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Welcoming Remarks



Ms. Valerie Cliff

Deputy Regional Director for Asia & the Pacific and Director of Bangkok Regional Hub

Valerie Cliff of the United States was appointed as UNDP Deputy Regional Director for Asia & the Pacific in 2017. Valerie served as the UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Djibouti from 2014 to 2017. Her earlier assignments included senior management roles in UNDP New York, and UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Kuwait, as well as earlier assignments in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Cambodia. Prior to joining the United Nations in 1991, Valerie worked in the financial sector and served as a Volunteer for the International Rescue Committee in Peshawar, Pakistan.

Ms Cliff holds a Master of Business Administration degree (MBA) from Harvard Business School and undergraduate degrees from the London School of Economics and Amherst College.

Opening Remarks



Mr. Paul Stephens

Chargé d'Affaires, Australian Embassy Bangkok

Paul Stephens is a senior career officer with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. He commenced as Deputy Head of Mission Bangkok in July 2018. His most recent previous position was Assistant Secretary, South East Asia Regional Branch (2016-2018). He has also served in senior roles in Europe Division, Americas Division, Corporate Management Division and in International Division of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. Mr Stephens' overseas experience includes Ambassador in Stockholm (2009-2013), First Secretary later Counsellor UN New York (2002-2005), and Third Secretary Brasilia (1995-1998).

Mr Stephens has a Master of International Relations from Deakin University, Graduate Diploma in Communications from the University of Canberra and a Bachelor of Arts from the Australian National University.



Opening Remarks



Ms. Margaret Tongue

Charge' d'Affaires, British Embassy Bangkok

Margaret Tongue took up her appointment as Deputy Head of Mission at the British Embassy in Thailand in April 2016.

Margaret has a long-standing interest in the region, with an undergraduate degree in Chinese Studies and a Masters in International Politics of Asia. Since joining the Foreign Office in 2000 she has had a number of postings in Asia, working in Sri Lanka during the ceasefire of 2002-05, where she led on internal politics, the peace process and conflict resolution; in Taiwan, where she was Deputy Head of Mission and Director of UK Trade & Investment; and China and Japan, where her focus was on regional security and foreign policy. She has also worked in London on South East Asia, Iran and peacekeeping. She speaks Mandarin Chinese.



Mr. Phil Matsheza

International consultant based in Myanmar

Phil is currently providing support to governments, UN Agencies, and other partners in Governance, Peacebuilding and Anti-Corruption.

Previously, he led the Governance, Human Rights and Peacebuilding Team at the UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub, providing advisory and programme support to countries in Asia and the Pacific. He has over 30 years of experience that includes diplomatic service, civil society and UN. Before joining BRH, he was the Global Policy Adviser on Anti-Corruption for UNDP Global Thematic Programme on Anti-Corruption for Development Effectiveness (PACDE), providing support to national partners. He was also the Cluster Leader for International Principles in the Democratic Governance Group at UNDP headquarters, covering the normative work on governance including human rights, anti-corruption and governance assessments.

Prior to joining UNDP, he worked for UNODC as an anti-corruption expert on the Global Programme against Corruption, providing technical assistance to member states, field offices and other UN agencies.

Between 1981 and 1989, Phil worked as a Zimbabwean diplomat in Ethiopia, Germany and Brussels. After that he served as Deputy Director of Information and later as Under Secretary for Policy and Legislation in the Ministry of Home Affairs until 1997. Between 1997 and 2005, he worked with civil society in Southern Africa promoting good governance, free and fair elections and observance of human rights. During this period, he led a number of human rights and anti-corruption initiatives including the development and adoption of the SADC Protocol against Corruption, human rights training courses and a number of advocacy programmes with civil society and the media. He wrote eight publications on human rights and anti-corruption.

Phil was born in Zimbabwe and holds an LLB Honors degree from the University of Zimbabwe and a Masters of International Law in Human Rights from the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at the University of Lund, Sweden.

