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and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)



SPEAKERS

Opening and Welcome Remarks

Ms. Tatiana Valovaya

Director-General of the United Nations at Geneva



Tatiana Valovaya is the 13th Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva and the first woman to occupy this position. Ms. Valovaya has more than 35 years of experience in public service, diplomacy and journalism. She began her career as a reporter to The Economic Gazette in Moscow (1983-1989) before serving the Government of the Russian Federation in various capacities, including as the Third and Second Secretary at the Russian Permanent Mission to the European Union in Brussels (1989-1994) and Deputy Director and subsequently Director of the Department of International Cooperation of the Russian Federation (1999-2012). Ms. Valovaya joined the Eurasian Economic Commission in 2012 as a Member of the Board and Minister in charge of integration and macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission, the executive body of the Eurasian Economic Union. Ms. Valovaya graduated from the Department of International Economic Relations of the Moscow Financial Institute. She holds a Ph.D and a Doctorate of Economic Sciences from the State Financial Academy, Moscow.

Mr. Gilles Michaud

United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Safety and Security



Gilles Michaud of Canada took up the role of Under-Secretary-General for Safety and Security with the United Nations Department of Safety and Security on 1 July 2019. Mr. Michaud, who since 2016 served as Deputy Commissioner for Federal Policing with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), brings to the position a wealth of experience in counter-terrorism, national security and management of substantial human, physical and financial resources. Mr. Michaud has an extensive background in multilateral organizations as the lead on peacekeeping, international capacity-building and liaison activities for the RCMP and he has served on the Executive Committee of INTERPOL. During his three decades as a police officer, Mr. Michaud oversaw the RCMP's national security criminal investigations program and led the Federal Policing Program, with responsibility for investigating sophisticated criminal activity, national security threats, transnational organized crime, protective policing, witness protection and border security. Mr. Michaud is a graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Program in National and International Security and McGill University's Executive Development Program. He is a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Executive Institute's 39th Session, the FBI National Academy's 213th Session and the Leadership in Counter-Terrorism Program administered by the FBI National Academy. Mr. Michaud has received numerous awards, including the Governor General's medal for academic achievements, the Queen's Jubilee and RCMP Long Service medals. In January 2014, he was appointed to Canada's Officer of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces.

Mr. William Blanchard

Director of the Division of Field Operations, United Nations Department of Safety and Security



Dr. William Blanchard has more than three decades of distinguished service in foreign affairs, with a focus on security, operations, and counterterrorism, having recently served as Director of Strategic Advantage and Analysis with the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office (FCDO), and previously as the Director of Counterterrorism for the FCDO. Dr. Blanchard is extensively travelled with operational experience in hostile environments impacted by conflict and terrorism, including in the Middle East, Central Asia, and Eastern Europe. Dr. Blanchard is highly experienced in crisis management, having led in the response to major terrorist incidents and threats. He is fluent in English and French and has working knowledge of Russian, Turkish, and Hungarian. He has a master's degree in economics from the London School of Economics, and a Master of Arts in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from the University of Oxford.

Mr. Luky Eko Wuryanto

Vice President and Chief Administration Officer, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, Co-Chair



Luky Eko Wuryanto is Vice President and Chief Administration Officer. He is responsible for overseeing human resources, information technology and facilities and administration services. In this position, Wuryanto is also chair of the Information Technology Committee and the Human Resources Review Committee. Before joining AIIB in April 2016, Wuryanto served in senior positions in the Indonesian government for more than 20 years, most recently as the Deputy Coordinating Minister for Infrastructure Acceleration and Regional Development, Coordinating Ministry for Economic Affairs. He has an undergraduate degree in engineering from Bandung Institute of Technology and a PhD in regional science from Cornell University. Wuryanto is from Indonesia.

Ms. Jamison Medby

Division of Partnerships and Specialized Support OiC, United Nations Department of Safety and Security, Master of Ceremonies



Ms. Jamison Medby has almost 30 years of experience in security risk management, infrastructure protection and strategy, including 18 years with UNDSS as a Regional Security Information Analyst, Policy Officer, and Chief of the Physical Security Section, which she also helped to create. Prior to joining the UN, Jamie was an analyst at the Rand Corporation where she worked on topics including intelligence methods, infrastructure protection, hostile surveillance detection and counterterrorism.

