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BIOGRAPHIES



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Opening

Sylvie Lucas, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to the United Nations, is the sixty-fifth President of the Economic and Social Council. Ambassador Lucas is the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to the United Nations. She presented her credentials to the United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on 25 August 2008. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Lucas served as the Director for Political Affairs in Luxembourg's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She also held the post of the Ministry's Deputy Director for Political Affairs from 2000 to 2003. In 1995, she was appointed, for a five year period, as Luxembourg's Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations. Ms. Lucas has also served as Luxembourg's Ambassador to Portugal (2003-2004), and, simultaneously, as non-resident Ambassador to Cape Verde. She began her Government career in 1990, when she joined her Foreign Ministry's Directorate for Political and Cultural Affairs. From 1991 to 1995, she served in the Directorate for International and Economic Relations. Ms. Lucas was born on 30 June 1965. She received a Master of Arts degree in history from the University of Human Sciences in Strasbourg in 1988, and a Master of Arts in European political and administrative studies in 1989 from the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium. She speaks five languages: Luxemburgish, French, English, German and Portuguese.

Ban Ki-moon of the Republic of Korea, the eighth Secretary-General of the United Nations, brings to his post 37 years of service both in Government and on the global stage. At the time of his election as Secretary-General, Mr. Ban was his country's Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. His long tenure with the Ministry included postings in New Delhi, Washington D.C. and Vienna, and responsibility for a variety of portfolios, including Foreign Policy Adviser to the President, Chief National Security Adviser to the President, Deputy Minister for Policy Planning and Director-General of American Affairs. Throughout this service, his guiding vision was that of a peaceful Korean peninsula, playing an expanding role for peace and prosperity in the region and the wider world. Mr. Ban has long-standing ties with the United Nations, dating back to 1975, when he worked for the Foreign Ministry's United Nations Division. That work expanded over the years, with assignments as First Secretary at the Republic of Korea's Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, Director of the United Nations Division at the Ministry's headquarters in Seoul and Ambassador to Vienna, during which time, in 1999, he served as Chairman of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization. In 2001-2002, as Chef de Cabinet during the Republic of Korea's presidency of the General Assembly, he facilitated the prompt adoption of the first resolution of the session, condemning the terrorist attacks of 11 September, and undertook a number of initiatives aimed at strengthening the Assembly's functioning, thereby helping to turn a session that started out in crisis and confusion into one in which a number of important reforms were adopted. Mr. Ban has also been actively involved in issues relating to inter-Korean relations. In 1992, as Special Adviser to the Foreign Minister, he served as Vice-Chair of the South-North Joint Nuclear Control Commission following the adoption of the historic Joint Declaration on the Denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. In September 2005, as Foreign Minister, he played a leading role in bringing about another landmark agreement aimed at promoting peace and stability on the Korean peninsula with the adoption at the six-party talks of the Joint Statement on resolving the North Korean nuclear issue. Mr. Ban received a bachelor's degree in international relations from Seoul National University in 1970. In 1985, he earned a master's degree in public administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. In July 2008, Mr. Ban received an honorary Doctoral Degree from Seoul National University. Mr. Ban has received numerous national and international prizes, medals and honours. In 1975, 1986 and again in 2006, he was awarded the Republic of Korea's Highest Order of Service Merit for service to his country. In April 2008, he was awarded the dignity of the "Grand-Croix de L'Ordre National" (Grand Cross of the National Order) in Burkina Faso, and in the same month received the "Grand Officier de L'Ordre National" (Grand Officer of the National Order) from the Government of Côte d'Ivoire. Mr. Ban was born on 13 June 1944. He and his wife, Madam Yoo (Ban) Soon-taek, whom he met in high school in 1962, have one son and two daughters. In addition to Korean, Mr. Ban speaks English and French.