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Transparency, accountability and anti-corruption in the context of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development



Mr. Anga Timilsina

Global Programme Advisor on Anti-Corruption, UNDP

Anga is currently the UNDP's Global Programme Advisor on Anti-corruption and provides overall supervision and guidance to the UNDP's Global Anti-corruption project titled "Anti-corruption for Peaceful and Inclusive Societies (ACPIS)", which is UNDP's flagship initiative for policy and programme support to UNDP programme countries. Anga has provided governance and anti-corruption technical support to to more than 40 countries, including support for strengthening the capacity of government institutions, business sector, CSOs, media, youth and women's networks to prevent and combat corruption. Anga also coordinates UNDP's anti-corruption efforts at the global level including global advocacy and awareness, research and analysis, donor and partner coordination. Anga has A Ph.D. in Policy Analysis from the Pardee RAND Graduate School and a master's degree in international development from the International University of Japan. He also brings his experiences working for various non-governmental agencies in Nepal.



Ms. Diana Torres

Project Manager, Promoting a Fair Business Environment in ASEAN, UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub

Diana Torres has over 10 years of experience in the field of governance and development, with particular expertise on transparency, accountability and anticorruption. Besides providing policy support to national and local authorities, she also has experience managing UN project implementation at regional and global levels. Before joining UNDP BRH, she served as Anti-corruption Expert at the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority of Qatar, based in Doha, where she supported the drafting of the National Anti-corruption Strategy. Between 2015-2017, Diana worked with UN DOCO in New York as Policy Specialist, UN Programme and Operations coordinating the QCPR/UN reform agenda at HQ level, and from 2012-2015 she worked with UNDP/BPPS in New York as Anti-corruption Analyst. She had joined UNDP for the first time in 2010 as Research Coordinator of the Poverty and Human Development team at the UNDP-RBLAC, based in Bogota, Colombia.



Ms. Mihaela Stojkoska

Anti-Corruption Specialist, UN-PRAC

Mihaela Stojkoska Burwitz comes from Macedonia and has 18 years of experience working in the field of Governance. She is the Regional Anti-Corruption Specialist (Pacific) UNDP with UN-PRAC in the Pacific; previously as Head of the Governance Unit in the UNDP Country Office in Macedonia, where she served from 2008 to 2016. From 2006 to 2008 she worked as a public administration reform officer in the OSCE Mission to Skopje. Before that, she served as a high ranking civil servant in the Ministry of Local Self Government in Skopje, as a Deputy Head of Department for Legal and European Integration Affairs. She is a lawyer by education and started her career briefly working on Criminal Law issues in the Macedonia court system. Throughout her career she has worked both at the level of policy making and service delivery, working with national actors, international organizations, local governments, civils society and other stakeholders.

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Mr. Nicholas Booth

Programme Advisor, Access to Justice, Conflict Prevention and Human Rights UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub

Nicholas Booth joined the Governance and Peacebuilding team at UNDP's Bangkok Regional Hub in 2013, where he advises on the rule of law, access and justice and human rights dimensions of UNDP's regional programming as well as supporting UNDP country offices throughout Asia and the Pacific. From 2008 to 2012 he was Policy Adviser for Rule of Law and Access to Justice at UNDP Viet Nam, and prior to that he served with the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations in Kosovo from 2001-2007 as Senior Adviser on Police and Justice. Before joining the UN in 2001, Mr. Booth had 12 years of experience as a legal practitioner in the United Kingdom and the United States, specializing in labor rights and discrimination. During his years in private practice he was an active pro bono lawyer working with the Terrence Higgins Trust, the Free Representation Unit and the Employment Law Appeals Advisory Scheme among others. Mr. Booth holds a BCL in Law from Brasenose College, Oxford and an MA (Hons) in Law from Queens' College, Cambridge.