Global Security Environment

Moderated by Ms. Maria Victoria Montalvo,
Deputy Director, Security Division, World Food Programme



Ms. Maria Victoria joins WFP in October 2017 as a Senior Security Officer and staffing coordinator and takes up her duties as Director of the Security Division in October 2019. Following a restructuring of the Security function, Maria Victoria continues serving the programme on the same role as Deputy Director of the Security Division. Prior to WFP, she serves at the United Nations Department of Safety and Security, New York, Colombia and Senegal and has extensive security experience in various UN agencies (such as UNDP, UNODC and UNHCR). From her private sector experience, she brings expertise and knowledge on international negotiations on trade and health, having worked at Weber Shandwick as strategic advisor. Her diplomatic career starts with the coordination of the Rio Group at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, at the Americas desk where she coordinates the diplomatic relations with the United States. Subsequently, she moves to Geneva to join the Permanent Mission of Bolivia related to International Organisations. Maria Victoria holds a Master's Degree in International Affairs and Public Administration from the Catholic University of Louvain-la Neuve in Belgium, and a post-graduate degree in criminology from University of Lausanne in Switzerland.

Dr. Niagalé Bagayoko
Chair, African Security Sector Network



Ms. Niagalé Bagayoko has a doctorate in political science and is a graduate of the Institut d'Études Politiques (IEP) in Paris. Her thesis was awarded first prize by the Institut des Hautes Etudes de la Défense Nationale (IHEDN). A specialist in security system reform (SSR) in French-speaking Africa, international security policies in sub-Saharan Africa and African conflict management mechanisms, she has directed the peacekeeping and peacebuilding programme of the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie, having previously worked as a researcher at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) at the University of Sussex (UK) and at the Institut de recherche pour le développement (IRD, France), as well as teaching international relations at the IEP in Paris. She is currently President of the African Security Sector Network (ASSN). She is a frequent contributor to a wide range of international media, including television (France 24, TV5 Monde, Deutsch Welle, VOA, Africanews,), radio (France Culture, RFI, BBC) and the written press (Le Monde, Le Point, The Africa Report, etc.).

Dr. Jean-Marc Rickli

Head of Global and Emerging Risks and Founder and Director of the Polymath Initiative,
Geneva Centre for Security Policy



Dr. Jean-Marc Rickli is the Head of Global and Emerging Risks and the Founder and Director of the Polymath Initiative at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) in Geneva, Switzerland. He is also the co-chair of the NATO Partnership for Peace Consortium (PfPC) Emerging Security Challenges Working Group and a senior advisor for the Artificial Intelligence Initiative at the Future Society. He is the co-curator of the International Security Map of the Strategic Intelligence Platform of the World Economic Forum. He is also a member of the committees for ethical research at the University of Geneva and at the European Research Council as well as of the advisory board of Pour Demain think tank of Tech4Trust, the first Swiss startup acceleration program in the field of digital trust and cybersecurity. Prior to these appointments, Dr. Rickli was an assistant professor at the Department of Defence Studies of King's College London and at the Institute for International and Civil Security at Khalifa University in Abu Dhabi. In 2020, he was nominated as one of the 100 most influential French-speaking Swiss by the Swiss newspaper Le Temps. Dr. Rickli received his PhD in International Relations from Oxford University. His latest book published by Georgetown University is entitled *Surrogate Warfare: The Transformation of War in the Twenty-first Century*.

Mr. Mauricio Vieira

Chair on Countering Illicit Trade and Preventing Transnational Organized Crime, University for Peace



Dr. Mauricio Vieira (Brazil) is assistant professor and Head of the Chair on Countering Illicit Trade and Preventing Transnational Organized Crime at the University for Peace. Dr. Vieira holds a PhD in International Politics and Conflict Resolution from the University of Coimbra (Portugal) where he was awarded a scholarship from the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT). He is a member of the Global Initiative Experts Network and an associate researcher at the Observatory of Nationalities and the Laboratory of Conflict and Violence Studies at the University of the State of Ceará (Brazil). During his doctoral research, Mauricio was awarded a Fellowship from the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict (USA), assumed positions as Visiting Researcher at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (Oslo, Norway), at the Center for Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding of the Graduate Institute (Geneva, Switzerland) and at the Department of Peace and Conflict Studies at the University for Peace (Costa Rica). Dr. Vieira holds a MA degree in International Relations, with specialization in Peace and Security Studies (University of Coimbra), a post-graduate degree (Specialist) in International Law and a BA degree in Journalism from the University of Fortaleza, Brazil. His research interests are peacebuilding, constructivism, decision making, transnational organized crime, and state fragility.

