

Monday, 15th April 2019

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.: Opening of the meeting and keynote addresses



H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King was elected seventy-fourth President of the Economic and Social Council on 26 July 2018. Ambassador King is currently the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations in New York. Inga Rhonda King, who comes to diplomacy from the private sector, has lived and worked in several Caribbean countries, the United States of America, and China. She holds a Bachelor of Science in mathematics and chemistry.



Her Excellency Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés was elected President of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly. She has more than 20 years of multilateral experience in international negotiations, peace, security, defence, disarmament, human rights, indigenous peoples, gender equality, sustainable development, environment, biodiversity, climate change and multilateral cooperation. She has served as Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, Minister of National Defence, and Coordinating Minister of Natural and Cultural Heritage.



Mr. António Guterres is Secretary-General of the United Nations since 1st January 2017. Prior to his appointment as Secretary-General, Mr. Guterres served as United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees from June 2005 to December 2015, heading one of the world's foremost humanitarian organizations during some of the most serious displacement crises in decades. Before joining UNHCR, Mr. Guterres spent more than 20 years in government and public service. He served as prime minister of Portugal from 1995 to 2002.



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Mr. Tao Zhang is Deputy Managing Director of the IMF. He brings extensive international economic expertise and experience in policymaking, including with international financial institutions, from his previous appointments as the Deputy Governor of the People's Bank of China and IMF's Executive Director for China from 2011 to 2015. Prior to his position as the Deputy Governor, Mr. Zhang held a number of high-level positions in the People's Bank of China..



Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin is Senior Vice President for the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations, and Partnerships, World Bank Group. Before joining the World Bank, Dr. Mohieldin held numerous senior positions in the Government of Egypt, including Minister of Investment from 2004 until 2010. He also served on several Boards of Directors including the Central Bank of Egypt and the banking and corporate sector. He is a Professor of Economics and Finance at Cairo University.



Mr. Tim Yeend was appointed Chef de Cabinet and Principal Advisor to the Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO) in August 2013. Prior to his appointment, he was Australia's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the WTO. He also represented Australia's interests in the World Intellectual Property Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. Previously he was First Assistant Secretary in the Office of Trade, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.



H.E. Tharman Shanmugaratnam, is Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies in the Singapore Cabinet. Tharman is also Chairman of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), Singapore's central bank and financial regulator. He served as Minister for Finance for eight years, over 2007- 2015, and as Minister for Education for five years (2003-2008). Tharman was appointed Chairman of the Group of Thirty, an independent global council of leading economic and financial policy-makers in 2017. In 2017, he was also appointed Chairman of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance.



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Professor Raghuram G. Rajan is the Katherine Dusak Miller Distinguished Service Professor of Finance, University of Chicago Booth School of Business. He was the 23rd Governor of the Reserve Bank of India between September 2013 and September 2016. Between 2003 and 2006, Dr. Rajan was the Chief Economist and Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund.

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11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. *“Navigating the headwinds and tailwinds: current global economic context and emerging trends”*



Mr. Liu Zhenmin of China is the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Liu was Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of China since 2013. Among his various diplomatic assignments, he served as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and Other International Organizations in Switzerland (2011-2013). Mr. Liu served as Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs (2009-2011); Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations (2006-2009).



Ms. Rana Foroohar is a global business columnist and associate editor, Financial Times. She is also CNN's global economic analyst. Her book, “Makers and Takers: The Rise of Finance and the Fall of American Business”, about why the capital markets no longer support business, was shortlisted for the Financial Times McKinsey Book of the Year award in 2016. Prior to joining the FT and CNN, Foroohar spent 6 years at TIME, as an assistant managing editor and economic columnist. She was awarded the German Marshall Fund's Peter Weitz Prize for transatlantic reporting and also received awards from institutions such as the Johns Hopkins School of International Affairs and the East West Center.



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The Honourable Camillo Gonsalves is Minister of Finance, Economic Planning, Sustainable Development and Information Technology of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. He served as Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Permanent Representative to the United Nations from 2007 until 2013. He holds a Juris Doctor from George Washington University Law School, M.S. in Global Affairs from New York University and B.A. in Journalism from Temple University.



