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Biographies of experts and moderators

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	<p>Reiko Hayashi is Deputy Director-General of Japan’s National Institute of Population and Social Security Research (IPSS). Prior to joining IPSS in 2012, she served in Senegal as technical advisor to the Minister of Health (2008–2011), and was engaged in projects concerning population, health and development in various countries. Her research covers global population ageing, health and longevity, population development, and so forth. She holds a PhD in policy studies from the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan. She is a member of ICD and ICF Commissions of Social Security Council of Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, and of the Experts Meeting for the Realization of a Symbiotic Society with Foreign Nationals, Immigration Services Agency of Japan.</p>
	<p>Gabriela Rodríguez Ramírez is an Educational Psychologist from the National Autonomous University of Mexico and a Teacher in Social Anthropology from the National School of Anthropology and History. She has a Diploma in Public Policy Evaluation from the University of California in San Francisco and in Population Leadership from the University of Washington in Seattle. She was President of the Citizen Council for Population Policy. She was elected Congresswoman of CDMX. She was the head of the Secretariat for Women of CDMX. She has represented Mexico in various United Nations fora. She focused her work on the study of gender and sexuality of adolescents. She has published books and academic and dissemination articles, and she is producer of sex education films and radio series. She directed the civil society AFLUENTES, S.C., an organization focused on research, training on gender and CSE. Currently, Ms. Rodríguez is the head of National Population Council.</p>



	<p>Jacques van Zuydam is the Head (Chief Director) of the National Population Unit of the government of South Africa. His work entails integrating population concerns into the programmes of national government departments, provinces and local governments in South Africa, along with forging relationships with the international community and NGOs to support population and development in South Africa. His responsibilities also include population and development research and to monitor and evaluate the implementation of the country’s population policy. He regularly represents South Africa on international population affairs in the United Nations, African Union, the Partners in Population and Development (PPD), BRICS and the Southern African Development Community (SADC). Jacques has a Master of Arts (MA) degree in Sociology and is a Fellow of the international Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) Programme.</p>
	<p>John Wilmoth has been Director of the Population Division at the UN DESA since January 2013. He holds a PhD from the University of California at Berkeley. He was on the faculty of the University of California at Berkeley for more than 20 years, serving as Professor in the Department of Demography. He is the author or co-author of more than 50 scientific papers on various aspects of population dynamics.</p>