Agneta Johansson, Executive Director, International Legal Assistance Consortium, Sweden

Agneta Johansson is the Executive Director of International Legal Assistance Consortium (ILAC). She is a lawyer that specializes in international law and human rights law. She has served in several international missions including OSCE and the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia Herzegovina. She was the first Director of the Swedish Christian Study Centre in Jerusalem and was the Deputy Head of Staff at the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH). She has been appointed by the Swedish Foreign Minister as one of fifteen inspiring women comprising the Swedish 5 Women’s Mediation Network in recognition of her work in peacebuilding and rule of law. She is a board and jury member of the Right Livelihood Award.

Alan Wu, Senior Regional Coordinator, Asia-Pacific, Open Government Partnership

Alan Wu joined the Open Government Partnership in August 2018. He was previously the Australian OGP Point of Contact, and an executive and lawyer with the Australian Government, having worked across the Departments of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Attorney-General, and Prime Minister and Cabinet. Alan also has a strong civil society background focused on social inclusion and civic participation. He serves on the Board of Directors of Oxfam Australia, one of Australia’s largest international development organisations. After attending the World Economic Forum meeting in Davos, he was also commissioned to help grow the Forum’s Global Shapers Community, which supports young changemakers across the world. Previously, Alan served as Chair of Australia’s peak body for young people, as Special Envoy for Young People to the Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme, and on the Australian National Commission for UNESCO.

Ali Fayez, Programmes Manager, Afghans for Progressive Thinking, Afghanistan

Ali Fayez is a youth activist from Afghanistan and a member of the International Steering Group of the United Network of Young Peacebuilders. Mr Fayez has a Sociology Degree from Ibne Sina University and has been an Executive Board member of Progressive Thinking for nearly eight years. He also uses his spare time volunteering to support young people. Previously, Ali attended the Global Forum on Youth, Peace and Security in Jordan, and was a panelist on the topic of ‘Youth Movement Building Peace.’ He also advocated for UN Resolution 2250 at both the national and international level, and since 2015 has been working closely with the Deputy Minister of Youth Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to organize and execute events on issues related to youth and peace.

H.E. Alie Kabba, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the United Nations

Before his latest appointment, Mr. Kabba was his country’s Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation beginning in June 2018 until May 2019. From 2007 to 2017, he served as Executive Director at the United African Organization in Chicago, United States. Between 1997 and 2007, Mr. Kabba was a Public Service Administrator for the State of Illinois in the United States. From 1991 to 1997, he served as a research associate and instructor in the Department of African American Studies and the Department of Political Science at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Mr. Kabba studied history and philosophy at Fourah Bay College, University of Sierra Leone and the University of Ghana, Legon. He also studied political science at the University of Nigeria at Nsukka and political science and public policy analysis at the University of Illinois.
H.E. Amatlain Elizabeth Kabua, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Marshall Islands to the United Nations

Prior to her current appointment as the Permanent Representative of the Marshall Islands to the United Nations, Ms. Kabua had served as Ambassador to Fiji since 2009. From 2003 to 2009, she held the position of Field Service Consultant to her country’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs, having served earlier as Ambassador to Japan between 1997 and 2003. Ms. Kabua served as Mayor of the Majuro Atoll Local Government between 1986 and 1997, having been manager of the Majuro Hotel for the Nauru Local Council/Phosphate Trust from 1981 to 1986. Prior to beginning her diplomatic career, she was a teacher at the Garapan Elementary School in Saipan (1978-1980). She was educated at Chaminade University in Honolulu, Hawaii, in the United States; at Saint Francis High School, also in Honolulu; and at Mount Caramel High School in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

H.E. Andrew Jacobs, Ambassador of the European Union to Timor-Leste

Ambassador Jacobs presented his credentials to the President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste on October 2019. Ambassador Jacobs was formerly EU Ambassador to the Pacific, based in Fiji. He has also had postings in Vietnam and Thailand, where he was responsible for EU cooperation with Cambodia, Laos, and Myanmar. In addition to Asia and the Pacific, he has worked extensively with countries of North Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, and the Balkans.

Anna Azaryeva Valente, Peacebuilding Specialist, UNICEF HQ

Anna Valente is an experienced peacebuilding specialist, with expertise in education and child protection and a demonstrated history of working in international development and humanitarian action. She is skilled in conflict analysis, conflict-sensitive approaches and peacebuilding programming, as well as multi-hazard risk assessments and and risk-informed programming. She has extensive experience in education planning and management, particularly in fragile and conflict-affected contexts. Ms. Valente’s country experience range from low to middle income countries including Iraq, Lebanon, India, Burundi, Chad, DRC, Costa Rica, Georgia, Sri Lanka, among others. She has a strong research background and analytical skills with BA in Economics and International Relations, MSc in Violence, Conflict and Development and ongoing Doctorate (PhD) in Political Science - International and Comparative Education from Columbia University.

Anna-Maria Heisig, Specialist and Focal Person for SDG 16, Government and Conflict Department, GIZ

In her previous position, Anna-Maria Heisig focused on follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda through advising the global multi-stakeholder Partners for Review network. Prior engagements include posts at the Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung UN Liaison Office and the German Bundestag. She holds a Masters in Political Science from Potsdam University with graduate work from the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Kent, Canterbury.

Anne Kahl, Special Advisor on Governance and Sustaining Peace, UNDP

Anne Kahl is an experienced development practitioner and policy specialist who has worked on the linkages between governance, rule of law, and peacebuilding in various contexts, including conflict-affected and transition settings. Expertise in programme development and management, provision of strategic advice, and partner and inter-agency coordination from both the UN and the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In her current role as the Special Advisor on Governance and Sustaining Peace with UNDP, she focuses on supporting the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals with focus on SDG 16. Anne is motivated by the desire to make a difference while demonstrating commitment, energy and innovation.

Ariel E. Florendo, Regional Director of Central Visayas, Philippine Statistics Authority

Ariel Florendo was installed as the first Regional Director of Philippine Statistics Authority of the Negros Island Region. Mr. Florendo underscores the vital role in the collection of accurate statistics as they are the basis in crafting good policies and plans to provide better services to the people. Under his direction, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) will conduct a pilot census for the “2020 Census of Population and Housing”, which aims to provide government executives,
policy makers and planners with population and housing data on which to base their social and economic development plans, policies and programs.

Arti Naidu, Principle Corruption Prevention Officer, Independent Commission Against Corruption, Fiji

Arti Naidu is the Principle Corruption Prevention Officer at the Independent Commision Against Corruption of Fiji. In her current role, Arti emphasizes on the importance of accountability in everyday living, at home, at the community level and at the national level. Arti also conducts anti-corruption trainings for school teachers in the central division, in hopes of raising an ethical generation.