Ms. Vera Songwe is Executive Secretary, UN Economic Commission for Africa. Prior to joining the ECA, she was Regional Director of the International Finance Corporation, covering West and Central Africa. In addition, she continues to serve as a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution's Africa Growth Initiative. She is also a member of the African Union institutional reform team under the direction of the President of Rwanda, Paul Kagame, and a board member of the African Leadership Network and the Mo Ibrahim Foundation



Mr. Jorge Moreira da Silva, Director, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate. Mr. Jorge Moreira da Silva assumed the role of Director of the Development Co-operation Directorate (DCD) at OECD on 1st November 2016. From 2013 to 2015, he was Portugal's Minister of Environment, Energy and Spatial Planning. Prior to this Ministerial position, Mr. Moreira da Silva served as Senior Environmental Finance Advisor and Programme Manager on Climate Change Innovative Finance at UNDP's Bureau for Development Policy.



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Ms. Dana M. Peterson, Director at Citi Global Economics, CITI Group is a North America Economist with Citi Research. Dana has specific responsibility for writing market research pieces and producing macroeconomic forecasts and analysis for the United States and Canadian economies. Her goal is to provide timely analysis that informs Citi's top tier clients in their investment, risk, and business planning decisions. Prior to joining Citi in 2002, Dana worked in the Fiscal Analysis section of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board in Washington, DC..



Mr. Kavaljit Singh is the Director of Public Interest Research Centre, New Delhi. His latest book, *Fixing Global Finance*, is available for free download. His previous books include *Why Investment Matters* (Madhyam Books, FERN, The Corner House, CRBM, 2007); *Questioning Globalization* (Zed Books, 2005); *Taming Global Financial Flows: Challenges and Alternatives in the Era of Financial Globalization* (Zed Books, 2001); and *The Globalization of Finance: A Citizen's Guide* (Zed Books, 1999).

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12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

"Bending the curve: non-economic trends and embracing new opportunities"



Mr. Aksel Jakobsen is Secretary for international Development in Norway. Previously, he served as a political adviser at the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Culture. Mr. Jakobsen has extensive experience in the role of development funding and aid in driving inclusion, including the uses of financial technology.



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H.E. Ambassador Luis Alfonso de Alba is the Secretary-General's Special Envoy for 2019 Climate Summit. He provides strategic direction towards the Climate Summit in 2019 and is responsible for cooperation with key strategic climate change leaders, including Governments and coalitions, to galvanize climate action and leadership for the event. Before his appointment, Mr. de Alba was Undersecretary for Latin America and the Caribbean in Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Mr. Ronan Ryan is a Co-Founder of IEX Group Inc and serves as its President and Director. Mr. Ryan develops corporate, buy-side and sell-side relationships, and drive innovation in trading and is responsible for strategy and decision-making related to IEX's relationships with external stakeholders, including broker-dealer members and representatives of the institutional investor community. He served as Chief Strategy Officer at IEX Group Inc. Prior to co-founding IEX, he was the Head of Electronic Trading Strategy at RBC Capital Markets.

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3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

Ministerial Finance Dialogue 1: *"Promoting inclusive growth and reducing inequalities"*



H.E. Mr. Maatia Toafa is Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development. Mr. Maatia Toafa was appointed Minister of Finance and Economic Development in August 2013. He served as Prime Minister of Tuvalu in 2004 to 2006, and in 2010. Prior to entering politics, Mr. Toafa worked for the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji.



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H.E. Mr. Giovanni Tria is Minister of Economy and Finance of Italy. From 2002 to 2006 and from 2009 to 2012 he served as member of the Board of Directors of the International Labour Organization (ILO). He is also part of the scientific committee of the Magna Carta Foundation, He is a Professor of Political Economics at the University of Rome Tor Vergata,



H.E. Mr. Mangala Samaraweera is Minister of Finance in Sri Lanka. In 1989, Mr. Mangala Samaraweera was elected as a Member of Parliament for the Matara District and he has continuously represented the Southern constituency, making him one of the most senior Parliamentarians in Sri Lanka today.



H.E. Ms. Norma Allegra Cerrato is Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Honduras. She has a significant experience in the diplomatic field, holding positions such as that of Secretary General of the Foreign Ministry of the Republic and Minister of Legal Affairs at the Embassy of Honduras in Washington. S



Ms. Alicia Tauro is the Representative of the UN Major Group for Children and Youth. She works in this self-organised space for children and youth to contribute to and engage in certain intergovernmental and allied policy processes at the UN. The organization acts as a bridge between young people and the UN system in order to ensure that their right to meaningful participation is realized.



