



Dialogue on Climate Change and Decent Jobs – Shaping the COP21 Agenda of Solutions

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Biographies

Peter POSCHEN, ILO

Peter Poschen works for the International Labor Organization (ILO) as the Director of Job Creation and Enterprise Development. He is the main author of the latest Green Jobs Report, Working Towards Sustainable Development. In his view, not only is the shift to green jobs necessary, but it could also contribute to youth job creation in a context of global recession.

Peter has over 25 years of experience on four continents in sustainable development with a focus on the social dimensions of the use of natural resources. He is currently Director of the Enterprises Department of the ILO in Geneva, where he continues to be responsible for the coordination of the ILO Global Green Jobs Programme.

Born in 1955, Peter holds a PhD in sciences from the University of Freiburg in Germany (1987), an MSc in forestry (1980) and a Diploma in 'Modeling and accounting for sustainable development' from the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague (2006). After joining the ILO in 1986, Peter has served in various capacities: providing technical support to the infrastructure field programmes in Africa (1988-90), forestry and wood industries specialist in the Sectoral Activities Department (1991-94), coordinator of the Environment and World of Work Country Programme, based in Santiago, Chile (1994/95), team leader in the Sectoral Activities Department (1996-2002), coordinator of the Decent Work Pilot Programmes in the Policy Integration Department (2002-2005) and Senior Advisor on Sustainable Development (2006-2009).

Before joining the ILO, Peter served as a volunteer in Ethiopia (1981-84) and worked as a researcher at the University of Freiburg.

H.E. Luis Enrique CHAVEZ BASAGOITIA, Peru

Luis Enrique Chavez Basagoitia, the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations Office at Geneva, served as Director General for Multilateral and



Global Affairs at the Peruvian Foreign Ministry in 2012. In 2011, he was Director General of Protocol and Ceremony of the State. He was Deputy Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations in New York from 2006 to 2010 and was Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations Office at Geneva from 1996 to 2001. He has represented Peru in various international and United Nations conferences.

Mr. Chavez Basagoitia is a career diplomat. In 2005 and 2006, he served as Consul General of Peru in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He also served as Second Secretary at the Embassy of Peru in Colombia from 1991 to 1993, and Third Secretary at the Embassy of Peru in Venezuela from 1987 to 1991. He has held numerous posts at the Foreign Ministry in Lima after joining the Foreign Service in 1985.

Mr. Chavez Basagoitia has taught international negotiation and diplomacy to post graduate students at the University San Martin de Porres in Peru and has taught diplomacy and diplomatic communication at the Diplomatic Academy of Peru. He holds a degree in international relations from the Diplomatic Academy of Peru and has followed studies at the Law Faculty of the Buenos Aires University in Argentina and the Faculty of Law at the University San Martin de Porres in Lima, Peru. He also holds degrees from the International Institute of Public Administration in Paris and the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the University of Paris 1. He has born in Lima, Peru on 17 August 1961 and is married with three children.

H.E. Nicolas NIEMTCHINOW, France

H.E: Nicolas Niemtchinow is the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations Office at Geneva. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Niemtchinow served as Deputy Director of the Office of Alain Juppe, France's Minister of Foreign and European Affairs, from March 2011 until February 2012. He was a Diplomatic Counsellor at the Ministry of Defence from 2009 to 2011. He held the post of Deputy Director for Strategic Affairs of the Strategic Affairs, Security and Disarmament Directorate at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2005 to 2009.

A career diplomat, Mr. Niemtchinow was posted in Jordan as Deputy Head of Mission of the French Embassy between 2002 and 2005. From 1998 to 2002, he was posted in Russia, where he served as a First Secretary at the French Embassy.

Mr. Niemtchinow joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1995 and worked for the NATO, European Defence, Operations and National Defence Policy Section of the Strategic Affairs, Security and Disarmament Directorate until 1998.



Jeremiah LENGOASA, WMO

Jeremiah Lengoasa has been Deputy Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) since 1 March 2010. Prior to this, he was Assistant Secretary-General of WMO since 8 August 2005. He holds Master's degrees in Climatology and Development Management from Witwatersrand University, Johannesburg, South Africa, and for several years worked as a teacher and university lecturer in geography and environmental studies.

Jeremiah served in the South African public service in the areas of environment, environmental regulations and environmental quality and protection, followed by a period in the private sector as a senior bank manager.

