Kawinzi has worked on child hunger, Walk the World, school feeding and knowledge management projects. Throughout her career, Kawinzi has advocated for gender equality and resources to support gender-related activities. She promotes

gender equality through several forums, for example, universities, embassies and women networks. Kawinzi holds a BA and MBA – Finance and Investments – from George Washington University, Washington DC, USA.

Noella Muhamiriza

Girl Ambassador for Peace, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders, Democratic Republic of the Congo



Born in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Noella Muhamiriza is a woman who is focused, driven, and passionate. After completing high school in the D. R. Congo, she graduated in 2014 from the prestigious Ewha womans University in Seoul, South Korea, with a bachelor in international Studies. She has been involved in peace building programs since the age of 14, she has worked with organisations such as Search For Common Ground and held radio shows advocating for children rights in different post conflicts regions of D.R. Congo, as well as the eighboring countries. In 2015 after immigrating to the USA, she co-founded a youth organization with the purpose of sending girls to school in D. R. Congo. Currently residing in Northern California where she is finishing her ministry school, she enjoys writing, promoting

education, discussing economic development and women empowerment, and she is now part of Girls Ambassadors for Peace and is on an entrepreneurship journey.





The Way Forward

Inclusive Agendas for Women and Youth

Moderator

Clare Woodcraft

Executive Director, Woodcraft Associates Inc. and Former CEO of Emirates Foundation



Clare Woodcraft is Executive Director of Woodcraft Associates and the former CEO of Emirates Foundation, the national foundation of the UAE established by the Crown Prince. At Emirates Foundation, she oversaw the organization's successful transition from traditional grant making to enterprise-based youth development programs. Her achievements included creating the region's first annual youth philanthropy summit and the country's first Youth Index. At the same time, she was elected to chair the Arab Foundations Forum (AFF), a regional network of Arab philanthropic organizations focused on professionalizing the sector and improving impact. During her tenure, she introduced a new initiative to promote inter-foundation collaboration around Sustainable Development Goal 8 (job creation). She

continues to work with the AFF on developing the enterprise ecosystem in the Arab world. Earlier she worked in the UK as Shell Foundation's Deputy Director helping to grow its portfolio of scalable social enterprises working in energy related sectors. Prior to this she headed up the social investment portfolio of Shell corporate for the Middle East and North Africa. Based out of the UAE and overseeing 14 countries, she was responsible for redirecting the focus to job creation and youth development in a bid to better align with regional socio-economic development challenges. Woodcraft has spent over 25 years working with the private and public sector focusing on how to create sustainable and scalable systemic socio-economic change as a corporate executive (for Shell and Visa International), as a philanthropic practitioner and adviser and as a financial journalist (for Middle East Economic Survey). She has written extensively on development challenges in the Middle East and is a regular public speaker on youth development and women's empowerment. Woodcraft is a British national who speaks Arabic and French fluently and holds an MSc in Development from the London School of Economics.

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Ahmed Badr

Social entrepreneur and Founder of Narratio, Iraq



Ahmed is a writer, social entrepreneur, poet, and former refugee from Iraq. On July 25th, 2006, Ahmed's home in Baghdad was bombed by militia troops. He and his family relocated to Syria as refugees for two and a half years before receiving approval to move to the United States. Ahmed founded Narratio, a global platform for youth empowerment through creative expression. Narratio publishes works of art from all over the globe, and hosts workshops centred around the power of storytelling and creativity. Together with the Syrian artist and architect Mohamad Hafez, Ahmed co-founded UNPACKED: Refugee Baggage, a multi-media installation that remodels the homes of refugees inside a series of suitcases in an effort to humanize and give voice to a demographic that is often viewed in the abstract.

Ahmed is a sophomore at Wesleyan University, where he is a Fellow at the Allbritton Center for the Study of Public Life. This past summer, Ahmed began working with the UN Migration Agency as the host of the "A Way Home Together" podcast. With work featured by SAP, United Nations, Instagram, NPR, Global Citizen, and others, Ahmed explores the intersection between creativity, the refugee experience, and youth empowerment.





Hajer Sharief

Youth Ambassador of Cordaid and Co-founder of Together We Built It, Libya



Hajer Sharief, who holds a bachelor in Law, appointed by United Nations Secretary General as member in the advisory group for the progress study on youth peace and security, mandated by the Security Council resolution 2250. She's also an advocate for the Kofi Annan foundation with the Extremely Together initiative on Countering Violent Extremism, most recently she has been chosen for the UN women's group of 'champions for women, peace & security and human rights'. In February 2017 she was awarded the Isfit Peace prize in Norway. Hajer is currently the project manager for the 'Together We Build It' organization which she co-founded during the war in Libya in 2011, and has been since working on supporting the democratic process in Libya by emphasizing the relevance role of women's and youth in peacebuilding, conflict resolution and preventing violent extremism, In 2013 she co-initiated the 1325 Network in Libya which is a network of a diverse group of civil society organizations and independent activists representing more than 30 cities in Libya, working all over the country to raise grassroots awareness and encourage women and young women to play an active role in the context of peace-building and prevention of violent extremism.