Mr. Mamadou Diallo is Deputy General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC). Mr. Mamadou Diallo was born in Dagana (Senegal). After earning a master's degree in philosophy and anthropology, he began working as a philosophy teacher at the Lycée Lamine Gueye. He served as Social Affairs Advisor at the Ministry of Health and Social Action. He also served as head of Trade Union Development Cooperation and Education and ITUC-Africa Coordinator. .



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Mr. John Authers is a senior editor for markets. Before Bloomberg, he spent 29 years with the Financial Times, where he was head of the Lex Column and chief markets commentator. He is the author of “The Fearful Rise of Markets” and other books.

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Ministerial Finance Dialogue 2: “*Mobilizing finance for climate action*”



Mr. Richard Cantor is Member of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, Chief Risk Officer at Moody’s Corporation (MCO) and Chief Credit Officer at Moody’s Investors Service (MIS). He leads MCO’s global risk management function, heads MIS’s Credit Strategy and Standards Group, which is responsible for the rating agency’s global credit strategy and thematic research, the quality and consistency of its ratings across regions and sectors, and the methodologies applied in the determination of ratings.



The Honourable Nigel Clarke is Jamaica’s Minister of Finance and the Public Service and is Member of Parliament for St Andrew Northwestern. He has served as Ambassador of Economic Affairs and as a Senator in the Upper House of the Jamaican Parliament between 2013 and 2015. Dr. Clarke has been Chairman, Vice Chairman or director of many companies listed on the Jamaica Stock Exchange. Dr. Clarke graduated from the University of Oxford with a Ph.D. in Numerical Analysis.



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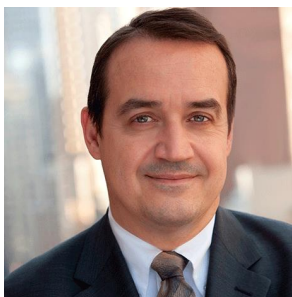
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H.E. Mr. Peter Eriksson is the Minister for International Development Cooperation at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden. He previously served as Minister for Housing and Digitalization from May 2016 to January 2019. Before being appointed to the Government of Sweden, Eriksson was Member of the European Parliament from July 2014 to May 2016. Prior to that, he was one of the two spokespersons of the Green Party in Sweden.,



H.E. Mr. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum is the Fijian Attorney-General and the Minister for Economy, Public Enterprises, Civil Service, Communications and the Minister responsible for climate change. He is also a strong proponent of increasing access to climate finance, and is working with governments, multilateral organisations and development banks to allow countries such as Fiji to obtain adequate levels of funding– on the basis of vulnerability – to build their resilience to climate change.



Mr. Yannick Glemarec is the Executive Director of Green Climate Fund, which was created to support the efforts of developing countries to respond to the challenge of climate change. Previously, he was the Assistant Secretary-General and before, the Deputy Executive Director for Policy and Programme for UN Women. He also was the Executive Coordinator of the UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund. He holds a PhD from the University of Paris in Environment Sciences.



Mrs. Satu Santala is the Director-General for Development Policy, Finland. She is also Finland's IDA Deputy for the World Bank. Prior to her current role in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ms. Santala was Executive Director from Finland at the World Bank, where she represented Denmark, Estonia, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden. Ms. Santala has also held several earlier positions in Finland's Ministry for Foreign Affairs. She has also held numerous roles with the Finnish Red Cross, including International Training Coordinator.



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Ministerial Finance Dialogue 3: *“Designing integrated national financing frameworks for sustainable development”*



Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi is Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). Mr. Kituyi served for an initial four year term as UNCTAD’s seventh Secretary-General. Before joining UNCTAD, Mr. Kituyi was Chief Executive of the Kenya Institute of Governance and Fellow of the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. Mr. Kituyi was an elected member of Kenya’s Parliament.



H.E. Mr. Matia Kasaija is the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development for Uganda. Before his appointment, he served as the State Minister for Finance (Planning) in the Cabinet of Uganda for four years. Prior to that, he served as the State Minister for Internal Affairs, from 2006 until 2011. He is also the elected Member of Parliament for “Buyanja County”, Kibaale District. In his earlier career, he had been a teacher and worked in farm management.