Klaus Leisinger is the President and CEO of the Novartis Foundation for Sustainable Development. Mr. Leisinger studied economics and social sciences at the University of Basel, Switzerland, earned his doctorate in Economics, and did his post-doc (habilitated) in Sociology (“Health Policy for Least Developed Countries”). Klaus Leisinger’s professional career took him for several years to East Africa as CEO of the former Ciba Pharmaceuticals regional office. After his return to headquarters in Switzerland, he was responsible for the company’s international relations. During that term Klaus Leisinger profoundly engaged in corporate responsibility issues and actively promoted a corporate culture of public dialog. The extensive relationships and networks he established over many years with stakeholders in international policy, development cooperation and business ethics still work down to the present day as a mutual sounding-board in sensitive and complex business matters that require general consensus. Additionally, Klaus Leisinger has been the head of the company’s philanthropy and development assistance programs for more than 25 years. Under his leadership these initiatives pursued a coherent strategic direction and adopted a mission that has benefited millions of poor people in developing countries in very concrete ways, be it through the cure of leprosy and other diseases, agricultural development or socio-economic development. The historic Foundation and its successor, the Novartis Foundation for Sustainable Development, have been and continue today to be unique in the private sector. Klaus Leisinger has been its Chief Executive Officer and Delegate to the Board of Trustees; since July 2002 he also serves as President of the Board of Trustees of the foundation. The Foundation has consultative status with the Social and Economic Council of the United Nations. In addition to his position at Novartis, Klaus Leisinger is Professor of Sociology at the University of Basel. He continues to pursue his academic and practical field work on a wide range of development-related topics, among them business ethics, corporate responsibility, human rights and business as well as general topics of international development and health policy in less developed countries. He has contributed to the academic debate widely through articles in peer reviewed journals and books in several languages. Klaus Leisinger serves as invited lecturer or guest professor at several Swiss and German universities, as well as at the University of Notre Dame, the MIT Sloan School of Management (Cambridge), and at Harvard University. He is member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts. He was awarded an honorary doctorate in Theology by the University of Fribourg (Switzerland) in November 2004. Klaus Leisinger has held advisory positions in a number of national and international organizations, such as the United Nations Global Compact, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the World Bank (CGIAR), Asian Development Bank as well as Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA). Among others, he is member of the Board of Trustees of the German Network Business Ethics, member of the executive committee of the German Society for the United Nations, and of the Advisory Council of Mary Robinson’s Ethical Globalization Initiative. In September 2005, Kofi Annan appointed Klaus Leisinger Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary General for the UN Global Compact. This mandate ended with Kofi Annan’s tenure on December 31, 2006.

Sha Zukang is the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. Prior to assuming his present position in the United Nations, Mr. Sha Zukang held a number of posts in the diplomatic service of the People’s Republic of China. In his 37 years of diplomatic service, Mr. Sha Zukang’s portfolios have covered a range of fields including economic and social affairs, human rights and humanitarian affairs, politics, and security. He has varied experience with multilateral organizations and international conferences. He was Coordinator of the Like-Minded Group of the Commission on Human Rights and the Human Rights Council from 2004 to 2007, Chairman of the Preparatory Committee and Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) 11th session from 2003 to 2004, President of the Trade and Development Board, 50th Session of UNCTAD, Chairperson of the Government group of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization from 2002 to 2003, and member of the UN Secretary-General’s Advisory Board on Disarmament matters from 1994 to 1999. In addition, he has served as president, vice president, chairperson, coordinator and expert in many international conferences in the field of arms control, trade, intellectual property, social affairs, and telecommunications, among others. Mr. Sha Zukang established the Department of Arms Control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China and became its first Director-General.

Leadership Dialogues

A. Improving health outcomes of women and girls

Betsy Pisik (Moderator) is a journalist at the *Washington Times*. She has covered the United Nations for the Washington Times foreign desk for nearly a decade. Ms. Pisik has also reported from the field: South Africa, Tanzania, Iraq, Israel, Gaza, the Hague, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and more.