Round Table 1 Perspectives on anti-corruption trends and approaches in the Asia-11:15 – 12:45 Pacific Region



Ms. Shireen Sandhu

Director, Law and Justice Section, Governance, Fragility and Water Branch, Development Policy Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia

Shireen Sandhu joined DFAT in 1989. In Canberra, she held a range of positions, including Country Program Manager for AusAID's Solomon Islands, PNG and Mekong Programs. Ms Sandhu has had postings in PNG (1994 and 2005) Vietnam (2000), Geneva (2011) and Afghanistan (2015). She is the current Director of the Law and Justice section in DFAT and is responsible for managing a portfolio of anti-corruption and governance investments. Shireen was educated at New South Wales University in Sydney and at the Australian National University in Canberra. She holds a Bachelor of Social Work degree and a Masters Degree in International Development.



Mr. David Binns

Director, Office of Anticorruption and Integrity, ADB

David Binns joined OAI in June 2013 having previously worked with business risk consultancies RISQ Worldwide and Control Risks Group in the UK, Singapore and Australia since 2002. He was a director of the RISQ Worldwide's UK office having been the Director of Operations in Singapore from 2007 to 2010. Mr. Binns joined Control Risks Group in Australia in 2002 as the Investigations Manager before moving to Singapore in 2004 where he was eventually promoted to Deputy Director for South and South East Asia. In 1997 Mr. Binns joined KPMG Forensic Accounting in London and in 2000 was seconded to KPMG Sydney to assist in developing its forensic practice. Prior to KPMG he was a civil servant, serving as an investigator in the UK's Inland Revenue Special Investigation Office (formerly known as the Board's Investigation Office), which he joined in 1990. Mr. Binns has an EMBA in International Business from the University of Bristol, as well as BA Hons. Economics.

Round Table 1 Perspectives on anti-corruption trends and approaches in the Asia-Pa-11:15 – 12:45 cific Region (continued)



Mr. Klas Rasmusson

Senior Anti-Corruption Policy Specialist, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)

Klas has extensive experience working in the Swedish Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), where he currently is Sida's Senior Anti-Corruption Policy Specialist. Previously, he was Sida's manager for Eastern Europe and Western Balkans and held postings at several Swedish Embassies including Bangladesh and Laos, as well as Uganda and Cambodia, where Sweden and Klas was lead donor in the health sector and in anti-corruption respectively. Prior to Sida, Klas was an auditor and consultant at PWC. He holds a Bsc in Economics.



Ms. Mathilde Mesnard

Deputy Director for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD

Mathilde Mesnard is Deputy Director of the Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs of the OECD since November 2016. In this capacity, Ms. Mesnard provides intellectual leadership to the directorate across the different policy areas (anti corruption, corporate governance, competition, financial markets, international investment, insurance and private pensions) and supports the co-ordination and management of its programme of work and its Committees. Ms. Mesnard has extensive experience in the OECD, having been the coordinator of the New Approaches to Economic Challenges (NAEC) Initiative since 2013. Prior to this, Ms. Mesnard has worked as Senior Advisor to the OECD Secretary-General and Counsellor, supporting the delivery of the Secretary-General Strategic Agenda, including in the preparation of the Ministerial Council Meetings, the advancement of relationship with key partners, and the OECD Accession Process. She also launched and coordinated the CleanGovBiz Project and contributed to the follow up of issues related to financial and enterprise affairs, governance, integrity and gender equality.

Ms. Mesnard is a French national and holds a degree in Philosophy, a Master's Degree in Finance and an MBA from the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris. She received her PhD in Economics from the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales.



Ms. Catherine Rylance

Global Head of Anti-Corruption, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK Government

Catherine has worked in various anti-corruption roles in the UK government since 2015. She was international policy lead in the run up to the London Anti-Corruption Summit in 2016, and she led delegations to the UN Convention Against Corruption, and the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention. She also was the focal point for the UK's peer review under the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention in 2017. She led the UK's implementation of the Criminal Finances Act during 2017, which introduced a suite of new powers including Unexplained Wealth Orders and new bank account freezing powers.