H.E. Mr. Bambang P.S. Brodjonegoro is the Minister for National Development Planning (Bappenas), having been appointed to that role by President Joko Widodo in 2016. He was previously the Minister for Finance (from 27 October 2014 to 27 July 2016) in President Widodo’s Working Cabinet. Under President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono’s administration, Bambang served as the Deputy Minister for Finance.



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H.E. Ms. Gloria Amparo Alonso Másmela is the Minister of National Planning of Colombia. Between September 2015 and August 2018, she served as Deputy Comptroller General of the Republic. She worked in the Banco de la República occupying different positions and roles in various areas of Economic Studies. She's also worked at the World Bank and, for more than four years, and as Director of Macroeconomic Policy at the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit of Colombia.

H.E. Mr. Luis Daniel Soto was appointed Vice-Minister of Planning and Economic Policy for Costa Rica in 2018. Previously, he has been an advisor in the area of Monitoring and Evaluation and also in Public Investment. Since 2016, he was in charge of the Ministerial Office. He has a degree in Economics from the National University and has postgraduate studies in Project Management.



Mr. Dereje Alemayehu serves as the Coordinator of the Global Alliance for Tax Justice and Senior Economic Policy Advisor of Tax Justice Network Africa. He also works as a Senior Economic Justice Advisor to Christian Aid and serves as country director in Burkina Faso, Tanzania and Kenya. Prior to his work in the development sector, he was a Lecturer at the Free University in Berlin..



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Ministerial Finance Dialogue 4: *“Harnessing new technologies for financing the SDGs”*



Mr. Achim Steiner is UNDP Administrator and Vice-Chair of the UN Sustainable Development Group, which unites 40 entities of the UN system that works to support sustainable development. Prior to joining UNDP, he was Director of the Oxford Martin School and Professorial Fellow of Balliol College, University of Oxford.. He led the United Nations Environment Programme helping governments invest in clean technologies and renewable energy. He was also Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi.



Ms. Maiava Atalina Ainuu-Enari has been the Governor of the Central Bank of Samoa since August 2011. Ms. Enari joined the Central Bank in 1991. A career central banker who held a number of senior positions within the Bank and responsible for monetary policy formulation and implementation, reserve and liquidity management, foreign and money market operations and exchange rate management. She serves as the Chairman of the Board of the Central Bank of Samoa and a board director for the Samoa International Finance Authority.



H.E. Mr. Edward Scicluna is Minister for Finance in the Labour Government of Joseph Muscat and a Member of the Maltese House of Representatives. He was also elected in 2009 to the European Parliament where he served for four years as Vice-Chairman of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee and as the European Parliament's representative on the European Statistical Advisory Board (ESAC). His previous appointments included that of Head of the Department of Economics at the University of Malta; Chairman of the Malta Council of Economic and Social Development.



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H.E. Mr. Patrick Njoroge was appointed Governor of the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) in 2015. In this capacity as Governor, Dr. Njoroge is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the CBK, a member of the Board of Directors, and Chairman of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). Dr. Njoroge has worked at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington DC, in various capacities for over 20 years. Prior to his appointment as Central Bank Governor, he was Advisor to the IMF Deputy Managing Director.



Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne is Director, Division on Technology and Logistics (DTL) at UNCTAD. Ms. Sirimanne has extensive experience in development policy, research and technical cooperation gained from international organizations, national governments, think tanks and universities. She served as Director of the ICT and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), where she spearheaded major regional cooperation programmes.



Ms. Elenita Dano is Co-Coordinator of the ETC Group of the Action Group on Erosion, Technology and Concentration (ETC Group) since September 2017. She joined ETC Group in 2009, working from Davao City, southern Philippines. ETC Group is an international CSO that monitors the impacts of new and emerging technologies on marginalized communities, tracks corporate concentration and governance in food and agriculture, and investigates erosion of biodiversity.



Ms. Pooma Kimis is Managing Director at the Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum (OMFIF). Kimis leads relationship building with central banks, sovereign funds and public pension plans, and their private sector counterparts. She is currently a member of the United Nations Secretary-General's Task Force on Digital Financing of the Sustainable Development Goals and the City of London's Sustainable Development Capital Initiative.