Saad Houry was appointed as UNICEF Deputy Executive Director in January 2008. Mr. Houry joined UNICEF in June 1978 as Assistant Programme Officer in the Middle East and North Africa Regional Office in Beirut, Lebanon. From 1981 to 1983, he served as Resident Programme Officer in Aden, Yemen. Mr. Houry was later transferred to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia where he served as Adviser to the Arab Gulf Programme for the United Nations Development Organization, and as head of their Programme Division from 1983 to 1988. Mr. Houry returned to UNICEF as Regional Programme and Planning Officer in the West and Central Africa Regional Office in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire from 1988 to 1993. He then served on special assignments and programme-related activities at UNICEF offices in Oman, Madagascar, Mozambique and New York, from 1993 to 1996. From April 1996 to August 1998, Mr. Houry served as UNICEF Representative in Burkina Faso. From August 1998 until January 2001, Mr. Houry served as Deputy Regional Director in Amman, Jordan, when he was appointed Chief, Office of the Executive Director in UNICEF Headquarters, New York. In January 2003 he was appointed as Director of the Division of Policy and Planning. Mr. Houry, a Canadian national, attended the American University of Beirut where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology and Chemistry in 1972. He attended the University of London where he received a Master of Science degree in Neurobiology in 1974, and pursued research towards a Ph.D. in Neuropharmacology. Born in October 1952, Mr. Houry is married and has three children. He is fluent in Arabic, English and French.

Purnima Mane is Deputy Executive Director (Programme) of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and UN Assistant-Secretary-General (ASG). As Deputy Executive Director (Programme), she assists the UNFPA Executive Director in directing UNFPA's programmes in line with the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Millennium Development Goals and the 2005 World Summit. Ms. Mane has devoted her career to advocating for population and development issues and sexual and reproductive health, pioneering work on gender and AIDS. Prior to joining UNFPA, she served in several international positions, such as Director of Policy, Evidence and Partnership at UNAIDS; Chief Fund Portfolio Director and Director, Asia at the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria; and Vice-President and Director of International Programmes at the Population Council. She worked for over a decade on public health and gender-related issues in India. Ms. Mane holds a doctorate degree from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences in Mumbai, India. She has co-authored and edited a number of books and is a founding editor of the journal, *Culture, Health and Sexuality*

Ann M. Starrs is the Co-chair of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health and President Family Care International. Ann Starrs has served as co-chair of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health since it was established in 2005. She co-founded FCI in 1987, and became its president at the beginning of 2008. Based in Uganda from 1989 to 1992, Ann initiated FCI's in-country programs in eastern and southern Africa. She subsequently headed FCI's Africa programs, and then became Vice President responsible for FCI's seminal role coordinating the Safe Motherhood Inter-Agency Group. She has authored numerous publications and scholarly articles on maternal health and has earned an M.P.A. in development economics and a Certificate in Demography from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

Gary Cohen is Executive Vice President of BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company), a global medical technology company with 2008 revenues of \$7.2 billion and 28,000 employees in over 50 countries. He is a board director of the Perrigo Company, the US Fund for UNICEF, the CDC Foundation and the Accordia Global Health Foundation. He also serves as Chair of the CDC Corporate Roundtable and as a member of the private sector delegation to the Global Fund. Mr. Cohen and the BD team are extensively engaged in collaborations across the public, private and NGO sectors to address infectious and chronic diseases in developing countries. These include BD support for the Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus initiative with the US Fund for UNICEF, the Measles initiative with the American Red Cross, Wellness Centres for Health Workers with the International Council of Nurses, the Millennium Villages Project with the Earth Institute, Laboratory Systems Strengthening with the US Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator (PEPFAR), Diabetes Education in Asia with Project Hope, and Health Systems Strengthening with the World Economic Forum. Mr. Cohen also established the BD Volunteer Program which deploys teams of company employees to strengthen village and district health facilities in developing countries. He frequently serves as an advocate, speaker and expert panelist on child health, HIV/AIDS, health system strengthening and public private partnerships, in venues including the UN General Assembly, World Bank, US State Department, World Economic Forum (Davos) and Council on Foreign Relations. Mr. Cohen has been honored with the Corporate Leadership Award by MESAB (Medical Education for South African Blacks), the Distinguished Humanitarian Award by B'nai B'rith International and the Helenka Pantaleoni Award by the US Fund for UNICEF. He joined BD in 1983 as a marketing research analyst, and has held various positions in general management including President Worldwide Injection, President Europe, Middle East and Africa, and President, BD Medical. He is presently responsible for BD's international operations, comprising over half of the company's annual turnover. Mr. Cohen earned B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from Rutgers University, and was a past member of the university's Board of Trustees.