Barbara de Oliveira, Partner, JU,S, Timor-Leste

Barbarda de Oliveira is a legal expert with experience in post conflict countries in the areas of human rights protection, access to justice and legal framework development. She has worked in the area of human rights for almost 20 years, with 15 of those years in Timor-Leste. She has focused on the development of legal research and provision of advisory legal services, including legislation drafting and analysis. She has also worked with local and international NGOs and public institutions (including NHRI), UN agencies and missions, among others. Barbara studied law in South Africa and has a Masters degree in Human Rights and Democratization from the EUIC programme. She has recently co-authored a book about human rights in East Timor. She has recently joined forces with two Timorese lawyers to establish JU,S Juridico Social, a social enterprise focusing on human rights and access to justice. JU,S is starting to develop programmes aimed at legal empowerment and they interested in connecting with other organizations

Bianca Pabotoy, Project Officer, Center for Peace Education, Philippines

Bianca Pabotoy is the project officer of the Women's Agency in Keeping the Peace, Promoting Security, shortly called WePeace, of the Center for Peace Education-Miriam College. WePeace is a localisation project to strengthen the pillar of participation in the Philippine National Action Plan for UNSCR 1325 - Women, Peace and Security. Through a capacity-sharing, they have trained women from four provinces with four different conflict lines across the Philippines. Bianca is also the Gender and Disarmament Focal Point of the Center. The Center for Peace Education is one of the advocacy centers of Miriam College with a mission of building peace through teaching peace.

Prof. Bramantyo Djohanputro, Vice President - Ethics & Governance, Indonesia Global Compact Network

Prof. Bramantyo Djohanputro, M.B.A.,Ph.D serves as an Executive Director of PPM Manajemen, the only academia in Indonesia that focuses on business and management. He also serves as a Vice President of Business Ethics and Governance in Indonesia’s Global Compact Network. He has extensive experience in financial management and development and risk management for the past 18 years. He has been working with various stakeholders, governments, corporations, CSOs, international organizations and Academia. He also leads the 4th pillar/Principle 10 of UN Global Compact; anti-corruption, a pillar that encourages businesses to work against all forms of corruption in supporting the achievement of SDGs, especially SDG 16. Currently, he is focusing on a business ethics program called PEOSS in PPM Manajemen. This program aims to be the center of information, research and study on business ethics which goals are to raise awareness, mainstream, and build partnership internally and externally on ethics acculturation in Indonesia. This program provides certification for corporate fraud auditors and is integrated into their student’s undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum.

Casimiro dos Santos, Executive Director, Judicial System Monitoring Program, Timor-Leste

Casimiro Dos Santos is currently working with Judicial System Monitoring Programme (J SMP) in Timor-Leste. He holds a Masters degree in International Relations. He started his career in 1999 where he was serving UN Mission in Timor-Leste. In 2002, he moved to work with the Special Panel for Serious Crimes at the Investigation Unit in Dili. In 2004, he worked with Lawyers without Borders as a program staff. In 2004, he started working with JSMP as a Legal Researcher. In 2016, he was appointed as Coordinator of the Legal Research Unit and was later appointed as Deputy
Cynthia Veliko, Regional Representative, Southeast Asia, OHCHR

Cynthia has worked across the UN system since 1999. She has served with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) since March 2006 as Human Rights Advisor in three countries - Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the Philippines and was appointed as the Regional Representative to OHCHR Regional Office for South-East Asia in August 2017. She has worked on human rights issues in the context of development, armed conflict and natural disasters. Prior to joining OHCHR, she worked at the WHO for 5 years on the Polio Eradication Initiative, supporting governments to develop a rights-based approach to immunization campaigns in South Asia and Africa. Cynthia began her work with the UN in 1999 with the Department of Political Affairs where she was assigned to the Cyprus proximity talks in New York and then deployed to Haiti for the parliamentary and presidential elections in 2000. She holds a Master’s degree in International Relations from Johns Hopkins University and a Bachelor’s in Psychology from Boston University in the United States.

Daniel Zavala-Porros, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations

Daniel Zavala Porras is Minister Counsellor in charge of Human Rights and Social, Cultural and Humanitarian Affairs in the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations in New York. He has worked on human rights, gender and environmental matters in the Ministry on the Status of Women and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship in Costa Rica. He served as Executive Secretary of the National Mechanism for Reporting and Follow-up of international human rights obligations, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, promoting the involvement and participation of civil society in the work of the Inter-institutional Commission on Human Rights, for the monitoring and enhancement of State’s compliance, and acted as national focal point to the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Access to Justice in Environmental Affairs in Latin America and the Caribbean.

David Freedman, Acting Country Representative, Asia Development Bank, Timor-Leste

David Freedman is Asia Development Bank’s Timor-Leste Country Economist. Prior to his current role, he worked for Asia Development Bank’s Pacific Private Sector Development Initiative in Papua New Guinea, and was an Overseas Development Institute Fellow at the Papua New Guinea Sustainable Development Program. He holds a Bachelors and Masters of Science in Economics from the University of Nottingham, United Kingdom.

Demetrio do Amaral de Carvalho, Secretary of State for the Environment, Timor-Leste

Demetrio do Amaral de Carvalho is an environmentalist from Timor-Leste. He grew up in villages south of Liquica on the north coast of East Timor, and was 9 years old when the country was invaded by Indonesia. He hid in the jungle until the age of 13 and became a resistance fighter against the period of Indonesian occupation. He has a degree in Environmental Science obtained later in Indonesia. Carvalho is a founder of the environmental organization, the Haburas Foundation. Haburas is one of Timor-Leste’s only environmental NGOs, and runs education and livelihood support programs. It began shortly before Timor-Leste’s independence and has attracted wide acclaim for its efforts to support environmental programs and Timorese values, particularly Tara Bandu, a customary law that enables traditional ecological wisdom. de Carvalho was awarded the Goldman Environmental Prize in 2004.

H.E. Dr. Dionisio da Costa Babo Soares, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Timor-Leste

H.E. Dionísio da Costa Babo Soares is a Timorese politician. From 2012 to 2015 he was Minister of Justice and from 2015 to 2017 Minister of State, Coordinator of Administrative Affairs and Minister of State Administration. Since 2018 H.E. Soares has been the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Timor-Leste. He is a member of the Congresso Nacional da Reconstrução Timorense (CNRT). Prior to his current role, H.E. Soares, along with Indonesian Benjamin Mangkoedilaga, chaired the Truth and Friendship Commission (CTF), which was commissioned by the presidents of both countries to address human rights abuses during the 1999 East Timorese crisis. In 2005 he was sworn in as a member of
the National Security Council and with the Presidential Decree 04/2006 member of the Board of Directors of Public Broadcasting. In 2007, H.E. Soares became general secretary of CNRT, which was newly founded by Xanana Gusmão. H.E. Soares has a degree in constitutional law from Udayana University in Denpasar, Indonesia, and a doctorate in anthropology from the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies of the Australian National University.

**Esther Jeyang, Facilitator for Peace, Civil Society Forum for Peace, Myanmar**

Esther is working on promoting public participation in peace process. She has worked consistently with civil society in Myanmar’s peace process since 2012 both part-time and full-time. She is currently working as a freelance facilitator and peace education trainer based in the Kachin state. She is a member of Civil Society Forum for Peace. The network organizes forums, seminars and workshops to expand the space of civil society by informing the public about ongoing peace processes, sharing knowledge and promoting the basic concepts of peacebuilding. She has been involved in many events, campaigns, and networks advocating against the war, defending human rights violations and protecting women and children. She has coordinated and collaborated with several civil society organizations, prioritizing women’s organizations and the youth of in Myanmar.

