



10 APRIL 2023

## EXPERT PANEL ON THE REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

## Biographies of experts



**Christopher Castle** is Director of the Division for Peace and Sustainable Development at UNESCO since November 2022. He has more than 30 years of development experience in the areas of education and health. He has served at UNESCO since 2004 at the International Institute for Educational Planning and at the Section of Health and Education. He holds a BS in International Studies and French from The American University, and an MSc in International Relations from the London School of Economics.



**Nicole Mun Sim Lai** is Population Affairs Officer at the Population Division of the United Nation's Department of Economic and Social Affairs since 2012. She is a leading expert on disaggregating national accounts by age and gender (National Transfer Accounts). Her area of work includes gender, education, inequality, population ageing, migration, and urbanization. Her current research focuses on examining the elevated mortality risk from COVID-19 among care home residents. Prior to joining the UN, she taught financial and development economics at California State University and Monash University.



**Rachel Snow** is Chief of the Population and Development Branch in the Technical Division of the United Nations Population Fund. She leads the Fund's work on strengthening national population data systems and the greater use of demographic data and information for inclusive development. She is a founding editor of the African Journal of Reproductive Health and an advocate for improving population data and research capacity in the global south. Her research interests include the burden of reproductive health, health system capacity, and the gender and structural obstacles to accessing health care. She has previously served as a distinguished academic researcher at Harvard University, University of Heidelberg (Germany), and the University of Michigan.



**Srinivas B Reddy** is Chief of Skills and Employability Branch at ILO Geneva since 2018. He has more than 30 years of experience in industrial relations, skills development, and promoting tripartism social dialogue. He has previously served at ILO since 2000 as Senior Advisor on Technical and Vocational Education, as Training and Skills Development Specialist, and in field offices in India, Indonesia and Bangladesh, including as Country Director of the ILO Office in Bangladesh from 2013 to 2017.