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Elizabeth Adjei

Over 25 years of accomplishment in public policy development, organisational reforms, strategic management and project management. Eight and a half years as Director-General of the Ghana Immigration Service – (2002-2011), responsible for overall strategic direction and management of the national migration system. Passionate about exploring a coherent agenda around migration and development, particularly in the context of Africa as well as women's role in peace, security and governance. Key competencies include International migration and development, migration policy research and Integrated Border Management (IBM).

Member of the pool of experts for EU-ETEM (External Thematic Expertise in Migration), a program jointly funded by EC and Europe-aid. The project provides advisory support to governments of selected developing countries for the development of national Migration Policies, as well as research and drafting support for various EC sponsored roundtable discussions on migration and development and border security management.



Nursulu Akhmetova

Ms. Nursulu Akhmetova, born on December 4, 1967 is a Head of the Finance and Economic Analysis and Development Monitoring Department of the Kyrgyz Republic's President's Administration and also is a Deputy Head of the President's Administration.

Ms. Akhmetova graduated from the Moscow State University with a Law degree in 1992 and has held various positions in the commercial, governmental and non-governmental sectors in Kyrgyzstan. She started her career as a lawyer in private law firms and legal consulting companies. Then she practiced law within non-commercial and non-governmental projects funded by USAID, particularly managing projects on trade and investment. For nearly eight years Ms. Akhmetova has held different positions in the Kyrgyz Government (Prime-Minister's Cabinet), Parliament and the President's Administration in the Kyrgyz Republic. Currently

Ms. Akhmetova coordinates the work of the Secretariat on implementing the National Sustainable Development Strategy and also supervises the work of the expert group on developing migration policy initiated by the President of the Kyrgyz Republic.



Eva Åkerman Börje

Heads the Secretariat for the Swedish Chairmanship of the Global Forum on Migration and Development within the Swedish Government Offices and will chair the GFMD 2013-14.

Previously Ambassador Åkerman Börje has held a position as Director in the Department for Migration and Asylum Policy in the Swedish Ministry of Justice, being the focal point for work on the links between migration and development as well as for cooperation on global migration issues and the external dimension of the EU's migration policy. She has specialised in migration policy and European and international co-operation and has designed and negotiated both national and European policy and legislation in the field of migration and asylum. During the last Swedish presidency of the EU she chaired the High Level Working Group on Asylum and Migration in the Council of Ministers.

From 2003 to 2004, Ambassador Åkerman Börje was a Fellow at the Harvard Weatherhead Center for International Affairs and has previously served with the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the European Commission in Brussels and the EFTA Secretariat in Geneva.



Esen Altuğ

Ms. Esen Altuğ is a career diplomat. She is currently the Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum and Visa at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey. Previously, she held the position of Head of Department for Multilateral Economic Affairs. Presently, she is involved in issues related to migration both at national and global levels, visa policies and asylum.

She joined the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1985. During previous years, she covered a wide range of topics such as maritime and aviation matters, political affairs with European countries, regional/transboundary waters and multilateral economic affairs, in particular the Black Sea Economic Cooperation. Abroad, she was assigned to the Turkish Embassy in Cairo, to the Turkish Embassy in Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and Turkish Consulate General in Münster, Germany. She served as Consul General of the Republic of Turkey in Rotterdam from 2007 to 2011.

Born in 1963, Ms. Esen Altuğ has a Political Science degree from Ankara University and an MBA degree. Ms. Altuğ speaks English and French.



Khalil Amiri

Chargé de Mission at the cabinet of the Secretary of State for Migrations and Tunisians Abroad. He holds a PhD from Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA. His academic and early professional experience is in information management and in investment banking. He held positions at IBM in New York and Toronto and at Credit Suisse Securities in London. He also spent two years as a Lecturer at Imperial College London. More recently, he has been active in the public policy field. Within the cabinet of the Secretary of State for Migrations, and for the past two years, he has been overseeing public policy efforts in the areas of migration and development, Diaspora outreach, and international cooperation.



Lisa Andersson

She is an economist with the Migration and Skills unit at the OECD Development Centre. Prior to joining the OECD, she was a PhD Candidate in Economics at University of Gothenburg and an affiliated researcher at Maastricht Graduate School of Governance and UNU-Merit. Her work is mainly focused on the link between migration, remittances and development in migrant origin countries.