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Special High-level Meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development



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Hon. Ken Ofori-Atta was elected into office as Ghana's Finance Minister on January 27, 2017. He brings to the Ministry over 30 years of experience in Ghanaian and international financial sector. He is the Co-Founder and former Chairman of the Databank Group (an investment banking firm) in Ghana. He was the Executive Chairman from 1990 until his retirement on February 14, 2012. Prior to co-founding Databank in 1990, the Hon. Minister was an investment banker at Morgan Stanley and Salomon Brothers on Wall Street in New York.



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His Excellency Salim Baddoura is the President of UNCTAD's Trade and Development Board and Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations Office at Geneva. Prior to his appointment to Geneva, Mr. Baddoura had been serving as Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of Lebanon to Austria and the international organizations in Vienna since February 2015. He served as a Counsellor at the Embassy of Lebanon to Austria from 2009 to 2015.



Ms. Sabina Bhatia is Deputy Secretary at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on behalf of the Chair of the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC). She works at the division chief of Public Affairs, in the Communications Department of the IMF. Prior to that, she was an Advisor in the Communications Department. Sabina holds a BA from Calcutta University and an MA in Applied Economics from Johns Hopkins University.



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Dr. Merza Hasan is Executive Director since 2006 and Dean of the Board of Executive Directors at the World Bank Group since 2012. In his current role, Dr. Hasan has a dual responsibility to his Constituency and the WBG Management. Dr. Hasan's significant and practical experience spans over three decades in Senior and Executive positions in the private and public sector as well as academia. Prior to the World Bank, Dr. Hasan was Undersecretary for Industry in Kuwait.



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Ms. Shona E. Riach is Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and Chair of the Liaison Committee with the World Bank, the United Nations and other International Organizations. Previously she held the position of UK Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund, Europe Director at the UK Home Office and Director International at HM Treasury, the UK government's economic and finance ministry.



Mr. Masaaki Kaizuka is Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund. He has previously served as Deputy Commissioner at the National Tax Agency of Japan, Minister for Finance at the Embassy of Japan. He graduated from Princeton University in Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and the The University of Tokyo in laws.



Mr. Hervé De Villeroché became the Executive Director for France in March 2013. Before joining the Boards of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group, Mr. de Villeroché was the Head of the Financial Sector Department in the General Directorate of the French Treasury. Early on in his career, he was employed at the French Treasury where he was Deputy Head of the Emerging Countries Office; Deputy Head of the Transport and Urbanism Office; and Head of the Emerging Countries Office.



Mr. Valentin Rybakov is the Permanent Representative of Belarus to the United Nations and elected Vice-President of the ECOSOC Council. Mr. Rybakov has served as Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus since 2013, prior to which he was 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.



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Mr. Koen Davidse, is the World Bank Group Executive Director representing the constituency of Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Georgia, Israel, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Romania, and Ukraine since November 1, 2018. Prior to joining the World Bank Group, Mr. Davidse was the Deputy Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General in the Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission (MINUSMA) in Bamako, Mali.



Mr. Rashkovan, serves as Deputy Executive Director at the IMF since 2017, representing the constituency of Armenia, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Georgia, Israel, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Romania and Ukraine. Rashkovan previously headed the Department of Strategy and Reforming of the Banking System at the National Bank of Ukraine (NBU).



H.E. Mrs. Kira Christianne Danganan-Azucena is Vice President of ECOSOC. She has extensive experience in policy creation aimed at improving the overall quality of life and translating gains of good governance into direct benefits to empower the poor and marginalized segments of society, as well as campaigns related to engaging and empowering youth and addressing the needs of older persons and those living with disabilities.



Mr. Eduardo Porter is an economics reporter for the business section of The New York Times, where he was the Economic Scene columnist from 2012 to 2018. Mr. Porter began his career in journalism at Notimex, a Mexican news agency, in Mexico City. He was deployed as a correspondent to Tokyo and London, and in 1996 he moved to São Paulo, Brazil, as editor of América Economía, a business magazine. In 2000, Mr. Porter worked at The Wall Street Journal. He joined The New York Times in 2004. From 2007 to 2012 he was a member of The Times's editorial board..