**H.E. Fidelis Magalhães, Minister of Legislative Reform and Parliamentary Affairs, Timor-Leste**

H.E. Fidelis Manuel Leite Magalhães is an East Timorese politician. Prior to his current role, he served as Chief of Staff of Timor-Leste’s President, Taur Matan Ruak. Until 2017, Magalhães was Senior Political Advisor to the President, he has been the Minister of Legislative Reform and Parliamentary Affairs since then. Magalhães is a member of the Partidu Libertasaun Popular (PLP).

**Habib Ur Rehman Mayar, Deputy Secretary-General, g7+**

Habib Ur Rehman Mayar is deputy general secretary of the g7+ Secretariat based in Dili, Timor-Leste. He has served in the Secretariat since 2013 and leads on policy and advocacy for better engagement in fragile situation. He advises the chair of g7+ on matters concerning peacebuilding and statebuilding and at WB/IMF, UN, IDPS (International Dialogue on Peacebuilding and Statebuilding), and other related international forums to provide g7+ perspective on the related issues.

**Harshani Dharmadasa, Deputy Director, Pathfinders, NYU-CIC**

Harshani Dharmadasa is a Senior Program Officer at New York University's Center on International Cooperation, working on the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies program—a platform for countries that wish to lead on delivering the 2030 Agenda SDG16+ targets for peace, justice, and inclusion. Prior to her current role, she worked at BRAC USA, where she led national planning processes and designed multi-sectoral social protection and livelihoods programming for governments and civil society. She also worked with the UN Special Rapporteur for Health where she helped to investigate, monitor and recommend solutions to member states with respect to human rights, as well as the Open Society Justice Initiative and UN Women to strengthen women's rights and advance access to justice. In previous years, she worked with the UN Democracy Fund guiding the delivery of rule of law projects in developing countries, and Trial Chamber III of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. Harshani holds a law and arts degree from Monash University in Australia, and a Master's in International Law and Comparative Law from the George Washington University in Washington D.C.

**Hergui Luina Alves, Vice President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Timor-Leste**

Hergui Alves is the President of the Timor-Leste Business Woman Association (AEMTL) and the Director of Nova Casa Fresca Lda. She has dedicated 13 years to women's empowerment and reducing the female unemployment rate. Her business, Nova Casa Fresca (NCF) began as a group of 3 families and has expanded to over 150 households or 22 groups of farmers, which consists of 53% women. Thanks to NCF, these households now have a stable income, which has led to women's empowerment through economic independence. NCF’s projects include measuring women’s involvement in agribusiness, training and mentoring female to be independent economically through agribusiness as well as other productive and sustainable sectors. In her current role as the, as the President of AEMTL, Hergui dedicates herself to work with her dynamic teams to lead changes in Timor-Leste’s private sector landscaping. Hergui is also involved in human
rights by volunteering in several women organizations and participate in Timor-Leste VNR working group and High Level political Forum 2019 representing Timor-Leste private sector at UNHQ. In addition to NCF, Hergui owns a construction and general supplier company namely Oceania Unipessoal Lda. The company has offered quality of services to its customers through implementation of international standards and professionalism that suit the local context.

Herman von Hebel, Senior Fellow, Rule of Law Collaborative, University of South Carolina; Former ICC Registrar

Herman von Hebel was a Registrar of the International Criminal Court. He was elected on 8 March 2013 as the new Registrar for a five-year term. He was sworn in on 18 April 2013 and succeeds Silvana Arbia. Prior to joining the ICC, he was Deputy Registrar then Registrar of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. He also served as Deputy Registrar then Registrar of the Special Court for Sierra Leone. From 2001 until 2006 he was senior legal officer at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Von Hebel began his career in the Dutch government where he worked in various capacities from 1990 until 2000 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Justice. During that time he was part of the Dutch delegation at the negotiations of the Rome Statute, which led to the establishment of the International Criminal Court. He studied international law at the University of Groningen, the Netherlands.

H.E. Hermemegildo Pereira, Minister of State of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Timor-Leste

H.E. Pereira is an East Timorese politician. He is a member of the Congresso Nacional da Reconstrução Timorense (CNRT). In the VI. Government of Timor-Leste, Minister Pereira was one of four Ministers of State and Minister of the Presidium of the Council of Ministers. In the 7th government, he was Deputy Prime Minister and is now in the VIII. Government as Minister of State and Minister of the Council of Ministers.

Jagdish Kumar Ayer, President, Association of Youth Organizations of Nepal

Jagdish Ayer is the President of the Association of Youth Organizations of Nepal (AYON). AYON is an award-winning national network of 92 youth organizations across Nepal working on youth and development, including by contributing to SDG implementation in Nepal. He has played an important role in bringing youth organizations together to work for the monitoring and implementation of SDGs in Nepal, working on Goals 3, 4 and 16. Prior to his current role, Mr. Ayer served as an Executive Board Member and various positions at AYON. He was initially involved as a member of the Youth Connection Center (YCC). After the massive earthquake in April 2015, Mr. Ayer contributed to the relief and recovery efforts and worked with remote earthquake-affected communities of Nepal as a volunteer. He also led youth work camps to involve youth in the reconstruction and rebuilding of earthquake-affected communities. During his tenure as Member of the Executive Board, he led various campaigns, programs, training, conferences, and projects implemented by AYON. He also played an important role in AYON’s campaigns and initiatives (Youth Mock Parliament, National Youth Assembly, AYON School of Leadership, Youth for Free and Fair Election, 16 Days of Activism, etc) and represented AYON in the Right Here Right Now (RHRN) Platform and the Young Female Leadership Forum (YFLF). He champions sexual and reproductive health and rights issues. He also used to serve as the President of the Junior Red Cross Circle. Mr. Ayer is a student in Physics.

Jesuina Maria Ferreira Gomes, Ombudsperson for Human Rights and Justice, Timor-Leste

Jesuina Gomes is the Ombudsperson for Human Rights and Justice in Timor-Leste. She has held this position since October 2019. Prior to her current position, she served one term as Deputy Provedor and she taught public management at the National University of Timor-Leste. She holds a Master’s degree in Public Administration from the University of Hawaii, in the United States.

Jinho Song, Vice President, Korea International Cooperation Agency, Republic of Korea
Joao Alves, Interim President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Timor-Leste

Joao Alves is the Interim President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) in Timor-Leste. In his position with CCI, Joao has worked on issues of economic diversification and promoting sustainable business enterprises.

Dr. Joao Boavida, Executive Director, Center for Studies for Peace and Development, Timor-Leste

João Boavida is the Founder and Executive Director of the Centre of Studies for Peace and Development (CEPAD) an East Timorese organic civil society organization established in 2007 in response to the 2006 socio-political and military crisis in Timor-Leste. CEPAD’s mission is to use participatory action research based collaborative approach and dialogue to advance the understanding of conflict-related issues and the major challenges to the consolidation of representative democracy in Timor-Leste, a unique approach which is as much about what is done as how it is done. He has worked with a variety of International organizations and UN agencies in several countries under different professional capacities and positions.