Maruja M.B. Asis

Director of Research and Publications at the Scalabrini Migration Center, Manilla, Philippines. She is a sociologist who has long been working on international migration and social change in Asia. Her areas of interest and research experience include gender, family and migration; migration and development; and migration governance. She recently completed work on youth, employment and migration in the Philippines; assessment of pre-departure information programs for migrants in Indonesia, the Philippines and Nepal; and the displacement of Filipino workers in Libya and Syria. She is co-editor of the Asian and Pacific Migration Journal. She has authored various publications and has participated in many international conferences.



Elma Bejarano Lichi

Magister in Political Science from the University of Costa Rica. Extensive experience with vulnerable sectors of the population, gender, migration, strengthening civil society and human development in public participation processes.

Perform at political negotiation processes, organized and participated workshops, seminars and technical conferences. Attended technically the Office of the First Lady of Paraguay, compliment coordination functions in international cooperation projects and technical assistance. Also served as a consultant in the implementation of strategies and decision making.

Doctorate of Government and Public Policy candidate, University of Costa Rica. Holds a Magister in Political Science with an emphasis in Policy Management University of Costa Rica, graduated with honors. Political Science Bachelor at the University of Costa Rica.

Currently serves as Chief of the Office of Interior Vice Minister and is Professor of International Relations career at the Autonomous University of Central America.



Louis Berthelot

Louis Berthelot has served as a Political Adviser in the Department of Migration and Development for the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs since January 2013. He is in charge of research on European finance and on policy development in the area of migration and development within European institutions and regional dialogues on migration. Prior to this, from 2010 to 2012, he was a Policy Analyst in the Ministry of the Interior, where his work focused co-development policy making in multilateral for a, such as the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GMFD), the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees (IGC), and the 5+5 Dialogue.



John K. Bingham

A lawyer and migrant, Mr. Bingham is ICMC's Head of Policy. Beginning with the invitation of the government of Mexico to chair the Steering Committee for the Civil Society Days of the Global Forum on Migration and Development in 2010, the governments of Switzerland, Mauritius and Sweden each designated Mr. Bingham global coordinator of civil society activities for the GFMDs that they have chaired respectively for 2011, 2012 and 2013-2014. In 2013, at the request of a diversity of civil society organisations worldwide, the Office of the President of the UN General Assembly designated Mr. Bingham and ICMC to coordinate civil society within the processes of the year's High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development in the UN General Assembly.

Before joining ICMC in 2005, Mr. Bingham worked for eight years for Catholic Charities in New York, where he was director of the departments of Immigrant and Refugee Services and later Capital Projects and Law. He further served as Chair of the Board of the New York Immigration Coalition, an advocacy network of 180 member organisations. During the eight prior years, he taught human rights and criminal justice in a refugee camp of 240,000 Cambodians in Thailand, and later business law at the university in Phnom Penh, where he co-authored two books, Free Market Contract Law and an English-Cambodian Law Dictionary. A graduate of Fordham Law School and St. John's University in New York, Mr. Bingham worked for eight years in the legal department of a major Wall Street investment bank, where he was Vice President.



Peter Bonin

Teamleader Sector Project Migration and Development

On behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the Sector Project develops concepts and instruments to harness the potentials of migration for sustainable development and to reduce its risks.

Before taking over the responsibility for the project, Mr. Bonin throughout the last 10 years fulfilled several assignments in several regions and topics for GIZ: In Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, Central Asia and Turkey he was responsible for projects financed by other clients and donors, such as the European Commission and SDC, but also the private sector. All missions were related to EU-approximation and sustainable economic- and regional development as well as preparation for the EU Structural Instruments. From 2008 to 2011 Mr. Bonin established on behalf of BMZ the Open Regional Fund for Southeast Europe and lastly was responsible for the GIZ country office in Montenegro.



Nathalie Bougnoux

Policy analyst on migration and demography within the Strategic support and forward analysis division of the Department of Strategic Planning within the French Development Agency (AFD).

Before joining the AFD in 2012 she worked on migration and population issues for the International Organisation for Migration in France and Vietnam, where she also contributed to the development of the One UN pilot and joint research projects with UNDP and ILO. She also worked with civil society organisations and the French Ministry of Interior on asylum issues.

She holds a degree in International and European Relations from the Aix en Provence Institute of Political Studies and studied migration and human geography at Cork University, Ireland. She subsequently received a Master's Degree in International Public Management at Sciences Po Paris.



Toni Cela

Country Coordinator of the Interuniversity Institute for Research and Development (INURED), a research institute based in Haiti. Her research interests include: migration and education; diaspora and development; the anthropology of disaster and recovery; the internationalization of higher education; and transnational collaboration. She has worked and/or conducted research in the United States, Haiti, Honduras, Senegal, Ghana, Turkey, and the Dominican Republic.

