

Annex 4. Short Biographies of Speakers to the GMGSF.13

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

Policy Officer on Environment and Occupational Health and Safety of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC), Anabella Rosemberg has co-ordinated the international trade union movement's input to major environmental intergovernmental processes, notably the UNFCCC, since 2007.

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

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

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

Chantal Line Carpentier, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Major Groups Programme Coordinator, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)

She was the Head of Trade and Environment at NAFTA CEC, Yale World Fellow at Yale University, Policy Analyst at Winrock International, Policy Analyst at Wallace Institute for Alternative Agriculture-Winrock International, Post Doc - Outposted Manager at IFPRI.

She studied at Yale University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, McGill University - Macdonald Campus and McGill University - Macdonald Campus.

Her goals are to apply her management, mediation, and analytical skills to further the integration and mutual supportiveness of trade, environment, and fiscal policies making this world a more equitable and sustainable place.

She specialises in Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Development, Trade and Environment, Sustainable Consumption and Production.

Aron Belinky, International Processes Coordinator, Vitae Civilis Institute

Aron Belinky is the International Processes Coordinator of Vitae Civilis Institute, since June, 2009, when he started working with a broad Brazilian and international NGOs alliance as national coordinator of the Global Campaign for Climate Action in Brazil (TckTckTck campaign), focusing on UNFCCC COP15. He currently continues to collaborate on climate campaigns, while also coordinating the Institute's activities related to international processes, such as its partnership with the Green Economy Coalition and the Brazilian Civil society articulation towards UNCSD 2012, the Rio+20.

Aron is a consultant for sustainability, social responsibility and ethical consumption. He studied Geography at Sao Paulo University and Public Administration at Fundacao Getulio Vargas where his Master's thesis was titled Consumption, citizenship and the building of democracy in contemporary Brazil.

Aron is co-founder and executive secretary of EcoPress – the first Brazilian environmental news agency – and of GAO, Group for Articulation of Brazilian NGOs in ISO 26000, the international standard on Social Responsibility. He is also a member of the Brazilian delegation in the ISO 26000 process, and since 2006 has served as an elected representative of developing countries NGOs on the technical committees drafting the standard and on its implementation follow-up committee.

Aron has been involved with social and environmental causes since 1976 and as well as EcoPress has taken part in the constitution of many other organizations and movements, including SOS Mata Atlantica Foundation and Pro-Jureia Association. Between 1986 and 1992, while working in his family's own company, he represented the Brazilian air conditioning industry at the international working group responsible for the implementation of the Montreal Protocol in Brazil, and took part in the Rio'92 Earth Summit presenting the Brazilian initiative for CFC recycling.

Antonio O. S. Ricarte, Minister-Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to UNEP

Mr. Antonio Ricarte holds a BA in International Relations from the University of Brasilia and a Masters in Diplomacy from the diplomatic academy of Brazil, Instituto Rio Branco. He is a career diplomat since 1986, having been posted in the Permanent Missions of Brazil in Geneva (United Nations, environment and human rights), Montevideo (Mercosur) and Paris (UNESCO). He was a member of the Brazilian delegation to the Preparatory Committee for UNCED and attended the Rio Summit, in 1992. He also negotiated the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Rio Declaration and the Forest Principles. Mr. Ricarte was a member and served as rapporteur of the World Heritage Committee, the Intergovernmental Committee on Intangible Heritage and the Intergovernmental Committee on Cultural Diversity. Since 2010, he is Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to UNEP, in charge of the preparatory work to Rio+20.

Felix DODDS, Executive Director, Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future, UK

Felix Dodds is an author, futurist and activist. He has been instrumental in developing new modes of stakeholder engagement with the United Nations, particularly within the field of sustainable development. Mr. Dodds is the Executive Director of Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future. He is probably best known as the author of *How to Lobby at Intergovernmental Meetings: Mine is a Café Latte*, written with co-author Michael Strauss.

Dodds' most recent book, *Climate Change and Energy Insecurity* is an edited volume which he produced with Andrew Higham and Richard Sherman. The book is a companion book to the book *Human and Environmental Security: An Agenda for Change*, which both argue that the new paradigm facing the world is the interface between environmental, human, economic security considerations. Dodds argues that this is due to the failure of developed countries to deliver on promises made during the 1992 Rio Earth Summit and the 2002 World Summit in Johannesburg.

Human and Environmental Security: An Agenda for Change was nominated for the International Studies Association Sprout Award in 2006 for the most significant publication in the field of environmental studies.

Christine von Weizsacker, Advisory Group member, ECOROPA, Germany

Christine von Weizsäcker, a biologist, is the author of many contributions to the scientific and public debates on technology assessment. Her special emphasis has been on nuclear energy and modern biotechnology. Since the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro (1992) she has been a leading figure in negotiations of international environmental agreements, in particular the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

Christine von Weizsäcker was Lecturer of the Year 1998 of the National Association for Science, Technology and Society, USA, and received the Immanuel Kant Global Citizen Award in 2006. She serves on a number of

boards and advisory committees on environmental, agricultural, consumer and sustainability policy and is president of the European Network Ecoropa.

Uchita de Zoysa, Executive Director, Centre for Environment and Development and Managing Director, D&D Strategic Solutions, Sri Lanka

Uchita de Zoysa is an internationally acclaimed thinker, writer and speaker who is a frontline leader in mobilizing civil society and strategist for shaping policy for the global sustainability movement. He is the coauthor of the famous *Oslo Declaration on Sustainable Consumption* and author of several books including the latest *Asian Review on Sustainable Consumption*.

