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RAINER AGSTER

Director of Private Sector Cooperation, adelphi



Rainer Agster is Director of adelphi's Private Sector Cooperation. He is responsible for different work areas of sustainable development in developing countries and emerging economies. Over the past 15 years, Rainer Agster has conducted numerous projects in Africa, China, South Asia and the South Caucasus. He is currently focussing on the areas of climate change adaptation, energy efficiency, green finance and sustainability entrepreneurship. Rainer Agster advises banks in India, Nepal and Turkey on climate protection, energy efficiency and renewable energy. Before joining adelphi, he held a position at a subsidiary of the Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry (DIHK), focussing on promoting exports of German environmental technology. The role involved managing projects in Brazil and the United Arab Emirates. He also gained two years of experience working in an energy supply company.

RAFAELITA M. ALDABA

Assistant Secretary of Industry Development & Trade Policy Group, Department of Trade & Industry, The Philippines



Since 2014, Rafaelita Aldaba has been appointed as Assistant Secretary of the Department of Trade & Industry and specifically designated to the Industry Development & Trade Policy Group. Prior to her appointment, she served as Senior Research Fellow and Vice-President of the Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS). She has gained extensive research experience on development issues with a particular focus on industrial policy, regional economic integration, international trade, foreign direct investment, competition policy and SME. Rafaelita Aldaba was highly instrumental in crafting the analytical framework for the Industry Roadmap Project of the Department of Trade and Industry's (DTI) Board of Investments (BOI), which was launched in 2012. Using a multi-stakeholder approach, this landmark project aims to integrate sectoral roadmaps and to serve as a guide for the formulation of a Comprehensive National Industrial Strategy.

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TILMAN ALTENBURG

Head of Department Sustainable Economic and Social Development, German Development Institute (DIE)



Tilman Altenburg is an economic geographer and Head of the “Sustainable Economic and Social Development” Department at the German Development Institute (DIE), the German think tank for development policy issues. Since 1986, Tilman Altenburg has carried out empirical research in several developing countries including Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, Honduras, India, Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam and Ethiopia. He received his doctorate in Economic Geography from the University of Hamburg in 1991. Before joining DIE in 1995, he was a research fellow at Universities in Berlin and Marburg. He has published various articles and books on competitiveness, knowledge-based development, innovation systems, industrial policy, clusters and value chains, entrepreneurship development, and public-private partnerships. Tilman Altenburg is regularly working as an adviser to the German government and international development agencies.

AMAL-LEE AMIN

Associate Director, Third Generation Environmentalism (E3G)



Amal-Lee Amin is an international climate and development policy and finance expert with over 20 years of professional and academic experience. Among others, she has contributed to the Climate Investment Funds (CIFs) and the UK’s Green Investment Bank (GIB) as a lead architect. Furthermore, she has led UNFCCC and other multilateral and bilateral negotiations for the EU on Technology Development and Transfer, Adaptation, Capacity-building and Sustainable Energy and has developed and implemented the UK’s 2005 G8 strategy for engaging Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico and South Africa on climate change and sustainable energy. In order to overcome policy, regulatory and financing barriers, she has established the global multi-stakeholder Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP). Amal-Lee Amin has also initiated and launched the China Dialogue on Green Finance and Investment and is a member of the Private Sector Advisory Group of the Green Climate Fund.

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GERALDINE ANG

Economist and Policy Analyst on Green Investment, OECD



Geraldine Ang joined the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2011 and currently works as a Policy Analyst. She supports both the Environment Directorate and the Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs in green investment and climate finance, with a focus on clean energy investment. She has contributed to the Policy Guidance for Investment in Clean Energy Infrastructure and authored several OECD reports, including “Overcoming Barriers to International Investment in Clean Energy” and “Mobilising Private Investment in Sustainable Transport”. Prior to joining the OECD, she conducted research on the economics of climate change mitigation for the Earth Institute.