Her most recent publication titled, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?: Haitian University Students in Senegal," can be found in the edited volume, *Lives in Motion: Migration and Education in Global Perspective*.



Vincent Chetail

Professor of Public International Law at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies and Director of the Global Migration Centre. He is Editor-in-Chief of the <u>Refugee Survey Quarterly</u> (Oxford University Press), Senior Research Associate at the Refugee Law Initiative (University of London) and member of the Academic Network for Legal Studies on Immigration and Asylum in Europe.



Ryszard Cholewinski

He joined the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in September 2010. He is a Migration Policy Specialist in the Labour Migration Branch, Conditions of Work and Equality Department (WORKQUALITY), with specific responsibilities for work relating to the global debates on migration governance, including the ILO's participation in the Global Migration Group (GMG), and the linkages between labour migration and development.

Prior to coming to the ILO, he was a Senior Migration Policy and Research Specialist in the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) in Geneva and Reader in Law at the University of Leicester in the United Kingdom.

A lawyer by training, he has written widely on the human rights of migrants, international labour migration, and various aspects of European Union law and policy relating to migration. He holds a doctoral degree from the University of Ottawa, a Master in Laws degree from the University of Saskatchewan, and a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Leicester.



François Crépeau

Full Professor and holds the Hans and Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law, at the Faculty of Law of McGill University. In 2011, he was appointed the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants (2011-2014), by the United Nations Human Rights Council.

He is guest professor at the *Université catholique de Louvain* (2010-2015). He has given many conferences, published numerous articles, and written or (co-)edited seven books: *Terrorism, Law and Democracy:* 10 *Years after 9/11 – Terrorisme, Droit et Démocratie :* 10 ans après le 11 septembre 2001 (2012), Recueil de droit des réfugiés: *Instruments, Jurisprudences et Documents* (*The Refugee Law Reader*) (1st ed. 2010, 2nd ed. 2012), Les migrations internationales contemporaines – Une dynamique complexe au cœur de la globalisation (2009), Penser l'international, Perspectives et contributions des sciences sociales (2007), Forced Migration and Global Processes – A View from Forced Migration Studies (2006), Mondialisation des échanges et fonctions de l'État (1997) and Droit d'asile: De l'hospitalité aux contrôles migratoires (1995). He heads the "Mondialisation et droit international" collection at Éditions Bruylant-Larcier (Brussels).

He is a member of several editorial boards: *Journal of Refugee Studies, International Journal of Refugee Law, Refuge, Droits fondamentaux, European Journal of Human Rights.* He is a Fellow of the *Royal Society of Canada* and was a Fellow 2008-2011 of the *Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation.*



Carl Dahlman

Head of the Thematic Division and Head of Global Development Research at the OECD's Development Centre. He is charge of the annual publication *Perspectives on Global Development*, and responsible for ensuring the quality of the Divisions other research products. He collaborates in the formulation of the Centre's policy messages and the management of dialogue processes with a view to maximising the OECD policy impact and value added.

He joined the OECD in September 2013 from Georgetown University where he was Associate Professor in the School of Foreign Service from 2005 to 2013. Prior to that he spent 25 years at the World Bank in various research, policy, and managerial positions including as the Bank's Resident Representative in Mexico (1994-1997), Staff Director of the 1998/1999 World Development Report -Knowledge for Development, and Manager and Senior Advisor at the World Bank Institute (1999-2004).

Mr. Dahlman has an extensive publications record including nine books and numerous articles. His most recent book *is The World under Pressure: How China and India are Influencing the Global Economy and Environment* (Stanford University Press, 2012). He has worked on all large developing countries and made many presentations on topics such as the rise of China and India, the knowledge economy, innovation, education and lifelong learning, new dimensions of international competitiveness, global risks and challenges.

Mr. Dahlman holds a PhD degree in Economics from Yale University, and a BA in International Affairs from Princeton University.



Ebba Dohlman

Senior Advisor in the Office of the Secretary General and Head of the Policy Coherence for Development (PCD) Unit since 29 March 2010.

Ms. Dohlman, a Swedish national, has worked at the OECD since 1985. Since her appointment as Senior Advisor, she has worked with the Deputy Secretary-General in charge of development to help shape and take forward the OECD Strategy on Development. Previously, she was Senior Counsellor in the Heiligendamm L'Aquila Process (HAP) Support Unit where she was responsible for the development and energy pillars of the dialogue between the G8 and G5. She began her OECD career in the Trade Directorate and moved to the Development Cooperation Directorate in 1991 where she provided key inputs into the work on Environment and Development, Aid for Trade and Pro-Poor Growth and Agriculture.