Mr. Nic Lee

Executive Director, International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO)



Mr. Nic Lee is the founder and Executive Director of the International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO) the main coordination body for NGOs operating in high risk countries. He spent 20 years in operational roles for frontline humanitarian agencies across different regions of the world and holds degrees in development and humanitarian aid. He works to improve humanitarian safety at local, regional and global levels with the vision of a more informed and resilient community.

Ms. Anim Ngu-Muth

Chief Security Adviser in Jordan, United Nations Department of Safety and Security



Ms Anim Ngu-Muthi was appointed and took up her role as the Chief Security Advisor for the United Nations in Jordan in November 2023. She brings with her 20 plus years of experience in security risk management, emergency preparedness and crisis management. Ms Ngu-Muthi joined the United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS) in 2010 and has worked in several countries and in different capacities. She served in Rwanda as the Deputy Security Adviser, in the Central African Republic and Nigeria as the Field Security Coordinator, and as the Security Advisor for the UN in Malawi. She has also worked with the Special Envoy of the Secretary General on Conflict Prevention to Burundi as the Chief Security Officer. Before joining the UN Country Team in Jordan, she worked as the Chief Security Officer in the UN Peace Keeping Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) where she coordinated security operations and enabled UN mandate delivery in Northern Mali. Before joining the UN, Ms Ngu-Muthi worked on the counter terrorism efforts, in the aviation sector, with the UK Department for Transport, from 2004, providing technical and financial support to countries in East, Central and Southern Africa. Ms Ngu-Muthi has a Master's degree in Project Management from the University of Aberdeen, UK, a Master's in Pharmacology from the University of Bradford, UK and a Bachelor's degree in Biochemistry from the University of Wales, Cardiff, UK.

The role of technology in anticipating, planning, and responding to security threats

Moderated by Mr. William Blanchard,

Director of the Division of Field Operations, United Nations Department of Safety and Security



Dr. William Blanchard has more than three decades of distinguished service in foreign affairs, with a focus on security, operations, and counterterrorism, having recently served as Director of Strategic Advantage and Analysis with the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office (FCDO), and previously as the Director of Counterterrorism for the FCDO. Dr. Blanchard is extensively travelled with operational experience in hostile environments impacted by conflict and terrorism, including in the Middle East, Central Asia, and Eastern Europe. Dr. Blanchard is highly experienced in crisis management, having led in the response to major terrorist incidents and threats. He is fluent in English and French and has working knowledge of Russian, Turkish, and Hungarian. He has a master's degree in economics from the London School of Economics, and a Master of Arts in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from the University of Oxford.

Mr. Saleh Tembo

Chief Security Adviser, United Nations Department of Safety and Security, Syria



Mr. Saleh Tembo is the Security Advisor of the UNDSS in the Philippines. He assumed his current post on Sept 2020. Mr. Tembo is a Ugandan National and served with the Uganda Police Force for nine years prior to joining UNDSS. He was the Field Security Coordination Officer (FSCO) in Dadaab Kenya, before joining UNDSS Philippines. Mr. Saleh Tembo holds a Master's degree in Risk, Crisis and Disaster Management from University of Leicester in United Kingdom.

Mr. Philippe Stoll,

Senior Techplomacy Delegate, International Committee of the Red Cross



Philippe Stoll is currently the Senior Techplomacy Delegate at the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). His work is at the intersection between governments, the academic, the humanitarian and the private sector with the objective to better protect people affected by armed conflicts from the impact of cyber warfare, digital surveillance, online hate speech, privacy or autonomous weapon systems. He also focuses on ensuring an ethical and principled use of technology by humanitarian organisations. Passionate with make these issues more concrete, he created the Digital Dilemmas immersive experience and co-produced an online course Humanitarian Action in the Digital Space.

