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Session IV
**What has changed on the ground
since the early days of the reform?**

Participants

Moderator



H.E. Mr. Valentin Rybakov
Permanent Representative to
Belarus to the United Nations

Mr. Rybakov has served as Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus since 2013. Prior to that, he was an Assistant to the President from 2006 to 2013. From 2005 to 2006 he headed the Ministry's American Division (2005) and from 2003 to 2005 he served as Counsellor/Minister Counsellor in the Embassy of Belarus in the United States. He served in his country's Permanent Mission to the United Nations, as a Counsellor from 2001 to 2003.

Mr. Rybakov is a graduate of the Minsk State Pedagogical Institute for Foreign Languages.

Panellists



Ms. Mbaranga Gasarabwe
Resident Coordinator /
Humanitarian Coordinator/
Deputy Special
Representative of the
Secretary-General, Mali
Assistant Secretary-General,
UN

In May 2015, Ms. Mbaranga Gasarabwe was appointed Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General for MINUSMA and Resident Coordinator, UNDP Resident Representative and Humanitarian Coordinator for Mali.

Prior to this, she worked as the Assistant Secretary-General for the Department of Safety and Security in New York, managing issues of safety and security for UN offices around the world. Before joining the Secretariat, she served in various capacities with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for over 20 years.

Ms. Gasarabwe served in Mali, Guinea, Djibouti, and Benin as Resident Coordinator, Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative.

Ms. Gasarabwe, a native of Rwanda, holds a Master of Economics from the University of Burundi and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Hult International Business School in Cambridge, Massachusetts/USA.



Mr. Philippe Lazzarini
Resident Coordinator/
Humanitarian Coordinator/
Deputy

Philippe Lazzarini has 30 years of professional experience including in leadership positions with the United Nations, the private sector and the International Committee of the Red Cross. Since August 2015, he has been in the office of the UN Secretary-General as the Deputy UN Special Coordinator for Lebanon (UNSCOL), UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Lebanon. He has extensive experience in humanitarian assistance and international coordination in conflict and post-conflict areas at senior levels. Prior to this, he held a number of senior positions in the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and in various field positions in Iraq, Angola, Somalia and the Occupied Palestinian Territory. Philippe Lazzarini also joined the Union Bancaire Privée in Geneva where he promoted the corporate social responsibilities and ethical investment agenda of the Bank and served as Head of the Marketing Department. He also worked for 10 years with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) as the Deputy Head of Communication, Head of the ICRC delegation in Rwanda, Angola, and Sarajevo and as an ICRC delegate in Southern Sudan, Jordan, Gaza, and Beirut.



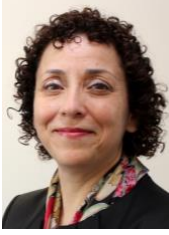
Ms. Deidre Boyd
Resident Coordinator,
Thailand

Ms. Deirdre Boyd has been the United Nations Resident Coordinator in Thailand since July 2017. She has many years of experience within the UN system working across a range of sustainable development issues, including in sensitive diplomatic contexts. Prior to arriving in Bangkok, she also served in the Office of the UN Secretary-General in New York as the Deputy Director for Development Affairs (2013-2016). She was also the UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (2010-2013), and also as UNDP Country Director in India, Tsunami Recovery Manager in the Maldives, UNDP Deputy Resident Representative in Bhutan and in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.



Ms. Alice Shackelford
Resident Coordinator,
Costa Rica

Alice Shackelford, has been UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Coordinator in Costa Rica from 2015 up to 2018. . As representative of the UN Secretary General she has the responsibility to coordinate the support 21 agencies, funds and programs to align their work to support the national development strategies of Costa Rica. Ms Shackelford has served as Representative of UN Women in Malawi and Pakistan and has carried out other assignments in Eastern European countries, Yugoslavia and Colombia, among other.



Ms. Sezin Sinanoglu
Resident Coordinator,
Bosnia & Herzegovina

Ms. Sezin Sinanoglu (Turkey) assumed her position as the UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina in June 2015. As of 1 January 2019, she continues to serve in Bosnia and Herzegovina as the UN Resident Coordinator Prior to this (2010-2015), Sezin was UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for Mongolia. From 2008-2010 she worked with the United Nations Volunteers in Bonn as Chief, Asia/Pacific/Europe/CIS Section and was responsible for the oversight of UNV programmes in over 55 countries. From 2002-2008 she undertook two separate assignments as UNDP Deputy Resident Representative in Turkmenistan and Kyrgyzstan. Sezin worked in Northern Iraq from 2001-2002 as Assistant Programme Director, at the Electricity Network Rehabilitation Programme. She joined UNDP in 1995 as Programme Officer for Urbanization and Habitat in UNDP's office in Turkey. Sezin's experience prior to joining UNDP was as City Planner for the Prime Ministry Housing Development Administration in Ankara during the mid-90s and she was Staff Planner for Norman Day Associates in Philadelphia from 1989-1993. Sezin holds a Bachelor of City and Regional Planning and a Masters in City Planning from Middle East Technical University, Turkey.