



## ANNUAL MINISTERIAL REVIEW

### GLOBAL PREPARATORY MEETING

*3 April 2012, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations, New York*

#### BIOGRAPHIES

##### Opening session



Ambassador Miloš Koterec became President of the Economic and Social Council on 10 January 2012 after serving as Senior Vice-President of the Council in 2011.

Ambassador Koterec has assumed his functions as Permanent Representative of Slovakia to the United Nations in September 2009. During his current tenure, he has served in several positions, including as Chairman of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) of the 65th session of the General Assembly and as a member of the Search Committee for the selection of Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court.

Prior to his current position, Ambassador Koterec was a Member of the European Parliament from 2004 to July 2009. From 2001 to 2004 he worked as Deputy Head of Slovak Mission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Brussels, serving as Charge d'affaires a.i. in 2003. From 1999 until 2001, Mr. Koterec worked in the Foreign Ministry's Department for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Disarmament and Council of Europe, first as Chief of

the Disarmament Section and in 2000 as Director. From 1995 until 1999 he worked at the Permanent Mission of Slovakia to the United Nations in New York in the rank of First Secretary. He started his civil servant career in 1993 and was later appointed Chief of the United Nations Section in the Department of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Koterec was an Assistant Lecturer at the Faculty of Electrotechnical Engineering and Informatics at the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava from 1989 until 1993.

He graduated from the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava in 1986, Faculty of Electrotechnical Engineering and Informatics. Subsequently, in 1992, he graduated from the University of Economy, Faculty of Trade in Bratislava. In 1994, he completed a post-graduate programme in international relations and diplomacy at the Faculty of Law of the Comenius University in the same city.

### **Keynote address**



Erik Brynjolfsson is the Schussel Family Professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management, Director of the MIT Center for Digital Business, Chair of the MIT Sloan Management Review, and the Editor of the Information Systems Network. His research and teaching focuses on how businesses can effectively use information technology (IT) in general and the Internet in particular. His latest book is *Race Against the Machine: How the digital revolution accelerates innovation, drives productivity and irreversibly transforms employment and the economy.*

### **Presentation by Member of Committee on Development Policy**

Jose Antonio Alonso, Professor of Applied Economics at the Complutense University. He is a member of the Development Cooperation Council of Spain; co-founder and member of the Board of the Association of Spanish Specialists in Development Cooperation. He is also the Director of the Journal *Principios Estudios de Economía Política*, and a member of the editorial boards of various journals, such as the *CEPAL Review* and the *Bulletin of American Research*. Previous positions include: Director of the Complutense Institute of International Studies; Vice-Chancellor of Menéndez Pelayo International University; Director of Economic Cooperation (Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs); and adviser to the Conference of Ibero-American Planning Ministers. He has published books and articles on growth and economic development, international development cooperation, Spanish and European relations with Latin America, and globalization. He holds a Doctorate in Economics from Complutense University of Madrid.

## **Panel discussion**



Aurelio Parisotto is a Senior Economist at the Policy Integration Department of the ILO. His current interests are the economic and social implications of the global financial crisis, policies for economic and employment recovery, local economic development and pro-poor growth. An ILO official since 1994, Mr. Parisotto worked also at UNCTAD and at the International Institute for Labour Studies in Geneva. He was a member of the technical secretariat of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization in 2002-2004 and senior specialist in the ILO Subregional Office for South-East Asia and the Pacific from 2004-2007. He contributed to several major reports by the ILO, UNCTAD and the United Nations. His research work on globalization and regional integration, foreign investment and transnational production networks, employment and labour markets has been published by the ILO, OECD, UNCTAD, the World Bank and commercial publishers. Mr. Parisotto studied economics at the University of Modena, Italy and Oxford, UK.



Dr. Eve Crowley is Deputy Director of the Gender, Equity and Rural Employment Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), having previously served as Officer in Charge, Director of that Division, Senior Officer for Rural Employment and Livelihoods, Senior Officer for Rural Institutions and Poverty Reduction (FAO), Senior Advisor on Household Food Security, Nutrition and Gender (IFAD), Land and Natural Resource Tenure Officer (FAO), and Programme Officer with the International Centre for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF) and the Tropical Soil Biology and Fertility Programme (TSBF-CIAT) in Nairobi, Kenya. She has served on the Scientific Advisory Committee for the Centro Internacional de Agricultura Tropical and on boards of a number of professional networks. Before that, she worked as a consultant with the Club du Sahel (OECD), UNESCO, USAID, and numerous other multilateral, bilateral and non-governmental organizations in

Africa, Asia, and Latin America (1988-1994). Dr. Crowley holds Ph.D. and M.Phil. degrees in Anthropology from Yale University, B.A. degrees in Government and Anthropology from Smith College and has been the recipient of awards and fellowships from the Rockefeller Foundation, Fulbright-Hayes, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, among others. She has a working knowledge of English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Kriolu of Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde. Her work with rural women, communities and peoples' organizations has inspired a deep commitment to communicating the importance of social and gender equality, local ingenuity, rural institutions, social inclusiveness and cultural diversity for sustainable development. She has published numerous publications, policy briefs and encyclopaedia articles on sustainable agriculture and rural development, organizations of the poor, local institutions and livelihoods, women's property rights, household food and nutrition security, agrarian and land use change, rural labour dynamics, and soil management and agroforestry practices.



Mr. Degol Hailu is Senior Adviser, Poverty Practice, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). He was the Acting Director of the International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth in Brasilia, formerly known as the International Poverty Centre. Prior to joining the UN in 2005, he spent quite a few years at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, researching, teaching and consulting. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of London. In 2008, he received an honorable mention from the African Studies Association Melville J. Herskovits Award for a co-authored book.