Ms. Amanda Palin

Security Information Analyst, United Nations Department of Safety and Security



Amanda Palin currently serves as Security Information Analyst (SIA) covering West and Central Africa for the Threat and Risk Assessment Service in the United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS). Prior to this Amanda was an SIA for UNDSS in Kenya and has also served in the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) where she worked as a JMAC Information Analyst, with duties including information management and database implementation, early warning and open-source analysis. Amanda has over 20 years' experience as an Intelligence Analyst and researcher, having worked for Greater Manchester Police in the UK before being seconded to the Criminal Intelligence Unit of UNMIK and then the Office for Criminal Intelligence with EULEX in 2008. Prior to joining UNMISS in 2015, Amanda was employed by NATO in Kosovo, working initially as an Intelligence / Counterintelligence Analyst before becoming Senior Analyst in the Intelligence Fusion Centre, leading a team of all source analysts in the intelligence branch of KFOR.

Mr. Jon Novakovic

Executive Director, Global Interagency Security Forum



Jon Novakovic joined the GISF Secretariat as Executive Director in March 2023. Jon started his career in government in Australia before moving into overseas development. In almost 10 years in the aid sector, he has been involved in SRM within local and international NGOs, and private consultancy. He has spent significant time in Afghanistan and Timor-Leste and is now based in Scotland. As the Global Manager of Crisis Analytics at Mercy Corps, Jon was a key part of the team defining and growing the new offering that proved a key point of difference in Mercy Corps' access and operations in high-risk environments. He ran the Syria and Nigeria teams and set up new operations in Mozambique and Ethiopia. He fostered the introduction of new AI-based technologies, and the recruitment of OSINT specialists to enable work in hard-to-access areas. Jon has a Master's Degree in Policing, Intelligence and Counter-Terrorism.

Challenges in security crisis management: Is innovation a game-changer?

Moderated by Mr. Craig Harrison,
Adviser, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, Beijing



Craig Harrison has been serving as a senior consultant for the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) since retiring from the United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS) in 2017. In this role he was responsible for setting up the security, safety, crisis management and business continuity policies and frameworks for the Bank, and for planning and managing security at two annual meetings in 2018 in India and 2023 in Egypt. He also created the AIIB training programs for security and business continuity. Craig was instrumental, together with UNDSS, in establishing the concept of the annual Security Symposium. Previous experience includes the position of Chief of Service of the (then) Policy, Coordination and Compliance Service of UNDSS, Senior Security Coordinator for Peacekeeping, and Senior Security Analyst in UNAMA, Afghanistan, during which time he created the training program and manual for UN security analysts. Pre-UN experience includes positions as Director of companies serving the strategic security and defence industries in South Africa, and 25 years as an Army officer, retiring in 1997. His main focus currently is security policy and business continuity for international organizations.

Ms. Julie Dunphy
Head of Field Security Service, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees



With a background in policing and security management, Ms. Julie Dunphy has 35 years security experience. She leads a team of more than 300 security officers who's responsibility is to assist the organization to manage security risks particularly in high-risk contexts and enable operations to deliver humanitarian assistance globally. Julie has extensive operational experience including Bosnia and Herzegovina, East Timor, North Macedonia (former FYROM), Afghanistan, Nepal, Liberia and Sri Lanka before moving to UNHCR headquarters where she has held multiple roles in security management taking over as Head of the Security Service in 2023. She has been instrumental in strengthening the UN Security Management System through her representation in IASMN and related working groups, identifying areas requiring change, contributing to policy development and leading on areas both for the UNSMS and within her organization. She has been a champion for gender and inclusion in security management where she led a working group developing a policy and a manual and continues to advocate to ensure a person centred approach is applied throughout the system spearheading training on same within her organization. Julie is also a focal point for civil military coordination and has contributed to the various IASC civil military documents as well as the respective handbooks on civil military.

Mr. Michael McNulty

Head, Security Management, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe



Mr. Michael Mc Nulty has been the Head of Security Management for Organization for Security and Co-operation (OSCE) in Europe for the last five years. Mr. Michael Mc Nulty has a total of 35 years of experience, having worked in both the Military and different duty stations of the United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS). He worked as Chief of Security for the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa; A/Deputy Chief of Security for United Nations Headquarters; Regional Security Adviser (UNDSS) in Kingston, Jamaica; Deputy Security Adviser (UNDSS) in Iraq; Security Adviser (UNDSS) in Uganda; Field Security Coordination Officer (UNDSS) Gulu, Northern Uganda; Oic Explosive Ordnance Disposal (Military) UNMIL (Liberia); Oic Explosive Ordnance Disposal (Military) KFOR (Kosovo); Observer (Military) UNTAET (East Timor); and Platoon Commander (Military) UNIFIL (Lebanon). He served on the border of Northern Ireland during The Troubles with the Irish Defence Forces. Mr. Michael Mc Nulty qualified as an Ordnance Mechanical Engineer and holds diplomas in Military studies and French. He holds a BSc (Hons) in Science from the National University of Ireland and is at the final stages of an MBA through Heriot-Watt University in the UK. Having worked in the two of the largest Divisions of UNDSS, he understands the UNDSS as a Department very well and hopes that his experience working in the world's largest regional security organization (OSCE) during its most turbulent time in its history, will bring a unique perspective to the event.

