



Round Table 2

“Looking ahead: Mobilizing international resources for development – foreign direct investment and other private flows”

(10 a.m. - 1 p.m., 30 November 2008, Al Majlis Auditorium)

Provisional Programme

10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Panel Discussion

Co-Chairs:

- **H.E. Mr. Denis Sassou Nguesso**, President of Congo
- **The Honourable Bob Mc Mullan**, Parliamentary Secretary for International Development Assistance of Australia

Moderator: **Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi**, Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Panelists:

- **Mr. Hiroto Arakawa**, Senior Special Advisor, Japan International Cooperation Agency
- **Ms. Joyce de Ginatta**, President, Federación Interamericana Empresarial, Ecuador
- **Ms. Huguette Labelle**, Chair, Transparency International
- **Mr. Trevor Manuel**, Minister of Finance, Republic of South Africa, and Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Doha Review Conference on Financing for Development
- **Mr. Avinash Persaud**, Chairman, Intelligence Capital
- **Mr. Kamallesh Sharma**, Commonwealth Secretary-General

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Interactive Debate

Biographical notes

Mr. Hiroto Arakawa has been the Senior Special Advisor for development partnerships with bilateral and multilateral institutions in Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) since Japan Bank for International Cooperation's (JBIC) Overseas Economic Cooperation Operations and JICA merged in October 2008. He previously held several management positions at the (JBIC), as Director General of the Development Assistance Strategy Department, Executive Director of JBIC, and, most recently, Executive Director for JBIC. In his early career, he was involved with Japanese ODA loans mainly to Asia, including several years as Chief Representative in New Delhi and Washington D.C.

Ms. Joyce de Ginatta is President of Federación Interamericana Empresarial, an organization with a membership of Entrepreneur Associations from countries of the Americas. Its General Secretariat is in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Ms. Ginatta was appointed by the Salvadorian Government for supporting and counseling the implementation of the Dollarization System in that country. She headed prestigious organizations such as the Chamber of Small and Medium Enterprises, International Women's Forum (IWF) Ecuador chapter and Latin American Association of Businesswomen, Ecuador (AIME). She became Consul to Italy in 2002. She was nominated by the President of Ecuador in 2004, as President of the National Council of Competitiveness.

Ms. Huguette Labelle is Chair of Transparency International. A board member since 2003, she was first elected as TI's Chair in 2005 and re-elected in 2008. She has served for a period of nineteen years as Deputy Minister of different Canadian Government departments, including Secretary of State, Transport Canada, the Public Service Commission and the Canadian International Development Agency. She has served on more than 20 Boards. She is currently also Chancellor of the University of Ottawa, Vice President of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and of CRC Sogema, member of the Board of the UN Global Compact. She also serves on several additional national and international Boards.

Mr. Trevor Manuel has been Minister of Finance of the Republic of South Africa since 1996 and Minister of Trade and Industry of the Republic of South Africa from 1994 to 1996. He has also been a member of National Executive Committee of the African National Congress since 1991. He has been appointed Special Envoy for Development Finance by Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon, and also served as Special Envoy to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for the Conference on Financing for Development, held in Monterrey, Mexico in 2002. He also served as Governor on the Board of the World Bank, African Development Bank Group and Development Bank of Southern Africa and Chairperson of the Development Committee, International Monetary Fund.

Mr. Avinash Persaud is Chairman of Intelligence Capital Limited, the financial advisory boutique. He is a Member of the Commission of Experts of the President of the General Assembly on Reforms of the International Monetary and Financial System. Previously, Mr. Persaud was Director, GAM; Managing Director, State Street Corporation; Global Head, Currency and Commodity Research, J. P. Morgan; and Director, Fixed Income Research, UBS. He was ranked in the top three of currency analysts in global investor surveys for over a decade and amongst other things, Mr. Persaud developed the Risk Appetite Index.

Mr. Kamallesh Sharma is Commonwealth Secretary-General. Mr. Sharma previously served as India's High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, and in that capacity, has served as a member of the Board of Governors of the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Commonwealth Foundation since 2004. Mr. Sharma also served as India's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations in Geneva and New York. During his tenure as Ambassador and the Indian Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, from 1997 to 2002, Mr. Sharma chaired the Working Group on Financing for Development, which led to the Monterrey Consensus. Mr. Sharma has been a member of the Indian Foreign Service since 1965, and has served at ambassadorial level in five missions.