ROLLIE ARMSTRONG

Managing Director, CRONIMET Mining Power Solutions GmbH



Rollie Armstrong is a Managing Director of CRONIMET Mining Power Solutions GmbH since 2013. Prior to his work for CRONIMET, he co-founded and served as the Director of Solea Capital GmbH, an internationally active PV development and transaction structuring company. He successfully developed, built, operated and transferred utility scale PV projects in Italy, Germany, Romania and South Africa. Rollie Armstrong also spent three years as the responsible manager of a Munich-based private equity group focused on the global renewable energy sector and worked for six years as a Corporate Finance and M&A Manager at Ernst & Young. He earned an MBA in Corporate Finance from the Northeastern University in Boston and holds an undergraduate degree in Financial Services from University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

BEATRIZ BUGEDA BERNAL

Director General of Climate Change Policies, Underministry for Planning and Environmental Policy of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Mexico



Beatriz Bugeda graduated in Law from the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) and obtained her Master’s Degree in Law from the University of Harvard. She also has a Master’s Degree in International Cooperation from the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation and is a member of the Advanced Studies Program on Environment and Sustainable Development from El Colegio de México. She was the Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW), and is currently Director General of Climate Change Policy in the Underministry for Planning and Environmental Policy of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources.

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IGNACIO CAMPINO

Representative for South America, DESERTEC Foundation



Ignacio Campino is the DESERTEC Foundation's Representative for South America. He joined the Foundation in 2012 and was appointed to the Board of Directors. Prior to his work for the DESERTEC Foundation, he was with Deutsche Telekom since 1995 and became the Board of Management's Representative for Sustainability and Climate Protection. Ignacio Campino is also a member of the UNFCCC's Momentum for Change Advisory Panel, an initiative to promote concrete solutions to the issue of climate change. In addition to this, he is Director of the "Initiative for the Promotion of Economic Competence in the Sense of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) BiWiNa e.V.". Ignacio Campino has also been a member of the German National Committee of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (BNE), member of the Board of Trustees of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research and member of WWF Germany's Advisory Board.

CORNELIA DAHEIM

Founder and Director, Future Impacts Consulting



Cornelia Daheim is a foresight expert and consultant. Since 2000, she has been leading corporate foresight projects for customers from several industries such as Alstom, SKT or BASF, and has spoken on foresight and future trends on all continents. In recent years, she has focussed on the future of work, energy, mobility, future of food and societal change. Ms. Daheim is the Founder and Director of Future Impacts Consulting, a research and consulting company focussing on creating impacts today from insights on possible future developments. Furthermore, she is Head of the Millennium Project German Node and a member of the Scientific Committee of the EU Commission's Board for the "Futures-Oriented Technology Analysis Conference". Before founding her own company, she has led Z_punkt The Foresight Company as a managing partner for several years.

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FRANK FASS-METZ

Commissioner for Climate and Deputy Director General, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany



Frank Fass-Metz is Commissioner for Climate and Deputy Director General at the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), leading the Special unit "Climate" since February 2015. Before assuming this duty, he has been working on climate and climate finance as Head of Division at BMZ since March 2008. His responsibilities included i.a. representing Germany at the Council of the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) (2008-2015), the GEF Assembly (2010 and 2014) and at the Trust Fund Committees for the Climate Investment Funds (2008-2015). In 2014, Frank Fass-Metz led the team for the German Co-Chairmanship of the Green Climate Fund (GCF), laying the ground for the initial capitalization of the GCF at the GCF Pledging Conference in November 2014.

JOHN FIRTH

CEO, Acclimatise Group Ltd



John Firth has over 20 years' experience in assessing the impacts of climate change. In 2004, he co-founded Acclimatise with Dr. Richenda Connell. He has extensive experience of integrating climate change into business, decision-making and risk management processes. In addition to this, John Firth has particular expertise in the impacts of climate change on the private sector and their supply and value chains, the financial services sectors and small island developing states. He is also interested in the legal implications for business, disclosure of information to investors, the mobilisation of private-sector finance and the provision of climate funding to developing countries. John Firth has worked on climate resilience projects in Europe, Africa, North America, Latin America and the Caribbean, the Indian Ocean, the Middle East, Asia and Australia for banks, governments, institutional investors, development partners and the private sector.