She worked in a public private partnership to reform the UK's Suspicious Activity Reporting Regime during 2018, and now leads the delivery of the FCO's Global Anti-Corruption Programme, which works with multilateral delivery partners (the UNODC, OECD and FATF), and bilaterally with 8 countries, including Malaysia and Indonesia. She is also an economist.

Round Table 2 Collective actions against corruption towards the SDGs 14:00 – 15:30



Ms. Shreya BasuAsia-Pacific Lead, OGP

Shreya leads on OGP's regional strategy and country engagement in the Asia Pacific region. She leads on supporting countries in the region in adopting and implementing open government reforms working within and across various OGP teams and with OGP's network of partners. Previously, she worked at Publish What You Fund where led on research and monitoring and successfully advocated for the world's largest donor agencies to make their aid transparent. Earlier, she worked with the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy in Singapore where she conducted research on anti-corruption and public sector reforms in South and Southeast Asia. Shreya has private sector experience conducting fraud investigations and delivering fraud risk management and anti-corruption compliance programs for clients across multiple industries.

She is a graduate of Yale University's Master's in International Relations program. Shreya is based in Singapore.



Ms. Serena Lillywhite

Chief Executive Officer, Transparency International Australia

Serena Lillywhite is the Chief Executive Officer at Transparency International Australia.

Serena has had a 20-year career in responsible business conduct and is an experienced corporate accountability practitioner, researcher and advocate. Serena is well known for her work on the social dimensions of international business, particularly: governance, corruption, human rights, labour rights, resettlement and gender. This has included work in the financial services sector, mining and the garment and apparel sectors, and support to communities and civil society to secure their rights.

Serena is an experienced political lobbyist and communicator and has spent many years working to strengthen the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, among other corporate accountability mechanisms and performance standards.

Serena holds a Masters in International Business from The University of Melbourne, and has authored several corporate accountability publications. She has lived and worked in China and Cambodia, among other countries, and has also had an extensive career in the education sector.



Round Table 2 Collective actions against corruption towards the SDGs (continued) 14:00 – 15:30



Mr. Francesco Checchi

Anti-Corruption Advisor, UNODC

Francesco Checchi has more than 15 years of experience working in international organizations in the area of good governance, public administration reform and anti-corruption. Currently he serves as the UNODC Anti-Corruption Regional Adviser for South and Southeast Asia. His work focuses on providing support to Member states of the UN Convention Against Corruption for implementation of the Convention; he provides expert advice and input to the development and implementation of technical assistance programmes in anti-corruption at the regional and/or national levels in Southeast Asia and South Asia, in accordance with the UNODC's overall strategy and as an integral element of the UNODC Regional Programme.

Main areas of Activity of Mr Checchi's expertise are: developing anti-corruption policy and regulatory frameworks at national and sub-national levels; providing technical assistance to independent agencies and governmental units dealing with anti-corruption or responsible for promoting transparency and accountability as well as sound public financial management in public services.



Ms. Manisha Dogra

Vice President Sustainability-Asia, Telenor Group, Singapore

Manisha is Vice President Sustainability- Asia at Telenor Group, based out of Singapore. Manisha joined Telenor in 2009 in India and has since worked in various roles within sustainability functions across the Asian region including setting up sustainability framework and processes in Myanmar during the pre- launch phase and was based in Yangon from 2013-2015. In her current role she leads the Sustainability efforts in Telenor's Asian markets towards the global commitments on UN SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities through sustainability partnerships, human rights and supply chain sustainability initiatives. Manisha is now based out of Telenor's regional HQ in Singapore having worked and lived in Bangkok from 2015-2018.