In 1991 he created and lead the then largest environment & development NGO coalition in Sri Lanka called the “Public Campaign on Environment & Development”. This gave him the opportunity to conduct a large public hearing process in Sri Lanka and edit the country’s first ever *Citizens’ Report on Environment & Development*. The report was presented to the UNCED in 1992 in Rio de Janeiro, and he also represented South Asian civil society in the International NGO Forum Steering Committee for UNCED.

During the past two decades, he has traveled widely across the world contributing to the largest United Nations global conferences such as the Earth Summit (1992 in Rio de Janeiro), World Summit for Social Development (1995 in Copenhagen) and World Summit on Sustainable Development (2002 in Johannesburg) and over a hundred of other important international conferences.

He recently served as an Advisory Board Member and Head of Asian Review on Sustainable Consumption for “SC.Asia” a project coordinated by the United Nations Environment Programme, and was an editorial member of UNEP’s *Advancing Sustainable Consumption in Asia: A Guidance Manual*. Currently, he is a member of the SPACES International Working Group, and the SCORE Scientific Advisory Board.

Uchita is the Executive Director the Sri Lankan NGO “Centre for Environment & Development” and Managing Director of “D&D Strategic Solutions” an integrated communications agency specializing in CSR and sustainability solutions. He is currently involved in establishing a “Global Stakeholder Dialogue on Sustainable Consumption and Production” and also managing strategic CSR and corporate sustainability projects for business.

He lives and works towards creating a better, equitable and sustainable world!

Lalanath De Silva, World Resources Institute (WRI)

Lalanath De Silva was a public interest litigator and advocate for over two decades. Pioneering the growth of public interest law in the area of the environment, he appeared in many of Sri Lanka’s leading environmental cases on behalf of victims, communities and non-governmental organizations. He also worked for the Government of Sri Lanka for two years as the Legal Consultant to the Ministry of Environment and Forests. During that time he was responsible for drafting and enacting the bulk of Sri Lanka’s environmental regulatory provisions. From 2002-2005 he served as a Legal Officer in the Environmental Claims Unit of the United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC) in Geneva. Together with a small group of international lawyers, he helped process the largest war reparations claims handled by the UNCC to monitor, assess, restore and compensate for environmental damage resulting from the 1991 Gulf War.

Lalanath joined the World Resources Institute (WRI) in 2005 as the Director of The Access Initiative (TAI) (www.accessinitiative.org). Since then he has been focusing on helping over 150 civil society groups in over 40 countries assess the status of access to information, public participation and access to justice in their

countries. Through these assessments, civil society partners identify gaps in access laws, practices and institutions and undertake activities that will change the situation on the ground.

Lalanath qualified as a lawyer from the Sri Lanka Law College and has a Master of Laws degree from the Law School, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.

Oliver Greenfield, Convenor, Green Economy Coalition

Entering its second year, the Green Economy Coalition is already more than 20 organisations including IUCN, WWF, IIED, IISD, ITUC and GRI. Through the coalition these organisations are working together to accelerate the transition to a green, fair and inclusive economy.

The coalition works in three areas: **mobilizing** a movement through national dialogues, **building** consensus of policy by shared analysis and vision, developing shared projects and online debate, **influencing** national and international economic policy decisions, processes and institutions.

Oliver is the Convenor of this coalition. Convenor is a carefully considered title to reflect network leadership, inviting people from diverse institutions and networks to work together, and enabling them to influence collectively. He is trusted to speak on behalf of the coalition.

Prior to this role Oliver spent 7 years leading WWF's Sustainable Business and Economics work, where he pioneered systemic stakeholder change programmes: One Planet Business, One Planet Finance and One Planet Economy.

Before WWF, Oliver managed change in industry and the public sector, as a corporate strategy consultant for Booz Company and as the senior strategy advisor for the BBC World Service. He has degrees in engineering and business and has worked with many organisations and cultures for social, environmental and economic value.

The Green Economy debate is happening at www.greeneconomycoalition.org/. He invites you to contribute: oliver.greenfield@greeneconomycoalition.org.

Peter Bates, International Council for Environment and Development

Peter serves as a Science Officer, working on ICSU's projects relating to the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development 2012 (Rio+20). He studied environmental science at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels and holds an interdisciplinary PhD in ecology and anthropology, which focused on the science and Inuit knowledge of caribou migrations in Arctic Canada. Before joining ICSU Peter worked for UNESCO and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC), on projects concerning the Arctic, ocean observing systems and indigenous peoples

Elenita Daño, ETC Group (Action Group on Erosion, Technology and Concentration)

Elenita Daño is Program Manager at the ETC Group in the Philippines. A researcher with extensive experience in development and policy work in agriculture, agricultural biodiversity, biosafety, climate change and environmental governance in Southeast Asia, she has broad knowledge of international organizations and UN bodies and procedures. Neth Daño has been involved in international environmental governance discussions since 2005 when she worked as Associate at Third World Network (TWN).

Throughout the years, her interest and passion over the issues in IEG have deepened. She has extensive experience in engaging government actors, civil society and communities in policy advocacy, awareness raising, research and policy development. Currently, she is directly involved in discussions on geo-engineering and other emerging technologies which impact the future of the world's food, agriculture and

climate. Neth holds a Bachelor's degree in Development Studies (cum laude) from the University of the Philippines and a Master's in Community Development.