Joel Yodoyman, President, Green Spaces of the Sahel, Chad

Joel Yodoyman is the President and a member of the Chadian non-governmental organization Green Spaces of the Sahel (Espaces verts du Sahel). In his current role, Joel works on promoting solar energy as a solution to climate change. He hopes to convey a message to young Africans to become ‘eco-citizens’ by understanding environmental issues and climate change concerns.

John Romano, Coordinator, Transparency, Accountability and Partnership Network for the 2030 Agenda

John Romano is the Coordinator of the TAP Network, based in New York. Prior to joining the TAP Network, John worked at Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), coordinating global advocacy campaigns around the UN’s Post-2015 sustainable development agenda. He has also worked for the UN Secretariat with UNDESA’s Division for Sustainable Development, where he helped facilitate the engagement of civil society in the Rio+20 UN Conference on Sustainable Development, and coordinated the UN’s social media coverage for the conference. John has a Masters in Sustainability Management from Columbia University and a Bachelors in Environmental Studies and Geography from Ohio Wesleyan University.

Jordan Street, Policy and Advocacy Advisor, Saferworld

Jordan Street is a peacebuilding professional with an advocacy focus towards the United Nations and UK Government. Jordan focuses his works on SDG 16, peacebuilding response to counter-terrorism and Youth, Peace and Security. He has years of experience as a policy officer and advisor and supports programs in East Africa, Central Asia and the Middle East.

H.E. Dr. José Ramos-Horta GCoIIH GCL, Former President, Timor-Leste, Eminent Person of the g7+

José Manuel Ramos-Horta GCoIIH GCL is an East Timorese politician who was the President of Timor-Leste from May 2007 to May 2012. Prior to that, he was the Minister of Foreign Affairs from 2002 to 2006 and Prime Minister from 2006 to 2007. He is a co-recipient of the 1996 Nobel Peace Prize along with Carlos Filipe Ximenes Belo, for working "towards a just and peaceful solution to the conflict in East Timor". As a founder and former member of Fretilin, Ramos-Horta served as the exiled spokesman for the East Timorese resistance during the years of the Indonesian occupation of East Timor (1975–1999). While he continued to work with Fretilin, Ramos-Horta resigned from the party in 1988, becoming an independent politician. After leaving office as President in 2012, Ramos-Horta was appointed as the United Nations' Special Representative and Head of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS) on 2 January 2013.
Jyotsna Mohan Singh, Regional Coordinator, the Asia Development Alliance

Jyotsna Mohan Singh has been working as a regional coordinator- Asia for Asia Development Alliance, a regional CSO platform for national CSOs in Asia and TAP Network for the past three years focusing on Goal 16 by organizing various training and capacity building events for the CSOs across and beyond Asia and Pacific. As a regional coordinator, she has been documenting CSO-government engagement mechanisms in the VNR process for the last 4 years, apart from collecting and documenting various country reports to see the challenges, gaps and opportunities in Goal 16 implementation, review and monitoring process. She firmly believes that Goal 16 is the enabler and accelerator of all the goals and if the government along with various stakeholders implement this goal with all honesty, then the world will be a better place to live. She has authored various reports on development and finance, in south-south cooperation, G20 issues apart from representing the country and the region (Asia) at various regional and global platformers representing a strong civil society voice from the global south. Jyotsna Mohan holds a Ph.D degree from the School of Social Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

H.E. Kaha Imnadze, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations

Earlier in his diplomatic and civil service career Mr. Imnadze was Assistant to the President and Press Secretary for the President of Georgia Eduard Shevardnadze; Deputy Secretary of the National Security Council of Georgia, supervising defense and foreign policy issues; Deputy Chief of Mission of Georgia to NATO and Political Counselor at the Georgian Embassy to Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg, has held a number of positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from junior staff to Head of Department. Mr. Imnadze also spent over 10 years in the private sector, hedge funds and defense industry. He served on board of Georgian Political Science Association (which he co-founded) and Georgian Institute for Russian Studies; was Research Associate of Conflict Studies Research Center at Camberley (UK). He holds MA in Philology from the Tbilisi State University.

Kseniya Kizilova, Head of Secretariat, World Values Survey Association; SDG 16 Data Initiative

Kseniya Kizilova is Head of Secretariat at the World Values Survey Association. She majored in Sociology and has a background in Political Science and International Relations. Kseniya has been involved as a Research Fellow and Visiting Researcher at universities and research institutions in Austria, Germany, Spain, Hungary, Ukraine, the UK and the UAE. Her professional experience as a Social Scientist and Survey Researcher counts more than 15 years and includes implementation of over 65 scientific and applied social research projects. Ms Kizilova has over 50 academic publications dealing with social capital and trust; political culture and participation; happiness and wellbeing; public health; and higher education. In her capacity as the Head of the WVSA Secretariat, Kseniya is currently coordinating the 7th Wave of the WVS survey implemented in 2017-2020 in over 90 countries. Kseniya acts as Liaison Officer of the WVSA in cooperation with the UNDP, the World Bank, OHCHR, UN Women and other organizations and UN agencies, in particular on the topics of using WVS for the measurement of SDG 16 indicators and piloting new indicators.

Leena Rikkila Tamang, Director, Asia and the Pacific, International IDEA

Leena Tamang joined International IDEA in 2002. Between 2004-2013, she managed International IDEA’s programme on Supporting Constitution-Building Process in Nepal. She created and supported initiatives aimed at forging consensus on political reform and to develop capacity of Nepalese stakeholders on constitutional options. Prior to her time in Nepal, Tamang worked at the South-Asia Programme, including Burma/Myanmar at International IDEA. Tamang is former Secretary-General of Finland’s Advisory Board for Relations with Developing Countries at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. She is a member and former chair (2001-2002) of the Network Institute for Global Democracy (NIGD). Amongst her work with NIGD, she coordinated projects promoting North-South Dialogues on democracy and globalization and was involved in the World Social Forum5 (WSF) process. She is also a former Board Member of Asia–Europe (ASEF) Foundation and has been teaching at the University of Tampere in the Department of Political Science and International Relations, Finland from where she graduated, as well at the department of Environmental Politics. Tamang has worked in India, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Vietnam and on Burma/Myanmar and published about democracy at the global level, on women's political participation, and on inclusive democratic processes.
Maja Stojanovska, Programme Analyst, Head of Governance Unit, UNDP, Timor-Leste

Maja Stojanovska is the Head of the Governance Programme at the UNDP, Timor-Leste. She is responsible for effective human and resource management of the six running projects focused on development and support of the sectors of police, justice, decentralization, elections, anti-corruption and infrastructure. Moreover, she is responsible for donor relation, programme development and resource mobilization. She received her Master’s degree in Public and Nonprofit Management, European Public Policy from the Willy Brandt School of Public Policy at the University of Erfurt, Germany.

Hon. Makario Tagini, Minister of Justice, Solomon Islands

Dr. Manuel Cáceres da Costa, Minister of Justice, Timor-Leste

Dr. Manuel Cáceres da Costa is the Minister of Justice for Timor-Leste. He worked for the United Nations Transitional Administration for East Timor and was the UNHCR's representative in East Timor for eight years. In February 2009, he became an advisor to Timor Telecom and later, director of Institutional Relations. He studied criminal law at the University of Paz and graduated in Public Administration.