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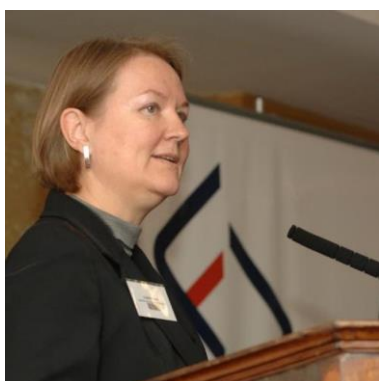
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Panel A: “Domestic public resources” (Action area A)



Ms. Grace Perez-Navarro is the Deputy Director of the OECD’s Centre for Tax Policy and Administration. As such, she plays a key role in improving international tax cooperation, tackling illicit financial flows, promoting better tax policies and engaging developing countries in OECD tax work. Prior to joining the OECD, Ms. Perez-Navarro was a Special Counsel at the IRS (Internal Revenue Service) Office of the Associate Chief Counsel (International).

Mr. Jules Comlan Yehouenou was appointed Director-General of Planning and Public Investments Monitoring, at the Ministry of Planning and Development of Benin. His experience is reflected on his 18 years career in government.



Ms. Liselott Kana is Head of the International Tax Legislation, Department of the Revenue Administration, in the Ministry of Finance of Chile. Born in Stockholm, she graduated got a Master of Law at the London School of Economics in 1984. After working for Arthur Andersen in London, she has, since 1990, been involved in international issues in Chile, first at the Ministry of Economy (Foreign Investment Committee) and then at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In 1997, she was appointed head of international taxation at the Revenue Agency..



Mr. Ahmed Aziz Diallo has been member of the Parliament of Burkina Faso since 2015 and mayor of Dori, a town located in North-East of the country, since 2016. Mr. Diallo is also Member of the Inter-Parliamentary Union – United Nations Affairs Commission, and Chairman of the Steering Committee of the Decentralized Cross-border Cooperation Cell between the local authorities of the Sahel - C3 Sahel.



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Mr. Federico Giammusso is Director General for Research, Consultancy and Study at the Ministry of Economy and Finance of Italy. From 2008 to 2014, Mr. Giammusso was serving at the OECD as Economic expert for the Italian Representation and later as Senior Advisor responsible for India and the economic analysis of emerging countries. Mr. Giammusso also worked as President of the Task Force on Structural Indicators at the Economic Policy Committee of the Ecofin Council of the European Union.

Mr. Jose Maria Viera is Permanent Representative of the Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities. He holds a Master's degree in Management of Development. Prior to joining the World Blind Union (WBU), José worked as Latin America Coordinator for Disability Rights Promotion International and did consulting work for the UNCRPD Committee Secretariat. For the past ten years he has also worked part-time as Associate Professor of the International Relations Department at the Siglo 21 University, in Cordoba Argentina.



Ms. Tove Maria Ryding is the Policy and Advocacy Manager for Tax Justice at the European Network on Debt and Development (Eurodad), and well as a member of the coordinating committees of the Financial Transparency Coalition (FTC) and the Global Alliance for Tax Justice (GATJ). She has co-authored several reports on issues related to international tax avoidance and evasion, including 'Tax Games - the Race to the Bottom' (2017) and 'Survival of the Richest' (2016).



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Panel B: “Domestic and international private business and finance”
(Action Area B)



Mr. James Zhan has been Director of Investment and Enterprise at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) since 2009. He is Global Agenda Council member of the World Economic Forum. Dr. Zhan has a PhD in international economics. He also holds a number of advisory positions with academic institutions. He is also Editor-in-Chief of the UN annual World Investment Report and the journal Transnational Corporations.



Mr. Pio Wennubst is Assistant Director General and Head of the Global Cooperation Department at the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC). He is by training an agro-economist specialized in systemic approaches, with a long experience in development diplomacy based on extensive field work in rural development, microfinance and public health. Previously, he was the deputy permanent representative to the UN agencies in Rome and later joined the Swiss permanent mission to the UN in New York..



Mr. Thomas Kerr currently leads the International Finance Corporation's (IFC) private sector climate policy engagement, which involves working with emerging economy governments and major corporations to develop investor and climate-friendly national strategies; designing coalitions to advance carbon pricing and performance standards. Mr. Kerr was previously the director of climate change initiatives at the World Economic Forum in Geneva. From 2006-10, he worked in Paris for the International Energy Agency.