Julian Lob-Levyt joined GAVI in January 2005 as the Executive Secretary of the GAVI Alliance and CEO and President of the GAVI Fund. Prior to taking up the leadership of GAVI, Dr. Lob-Levyt worked with UNAIDS as Senior Policy Adviser to the Executive Director. Dr Lob-Levyt's career in global health has included work with both bilateral and multilateral organisations. Under the leadership of Secretary of State for International Development Clare Short, Dr. Lob-Levyt was Chief Health Adviser at the UK Department for International Development (DFID) from 2000–2004. Other key posts have included serving as Regional Health Adviser for the European Commission (EC) in Zimbabwe (1998-1999) and health sector reform Coordinator for WHO in Cambodia (1994- 1997). Dr Lob-Levyt formerly represented the UK Government and donor constituencies as a member of the GAVI Board, and represented the United Kingdom as a founding board member of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria. He is currently a board member of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI).

Jane Nelson is the Director of the Harvard Kennedy School's Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative, and a Senior Fellow at the school's Center for Business & Government. She is a nonresident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution, and serves as a Director at the International Business Leaders Forum (IBLF). During 2001 she worked in the office of the UN Secretary-General, Kofi Annan, preparing a report for the United Nations General Assembly on cooperation between the UN and the private sector. Prior to joining the IBLF in 1993, she worked for the World Business Council for Sustainable Development preparing their report on Africa for the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development, and in the 1980s was a Vice President at Citibank and responsible for marketing for the bank's Worldwide Securities Services business and Financial Institutions Group in Asia Pacific, Europe and the Middle East. Jane has authored four books and over 60 reports, papers, book chapters and articles on public-private partnerships and the changing role of business in society, especially in emerging markets, and co-authored five of the World Economic Forum's Global Corporate Citizenship reports. She serves on the boards of the World Environment Center, the ImagineNations Group, the International Council of Toy Industries CARE process, and on advisory groups for UNDP's Growing Inclusive Markets Initiative, the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition, Instituto Ethos in Brazil, the World Economic Forum's Business Alliance Against Chronic Hunger. She teaches on the faculty for Cambridge University's 'Business and Poverty' leadership program, Harvard

Business School's 'Corporate Social Responsibility' executive education program, and the World Bank Institute's executive program on 'Inclusive and Sustainable Business', and was recipient of the Keystone Center's 2005 'Leadership in Education' Award. She has degrees from the University of Natal in South Africa and Oxford University, where she was a Rhodes Scholar.

B. Raising the profile of neglected tropical diseases

Matthew Bishop (Moderator) is the Chief Business Writer and US Business Editor of *The Economist*. Mr. Bishop and Michael Green are both authors of *Philanthrocapitalism*, the book on the business of philanthropy. Mr. Bishop is also the author of *Essential Economics*, the official Economist layperson's guide to economics.

Lorenzo Savioli is the Director of the Department of Control of Neglected Tropical Diseases of the World Health Organization. He graduated in Rome in Medicine in 1977, in Tropical Medicine in 1979 and in Infectious Diseases in 1985 in Rome. He has an MSc in Parasitology from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the DTM&H from the Royal College of Physicians of London. In the 1970s he developed a fascination for classical clinical semeiology and tropical medicine and in 1979 decided to go to Zanzibar to work in the small district Hospital of Chake Chake on the island of Pemba. In 1986 he started the Pemba Island Schistosomiasis Control Programme that a few years later was extended to include the control of soil-transmitted helminthiasis. In 1991 he joined WHO in Geneva as the Medical Officer in charge of the Programme on Intestinal Parasitic Infections and in 1996 was appointed Chief of the Schistosomiasis and Intestinal Parasites unit. He is Senior Associate in the Department of International Health of Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, USA, and a Fellow of the Islamic Academy of Sciences, Amman, Jordan. In 1986 he received the 1st Prize of the Rorer Foundation for Medical Science for *Italian Medicine for Developing Countries*.