Manuela Leong, Director, Assosiasun Chega Ba Ita - Acbit, Timor-Leste

Margaret Williams, 16+ Forum Senior Coordinator and Policy Officer, WFUNA

Margaret Williams is the 16+ Forum Coordinator and Senior Policy Officer at the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA). In this role, she manages the 16+ Forum - a multistakeholder platform and partnership of 12 member states, the g7+ and WFUNA, designed to share best practices in SDG 16+ implementation at regional, national and local levels, across stakeholders, and including as related to youth empowerment and inclusion. In addition to regular engagement at UNHQ, the 16+ Forum organizes the Annual Showcase, a yearly, global gathering of policy makers, practitioners and thought-leaders focused on the policy and practice of advancing peaceful, just and inclusive societies (SDG 16+). Previously at WFUNA, she led the organization's work on increasing the transparency, openness and accountability of the UN Security Council (UNSC) through UNSC Election Debates and Briefings, UNSC Exit Briefings and UNSC Presidency-Civil Society Dialogues. With experience in policy, advocacy and programming, Margaret has worked on issues related to inclusion and state-society relations, youth, peace and security, gender equality and education. Beyond New York, she has lived and worked in Tunisia, Palestine, Cyprus and Greece. She holds a Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from The Fletcher School at Tufts University and has published on youth, peacebuilding, violent extremism, and the Middle East and North Africa.

H.E. Maria Helena Pires, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Timor-Leste to the United Nations

Prior to her appointment, Ambassador Pires served as a senior policy coordination adviser to the Minister for Commerce, Industry and the Environment, as well as a senior adviser to the Vice Prime Minister, in charge of managing the State Administration. She was the Executive Director and founding member of the Centre for Women and Gender between 2013 and 2016, as well as an expert member of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women between 2011 and 2014. From 2008 to 2009, Ms. Pires was a specialist in strengthening civil society at the Justice Facility Programme, where she focused on improving citizens’ access to the justice system. She previously worked as a coordinator of the justice sector segment of the 2008 State of the Nation Report. As country programme coordinator for the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) between 2003 and 2007, Ms. Pires was responsible for re-establishing that agency’s office in Timor-Leste. As a member of the Constituent Assembly from 2001 to 2002, she helped to draft the Constitution of Timor-Leste and was a member of the nation’s first Parliament. Ms. Pires holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of New England in North South Wales, Australia, and is fluent in English, Portuguese and Tetum.
Maria José da Fonseca Monteiro de Jesus, Secretary of State for Equality and Inclusion, Timor-Leste

Maria de Jesus is the Secretary of State for Equality and Inclusion for the government of Timor-Leste. Ms. De Jesus works on issues facing women and children including the Rights of the Child, violence against children, domestic and sexual violence against women, among others.

Maria Filomena Soares Abrantes, Youth Parliament Alumni, Timor-Leste

Maria Abrantes is an alumnus of the East Timor Youth Parliament, a governmental institution for the second legislature. She works with the Youth Parliament Alumni to provide training and capacity building to the youth of Timor-Leste. She has previously represented Timor-Leste’s youth sector on an international level in Indonesia, Malaysia, Cambodia, Switzerland and Australia. Maria also volunteers in a youth organization called Timor-Leste Youth for Peace, focusing on peace building efforts in the society of Dili.

Maria Marilia Oliveira da Costa, Program Manager, Early Warning, Early Response System Program, Belun, Timor-Leste

Maria da Costa has worked with NGO Belun since its establishment in 2004 and previously worked with Columbia University’s Center for International Conflict Resolution (CICR) on projects contributing to conflict sensitive development and conflict prevention. Her work has included suco (village) conflict assessments, an NGO Sector Strengthening program, land dispute resolution and public information sharing, an Electoral Violence Education and Response (EVER) program conducted in association with IFES throughout the 2007 elections and most recently, managing the 16 staff and 86 volunteer monitors of the countrywide Early Warning, Early Response (EWER) System program. Ms. da Costa continues work on EWER program through Women Peace and Security funding support from the Government of Japan through UNWOMEN as Program Manager. Her previous work experience includes working for the Don Carlos Foundation and a local NGOs working in skills development. Ms. da Costa has a diploma in Electrical Engineering from the National Institute of Technology, Malang, Indonesia.

H.E. Marie Chatardova, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations

From 2010 until her latest appointment, Ambassador Chatardová was her country’s Ambassador to France and Monaco, and its Permanent Representative to the International Organization of La Francophonie. Between 2013 and 2016, she served as Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). A career diplomat, Ambassador Chatardová held several positions within the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. She was Director of Diplomatic Protocol from 2007 to 2010, and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Sweden from 2002 to 2007. Prior to that, she was Director of the Communications Strategies Department, from 2000 to 2002, and Unit Chief of the Department for the Coordination of Relations with the European Union, between 1999 and 2000. She also served in the Permanent Mission of Czech Republic to the European Union, between 1995 and 1999, and in the Ministry’s Department of Analysis and Policy Planning, from 1994 to 1995. H.E. Ms.Chatardová holds a doctorate of law from Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic.

H.E. Marina Berg, Ambassador to Indonesia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden

Ambassador Marina Berg, the former Director, Deputy Head of Department for Development Cooperation is Sweden’s new Ambassador to Jakarta. Prior to her current post, she has served among others at the Swedish Foreign Ministry’s department for the European Union as well as the department for African affairs.

Martin Tsounkeu, Africa Development Interchange Network, Cameroon

Martin Tsounkeu is a General Representative of the Africa Development Interchange Network. He is also a leading consultant for the Bureau of Economic Technical and Commercial studies (BETEC) with more than 30 years of experience. Martin is a Finance for Development Expert and the Former Chair of the Commonwealth Civil Society
Advisory Committee. He is the key resource person for the CPPS Orientation and Awareness-raising workshops on the Preparatory Process of the 2019 Voluntary National Review (VNR) in Côte d’Ivoire, the Central African Republic and Chad. Martin has published various publications and studies, including: studies Beyond CSO Enabling Environment: Enhancing Multi-stakeholder Collaboration for Effective Development Cooperation (CPDE, 2016); Chinese Investments In Cameroon: Examining the Trends, Challenges and Perspectives on the Environment And Communities" (WWF, 2014); Smallholders’ access to credit and financing in the basic agricultural value chains and risk management" (FAO, 2010) and "the China -Africa Cooperation and the peculiarities of the Chinese Development Assistance in Africa: The Case of Cameroon (AFRODAD, 2011).

Michael Warren, Security & Justice Expert, Cordaid, the Netherlands

Michael Warren works as a Security and Justice Expert at the Dutch NGO Cordaid, collaborating with Cordaid’s country teams and partners to tackle complex security and justice challenges in fragile and conflict-affected contexts. Mr. Warren has also served as Programme Manager at PAX, focusing on the interlinkages between local governance and conflict prevention in northern Kosovo. He worked as a Strategy Advisor at United Nations Habitat, highlighting urban violence reduction and the role of cities in building peace and legitimate governance. During his career, Michael was the Director for Project Development and Fundraising at Nonviolent Peaceforce and a Programme Specialist for Security and Rule of Law at UNDP Kosovo. He has supported and advised local and national officials, international policymakers, and civil society actors in more than a dozen countries. Michael holds a Masters of Science in the Political Economy of Violence, Conflict and Development from SOAS, United Kingdom.