ROLAND GROSS

Head of Sector Project, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

Roland Gross is a specialist on development finance with a particular focus on microfinance, SME finance and more recently, on green finance. He started his professional career as a rural finance expert at the FAO in Rome. Since 1993, Roland Gross has been working for GIZ in various positions, both in the headquarters as well as a field expert. Roland Gross was Chief Technical Advisor of a project implementing SME policies in Namibia. He held key functions to design GIZ field projects in SME promotion, rural and micro finance. Roland Gross has vast experience of rural and microfinance in Africa, Central Asia and Latin America. He holds a degree in Agricultural Economics and worked for some years in a cooperative apex bank in Germany. At present, he is heading a project, which is focusing on the environmental aspects of financial systems development, in other words - green finance.

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MADA AYU HABSARI

President Director, PT. Amari Tangguh Wisesa (Holding Company of PT. Enertec Mitra Solusi)



Mada Ayu Habsari has extensive experience in sales, marketing, client relations and business development. Currently, she is President Director of PT. Amari Tangguh Wisesa, shareholder in its subsidiary company, PT. Enertec Mitra Solusi. Her main work areas focus on the development of business in the energy sector, renewable energy and energy conservation in ESCo systems, waste treatment and bio-energy. From 2012 to 2014, she was Director of PT. Sadean Energi Indonesia, where she implemented a Solar Home System project (SEHEN) on a remote Indonesian island. Mada Ayu Habsari's professional experiences include bank assurance, priority banking, telecommunication industry, power plants, energy services and investment companies.

DILIP KULKARNI

President, Agri-Food and Sustainable Agriculture Division, Jain Irrigation Systems Limited



Dilip Kulkarni serves as the President of Jain Irrigation's Agri-Food and Sustainable Agriculture Division, where he develops and implements new programmes in agriculture and food processing. Also, he oversees the building of value chain operations with small and medium farmers. Apart from his role as President of Jain Irrigation, he actively participates in the company's R&D operations and develops linkages with other organizations including public private partnership programmes on national and international levels and coordinates the company's activities for strategic policy developments. Dilip Kulkarni was Lecturer of Food Technology at the Institute of Applied Science and Technology at Dharan, Nepal and Professor and Head of Food Science and Technology at Marathwada Agricultural University, where he established India's first-degree program in Food Technology. As he has transferred numerous technologies to agro commodity groups, Dilip Kulkarni is an expert on technology transfer and extension for farmers and entrepreneurs.

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PAVLO MASIUKOV

Head of Unit, Technical Regulations and Balanced Nature Resource Management, The Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Pavlo Masiukov is Head of the “Technical Regulations and Balanced Nature Resource Management” Unit at The Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. His main responsibilities include the review and analysis of technical regulations (GOST, SNIP, DBN, etc.) that are currently effective in Ukraine and the European Union, the harmonisation of technical regulations, the promotion of energy effective and environmental friendly technologies included in BREF, the promotion of sustainable management, water management and biological diversity strategy development as well as analysis and proposals on applying ecological labelling as an instrument of the World Trade Organization. Pavlo Masiukov is also establishing an ad-hoc Committee on Environmental and Sustainable Management to support and promote environmentally friendly technologies, waste management, biodiversity protection as well as social and environmental responsibility.

DIRK MESSNER

Director of the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)



Dirk Messner has been Director of the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) since 2003. He is also Co-Director of the Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research at University Duisburg-Essen, which was established in 2012. Based on his research, Dirk Messner is engaged in high-ranking policy advisory councils. For example, he is Co-Chair of the German Advisory Council on Global Change / Wissenschaftlicher Beirat der Bundesregierung Globale Umweltveränderungen (WBGU) since 2013 and a member of the China Council on Global Cooperation on Development and Environment (CCICED). His work areas focus on Global Change and Sustainable Development, Transformation towards the Decarbonisation of the Global Economy, Globalization and Global Governance as well as International Cooperation and Human Behaviour.