Mr. Selam Solomon Tegegn

Safety and Security Information Analyst, African Union



Selam Solomon Tegegn is a visionary security leader with over 18 years of experience safeguarding critical infrastructure and personnel. Currently, Selam serves as a Senior Security Expert at the African Union Commission (AUC) headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Selam's career began in Aviation Security, where he played a pivotal role in developing national security programs and training stakeholders (2003-2008). He then spearheaded the implementation of the Addis Ababa International Airport CCTV project and upgrading baggage-screening systems, demonstrating his early adoption of technology for enhanced security. Since joining the AU in 2015, Selam has taken charge of preparing draft AU Security policy, Contractors safety standards and code of practices, AU security emergency response plan. Since 2018, Selam has taken charge of Emergency Operation Centers (EOCs). He leads threat intelligence gathering, coordinates emergency responses across the AU's global footprint, and provides strategic security planning and policy guidance. Selam's expertise in crisis management has been instrumental in navigating complex security situations. Beyond traditional security measures, Selam champions the integration of innovative technologies to bolster the AU's security posture. He leads a team and overseeing the implementation of cutting-edge security projects across AU offices worldwide, solidifying his role as a key figure in shaping the organization's future-proof security landscape. Selam fosters strong relationships with diverse stakeholders across all levels within and outside the AU. He holds a Master's degree in Leadership and Management, and is currently pursuing an Executive Master's degree in Peace and Security in Africa, complementing his numerous security certifications.

Mr. Paul Farrell,

Principal Security Coordinator, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund



Paul Farrell (Canada) is a strategic security risk-management expert with 40 years of military and security experience, 26 at the international level in the United Nations. Paul is presently the Principal Security Coordinator/Director of Global Security for UNICEF. He has served in multiple roles in UN Security, including as the Director of Policy and Compliance in the UN Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS), Principal Security Adviser for the UN in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Chief of the Peacekeeping Operations Support Section in UNDSS, Regional Security Adviser for UNICEF in West and Central Africa, and Security Coordinator for the Witness and Victim Support Section in the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Paul was the key architect of the "risk-based" approach to security in the UN and is the foremost expert in the UN on Security Risk Management (SRM). Paul is presently the Chair of the UN Inter-Agency Security Management Network (IASMN) working group on SRM. He has extensive crisis-management experience, including with hostage incident management. Paul holds a Bachelor of Education (BEd) from McGill University and Master of Science (MSc) in Security Risk Management from the University of Leicester

Cyber threats and AI: application, potential misuse, and impact on personnel security

Moderator to be confirmed

Purpose: Interaction on emerging threats affecting the security of personnel of participating organizations. Speakers will discuss the nature and impact of cyber-threats, including AI and mis/dis/malinformation, on the security of international organizations and the threats inherent in cybersecurity.

Takeaway: An enhanced understanding of how to manage cyber-threat risks to personnel

Ms. Tima Soni

Chief of Cybersecurity Division, United Nations International Computing Centre



Tima Soni joined UNICC in 2016 as Head, Information Security Services. In 2019, she was appointed as Chief, Cybersecurity Division to oversee the cybersecurity programme for UNICC and deliver cybersecurity services to UNICC's Clients and Partner Organizations. Tima oversees UNICC's cybersecurity team of experts in New York, Valencia, Rome and Geneva for UNICC's more than 40 subscribers to information security services. She has served as Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) for several UNICC Partner Organizations including UN Women, the Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) and she also currently serves as the CISO for the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Tima has worked to develop and implement information security programmes by delivering various information security initiatives including information security governance, risk management, security operations and security awareness as per industry best practices. Tima strongly believes in collaboration and sharing of knowledge within the UN cybersecurity community. She has spearheaded the development of many common cybersecurity solutions within the UN family. She has helped UN Agencies in responding to complex cybersecurity incidents and developed cybersecurity roadmaps for many UNICC Clients and Partner Organizations. She oversees the delivery of several UNICC cybersecurity services that include the Common Secure threat intelligence network that UNICC runs within the UN system, the Common Secure Operations Centre, cybersecurity maturity assessment, testing and incident response services as well as common UN PKI services.