Moni Rowshan Jahan, Deputy Director, Association for Land Reform and Development, Bangladesh

Rowshan Jahan has extensive exposure to different countries of South Asia and pacific and central Asia, Africa, Europe, and Latin/ America in different capacities to carry out responsibilities bestowed to her. She has started career from difficult rural settings of Bangladesh and have been taking gradually increased and challenging capacities for different INGOs in Bangladesh as well as for regional and global platform, UN-process. Over the years, her expertise developed in the areas of Human Rights, Land and women’s land rights in particular, good governance and decentralization, conflict resolution and Peace Building, Climate change and natural disaster management, Partnership Development, International policy Advocacy and networking.

Munkhtuya Altangerel, Resident Representative, UNDP, Timor-Leste

Munkhtuya Altangerel is the Resident Representative of UNDP Timor-Leste since June 2019. She served as the Deputy Resident Representative for Programmes and Operations in UNDP Georgia during 2018-2019, and UNDP Kazakhstan during 2014-2018. She is a seasoned international development practitioner with seventeen years of experience. She has managed complex development initiatives in various country settings, and has published policy reports on economic resilience, local development, scaling up development successes, and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) implementation. During 2007-2014, Ms. Altangerel served as a policy advisor/specialist on MDGs, local and urban development, and poverty reduction at the Bureau of Development Policy at UNDP Headquarters, covering mainly Eastern European and Central Asian countries. During 2004-2007, Tuya served as the Assistant Resident Representative in UNDP Kyrgyzstan, and as a team leader for UNDP project in Tajikistan. Prior to joining UNDP, she managed policy research and advocacy projects at the World Bank and CIVICUS-World Alliance for Citizen Participation, worked as a consultant on social and economic assessments for the Environmental Resources Management (consulting company), based out of Washington D.C and London. Tuya’s specialization is in sustainable livelihoods and environmental and social impact analyses. Tuya obtained her Master of Science in International Development Management from the London School of Economics, UK, and the Bachelor in International Relations and Economics from the University of Pennsylvania, USA. Tuya is a national of Mongolia.

Musa Ansumana Soko, Coordinator, Youth Partnership for Peace and Development, Timor-Leste

Musa Soko is a civil society leader from Sierra Leone. He began his peace building career in the early years of 2000, Musa founded the Youth Partnership for Peace and Development; a post-conflict youth-serving agency that tackles some of society's major challenges using youth-sensitive approaches. Musa is a member of the Executive Committee (EC) of
the Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS) as well as a member of the Country Team for Sierra Leone. Musa currently manages several programs that seek to tackle significant issues of social accountability, post-conflict peacebuilding and most importantly, essential services like Health, Education, access to clean water and sanitation, among others in his policy advocacy and influencing work. Prior to his current role, Musa was involved in the Youth, Peace and Security agenda, National Fragility Assessments and he was directly involved in the Sustainable Development Goals and the Voluntary National Review process in Sierra Leone.

Neil Buhne, Regional Director for Asia-Pacific, United Nations Development Coordination Office

Neil Buhne took up his new responsibilities as Regional Director, Asia-Pacific for the United Nations Development Coordination Office at the beginning of August, after concluding 4 years in Pakistan as United Nations Resident Coordinator/Humanitarian Coordinator and Designated Official for the Safety and Security of Staff. He also served as UNDP Resident Representative for his first 3 years in Pakistan. Neil has spent almost his entire career serving the UN at the country level, having also served as UN Resident Coordinator in Sri Lanka, Bulgaria and Belarus, as well as Acting RC and UNDP Resident Representative/Deputy Resident Representative in Malaysia. Earlier in his career, Neil worked with UNDP in Sri Lanka, Sudan, Bhutan, and Pakistan. He led UNDP’s engagement with the humanitarian and peace-building communities as Director of UNDP’s Geneva office from 2011 to 2015.

Nirmani Liyanage, Program Manager, We Build Colombo Together, Search for Common Ground, Sri Lanka

Nirmani Liyanage is a social researcher, urban planner, development practitioner, educator and an ethnographer in the field of urban development and social justice. After completing her Masters in Urban and Regional Planning at Ball State University of USA she returned to Sri Lanka to join the Centre for Poverty Analysis (CEPA) where she headed their research program on Infrastructure and poverty. During her time at CEPA she revised the Think Tank’s view of Infrastructure by looking at informal yet essential services delivered to urban communities as infrastructure and experimented on new methods of neighborhood mapping as a tool to facilitate more human centered urban development. She is currently working at Search for Common Ground (Sri Lanka) as the project manager of the Sri Lankan component of a global pilot “We Build Colombo together (WBCT)”, field-testing the Collective Impact Approach in achieving urban development goals, particularly on human development and urban wellbeing aspects. She just completed a 14 months long live-in ethnography in Wanathamulla (known as the most notorious slum in Colombo) to understand the life in urban informal settlements of Colombo to facilitate her policy formulation and development work for the betterment of most marginalized groups of the city. As a young urban planner and an urban researcher from Colombo, she serves her city by successfully bringing together various actors driven by non-aligning interests to one table by using her role as the lead facilitator of WBCT.

Noelle Poulson, Coordinator, Dili Antenna Office, UNESCO

Noelle Poulson is the Coordinator of the Dili Antenna Office of UNESCO. Noelle works on improving the higher degree science education curriculum, mapping water resources by enhancing government capacity, mitigating disaster risks, safeguarding intangible cultural heritage, and protecting the environment, among others.

Pat Walsh, Human Rights Advocate and Author, Australia

Pat Walsh is a human rights advocate and author from Melbourne, Australia. Throughout the Indonesian occupation, he advocated self-determination for East Timor and promoted people-to-people relations with Indonesia. He witnessed East Timor’s historic referendum in 1999 and then worked in CAVR (the Timor-Leste Commission for Reception, Truth and Reconciliation) and its successor organisation. He edited the English version of CAVR’s monumental Chega! report, helped design the country’s new centre of memory and now serves on its advisory council. Timor-Leste and Australia have both honoured him for his service to reconciliation and human rights. His new book is The Day Hope and History Rhymed in East Timor and Other East Timor Stories (2019). More see <www.patwalsh.net>
Pauline Tweedie, Country Representative, Asia Foundation, Timor-Leste

Pauline Tweedie is The Asia Foundation’s country representative in Timor-Leste, where she oversees a country team focused on good governance, reducing violence against women, promoting peace and justice and building an inclusive economy. Pauline was formerly a senior technical advisor with The Asia Foundation’s Program Specialist Group and a senior member of the Conflict and Fragility team where she provided expert advice and technical assistance to country offices in the areas of accountable government and elections, women’s political, social and economic inclusion, conflict mitigation, and peacebuilding. Her areas of expertise include institutional capacity-building for government agencies and civil society organizations, gender, political participation, conflict and governance. She has also authored or contributed to a number of publications including: Bangladesh 2018: A Survey of the Bangladeshi People, The Asia Foundation 2019; The Contested Corners of Asia: Subnational Conflict and International Development Assistance, The Asia Foundation 2013; Contested Corners of Asia: The Case of Southern Thailand, The Asia Foundation, 2013; Promoting Fair Elections in South Asia, The Asia Foundation, 2012; Democracy and Conflict in Southern Thailand 2010, The Asia Foundation, 2010

Peter van Sluijs, Senior Strategist and Coordinator, Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding, the Netherlands

Peter van Sluijs is a Senior Strategist employed by Cordaid, a Dutch development organisation which has its headquarters located in The Hague. Mr van Sluijs coordinates the Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS) the South-North non-governmental coalition of peacebuilding organisations that coordinates and supports civil society participation in the International Dialogue on Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (IDPS) and New Deal for Engagement in Fragile States. CSPPS provides strategic and capacity assistance for in-country interventions working to amplify the voice of civil society in policy processes. At the global level CSPPS coordinates lobby and advocacy efforts around sustaining peace, conflict prevention, peacebuilding and statebuilding.