Rakesh Nangia is currently the Director, Strategy and Operations for the Human Development Network at the World Bank. In his current role, he manages the day-to-day operations of the network. Specifically, his key priorities are to: (i) provide strategic leadership to the HD Network operations and policy advice to the VP ensuring high quality delivery of the work program; (ii) promote HD and corporate priorities ensuring efficient management of the network; and (iii) coordinate internal and external partnerships with key stakeholders including governments, international organizations, foundations and private sector. Prior to his current appointment, he was the Acting Vice President for the World Bank Institute (WBI) since March 2007. During this period, he has been instrumental in providing strategic direction to WBI in its time of transition. Mr. Nangia also served as Manager, Portfolio and Country Operations, in Vietnam from December 2001 through August 2006. Before moving to Vietnam, Mr. Nangia was based in Tanzania. As Lead Operations Officer, he was responsible for managing the Bank's lending portfolio and the Operations team. Mr. Nangia's is an Indian national and attended the Indian Institute of Technology, the University of London, and Harvard University and holds degrees in business administration and engineering.

Bernard Pécoul, MD, MPH, is the Executive Director, Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative (DNDi). Dr. Pécoul's has led DNDi since its founding in 2003. DNDi and its partners have built the largest and most robust R&D portfolio ever for three of the most neglected diseases (leishmaniasis, human African trypanosomiasis, and Chagas disease), and launched ASAQ and ASMQ, two low-cost, non-patented antimalarial combinations. He played a key role in the formation of DNDi as part of the Access to Essential Medicines Campaign of Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF). Prior to his involvement with the campaign, Dr. Pécoul was the Executive Director of MSF-France, a co-founder of Epicentre, and a MSF field physician in Africa, Latin America, and Asia. Bernard Pécoul obtained his MD from the University of Clermont Ferrand in France and his MPH from Tulane University in the USA.

Rich Bagger is the Senior Vice President, Public Affairs for Pfizer's Worldwide Pharmaceutical Operations. Prior to joining Pfizer in 1993, he was Assistant General Counsel of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey, and, before that, practiced law with McCarter and English. His record of public service includes ten years in the New Jersey General Assembly, where he was Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and was elected by his colleagues to be Majority Conference Leader. In 2001, he was elected to the New Jersey Senate and served there until 2003. Before his election to the legislature, he was a Councilman and Mayor of Westfield, New Jersey. He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Business Council of New York State, the Healthcare Institute of New Jersey, Kean University, the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, the United Hospital Fund and the United States Chamber of Commerce. He received an A.B. degree from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and a J.D. degree from Rutgers University Law School. He and his wife Barbara are the parents of three daughters.

Jeffrey L. Sturchio is Chairman of the Corporate Council on Africa (CCA). Established in 1993, CCA (whose 170 member companies represent some 85 per cent of total U.S. private sector investment in Africa) works closely with governments, multilateral organizations, NGOs and business to improve the trade and investment climate on the African continent and to raise the profile of Africa in the US business community. He retired recently from Merck & Co., Inc., where he was Vice President, Corporate Responsibility, and managed a portfolio of activities including Merck's corporate philanthropy, the Merck Institute for Science Education, the Merck Childhood Asthma Network, global health partnerships (including the Merck MECTIZAN Donation Program), global HIV/AIDS access programs, corporate responsibility reporting and the Merck Archives. He also served as President of The Merck Company Foundation, a US-based, private charitable foundation established in 1957 by Merck & Co., Inc., which is Merck's chief source of funding support to qualified non-profit, charitable organizations. (In 2007, Merck made cash contributions of \$62 million, donations of medicines and vaccines -- including the Merck Medical Outreach Program and the MECTIZAN Donation Program -- of \$605 million, and donations of medicines through the Merck Patient Assistance Program of \$161 million.) Since 2000, Dr. Sturchio was centrally involved in Merck's participation in the UN/Industry Accelerating Access Initiative to help improve HIV/AIDS care and treatment in the developing world. He is a member of the board of the African Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Partnerships in Botswana and was also a member of the private sector delegation to the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria. Dr. Sturchio received an A.B. in history (1973) from Princeton University and a Ph.D. in the history & sociology of science from the University of Pennsylvania (1981). His previous positions include the AT&T Archives, the Beckman Center for the History of Chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania, Rutgers University, and the New Jersey Institute of Technology. He has also been a Postdoctoral Fellow and Senior Fellow at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History (NMAH). In 2004 he was appointed a Visiting Fellow of LSE Health and Social Care at the London School of Economics and elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Anne Mills is Professor of Health Economics and Policy at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and Head of the Department of Public Health and Policy. She has over 30 years' experience of the health systems of low and middle income countries, and has researched and published widely in the fields of health economics and health systems. Her most recent research interests have been in the organisation and financing of health systems including evaluation of contractual relationships between public and private sectors, and in economic analysis of disease control activities and the appropriate roles of public and private sectors, especially for scaling up malaria control efforts. She has had extensive involvement in supporting capacity development in health economics in low and middle income countries, for example through supporting the health economics research funding activities of the WHO Tropical Disease Research Programme, and Chairing the Board of the Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research. She founded, and is Director of, the Health Economics and Financing Programme, which together with its many research partners, has an extensive programme of research focused on increasing knowledge of how best to improve health systems in low and middle income countries. She has advised multilateral, bilateral