Mr. Akshay Joshi

Head of Industry and Partnerships for the World Economic Forum's Centre for Cybersecurity



Mr. Akshay Joshi is the Head of Industry and Partnerships for the World Economic Forum's Centre for Cybersecurity, where he is responsible for overseeing the strategic priorities and day-to-day operations, developing key partnerships and driving collaborative action to strengthen cyber resilience across industry ecosystems. Akshay joined the Forum as a Global Leadership Fellow in 2015 and was responsible for strengthening engagement with organisations based in the South Asia before taking on operational leadership of the Centre for Cybersecurity upon its launch. Prior to joining the Forum, he had over a decade of experience in management roles in sectors including maritime transport and public relations. Akshay holds an Executive Master in Global Leadership from the World Economic Forum, an MBA from the University of Manchester and a Bachelor from the University of Mumbai.

Mr. Irakli Beridze

Head, Centre for AI and Robotics, United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute



Mr. Irakli Beridze, PhD, is the Head of the Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics at UNICRI, United Nations. Mr. Beridze has more than 20 years of experience in leading multilateral negotiations, developing stakeholder engagement programmes with governments, UN agencies, international organisations, private industry and corporations, think tanks, civil society, foundations, academia, and other partners on an international level. He is supporting governments worldwide on the strategies, action plans, roadmaps and policy papers on AI. Since 2014, he initiated and managed one of the first United Nations Programmes on AI, while also initiating and organizing a number of high-level events at the United Nations General Assembly, and other international organizations. He is a member of various international task forces, including the World Economic Forum's Global Artificial Intelligence Council, the UN High-level panel for digital cooperation, the High-Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence of the European Commission. Irakli Beridze is an International Gender Champion supporting the IGC Panel Parity Pledge. He is recipient of recognition on the awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to the OPCW in 2013.

Mr. Charles Hornsby

Chief Information Security Officer United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and Co-chair of the United Nations Information Security Special Interest Group



Mr. Charles Hornsby took a First in Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) from Oriel College Oxford in 1982, a Masters in Computer Science from University College London in 1983 and a D.Phil. in African Politics from St. Antony's College Oxford in 1986. He formerly worked for Shell as the Deputy Director for Information Security and in 2011 he became the Ethics and Compliance Officer for the Downstream (DS) business of Shell. He retired from Shell in late 2017, and June 2018 he joined UNHCR as Cybersecurity Transformation Programme manager and held that role for two years, delivering a \$3 m p.a. programme of security improvements from Ireland but with extensive travel to Amman (Jordan), Geneva and elsewhere. In September 2021, Mr. Hornsby was appointed as UNHCR's Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) and have held that role since then, in the world of Covid. He has global experience and a unique mix of ethics and compliance, IT, information security, risk management and developing market skills.

Driving results through road safety: innovative and tech-enabled solutions

Moderated by Ms. Anne Hammenrudh

Road Safety Expert, United Nations Department of Safety and Security, New York, United States



Ms. Annie Hammenrudh (Road Safety Specialist) joined UNDSS after having served in DPKO as seconded military officer 2005-2008. Her military career involved various aspects of peacekeeping on a tactical, operational and strategic level, as well as four deployments (UNPROFOR, IFOR, SFOR, UNTSO). Since 2008, Annie has served in UNDSS, managing the coordination of internal and field security training, security operations surrounding CMP, complex security operations (including UNGAs) at UNHQ, as well as serving as the Senior Operations Office in the Kenya SIOC. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Military Arts and Science from the Swedish National Staff College, and a Master's degree in International Relations and Conflict Resolution from the American Military University. One of her main responsibilities with SPPU is the implementation of the UN Global Road Safety Strategy.

Remarks by Mr. Jean Todt

United Nations Secretary General's Special Envoy for Road Safety



Before assuming his current role as the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy in April 2015, Mr. Jean Todt held the position of President at the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) from 2009 to 2021, the governing body for world motorsport and the federation of the world's motoring organizations. He made road safety a priority of the federation through the FIA Action for Road Safety campaign, launched in 2011 in support of the UN Decade of Action for Road Safety. Mr. Todt's extensive experience also includes serving as the CEO and Special Advisor at Ferrari from 2004 to 2009.