Philippa Venning, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian Embassy in Timor-Leste

Philippa Venning is currently serving in Dili, Timor-Leste, as Australia’s Deputy Head of Mission. She is a career officer of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and has spent a decade working on Australia’s relationships with Timor-Leste, Indonesia and the Solomon Islands. Prior to joining DFAT, amongst other roles, Ms. Venning served with the World Bank in Jakarta and Honiara, the United Nations Development Program in Jakarta, and Allens law firm in Sydney and Singapore. Ms Venning holds a Masters in Laws from the University of Melbourne and a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and a Bachelor of Arts from the Australian National University. She speaks Bahasa Indonesia, Tetun and Pidgin.

Pierre-Yves Monnard, Head of Development, Canadian International Development Agency, Indonesia

Pierre-Yves Monnard is an international development professional with over 19 years of experience working at the Canadian International Development Agency. Prior to his current position as the Head of Development in Indonesia, Pierre-Yves worked in Palestine. He completed his Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from HEC Lausanne School of Business, Switzerland.

Roy Trivedy, UN Resident Coordinator, Timor-Leste

Roy Trivedy is currently UN Resident Coordinator in Timor-Leste. He was previously the Head of Civil Society Department at the Department for International Development (DFID). Roy previously worked for DFID in Tanzania, Central Asia and the Caucasus and on peace-building and conflict resolution in various parts of Africa. Prior to his employment with DFID, Roy worked with non-governmental organizations in the UK, Mozambique, India and Malawi. He completed his studies at the Institute of Development Studies in Sussex, United Kingdom.

H.E. Sahat Sitorus, Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia

H.E Sitorus is the Ambassador of Indonesia to Timor-Leste. He started his diplomatic career working in various sectors of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia serving in China, Canada and Brazil. Prior to his current post, his most recent
roles were the Director for Area III and Inspector General at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia and the Deputy Director of African Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia. Ambassador Sitorus received his Bachelor's degree in Political and Social Science from the University of North Sumatra, Indonesia.

**Santina Soares, Social Audit Coordinator, FONGTIL, Timor-Leste**

**H.E. Dr. Sergio Fernandes da Costa Hornai, Commissioner, Anti-Corruption Committee, Timor-Leste**

Dr. Hornai was elected as the Commissioner of the Anti-Corruption Committee of Timor-Leste in 2019. Dr. Hornai is a General Public Defender and he is responsible for directing and representing the public defender’s office, reporting to the Minister of Justice, promoting equality and justice and recommending policies and suggestions to improve. Prior to this, Dr. Hornai was Commissioner of the National Electoral Commission of Timor-Leste.

**Shahbaz Khan, Regional Director, UNESCO**

Shahbaz Khan is an Australian climatologist and hydrologist who has worked extensively for UNESCO. Shah as also advised governments and universities on issues related to the climate and water management. Khan was previously Professor of Hydrology and Director of the International Centre of Water at the Charles Sturt University, Australia, and Research Leader/Director of Irrigated Systems and Rural Water Use areas of CSIRO Australia. He was also part of the team who developed a computer-based early warning system for floods in Pakistan, known as the Flood Early Warning System. He is currently Director of the UNESCO Cluster Office in Jakarta and the Regional Bureau for Science in Asia and the Pacific, serving as UNESCO Representative to Indonesia, Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, the Philippines and Timor Leste.

**Srur Alakari, Tamazight Women’s Movement, Libya**

Srur Alakari is an activist and human rights defender, Amazighi born and raised in Tripoli. She is a founding member in Deraz corner creative hub and a team leader in the Tamazight Women Movement created and led by Tamazight. She is also a team member in the Deutsche Welle Academy Project ‘Media in Libya’ working on stability through reconciliation. She aspires to be one of the leading pioneers among women changing the landscape of conflict strategy in Africa using media and artistic initiatives for social change.

**Stacey Cram, Policy Director, Namati**

Stacey Cram has advised and lobbied on national and global policy development across a range of thematic issues. She joins Namati from Restless Development where she was the Head of Global Policy and Practice, leading on their Post 2015 work. Previously, she has supported national civil society organizations, governments, and multilateral organizations to develop education, youth, information and gender policies and to create citizen feedback mechanisms. In Nigeria, she worked for DFID’s Education Programme, supporting stakeholders to strengthen accountability mechanisms to deliver quality, inclusive education and advance civil society organizations capacities in research, advocacy, and policy engagement. She also worked at Right To Play and Chartwell Education, led by the former US Secretary of Education Rod Paige; and consulted for USAID, CORE, and the London 2012 Olympic Games. She is passionate about citizens’ role in state accountability mechanisms, governance, and open data. Stacey holds an MA in International Relations from the University of St Andrews and an MSc in Global Governance and Public Policy from Birkbeck College, University of London.

**Stefano Berti, Senior Policy Adviser on Fragility, Conflict and Violence, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, Switzerland**

Stefano Berti completed his studies with a master on public policies and one on humanitarian aid, in Belgium. After his civil service in Rwanda, in 2005 he entered the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation as a JPO. Stefano was then seconded to the UNHCR in Georgia as a programme officer (2006-2007) and as head of field office, during the 2008 war. After a short period in Sierra Leone with UNDP and an international NGO, in 2010 he reintegrated the Swiss MFA as head of the Swiss contingent in the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH), oPt. In 2015, Stefano was
appointed deputy director at the Swiss cooperation office in Niger and, in 2015, transferred to the Swiss Embassy in Haïti, as deputy head of mission. Stefano is in a partnership and is father of twins. Stefano recently took over the position of Senior Policy Advisor Fragility, Conflict, Violence at the Global Institution’s Division of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), which is part of the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Stefano will lead on the global policy dialogue and global financial partnerships on these issues with multilateral development institutions, including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the World Bank. He follows developments around SDG 16+ as well as the humanitarian – development – peace nexus.

Soneath Hor, Resident Representative, Timor-Leste, International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group

Soneath Hor is the Resident Representative of the International Finance Corporation in Timor-Leste. He is an experienced development professional who has worked in international settings with proven strategic, business development and execution abilities. He has experience working in business environments in the ASEAN, Central Asian and Eastern European regions. Mr. Hor completed his Masters degree in Development Economics and International Development from Fordham University in 2003.