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KATHRIN MOHR

Head of GoHelp Programme, Deutsche Post DHL



Kathrin Mohr is Head of the GoHelp Programme at Deutsche Post DHL headquarters in Bonn, Germany. Deutsche Post DHL is the world's leading logistics and mail communications company and employs more than 480,000 people in over 220 countries and territories worldwide. GoHelp is part of the group's worldwide corporate responsibility strategy. Kathrin Mohr started her career as a consultant in an international management consulting company and worked in the consumer goods industry for several years. She has been with Deutsche Post DHL in various areas such as Corporate Strategy and Investor Relations. For the past 7 years, Kathrin Mohr has been responsible for the GoHelp programme and the group's partnership with the United Nations.

JOACHIM PREY

Director General, Sectoral Department, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH



Joachim Prey serves as Director General for the Sectoral Department of GIZ, where he previously worked as Deputy Director General for four years. Until December 2008, he was Country Director of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) for the Palestine Territory and Jordan as well as Head of Unit and Senior Advisor for Private Sector Development in the Department for Economic Development and Employment Promotion of GTZ. His main work areas are climate finance / investment promotion, SME policy, business development services (BDS), business start-ups and e-business. He has gained extensive experience as a Technical Advisor and Project Manager in Private Sector and SME Promotion in various countries. Before joining GTZ, he spent several years as a consultant specialised in renewable energies and technology transfer.

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CORNELIA RICHTER

Managing Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH



Cornelia Richter studied economics and social science as well as economic and social psychology. She began her professional career in 1980 as desk officer in the Planning and Research Division of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). Two years later she moved to the Multilateral Affairs Division. From 1984 – 89 she was Government Advisor in the Ministry of Economics and Planning in Lesotho. In 1989, Cornelia Richter joined the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH as Director of the South Asia Division. In 1996 she was appointed Director General of the Regional Department for Asia and the Pacific, and from 2002 to 2011 she headed GTZ's Planning and Development Department. In 2011 she was appointed Director General of the Sectoral Department at the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH. Since July 2012 she is Member of the Management Board of GIZ. In addition to this, Cornelia Richter sits on numerous boards and committees, i. a. the Board of Trustees of the German Development Institute (DIE), the Board of Trustees of the National Urban Development Policy as well as of the Board of Trustees of the German Institute for Development Evaluation (Deval).

JULIA ROHE

Senior Project Manager, adelphi



Julia Rohe specialises in the fields of sustainability entrepreneurship, climate change adaptation and climate finance. Within these areas, she focuses on developing and implementing interactive approaches to training and consulting. She is highly experienced in developing innovative training formats, in which she combines specialised content and interactive approaches with a consistent didactic concept. She has gained comprehensive experience as a moderator and trainer in workshops and different conference formats worldwide. In addition, she focuses on managing international consulting and dialogue projects. Since 2011, Julia Rohe has been part of the SEED team (www.seedinit.uno), where she advises companies in developing countries and emerging markets on socially and ecologically sustainable business models. Julia Rohe studied political science, focussing on international relations, at the University of Mannheim.

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MICHAEL SCHNEIDER

Head of Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG), Deutsche Asset & Wealth Management, Deutsche Bank AG



Michael Schneider completed a four-year executive training programme at Deutsche Bank from 1996-2000, taking on responsibilities in a variety of departments, including Public Sector and Corporate Clients, Retail and Business Banking, Private Wealth Management, and Credit Risk Management. Between 2000 and 2005, he served as Associate and later Vice President of Deutsche Bank in New York. In 2009, Michael Schneider established a team solely dedicated to creating a socially and ecologically responsible impact by structuring and managing innovative and transparent impact investment products. This Environmental & Social Capital group now manages two public private partnership funds focused on energy efficiency in the EU and food security in Africa with total capital commitments of \$500m. In the summer of 2013, Michael was named Head of Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) for the Asset & Wealth Management Division of Deutsche Bank AG.

