



2013 Coordination Segment Panel I

“Partnerships for productive capacity and decent work” Friday, 5 July 2013, 3 – 6 p.m.

Bios

Moderator

Ms. Marcia Poole

Director, Department of Communications, International Labour Organization (ILO)

Ms. Marcia Poole has been the Director of Communication and Public Information at the ILO since September 2011. Before that, she was Senior Director for Communications at Amnesty International’s Secretariat in London, a member of the senior management team responsible with the Secretary General for the leadership of the global movement. Marcia spent nearly five years with UN peace-keeping missions, as spokesperson and chief of media in Timor-Leste and Kosovo. She also worked at the UN Staff College in Turin as head of the collaboration and awareness-raising programme. Before joining the UN Marcia worked for the BBC for seventeen years in a variety of roles and departments, including as head of the BBC’s Brazilian and Burmese (Myanmar) services. Marcia started her journalist career in Brazil in the early 80’s, working for Reuters news agency.

Panelists

Mr. Gilbert Fossoun Hougbo

Deputy Director-General for Field Operations and Partnerships, International Labour Organization (ILO)

Mr. Gilbert Fossoun Hougbo is the Deputy Director-General for Field Operation and Partnership at the International Labour Organization. Prior to his current functions, Mr Hougbo has been the Prime Minister of the Republic of Togo (2008 - 2012) In this capacity he led the government efforts in substantial improvement in all areas namely rule of law, civil liberties, social cohesion, economic reforms including IMF Highly Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) program, good governance, rural development, social betterment, shared growth etc. Mr Hougbo has held the position of Assistant Secretary General, Assistant Administrator & Director UNDP Africa (United Nations Development

Programme – Africa). He led UNDP's social and economic development activities in 45 Sub-Sahara Africa countries. Mr. Hounbo joined UNDP in 1996 as a financial expert and served as Comptroller and Director of Finance and Administration from 1998 to 2003. Mr. Hounbo also has extensive private sector experience (1986 -1996) including, working for Price Waterhouse Canada, where he specialized in operational and financial rationalization, financial viability & turnaround services.

Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram

Assistant Director-General for Economic and Social Development, FAO

Jomo Kwame Sundaram has been Assistant Director General, Economic and Social Development Department, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations since August 2012. Mr. Jomo, a national of Malaysia, holds a Bachelor of Arts cum laude from Yale University, a Masters degree in Public Administration from Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) from Harvard University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Mr. Jomo was Assistant Secretary General for Economic Development in the United Nations' Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) from January 2005 until June 2012, and (Honorary) Research Coordinator for the G24 Intergovernmental Group on International Monetary Affairs and Development from December 2006 until September 2012. In 2007, he was awarded the Wassily Leontief Prize for Advancing the Frontiers of Economic Thought. He has authored and edited over a hundred books and translated 12 volumes besides writing many academic papers and articles for the media.

Ms. Sigrid Kaag

Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Ms. Sigrid Kaag is Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Previously, Ms. Kaag served as the Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in Amman, Jordan. Prior to this, she served as the Chief of Staff of the Executive Director and as Deputy Director of Programmes of UNICEF in New York. She has also served as Senior United Nations Adviser in the Office of the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Khartoum, Sudan. She was the Chief of Donor Relations with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) during 1998-2004 and Senior Programme Manager with the External Relations Office of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) in Jerusalem, covering the Occupied Palestinian Territory, Lebanon, Jordan and the Syria. Before joining the United Nations system in 1994, she served her country in its Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and as Deputy Head of Sector in its United Nations Political Affairs Department in The Hague. Before joining the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ms Kaag worked for Shell International Petroleum Company in London.

Mr. Antonio Prado

Deputy Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Brazilian economist Antonio Prado assumed the position of Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) on 1 November 2009. Mr. Prado has specialized in the analysis of technological changes in industry and their impact on economic development, the labour market and Brazil's industrial relations. Mr. Prado has been a board member of the Brazilian Agency for Export Promotion (APEX), the Brazilian Agency for Industrial Development (ABDI) and the Celso Furtado Center, among other institutions, including civil society organizations. In the nineties, Prado coordinated research projects at the National Council for the Development of Science and Technology and carried out innovative studies on gender and race in the labour market of Brazil's metropolitan areas.

Discussants

Ms. Anita Bhatia

Director, Partnerships and Advisory Services Operations, International Finance Corporation (IFC) of the World Bank Group

Ms. Anita Bhatia is the IFC Director for Partnerships and Advisory Services Operations. She is responsible for IFC's global donor relations as well as building the operational infrastructure and strengthening staff capacity for IFC Advisory Services. Prior to her current position, Ms. Bhatia was IFC's first Global Head of Knowledge, where she oversaw the knowledge management efforts in the Corporation. In 2006, she was appointed the IFC Advisory Services representative on the Global-Local "Vision 2010" Task Force. Ms. Bhatia came to headquarters to set up IFC's first change management office, the Global Local office, and played a key role in supporting implementation of IFC's decentralization and Vision 2010. Subsequently she led IFC Business Process Improvement efforts. Ms. Bhatia joined IFC in June 2003 as Senior Private Sector Development Specialist in the Small and Medium Enterprise Department based in Bolivia. In November 2003, she was appointed General Manager of the Latin America Technical Assistance Facility based in Peru, where she oversaw the creation of IFC Advisory Services in Latin America and grew a very successful program, expanding its footprint into new markets in the region. Prior to joining IFC, Ms. Bhatia held a number of positions within and outside the World Bank Group, in consulting and in development.

Ms. Maria Paz Anzorreguy

Senior Policy Adviser, International Organisation of Employers, IOE

Ms. Maria Paz Anzorreguy is an LLM 2003 from Harvard Law School. She has been working with the IOE for 7 years now. Her work is focused on legal issues in particular on ILO international labour standards. In recent years, Ms. Anzorreguy was part of the

Consultative Group to provide advice on possible revisions to the Employing Workers Index of the World Bank Doing Business Report. She provided broader ideas on labor market and employment protection issues with a view to promoting regulations that help build robust jobs with adequate protection in the formal sector. Prior to joining the IOE, Ms Anzorreguy worked at the International Labour Organization with former ILO legal adviser Mr. Francis Maupain and for the ILO International Labour Standards Department.