Sunita Caminha, Country Representative, UN Women, Timor-Leste

Sunita Caminha, Head of Office for UN Women Timor-Leste, has 15 years’ experience in gender equality and conflict sensitive development programming. Prior to taking her current role, Sunita was Deputy Country Representative and oversaw UN Women Timor-Leste's Women, Peace and Security and Ending Violence against Women Programmes. She was also a Research Specialist with UN Women's (and previously UNIFEM) Policy Directorate in New York focusing on Ending Violence against Women for five years. From 2002-2008, she worked in community conflict-sensitive development efforts with civil society organizations in Timor-Leste, including in supporting the NGO Belun in the design and development of Timor-Leste's Early Warning and Response System. Sunita received her Master of International Affairs from Columbia University’s School of International and Public Affairs with a focus on forced migration and conflict resolution and is certified in community mediation and as an Open Space facilitator. She holds a bachelor's degree from Tufts University in International Relations.

H.E. Taur Matan Ruak, Prime Minister, Timor-Leste

H.E. Ruak is a politician who has served as the Prime Minister of Timor-Leste since June 2018. Prior to his current position, H.E. Ruak was the President from May 2012 - May 2017. Before entering his career in politics, he was the commander of the military of Timor-Leste and the last commander of the Armed Forces of National Liberation of Timor-Leste. Since his election as Prime Minister, H.E. Ruak pledged to bring unity to the nation, promote equality, and develop the nation’s economy.

Teresa Jennings, Vice-President & Treasurer, LexisNexis Rule of Law Foundation

Teresa Jennings is vice president & treasurer, LexisNexis Rule of Law Foundation and head of Rule of Law Development for LexisNexis Legal & Professional, a division of RELX Group. She is responsible for cultivating relationships with diverse groups, including funding and governmental bodies, to create, develop and advance Rule of Law projects around the world. Ms. Jennings speaks at venues highlighting the importance of the Rule of Law, including the Wilson Center, the U.S. Institute of Peace, and the CEELI Institute. Ms. Jennings currently serves as a Steering Committee member of the UN Global Alliance for Reporting Progress on Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies. She received an American Bar Association Presidential appointment to serve on the ABA Advisory Council on Vietnam Lawyers Exchange and Training Program. Ms. Jennings was honored as a UN Global Compact 2017 SDG Pioneer for the Rule of Law for her efforts to leverage business core skills to advance the rule of law and achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals which are enhanced by peaceful, just and inclusive societies.

Thyn Oo, Co-Founder & Program Director, Public Legal Aid Network (Plan), Myanmar

Thyn Oo is recognized for her high-impact legal aid mechanisms, innovative programs and delivering constructive reform efforts. As a federation of organizations/entities from all across Myanmar, in the best interest of the public, The PLAN
works as a network, at all three levels: deliver grassroots legal aid, engage institutions and provide evidence based legislative/policy works. Thyn sits on Myanmar's "National Land Law Formulation (Drafting) and Land Management Laws Harmonization Committee" and "NLL Formulation (Drafting) Supporting Task-force" which are the official multi-ministerial, multi-stakeholder committees formed under Myanmar's National Land Use Council. Thyn is leading The PLAN while providing legislative drafting resources and public input mechanisms for the Ministries/Agencies as well as the Parliaments. Together with regional/international counterparts, advocacy efforts have been delivered on various subjects including the ASEAN Framework Instrument and other international policy and regulatory matters using many global governance platforms.

**Ute Boettcher, Head of Competence Center Democracy, Policy Dialogue and Urban Development, GIZ, Germany**

Ute Boettcher currently holds the position of Head of the Competence Center on Democracy, Policy Dialogue and Urban Development at GIZ, a German development agency headquartered in Bonn. Prior to her current role, Ute was the Program Coordinator on the Promotion of Social and Environmental Standards in the Industry at the GIZ Dhaka office in Bangladesh.

**Valeria Mosquera Acosta, Regional Coordinator for Cauca, Ruta Pacifica de las Mujeres, Colombia**

Valeria Acosta currently holds the position of Regional Coordinator for an organization called Ruta Pacifica de las Mujeres, located in Colombia. The organization is a women’s movement actively supporting a negotiated solution to the armed conflict in Colombia, working to make visible the impact of war in the women’s lives and demand their rights to truth, justice, reparation and reconstruction of individual and collective historic memory to ensure non-repetition.

**H.E. Vegard Kaale, Ambassador to Indonesia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway**

Ambassador Kaale is a Norwegian diplomat. He obtained his Masters degree in Political Science from the Oslo University, Norway, in 1986. He started his career as a Diplomat when he became an Advisor for the Department for European Affairs at the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, after which he then had an extensive career with the Ministry, including stints as First Secretary, Norwegian Embassy in Dublin, Ireland; Deputy Director General, Personnel Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Minister Counsellor, Norwegian Embassy in the Hague, Netherlands; Senior Advisor at the Section for the High North, Climate and Energy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and Policy Director at the Section for Development Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Prior to his current post as the Ambassador of Norway to Indonesia, he was the Director at the Energy Section at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

**Victoria Maglana, Consultant, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict, Philippines**

Victoria “Mags” Z. Maglana became an advocate of human rights, anti-authoritarianism, and right to self-determination as a student leader in Southern Mindanao, Philippines in the mid-1980s and has sustained her activism for human rights, peace, social transformation, and diversity to this day. She is active in various networks promoting transitional justice, anti-authoritarianism, and restorative justice, in particular the Independent Working Group on Transitional Justice-Dealing with the Past (IWG TJDwP), Konsyensya Dabaw, and Katilingbanong Pagtambayayong. An independent consultant, she has been working with multi-stakeholders in the Philippines—both government and non-government—involved in development, peace, and security, and governance at various levels in the past 30 years. She has been an accompanier since 2007 of the Initiatives for International Dialogue (IID), a regional advocacy institution based in the Philippines and promoting human security, democratization, and people-to-people solidarity. Mags has been contributing since 2012 to popular discourse on development, politics, conflict and peace, economy, and environment via a column in SunStar Davao, one of the long-standing community newspapers in the country, and occasionally through Mindanews, an established online news platform on and for Mindanao.
Visaka Dharmadasa, Gender Focal Point for South Asia, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict, Sri Lanka

Visaka Dharmadasa is the Founder and Chair of the Association of War Affected Women and Parents of Servicemen Missing in Action. Struggling to end the civil war, she was able to bring women together across the conflict lines to work for peace. Visaka educates soldiers and community leaders about international standards of conduct of war, specifically to raise awareness about the importance of soldier’s identification tags and treatment to prisoners of war. She also works on disseminating the content of UN resolution 1325 on women peace and security, calling for the inclusion of women at all levels of peace building and decision making. She trains women to run for political office and also on power sharing. She was awarded the prestigious Humanitarian award for 2006 by the Inter Action of Washington DC, an NGO consortium comprised of 160 non-governmental organizations. Visaka Dharmadasa is a member of Global Network of Women Peace Builders, the governing council of the National Peace Council of Sri Lanka, and Community of Experts of Resolution to Act. Visaka Dharmadasa holds a degree in negotiations and mediation skills from the United States Institute for Peace, Washington, and in Women and Security from Harvard University, Cambridge, USA.