Ms. Verity Thoi

Manager, Centre for Governance, Institutions and Organisations (CGIO), National University of Singapore

Verity graduated from National University of Singapore with a Bachelor of Arts and Social Sciences and completed a Bachelor of Psychology Degree (Honours) at James Cook University in 2012. She is currently a research and admin manager at the Centre for Governance, Institutions and Organisations, and manages the Centre's research projects and outreach efforts. She has been with CGIO for 4 years and has seen the growth in research outputs for the Centre under the capable leadership of CGIO's director, Prof Lawrence Loh. Verity has some personal experience with equitable treatment for labour rights, having held the position of Chairman of British Airways Cabin Crew Union from 2011 to 2013. She was instrumental in overturning a signed contract that was biased against senior cabin crew. Verity also had a prior experience as a journalist at People's Association for their monthly publications.

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SDG 16+ and its opportunities to increase transparency, accountability and anti-corruption



Ms. Malou Mangahas

Executive Director, the Philippines Center for Investigative Journalism

Malou Mangahas is the vice chairperson of the Southeast Asian Press Alliance (SEAPA) and co-convenor of the Right to Know, Right Now Coalition of FOI advocates in the Philippines. She served as editor in chief of the Philippine Collegian and as the first woman chairperson of the UP Student Council, but was detained for alleged subversion as a student leader under Ferdinand Marcos's martial law government. She finished her journalism degree with honors at the University of the Philippines and later became a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University. Malou is host of the weekly public affairs program "Investigative Documentaries" that airs Thursdays on GMANewsTV. She was the country researcher for the Philippines of the Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) of the Open Government Partnership from 2013 to 2015. Malou has worked as senior correspondent of Reuters in Manila, The Guardian of London, and Newsday of New York.



Ms. Urantsetseg Ulziikhuu

TI Mongolia

Urantsetseg is the Programme Manager at Transparency International Mongolia, one of over 100 chapters of TI global movement against corruption around the world. Her projects include the Business Integrity, Mining for Sustainable Development, and Youth participation. She holds a Bachelor of Honors degree in Management & Business Administration from City University of Istanbul. Furthermore, she studied at KU Leuven in Belgium and completed courses at the Universities of Exeter and Sussex. Ms. Urantsetseg was the first Mongolian to become a Certified Compliance and Ethic Professional – International (CCEP-I), by Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics. She has intensive experience in training both multinational and medium & small sized companies in Mongolia. As a young professional in the anti-corruption field, she has been previously been selected to present at the 11th Asia-Europe High-level (ASEM) meeting in 2016 representing voices of young people around ASEM countries. She was also a part of Mongolian National Delegation to 4th Monitoring Report of Istanbul Action plan implementation.



Mr. Wisoot Tantinan

Governance lead, UNDP Thailand

Wisoot is the Programme Specialist/Team Leader, Democratic Governance and Social Advocacy at UNDP Thailand. He was previously with various organizations where he worked in the field of governance and advocacy in the last 10 years. He worked for UNICEF on advocacy and implementation of child support grant policy. Prior to that, he was a part of UNICEF team working intensively on local capacity building and early childhood development that involved the decentralized governance structure of Thailand. Before joining UN family, Wisoot worked as a policy and political analyst for the House Committee on Economic Development, the Parliament of Thailand. Wisoot hold two Master's degrees in Nature, Society and Environmental Policy from the University of Oxford and in Environmental Economics from Chulalongkorn University. He also has two Bachelor's degrees in Environmental Engineering from Chulalongkorn University and in Fiscal Economics from Ramkhamhaeng University.

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SDG 16+ and its opportunities to increase transparency, accountability and anti-corruption (continued)



Mr. Khurshid Alam

Assistant Resident Representative, UNDP Bangladesh

Khurshid Alam is the Assistant Country Director at UNDP Nations Development Programme, Bangladesh. He has been spanning nearly 20 years of experience in 40 countries in Africa, Caribbean, Europe and Asia, his work focuses on empowering people, social actions and better governance to solve disaster and climate change problems. He wrote widely in books and journals. He was an independent consultant for the Governments, NGOs, Donors, UN and Academic Institutions. He worked for ActionAid in the past as an Emergency Policy Advisor in London; and International Tsunami Programme Director for a multi-country programme in six countries, and Head of Sector Programme in Bangladesh. Mr. Alam by training is an anthropologist and graduated from Jahangirnagar University.