Prior to coming to the OECD she worked as a trade policy consultant at the GATT (WTO), UNCTAD and the Textiles Importers Association of Sweden in the context of efforts to reform the Multi-Fibre Arrangement. She holds a PhD and MSc from the London School of Economics and from Tufts University



Rosemarie Edillon

Presently the Assistant Director General of the National Development Office (NDO) - Planning and the Director of the National Planning and Policy Staff of the NEDA.

She holds a PhD in Economics from La Trobe University in Australia and advanced degrees in both Economics and Statistics from the University of the Philippines. She also taught Economics at La Trobe University and Economics and Statistics at UP. Before this, she was Executive Director of the Asia-Pacific Policy Center, a research firm that focuses on development policy research.

Her first exposure to Economics was the development of the Philippines annual macroeconometric model and then the ASEAN macro-model. She has since then worked in various fields of specialisation in Economics – agriculture, agrarian reform, poverty, labour, migration, project development, impact evaluation, health, social capital, growth theory and global business.



Gibril Faal

Director of GK Partners – UK-based company that specialises in socially responsible business He is the chairman of AFFORD and founder of RemitAid™. He is a Board Member of funds that invest in international development projects; including the DFID's Global Poverty Action Fund (GPAF) and EC-UN Joint Migration & Development Initiative (JMDI).

He is Senior Research Associate with the Foreign Policy Centre (FPC) and Member of the International Advisory Committee of the Global Forum for Migration and Development (GFMD). He was a lecturer on Global Development Management at The Open University and external evaluator of the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society at University of Oxford. Gibril is a part-time magistrate and special adviser to the Institute of Islamic Banking and Insurance (IIBI). In the past 15 years, he had been appointed to various public functions in the UK by The Home Secretary, The Lord Chancellor, The Chancellor of the Exchequer and The Secretary of State for International Development.

He has a Combined Honours degree in Law, Finance and Management, postgraduate degrees in Environmental Sciences and Development Studies and other professional qualifications.



Malin Frankenhaeuser

A social scientist specialised in peace-building and development. As Programme Manager, she is in charge of developing and coordinating the work of the Competence Centre for Migration & Development at the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD).

Malin Frankenhaeuser's experience in working on migration spans the whole thematic spectrum, covering various approaches such as capacity building, training and policy analysis. She has extensive expertise in inter-institutional coordination and multilateral cooperation, most recently as a member of the Swiss Task Force for the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD).

In addition, her previous work dealt with supporting civil society organisations working for the protection of human rights in East Africa and South Asia.



Toni-Shae Freckleton

Manager of the Population & Health Unit at the Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ)

She holds a BSc. in Sociology and Demography and a Masters degree in Sociology with specialisation in the field of Demography. Mrs Freckleton's professional input to national development at the PIOJ spans eight years and this involves having a leadership role in the monitoring and coordination of national policies and programmes including:

- Vision 2030 Jamaica National Development Plan, specifically in the areas of Population and Culture, Creative Industries and Values;
- International Migration and Development;
- Modernisation Programme of the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics System in Jamaica;
- The National Identification System; and
- National Population Policy and Plan of Action on Population and Development, 2005-2015.

Toni-Shae provides general oversight to the Project Unit established for the development of Jamaica's National Policy and Plan of Action on International Migration and Development. She is Jamaica's focal point for the Global Migration Group Pilot Project on Mainstreaming Migration into National Development Planning.



Jason Gagnon

Jason is an economist with the Migration and Skills unit at the OECD Development Centre. He has worked at the OECD since 2007, including with the international migration unit in the Directorate on Employment, Labour and Social Affairs. His work is focused on the links between migration and development, informal employment and migration policy.



Stéphane Gallet

Originally trained as an engineer, Stéphane Gallet lived in Djibouti from 1992 and 1999, where he worked as an urban networks engineer. Between 2000 and 2006, he resided in Senegal, where he worked as a consultant on local development and participated in Senegal's bilateral co-development initiatives. Between 2008 and 2012, he worked as a Policy Analyst at the French Ministry of Immigration, Integration and Co-development. Since January 2013, he has served in the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, within the Directorate General of Globalisation, Development and Partnerships, where he now heads the Migration and Development Department.



Beata Godenzi

Beata Godenzi Rasmussen is since 2009 the Head of the newly created Global Program Migration and Development (GPMD) within the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) /Federal Department of Foreign Affairs. During the last 5 years, she has firmly positioned SDC in the field of Migration and Development at both the national and international level with the aim of shaping a new dimension to the Migration and Development debate.