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Mr. Sasmit Dwivedi is Senior Vice President and Head of ESG and Research at Nippon Life Global Investors Americas. He has an extensive experience in healthcare, staples sectors and ESG integration experience. He started his carrier as an Associate at Goldman Sachs then join Nippon Life in 2004.



Ms. Mwanahiba M. Mzee serves as Managing Director of Ecobank Tanzania Ltd. Previously, she served as Director of Strategy and Business Development at Azania Bank as well as Head of Risk and Compliance at Bank of Africa Tanzania. Ms. Mzee holds a Master of Business Administration.



Mr. Elliott Harris was appointed Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA). Since 2015, Mr. Harris has served in different high level positions such as Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Special Representative to the United Nations.



Mr. Hans Ek is the CEO of Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB, abbreviated SEB, a Swedish financial group for corporate customers, institutions and private individuals with headquarters in Stockholm. Mr. Ek joined SEB in 1984 and previously served as Head of environmental, social and governance investment management.



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Panel C: “International development cooperation”
(Action area C)



Ms. Maria-Francesca Spatolisano of Italy was appointed as Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. She has served as European Union Ambassador to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Monaco and Andorra. She was also a member of the European Union delegation to the United Nations, serving as Head of its Economic and Trade Section.



Ms. Carin Jämtin is Director-General of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) since May 2017. As Secretary General of the Social Democratic Party, 2011-2016, Ms. Jämtin initiated a long-term policy and organizational development, headed the election campaign which resulted in the formation of a new government 2014. Finally, she developed the Social Democrat’s educational activities for future leaders within the workers’ movement.



Ms. Gladys Gharthey is the Head of the United Nations System Unit of Ministry of Finance. In addition, she is the Government of Ghana’s lead technical official on Development Effectiveness, the focal person for the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) and the Effective Institutions Platform (EIP). Since June, 2013 she has been a member of Advisory Group of the United Nations Development Cooperation Forum (UN-DCF),



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Mr. Hans Docter is Director Sustainable Economic Development and Ambassador Private Sector & Development Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands. Mr. Docter has a long history in Foreign Policy. He was the Dutch special envoy for Ebola and was the project leader of the Ukraine referendum in the Netherlands. Previously he was Ambassador of the Netherlands to Ghana and Deputy Ambassador of the Netherlands to Ethiopia and Kenya.



Mr. Kotaro Katsuki is Director of Global Issues Cooperation Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, who is responsible for implementing the UN Sustainable Development Goals and planning the evolution of successful impact funds.

Mr. Laurent Sarazin is co-chair of the Total official support for sustainable development (TOSSD) Taskforce and Head of Unit for “Development Financing and Effectiveness, Relations with Member States” in the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO) of the European Union.



Mr. Patrick Kryticous is Executive Director of the Civil Society for Poverty Reduction in Zambia, a civil society network that has been building the voice for poor in the fight against poverty since 2000. Mr. Mr. Patrick Kryticous dedicates his forces to ensuring that civil society effectively and meaningfully participates in the design, formulation and implementation of the National Development Plans (NDP).



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Panel D: *“Trade, science, technology, innovation and capacity building”*
(Action areas D and G)



Ms. Olajumoke Adekeye is the founder of the Young Business Agency, a social enterprise that provides employability skills training and recruitment services to job seekers. She is also a research associate for the Clinton Health Access Initiative, an organization dedicated to saving lives through the scale-up of medical treatment and diagnostics in low and middle income countries. She has served as an investment analysis lead on the United Nations Foundation’s Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves initiative.



Mr. Md. Nojibur Rahman has joined as Principal Secretary to the Hon’ble Prime Minister on 1 January 2018. Prior to this appointment he served as Senior Secretary, Internal Resources Division (IRD), Ministry of Finance and Chairman, National Board of Revenue (NBR). Earlier he served as Secretary of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF) and also as Secretary, Statistics and Informatics Division (SID) under the Ministry of Planning. Mr. Rahman served as Economic Minister at the Bangladesh Permanent Mission to the United Nations Headquarters in New York.



Mr. Landry Signé is a David M. Rubenstein Fellow in the Global Economy and Development Program at the Brookings Institution. He joins the Africa Growth Initiative where his research focuses on the political economy of growth, sustainable development, governance, fragile and failed states, regional integration, and business in Africa. Professor Signé is a distinguished fellow at Stanford University’s Center for African Studies, chairman of the Global Network for Africa’s Prosperity, an Andrew Carnegie Fellow, a 2016 Woodrow Wilson Public Policy Fellow.