Day 2: 12 June 2019

Session 9:00 – 10:30

Innovation and technology for anti-corruption in the context of 2030 Agenda



Mr. Juan Felipe Yepes

Lab Capital Coordinator, Bogota Ombudsman Office, Colombia

Juan Felipe Yepes is a Political Scientist from Universidad Javeriana with a Master's degree in Decentralized International Cooperation, Peace and Development from University of the Basque Country. He has over 12 years of experience in the Colombian public sector, working with the Colombian Presidency, Ministry of Interior, and Bogota's Omudsman's Office, among others. His experience with innovation positioned him as the Coordinator of Social Innovation of the Colombian National Agency for the Reduction of Extreme Poverty in 2014, as a professor on innovation in public management for Universidad Externado and currently as the Coordinator for Bogota's Omundsman's Office Public Innovation Lab (LABcapital).

As LABcapital's coordinator, Juan Felipe has developed initiatives such as a Public Innovation Index for Bogota, an Online Public Innovation Course for public officials and 8 public challenges with Bogota's public offices.



Mr. Tigran Tshorokhyan

Public Policy Innovation Lead at the SDG Innovation Lab, UNDP Armenia

Tigran Tshorokhyan is a development professional with more than 15 years of experience of management in public institutions and international organizations. His expertise ranges from public policy innovation, digitalization and advocacy to institution-building and change management in public and private sectors as well as in civil society organizations. Tigran is also the founder of two successful e-commerce platforms in Armenia.

He holds PhD in Political Science from Russian-Armenian University with 7 years of track record of lecturing in Yerevan State University.

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Innovation and technology for anti-corruption in the context of 2030 Agenda (continued)



Ms. Natacha Sarkis

Anti-Corruption Officer, Office of the Minister of State for Administrative Reform

Natacha Sarkis holds a Master's degree in Analysis and Economic policies from Montpellier 1 University and has 11 years of specialized expertise in supporting democratic governance reforms with an emphasis on anti-corruption, elections, rule of law and accountability.

Worked with national and international organizations such as the Lebanese Transparency Association – Transparency International local chapter and UNDP Regional Bureau for Arab States – Regional project on Anti-corruption and Integrity in the Arab Countries (ACIAC). In April 2019, started working with UNDP Lebanon as anti-corruption officer at the Office of Minister for Administrative Reform (OMSAR).



Ms. Sangay Wangmo

Portfolio Manager, UNDP Bhuta

Sangay Wangmo works as the Portfolio Manager for Governance and Advocacy portfolio of UNDP Bhutan. As the Portfolio Manager, she manages the Inclusive Governance for SDG 16 implementation programme. The programme aims to support governance institutions and communities of Bhutan in further exercising the principles of responsive democratic governance at the national and local levels for SDG 16 implementation.

Ms. Wangmo also oversees the Bhutan project on Anti-Corruption for Peaceful and Inclusive Societies in Asia-Pacific Region.



Rinchen Namgay

Planning Officer, Anti-Corruption Commission of Bhutan

Rinchen Namgay works as the Planning Officer in the Policy & Planning Services (PPS) of the Anti-Corruption Commission of Bhutan. His core responsibilities involve providing strategic support to the Commission to develop, monitor and review strategies, plans and programs in promoting integrity and anti-corruption in the country. Among others, he liaise with regional and international counterparts to share and learn best practices and promote interagency cooperation. He began his civil service career with the Anti-Corruption Commission as the Communication Officer in February 2011. Since then, he has held various portfolios as Public Education, Prevention and Planning Officer. He also has experience working under the Department of Investigation to investigate few cases.

He has a B.Sc in Visual Communication from Bharathiar University, India.