After having studied Political Sciences in Lausanne/Switzerland and Development comparative research in Paris/France, she worked for Research centers in Geneva and Paris and for a Development umbrella organization active in policy dialogue in Paris, following closely developments around Cairo conference on Population and Development and the World Summit for Social Development (Copenhagen 1995). In 1996 she joined, as a JPO, UNFPA in Dakar/Senegal. Since 1999 she has been working for SDC, endorsing first in 1999 the function of deputy head of the health program in SDC cooperation office in Maputo /Mozambique and in 2002 a position in the Latin American Division at Headquarters /Bern from 2002-2004. She then joined the Division of institutional partnerships in charge of Swiss NGOs relations from 2005-2009.



Christoph Graf

Studied Geography and Economics at the University of Zurich. He worked for the Swiss banking sector and carried out consultancies for the business sector in Europe. Dr Graf works for the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) since 1991. He was posted among others as Regional Director for Central America in Nicaragua, headed the Evaluation and Controlling Unit, as well as the South Asia Division in charge of the development cooperation programmes in Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal and Bangladesh, and of the policy development in the field of conflicts and human rights. Christoph Graf serves since 2011 as Deputy Head of Global Cooperation of SDC. From November 2013 onwards he took over the role of Assistant Director General and Head of the Directorate Global Cooperation ad interim.



Degol Hailu

Senior Policy Adviser and Team Leader for Economic Governance and Globalization in the Bureau for Development Policy (BDP), UNDP. Between 2008 and 2009, he was the Acting Director of the International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth in Brasilia. Prior to joining the UNDP, Degol spent quite a few years at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, researching, teaching and consulting. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of London. Degol is widely published on development issues. He co-authored a book, published in refereed journals and produced numerous working papers and policy briefs.



Amy Hong

Amy Hong is a Junior Policy Analyst within the Migration and Skills Unit at the OECD Development Centre. Prior to joining the OECD, she worked at the United Nations Population Fund in New York and with NGOs in France and Kenya. She holds an MSc in Human Rights from the London School of Economics, where her thesis focused on advocacy strategies used to defend the rights of France's undocumented migrants, and a B.A. from New York University.



Graeme Hugo

ARC Australian Professorial Fellow, Professor of the Discipline of Geography, Environment and Population and Director of the Australian Population and Migration Research Centre at the University of Adelaide.

His research interests are in population issues in Australia and South East Asia, especially migration. He is the author of over three hundred books, articles in scholarly journals and chapters in books, as well as a large number of conference papers and reports. In 2002 he secured an ARC Federation Fellowship over five years for his research project, "The new paradigm of international migration to and from Australia: dimensions, causes and implications".

His recent research has focused on migration and development, environment and migration and migration policy. In 2009 he was awarded an ARC Australian Professorial Fellowship over five years for his research project "Circular migration in Asia, the Pacific and Australia: Empirical, theoretical and policy dimensions". He is chair of the Demographic Change and Liveability Panel of the Ministry of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities and was appointed to National Housing Supply Council in 2011.



Asein Isaev

Ambassador Asein Isaev, born on December 22, 1963, is a Distinguished Diplomat of the Kyrgyz Republic. In 1986 he graduated from the Ural State University in Yekaterinburg, Russia, with Degree in Philosophy.

At the rise of his career, Mr. Isaev taught Philosophy at the State Pedagogical Institute in the southern city of Osh, Kyrgyzstan. After obtaining his advanced Degree in Philosophy from the Moscow Lomonosov University in 1992, Mr. Isaev was proposed to continue his career with the Diplomatic Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and was appointed as a Third Secretary and Attaché of the CIS Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Since then he has significantly advanced his career within the diplomatic service of the Kyrgyz Republic working in various diplomatic missions of Kyrgyzstan abroad and also within MFA in the capital Bishkek. While working as a Stats-Secretary at MFA, one of Mr. Isaev's many duties was to coordinate migration related issues in the country and with the Kyrgyz embassies abroad.

Currently Mr. Isaev holds the position of Chargé d'affaires at the Embassy of the Kyrgyz Republic in Belgium, France, Luxemburg and Netherlands.



George Jashi

Born on 2 November 1975 in Tbilisi (Georgia). His parents are deriving from the academic circles dealing with art and energy related science. In 1981 he entered elementary school and finished it in 1992.

Flowingly, in the same year he had become a student of Tbilisi State Institute of Asia and Africa. While studying the history of Arab countries and aspects of international relations, he was sent to Egypt (Cairo) for concluding diploma on Georgian sources about 19th century Egyptian history. After gaining MA/B in politology and history in 1997 he applied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, and served there for about five years on different positions. In 2001 he joined the Council of Europe Information Office in Tbilisi and headed it for seven years.