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Ms. Sofie Maddens is Head of the Regulatory and Market Environment Division at the International Telecommunication Union. Graduated from the University of Leuven in Belgium, she consequently occupied management position at The Internet Society, Pygma Consulting, Telecommunications Management Group among others, building on experience of ICT policy and strategy.



Jane Seruwagi Nalunga is Country Director of SEATINI-Uganda and brings her expertise on trade, tax and investment related issues in general and the multilateral, bilateral, regional and national trade and investment policies and Agreements in particular. She has more than 20 years of experience in policy research, analysis and advocacy and has authored a number of policy-oriented studies and articles. Jane sits on a number of national policymaking bodies; and advises government and Parliament on trade, tax and investment-related matters. She holds an Honors Bachelor of Arts degree in History and English Language (Makerere University); a Diploma in Education from Makerere University; and a Masters of Arts (M.A) in African History from the University of London.

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Panel E: *“Debt sustainability and systemic issues” (Action areas E and F)*



Mr. Martin Guzman is Associate Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Buenos Aires and co-chair of Columbia Initiative for Policy Dialogues Taskforce on Debt Restructuring and Sovereign Bankruptcy. He is also a member of the Institute for New Economic Thinking Research Group on “Macroeconomic Efficiency and Stability”, a co-chair of Columbia Initiative for Policy Dialogue’s Taskforce on Debt Restructuring and Sovereign Bankruptcy, and a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation.



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Ms. Maria Edita Z. Tan is Assistant Secretary of the International Finance Group since October 2012. She was also appointed Undersecretary of the Department of Finance (DOF) by President Benigno S. Aquino III in 2016. From October 2013 to May 2015, she was detailed to the Bureau of Customs in charge of the Revenue Collection Monitoring Group.



Ms. Denise Knight is Senior Economist at the Ministry of Finance of Antigua and Barbuda.



Mr. Martin Mühleisen is Director of the Strategy, Policy, and Review Department (SPR) of the IMF. In this capacity, he leads the work on the IMF's strategic direction and the design, implementation, and evaluation of Fund policies. He also oversees the IMF's interactions with international bodies, such as the G20 and United Nations. Prior to his current position, Mr. Mühleisen was Chief of Staff to Christine Lagarde, the IMF's Managing Director.

Ms. Heron Belfon is Director of Jubilee Caribbean, a regional coalition involved in winning debt relief and curbs to corporate tax avoidance and austerity as well as critical transparency reforms to give the Caribbean people voice in their governments' economic policies, creating reforms and millions of dollars in debt relief in Grenada and working to replicate those efforts on other islands.



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H.E. Mr. Mauricio Escanero Figueroa, is Head of the Mission of Mexico to the European Union, Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. He is also facilitator of the Monterrey Consensus. H.E. Mr. Mauricio Escanero was previously Mexico's ambassador in South Africa. He has been Mexico's Alternate Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and Deputy Chief of Mission at Mexico's embassy in China, among other posts.



H.E. Mr. Marc-André Blanchard is Representative of Canada to the United Nations. Since 2010 until his appointment, Mr. Blanchard was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of McCarthy Tétrault, one of Canada's largest law firms, advising companies on strategic and public policy issues. In 2014, he served on the boards of the Conference Board of Canada, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada and the Institute for Research in Immunology and Cancer.



Ms. Amina J. Mohammed is Deputy-Secretary-General of the United Nations. She was previously Minister of Environment of the Federal Republic of Nigeria from November 2015 to December 2016, where she steered the country's efforts on climate action, protecting the natural environment and conserving resources for sustainable development. Prior to this, she served as Special Adviser to Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. Before joining the UN, Ms. Mohammed worked for three successive administrations in Nigeria, including serving as Special Advisor on the Millennium Development.



H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King was elected seventy-fourth President of the Economic and Social Council on 26 July 2018. Ambassador King is currently the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations in New York. Inga Rhonda King, who comes to diplomacy from the private sector, has lived and worked in several Caribbean countries, the United States of America, and China. She holds a Bachelor of Science in mathematics and chemistry.