Session 10:45 – 12:00

The catalytic role of the business sector to achieving SDG 16 – Transparency, accountability and anti-corruption



Mr. Hady Fink

Lead author of the Baseline Study, Promoting a Fair Business Environment

A German national, Hady has been engaged in the field of Anti-Corruption and Compliance for over 15 years in different roles. His main country experience outside Europe are the Middle East (six years) and Latin America (two years). He speaks nine languages on different levels. Hady is a board member of the European affiliate of a global anti-corruption NGO (Partnership for Transparency Fund), as well as co-founder and vice-president of a German NGO doing social projects in rural Brazil (Projects for Poor People). In his spare time, he entertains his two kids, plays ice hockey or goes kitesurfing.

Hady holds a PhD (Intercultural Studies) and two master's degrees (Economics, Intercultural Studies), all from Passau University.



Ms. Vicky Bowman

Director of Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business

Vicky Bowman is director of the Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business and a former British ambassador to Myanmar. Vicky began her diplomatic career in 1990 with the UK Embassy in Yangon. She served as UK ambassador to Myanmar from 2002 to 2006. She has also held roles as Member of Cabinet of Chris Patten, European Commissioner for External Relations (1999-2002), and as Director of Global and Economic Issues at the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office (2008-2011 when she was also UK G8 Foreign Affairs Sous-Sherpa).

Since 2011, Ms Bowman has worked at Rio Tinto where amongst other responsibilities, she led the implementation of the company's commitment to the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, developed its sector-leading approach to transparency, and worked with governments, civil society and international organisations on how mining investments can better support development.



Mr. Y. W. Junardy

President of Indonesia Global Compact Network

Y.W. Junardy is the Commissioner of PT Rajawali Corpora, an Indonesian national holding investment Company operating in diverse industries i.e. hotel & property, transportation, agriculture, mining, infrastructure and IT Services. Prior to his current position he served in various companies including Managing Director of PT Rajawali Corpora, CEO of Excelcomindo (Now XL Axiata), a cellular operator, Board of RCTI, a national TV broadcasting and Bentoel International Investama. He has also worked for IBM Indonesia, IBM Regional HQ in Hong Kong, New York and Tokyo before his appointment as CEO of PT USI - IBM Indonesia. He currently serves as the President of Global Compact Network Indonesia. He is also board-member of various organizations, among others: Indonesia Business Links, Asia Marketing Federation, Indonesia Marketing Association, House of Love Foundation, Uni Papua Football Community and Bhumiksara Foundation. He is a member of President's Advancement Advisor Committee of National University of Singapore. He is also an Honorary Consul of the Republic of Namibia to Indonesia. He was appointed by the UN Secretary-General as a board member of the United Nations Global Compact for 2015 – 2018.

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Mr. Pana Ratanabanangkoon

Project Director of the Thailand's Private Sector Collective Action Coalition Against Corruption

Pana Ratanabanangkoon is currently CAC's Project Director responsible for the overall strategy and operations of CAC. Previously, he was responsible for establishing CAC's SME Certification program and Citizen Feedback projects. Earlier in his career, he worked for Shell in various engineering, commercial and management roles in Thailand, Singapore, Europe and the US. His work experience includes developing new renewable energy projects and business development activities for Shell Wind Energy, Shell Hydrogen, Shell Oil Products, Shell Pipeline and Shell Exploration and Production.

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Social accountability initiatives for transparency, accountability and anti-corruption



Ms. Malou Mangahas

Executive Director, the Philippines Center for Investigative Journalism

Malou Mangahas is the vice chairperson of the Southeast Asian Press Alliance (SEAPA) and co-convenor of the Right to Know, Right Now Coalition of FOI advocates in the Philippines. She served as editor in chief of the Philippine Collegian and as the first woman chairperson of the UP Student Council, but was detained for alleged subversion as a student leader under Ferdinand Marcos's martial law government. She finished her journalism degree with honors at the University of the Philippines and later became a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University. Malou is host of the weekly public affairs program "Investigative Documentaries" that airs Thursdays on GMANewsTV. She was the country researcher for the Philippines of the Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) of the Open Government Partnership from 2013 to 2015. Malou has worked as senior correspondent of Reuters in Manila, The Guardian of London, and Newsday of New York.