After eleven years of service at the Council of Europe in 2012 he preceded working at the Ministry of Justice of Georgia (Public Services Development Agency) on the position of Executive Secretary for the Secretariat of the State Commission on Migration Issues.



Martin Bak Jørgensen - PhD, Associate Professor

Department of Culture and Global Studies; CoMID - Center for the Study of Migration and Diversity, Aalborg University (Denmark).

Published peer-reviewed articles and co-edited volumes in migration studies: e.g. the co-edited book 'Irregular Migration in a Scandinavian Perspective' (2010, Shaker), co-editor of special issue in the Nordic Journal of Migration Research 'Researching Irregular Migration' (2013), of special issue of Migration Letters 'Civil society and immigration - New ways of democratic transformation' (2013). Contributor to special issue in British Journal of International Politics. Have published in International Migration Review, The Journal of Immigration and Integration amongst others and have contributed to edited volumes on Ashgate and Routledge. Vice-Chair in the Board of Nordic Migration Research, member of the IMISCOE Research Network, Vice-Chair of the Danish Association of Migration Research.

Member of the Council of Europeanists RN on Social Movements. Editoral Board member of the Nordic Journal of Migration Research.



David Khoudour

Head of the Migration and Skills Unit at the OECD Development Centre. Before he joined the OECD, in 2010, he was a researcher at the CEPII (2008-2010), a French think-tank focusing on international economics, and a lecturer at Sciences Po in Paris, from where he holds a PhD in Economics (2005).

Mr. Khoudour, a French national, has also been a Fulbright scholar (2004-2005) at the University of California-Berkeley, a professor of economics and the director of the research centre on international migration (2005-2008) at the Universidad Externado de Colombia in Bogota, and a consultant for the ILO and the IOM.

His research work mainly focuses on the migration-development nexus, an issue on which he has extensively published.



Anna Knoll

Anna Knoll, a German national, is Junior Policy Officer in the EU External Action Programme at ECDPM. Having an academic background in Philosophy and Economics (Bachelor from the University of Bayreuth) and in International Political Economy (Master from the London School of Economics), Anna's interests and expertise lie in the field of political economy, migration and development and trade and development.

Her current activity focuses on EU's engagement and development cooperation in the context of the post-2015 global framework for development, EU's policies 'beyond aid', policy coherence for development and Migration and Development (M&D). She has been involved in policy research on post-2015 as part of the European Report on Development 2013 team and has worked on publications related to migration and development, the post-2015 debate and policy coherence for development.

Prior to joining ECDPM, Anna worked as a stagiaire at the European Commission in the Trade and Development Unit of DG Trade, where she worked on trade dimension of conflict minerals and on issues around the Economic Partnership Agreements.



Silvère Y. Konan

Mr. Konan has a PhD in economics and he is lecturer in the economics department at University Felix Houphouët-Boigny of Cocody (Abidjan) and researcher at Ivorian Center for economic and Social Research Center (CIRES). Presently, he's the chief of the department of studies, research and training at National Office of Population, Ministry of State, Ministry of Planning and Development, Côte d'Ivoire.

His research and publications are in the field of migration, specifically, understanding migration dynamics in African, determinants of illegal migration from Africa toward Europe, link between international remittances, poverty and inequality in west Africa, enhancing the protection of stranded migrants in west Africa, migration profiles.



Frank Laczko

Head of IOM's Migration Research Division.

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Manages IOM's global programme of research and its publications department. Expert on international migration policy in different regions of the world. Currently managing a new 3 year EC funded global project on ways in which migration can contribute to climate change adaptation strategies.



Estrella Lajom

Ms Estrella Lajom is the Head of the Global Forum on Migration and Development, a support structure that was established in 2008 to provide administrative, financial and logistical assistance to the annual GFMD Chairs-in-office. Since assuming her post in Geneva in February 2009, she has served 4 GFMD Chairs – Greece in 2009, Mexico in 2010, Switzerland in 2011 and Mauritius in 2012. Currently, she is assisting Sweden, Chair of the GFMD until June 2014.

Under her leadership, the GFMD Support Unit has performed its multi-pronged mandate that includes liaison and contact with GFMD actors, maintaining the archives of the GFMD, providing information about the process since its inception, organizing all preparatory meetings of the GFMD in Geneva, assisting the host government with the organization of the summit meeting in their capitals, preparation of reports of all GFMD proceedings, managing the GFMD financial resources, and other admin functions. Since 2010, the GFMD Support Unit has also been tasked to administer the GFMD Platform for Partnerships, an initiative aimed at fostering the exchange of practices and information and promoting networking between and among GFMD actors.