Ms. Lotte Brondum

Leader of the Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety



Lotte Brondum has led the Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety (the Alliance) since 2014. The Alliance represents the voice of NGOs and mobilizes its 370 member NGOs in 100+ countries, to contribute to the 2030 target to reduce road deaths and injuries by 50%. She has led the creation of several guidelines, toolkits, campaigns and advocacy pushes and authored reports including *Walking the Talk*, *The Day Our World Crumbled*, *A New Deal in Road Safety: Why We Need NGOs*, and several peer reviewed publications. Prior to joining the Alliance, Lotte worked across NGO, academic, corporate, and governmental sectors in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Vietnam, including as a CSR specialist for Coca-Cola, as a researcher for Johns Hopkins University and the US Center for Disease Control, and as an advisor to the Danish government. Her work has focused on creating partnerships for sustainable health issues, including sustainable mobility, road safety, HIV/AIDS, and other public health issues. Lotte has a degree in Medical Anthropology from University of Copenhagen, and advanced degrees in Epidemiology from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and Nursing Science from the University of Southern Denmark.

Dr. Slobodan Lazic

Head of the World Food Programme Road Safety Academy



Dr. Slobodan Lazic is a senior professional with 25+ years of dedicated experience in road safety. He has been exposed to transport and road safety challenges across several countries in Europe, Asia, South America, the Middle East, and Africa. Throughout his career, Slobodan has held senior management and advisory roles in major oil, gas, manufacturing, and consulting companies, where he managed various road safety contracts and advised executive teams on developing global, regional, and project-specific road safety standards and initiatives. Within his roles, Slobodan has further led pre-start-up road safety and logistics HSE audits, compliance verification, bench-marking studies, gap analysis, and improvement programs for numerous 3PL/4PL contractors/ subcontractors /group companies. In his current role, Slobodan is responsible for the management and strategic development of the Road Safety Academy, which was established to serve as a cornerstone for fostering a road safety culture within the World Food Programme (WFP) and beyond. Slobodan holds a Bachelor's, Master's, and Ph.D. in Road Safety (Transport Planning and Traffic Engineering) and memberships and accreditations with several professional institutions in the UK and USA (CIHT, IOSH, ISO, IRF).

Dr. Matts-Åke Belin

Global Lead, Decade of Action for Road Safety, World Health Organization



Dr. Matts-Åke Belin has been the Global Lead for the Decade of Action for Road Safety at the World Health Organization since January 2022. With over 30 years of expertise from the Swedish government, he has been instrumental in global Vision Zero initiatives. Previously, he served as the Director of the Vision Zero Academy at the Swedish Transport Administration. Dr. Belin collaborated with government entities, the private sector, and NGOs, advising political decision-makers on safety policies. As a senior advisor on road safety and Director of Vision Zero, he contributed significantly to Sweden's road safety strategies. At WHO, he manages a global network of heads of national road safety agencies and works with partners to strengthen these leaders' capacities and skills in policy and implementation in traffic safety, focusing on the Second Decade of Action for Road Safety and the Global Road Safety Plan. Parallel to his government work, Dr. Belin has built a distinguished academic career. He holds a university exam in social science with a focus on public administration and a Ph.D. in public health policy from the Karolinska Institute. He was also an adjunct professor at KTH Royal Institute of Technology, specializing in traffic safety policy and implementation. As a result of his work as an adjunct professor, he was one of the editors of the Vision Zero Handbook.

Mr. Daniel Hardy

Toyota Gibraltar Stockholdings, largest provider of United Nations Vehicles and United Nations System Staff College license holder for United Nations Drivers Training



Mr. Daniel Hardy transitioned to the humanitarian sector after 14 years of service as a Canadian army officer. His 7-year tenure with various INGOs as a security specialist honed his expertise in risk management. At UNICEF, he pioneered the Road Safety Program and subsequently moved to the UN System Staff College to open the program to the wider UN family. Dan moved the Road Safety Program to Toyota Gibraltar Stockholdings in 2022 to continue supporting road safety interventions. In 2023, the TGS Road Safety Program received the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents First Class International Training Provider award. Dan is married with two children. When not traveling, works remotely from northern New Brunswick, Canada.