Mr. Edward Marcel C. Gacusana

Interim Project Manager, UNDP Philippines

Edward is currently managing the DepEd-UNDP computerization project and its capacity development program. He oversees delivery of ICT and solar packages to 3,694 un-energized public schools in Mindanao and Luzon, including the mobilization of over 3,000 citizen volunteers in partnership with 13 civil society network organizations. Prior to joining UNDP, he served as manager of the Citizens Participatory Audit Project of the Commission on Audit and Affiliated Network for Social Accountability in East Asia and the Pacific. Prior to this, he briefly served as consultant of the Presidential Commission on Good Government. For 15 years he has worked in various capacities at the Makati Business Club (MBC) – component team leader for corporate governance of the USAID Integrity for Investments Initiative, director for special projects, coordinator of the Coalition Against Corruption, manager of the Integrity Initiative-SHINE project, coordinator of the Transparent Accountable Governance (TAG) Project, and manager of MBC's legislative monitoring service for corporate clients. He holds a bachelor's degree in Behavioral Science at the University of Santo Tomas.

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Social accountability initiatives for transparency, accountability and anti-corruption (continued)



Mr. Appala Saripalli

UNDP Papua New Guinea

Professional member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Certified Public Accountants of Ireland and Certified Practising Accountants of PNG with 30+ years of post qualification experience. Appala has worked in Africa and Asia-Pacific and is now working with the PNG Phones Against Corruption Program since 2016.

The PNG Phones Against Corruption program was nominated by "Wantok Niuspepa" for the 2018 Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption Centre (ROLACC) Doha, Qatar – International Anti-Corruption Excellence (ACE) Award under innovation category and was one of 8 winners for 2018. The award was presented by Dr. Mahathir, the Hon PM of Malaysia on 8th December, 2018 in Kuala Lumpur.



Mr. Petter Matthews

Executive Director, CoST Infrastructure Transparency Initiative

Petter Matthews is the Executive Director of CoST, the Infrastructure Transparency Initiative. He is an infrastructure and international development specialist with 40 years' experience. In addition to his work on CoST, he is the Executive Director of 'Engineers Against Poverty' an NGO working to improve infrastructure policy and practice and in 2019, he is the International Chair of the C20 Infrastructure Working Group.



Mr. Irakli Kotetishvili

Policy Specialist on Anti-Corruption and Public Administration, UNDP IRH

Irakli Kotetishvili is an anti-corruption and public administration specialist at the UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub. Before joining UNDP, Irakli worked as an international anti-corruption consultant for the World Bank, OSCE and DFID in countries including Ukraine, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Ethiopia and Chile. Mr. Kotetishvili also served in the Georgian civil service in the capacity of Director of the Civil Service Coordination Agency, which, under his leadership, was awarded with the United Nations Public Service Award in 2013. He holds a Master's degree in Public Policy from the University of Oxford and LL.M. from the University of Sussex. Irakli has completed his BA degree in Law at the Tbilisi State University in 2005.



Ms. Aida Arutyunova

Programme Manager, UNDP's Global Anti-Corruption Initiative

Aida Arutyunova is a Programme Manager of UNDP's Global Anti-Corruption Initiative (ACPIS global project). She works for UNDP's global anti-corruption programmes (PACDE, GAIN, ACPIS) since 2010. Prior to that Aida managed UNDP Armenia's anti-corruption project, was a national advisor to Armenia's Prime Minister's office on anti-corruption, public administration and e-governance issues in joint UNDP-EU project, managed various projects at Catholic Relief Services, UN's Food and Agriculture Organization. Aida brings 18 years of experience in working on development and humanitarian issues, of which 13 on working on anti-corruption issues and 16 on managing various projects.

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Closing session



Mr. Klas Rasmusson

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