Geert Laporte

Belgian national, is Deputy Director at The European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM) and Professor at the Department of Conflict and Development Studies at the University of Ghent.

He is responsible for ECDPM's relations with the EU institutions, EU Presidencies and EU member states, the ACP institutions, the African Union and a broad network of partners in different parts of the world.

His thematic areas of specialisation include: EU external action and development policy, the ACP-EU Cotonou Partnership Agreement and the Joint Africa-EU Strategy with a particular focus on the political dimensions of cooperation, peace and security, economic governance and regional integration. He has been involved in extensive policy research, institutional audits, evaluations and publications on various aspects of ACP-EU and Africa-EU relations. He has also built a longstanding experience in policy dialogue facilitation and institutional and capacity development.

Prior to joining ECDPM in 1990 he has worked for several years as a research fellow and later as an assistant at the Centre for Third World Studies at the University of Ghent, where he mainly worked on the management of international cooperation in Latin America.

Geert Laporte holds a Master in Contemporary History and a Master in Development Studies with specialisation in Public Administration from the University of Ghent.



Michele LeVoy

Director of PICUM, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants, and leads the organisation's work in advocating, monitoring and raising awareness of undocumented migrants' human rights towards European and global institutions. Director of PICUM since 2006, Michele currently serves on the international Civil Society Steering Committee for the High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development, the International Advisory Committee for the Global Forum on Migration and Development, and the board of Migrant Rights International. Michele joined PICUM in March 2002 as a researcher on the organisation's first EU project on solidarity towards undocumented migrants in Europe. Previously, she was coordinator of an international Master Degree program in human ecology at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel and coordinator of a European multicultural society youth program at Pax Christi International. She has worked with resettled refugees in Chicago, USA, and with migrants in Brazil. She holds a Bachelor degree in French and Justice and Peace Studies from the University of St. Thomas and a Master in Applied Sciences (Housing and Development Program) from the Université Catholique de Louvain.

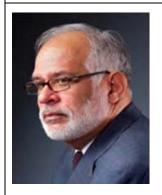


Rosa Maria Losada Eiroa

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Freddy M. Montero Mora began his professional career in the field of public policy for the youth at the PANIAMOR Foundation. Subsequently, he served as the Director of Culture and Education in the Municipality of Escazú. Later, he served for four years as the President of the Latin American Network of Cities for Culture (INTERLOCAL). He then worked beginning in 2007 for the United Nations and functioned as a National Program Officer for UNESCO in Costa Rica. In 2010 he began to serve in the role of General Deputy Director of Immigration for the government of Costa Rica.

Since April 15, 2013 he serves as the Vice Minister of Governance and Police of Costa Rica. Furthermore, he has served as a professor to the School of History at the National University and at the School of Anthropology and Sociology at the University of Costa Rica. He speaks and writes fluently in English and Portuguese and has professional proficiency in French.



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Shabari's experience in migration is personal, academic and professional. Born in Kerala, India, and raised in Qatar, he has worked extensively in advocacy strategies, relationships with States, UN agencies and civil society on, among others, matters of international dialogue, labour migration (notably from South Asia to the Gulf countries), xenophobia and racism, the right to health, and the situation of vulnerable populations in the Middle East and Asia. He achieved his Masters degree in International Relations with a major in Migration and Human Rights from the Geneva School of Diplomacy, Switzerland, and a double university degree in Communications and Asian and International Studies from Griffith University, Australia.



Imelda M. Nicolas

Secretary Nicolas was chair of the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (NCRFW) from 1993 to 1998, where she institutionalized the Gender and Development (GAD) budget in the government's Appropriations Act. She also served as Secretary-General of the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC) from 2004 to 2005. She is presently the cabinet-rank Secretary of the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) under the office of the President of the Philippines. The CFO uses migration and development as its framework with the end of view of responding to its challenges. It envisions to establish itself as the premier institution in the Philippines vis-à-vis migration and development and overseas Filipinos' diaspora engagement.



Pier Carlo Padoan

He took up his functions as Deputy Secretary-General of the OECD on 1 June 2007. As of 1 December 2009 he was also appointed Chief Economist while retaining his role as Deputy Secretary-General. In addition to heading the Economics Department, Mr. Padoan is the G20 Finance Deputy for the OECD and also leads the Strategic Response, the Green Growth and Innovation initiatives of the Organisation and helps build the necessary synergies between the work of the Economics Department and that of other Directorates.