and government agencies on numerous occasions; acted as specialist advisor to the House of Commons Select Committee on Science and Technology's enquiry into the use of science in UK international development policy; was a member of WHO's Commission on Macro-economics and Health and co-chair of its working group 'Improving the health outcomes of the poor'; wrote the communicable disease paper for the first Copenhagen Consensus; and was a member of the US Institute of Medicine committee on the economics of anti-malarial drugs. In 2006 she was awarded a CBE for services to medicine and elected Foreign Associate of the IOM.

Closing

Amir Dossal, Executive Director, UN Office for Partnerships, guides the development of strategic alliances for the United Nations with corporations, foundations and philanthropists aimed at achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Amir is the UN's Chief Liaison for Ted Turner's \$1 billion donation for UN causes, (www.un.org/unfip), which involves over 450 programmes in the areas of children's health, women and population, climate change and biodiversity. This includes "investments" from other donors and partners (such as the American Red Cross, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, CDC, the Coca-Cola Company, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Rotary International, etc.) which to date total to over \$550 million. He also oversees the management of the UN Democracy Fund (www.un.org/democracyfund) which aims to strengthen democratic institutions and enhance democratic governance in new or restored democracies. Mr. Dossal has developed numerous partnerships for the United Nations, including with the Commonwealth Business Council, the European Foundation Centre, Google.org, the LTB Foundation, the Synergos Institute, the US Chamber of Commerce, and others. He has also spearheaded the UN's engagement in new areas including the technology sector working with Cisco Systems, Ericsson, Microsoft and Vodafone. Mr. Dossal has lived and worked in Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, the Middle East, and North America.

President Bill Clinton is the Founder of the William J. Clinton Foundation and 42nd President of the United States of America. William Jefferson Clinton was the first Democratic president in six decades to be elected twice – first in 1992 and then in 1996. Under his leadership, the country enjoyed the strongest economy in a generation and the longest economic expansion in U.S. history, including the creation of more than 22 million jobs. After leaving the White House, President Clinton established the William J. Clinton Foundation with the mission to strengthen the capacity of people in the United States and throughout the world to meet the challenges of global interdependence. Today the Foundation has 800 staff and volunteers around the world working to improve lives through several initiatives, including the Clinton HIV/AIDS Initiative which is helping 1.4 million people living with HIV/AIDS access lifesaving drugs. Other initiatives -- including the Clinton Climate Initiative, the Clinton Hunter Development Initiative, and the Clinton Giustra Sustainable Growth Initiative -- are applying a business-oriented approach worldwide to fight climate change and develop sustainable economic growth in Africa and Latin America. As a project of the Foundation, the Clinton Global Initiative brings together global leaders to devise and implement innovative solutions to some of the world's most pressing issues. In the U.S., the Foundation is working to combat the alarming rise in childhood obesity, and is helping individuals and families succeed and small businesses grow. In addition his Foundation work, President Clinton has joined with former President George H.W. Bush three times – after the 2004 tsunami in South Asia, Hurricane Katrina in 2005, and Hurricane Ike in 2008 – to help raise money for recovery efforts. He also served as the U.N. Envoy for Tsunami Recovery to help people “build back better.” President Clinton was born on August 19, 1946, in Hope, Arkansas. He and his wife Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton have one daughter, Chelsea, and live in Chappaqua, New York.