From 2003 to 2005, Jeremiah was Chief Executive Officer of the South African Weather Service and Permanent Representative of South Africa with WMO and was a member of the WMO Executive Council.

Youba SOKONA, South Centre

Youba Sokona recently joined the South Centre as Special Advisor on Sustainable Development. The South Centre is an Intergovernmental Organization of Developing Countries intended to meet the need for analysis of development problems and experience. Until May 2012, he was Coordinator of the African Climate Policy Centre (ACPC) at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa. Prior to leading the ACPC, he was the Executive Secretary of the Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS) in Tunis, Tunisia from 2004 to 2010.

Karin ISAKSSON, ILO

Karin Isaksson holds a position as Senior Policy Specialist, Green Jobs, ILO.

Karin Isaksson is a social scientist and has previously worked for the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, Sida, as Senior Environmental Policy Specialist. She has worked in the field of natural resources, environment and climate within development cooperation since 1985, mainly for Sida, but also for FAO and EU Commission, Directorate for Development, and SENSEA, Swedish Environment Secretariat for South-East Asia.

Karin Isaksson takes as special interest in policy development, interdisciplinary approaches and methods development in the area of environment and climate focusing on poverty and gender issues, green economy and green jobs, consultative processes and stakeholder engagement.



H.E. Boujemâa DELMI, Algeria

H.E. Ambassador Boujemâa DELMI, in the Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland.

Anabella ROSEMBERG, International Trade Union Confederation

Anabella Rosemberg in a Policy Adviser at the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC)

Anabella has coordinated the international trade union movement's input to major environmental intergovernmental processes, notably the UNFCCC, since 2007.

She also acts as a liaison contact point between ILO Green Jobs Initiative, UNEP's Green Economy work and the trade union movement. Anabella Rosemberg is co-ordinating the work of the trade union movement in preparation for the RIO+20 Summit.

Born in 1980, in the Argentinean Patagonia, she holds a Masters Degree in Development Studies, Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris.

Before joining the ITUC/TUAC, she worked for non governmental organisations, in the areas of democracy and human rights.

Kees van der Ree, ILO

Kees van der Ree, is manager of the global Programme on Green Jobs. Started in 2008, this Programme aims at mainstreaming the promotion of green jobs and the greening of enterprises in all priorities and in all regions where the ILO works. National and specific assessments of the potential for green jobs feed into national policy formulation and implementation. Relevant knowledge products and tools for green jobs strategies are made available to interested partners, now reaching more than 20 countries.

Before heading the Green Jobs programme Kees worked for the ILO in Vietnam from 2005 to 2007, supporting local economic development strategies. Prior to this, he was part of ILO's Small Enterprise Development programme, with a focus on the informal economy and the strengthening representative organizations of workers and small businesses. He produced various technical publications and training manuals in support of national capacity development.

As a senior advisor, Kees was part of the Task Team on Target 16 of the Millennium Project in 2002-2004, shaping effective approaches to improve the lives of slum dwellers. He acted as ILO's focal point for working with UN-HABITAT and represented the ILO on numerous occasions related to urban poverty and city development strategies, including solid waste management.



Kees holds an MSc in Human Geography of the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, with specialization on small-scale enterprises as engines of rural development in Africa.

Moustapha Kamal GUEYE, ILO

Moustapha Kamal Gueye is Policy Specialist - Green Jobs, at the International Labour Organization, working to promote positive employment outcomes of policies on climate change, green economy and sustainable development. Previously, Kamal served as Head, Green Economy Advisory Services at United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Senior Programme Manager-Environment at the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD) in Geneva.

Earlier, Kamal spent twelve years across Asia, managing policy research projects on renewable energy, environment and sustainable development at the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) in Japan. He is a member of the Management Committee of the Global Social Observatory and participates in the World Economic Forum-ICTSD Expert Group on "Measures to Address Climate Change and the Trade System".

A citizen of Senegal, Kamal holds a Ph.D. and Master degrees from Nagoya University, Japan; DEA and LL.M from Dakar University; and Executive Certificates from the World Bank Institute, Washington; Columbia University, NY; Foundation for Advanced Studies on International Development, Japan; and Integrated Research and Action for Development, India. He is a visiting lecturer at the University of Tokyo and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. Kamal speaks Wolof, French, English and Japanese.