Mr. Padoan is an Italian national and prior to joining the OECD was Professor of Economics at the University La Sapienza of Rome, and Director of the Fondazione Italianieuropei, a policy think-tank focusing on economic and social issues.

From 2001 to 2005, Mr. Padoan was the Italian Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund, with responsibility for Greece, Portugal, San Marino, Albania and Timor Leste. He served as a member of the Board and chaired a number of Board Committees. During his mandate at the IMF he was also in charge of European Coordination.

From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Padoan served as Economic Adviser to the Italian Prime Ministers, Massimo D'Alema and Giuliano Amato, in charge of international economic policies. He was responsible for co-ordinating the Italian position in the Agenda 2000 negotiations for the EU budget, Lisbon Agenda, European Council, bilateral meetings, and G8 Summits. He has been a consultant to the World Bank, European Commission, European Central Bank.

Mr. Padoan has a degree in Economics from the University of Rome and has held various academic positions in Italian and foreign universities, including at the University of Rome, College of Europe (Bruges and Warsaw), Université Libre de Bruxelles, University of Urbino, Universidad de la Plata, and University of Tokyo. He has published widely in international academic journals and is the author and editor of several books.



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In 2010, Marion was elected officer of the International Economic Law Interest Group of the European Society of International Law (ESIL) and re-elected in 2013 for another two years. She has worked as a consultant for the World Bank, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, the Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation, the Institut du Developpement Durable and the Migration Policy Institute. She has been mandated by the Swiss 2011 Presidency of the Global Forum for Migration and Development to design and coordinate the 2011 thematic meeting "Markets for Migration and Development—M4MD".



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Monika Peruffo

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Mario Pezzini

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Before joining the Development Centre in 2010, Mario Pezzini held several OECD senior management positions, including as Deputy Director, Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate (GOV), and prior to that, Head of Division, Regional Policy, GOV. In earlier years Mr. Pezzini was a renowned Professor in Industrial Economics in leading universities in Paris (Ecole des Mines), the United States, and Italy; and served as Advisor in economic development, industrial organisation and regional economics in international organisations and think tanks, such as ILO, UNIDO, European Commission and Nomisma in Italy). Mr. Pezzini's career began in the Government office of the Emilia-Romagna Region.



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Coordinating and providing thematic guidance to IOM's work in the EU, Norway and Switzerland on labour migration, integration and migration and development, and is based at the IOM's Regional Office in Brussels.

From 2009 to 2011, she was in charge of the IOM Independent Network of Labour Migration and Integration Experts (LINET) and published a number of comparative studies on various aspects of migration policy development and immigrant integration in the labour market. Before joining IOM she had worked in 2003 - 2009 on migration and freedom of movement issues at the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE/ODIHR), in particular specializing on promotion of development of evidence-based labour migration policies in Eastern Europe, South Caucasus and Central Asia. Prior to that, she served at the public administration in her native Latvia focussing on European integration issues before the country's accession to the EU.



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In another research project funded by the Outcome Mapping Learning Community, together with Bernhard Hack she developed a utilization oriented policy-advocacy evaluation tool for Austria. In 2012, within the EU-funded project CoMiDe (Initiative for Migration and Development), she co-authored the book "European Good Practice Examples of Migration and Development Initiatives with a Particular Focus on Diaspora Engagement".



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She was a member of the International Advisory Board of the 2010 World Migration Report by IOM. She serves as a member of the Editorial Boards of Asian and Pacific Migration Journal; Migration and Development; and International Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health. Her many publications include books on Asian Labor Migration: Pipeline to the Middle East; Pakistani Women; Basic Needs, Women and Development; and Population of Kuwait: Structure and Dynamics.



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During his prominent 35-year career at the Japanese Ministry of Finance, Mr. Tamaki has worked on various budget, taxation, international finance and development issues. He worked as part of the OECD Secretariat from 1978 – 1980 in the Economic Prospects Division and from 1983 – 1986 in the Fiscal Affairs Division of the Directorate for Financial, Fiscal and Enterprise Affairs (DAFFE). In 1994, Mr. Tamaki was posted to the World Bank as Alternate Executive Director for Japan and in 2002 as Finance Minister at the Embassy of Japan in Washington D.C. He then became Deputy Director-General (2005), before becoming Director-General (2007) and subsequently Vice-Minister for International Affairs (2009) at the Ministry of Finance.

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Mr. van Dillen previously worked at the Cordaid Communication Department around economic justice advocacy issues, and for the Cordaid Program Department as responsible for the Malawi agriculture and food security program, as well as its global and regional advocacy on African agriculture.

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