EDI SETIJAWAN

Deputy Director, The Indonesia Financial Services Authority (OJK)



Edi Setijawan joined the Indonesia Financial Services Authority (OJK) in 2013. Currently, he serves as Deputy Director of the Indonesia Banking Architecture-Department of Banking Research and Regulation. His main duties are the development of the Indonesia Banking Masterplan as well as the monitoring of its implementation. In addition to his, he is handling sustainable finance initiatives. Edi Setijawan specialises in bank risk management, good corporate governance, sustainable finance, Islamic banking, micro finance, global governance, TQM and HRM. Prior to his work for the Indonesia Financial Services Authority (OJK), he was a banking supervisor, analyst and researcher for commercial, rural, and Islamic banks at Bank Indonesia (Central Bank).

THEODORE SILINGE

Head of Environment Unit, Ministry of Energy and Minerals, Tanzania

Theodore Silinge holds a Master's Degree in Natural Resources Management. As energy officer, he has been involved in the development and promotion of renewable energy technologies, such as improved woodfuel conversion and utilisation. In addition to this, he participated in the development of procedures and guidelines for environmental impact assessments in Tanzania. As a member of the Rural Energy Working Group, he took part in the assessment of wind resources in Tanzania. Theodore Silinge also provided support to the preparation of Tanzania's Second National Communication under the UNFCCC and prepared the selection of Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) for the energy and transport sectors. He is a member of both the National Climate Change Technical Committee and the National Climate Change Technical Working Group.



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GIOVANNA VALVERDE STARK

Climate Change and Sustainable Development Officer, Lead Negotiator UNFCCC, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica



Giovanna Valverde Stark is an economist and expert in foreign trade and microfinance. She has served as a diplomat for 13 years and was the national coordinator for the Livestock Low Emission National Strategy from 2012-2014. In addition to this, she has led the development of Costa Rica's NAMA in the coffee sector. Giovanna Valverde Stark also serves as Costa Rica's Lead Negotiator to the UNFCCC processes. Prior to entering the public sector, she worked in the private sector for 13 years and specialised in wind farm projects.

ALEJANDRO VELASCO

CEO, Quality Energy Solutions



Alejandro Velasco holds an Economic Sciences and Business Administration degree with an MBA in Sustainability Management from Leuphana University in Lüneburg. He has completed postgraduate courses in energy efficiency, renewable energies and material as well as energy management. In his professional career, he has specialised in the world of sustainable entrepreneurship with a particular focus on energy efficiency. Alejandro Velasco has worked and researched in the field of sustainable business models for energy efficiency and has developed several projects in Latin America and Germany. As an expert for public private partnerships, he has frequently supported Germany's development cooperation with respect to innovations on the Latin American market.

BERND VINCENT WALBAUM

CEO, Ohlthaver & List Energy



Bernd Vincent Walbaum is the Chief Executive Officer at O&L Energy which is part of the Ohlthaver & List Group of Companies, Namibia's largest privately held Group of Companies, with responsibility for Energy Efficiency Solutions and Renewable Energy Generation Projects. Prior to joining O&L Energy, Bernd Vincent Walbaum worked as Managing Director at several Renewable Energy companies in Europe and South Africa and as Management Consultant for Ernst & Young. Notable are his 15 years of experience in global solar energy. Bernd Vincent Walbaum received a Master of Business Economics from University of Hamburg, Germany and several technical trainings on the solar business in Europe.

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FLORIAN WIENEKE

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Florian Wieneke is a Senior Economist and joined KfW in 2008. He works for the Competence Centre for Environment and Climate, where he advises the Management and Executive Board on climate adaptation finance and tools for climate risk/vulnerability assessments. In addition to this, he coordinates KfW's contribution to the international climate negotiations. Previously, Florian Wieneke has worked as a consultant for various international organisations in development cooperation, such as the UN/ISDR-Platform for the Promotion of Early Warning. His regional focus lies on Latin America and the Caribbean states. Florian Wieneke holds a PhD in Economic Sociology and Agricultural Studies from the University of Bonn.

FRÉDÉRIC WILS

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Frédéric Wils works at the Competence Centre Climate Change at Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and leads the "Dialogue Forum Climate Investments". He also works as a planning officer with a regional focus on Asia, where he is designing and advising capacity building projects in the areas of climate finance and greenhouse gas mitigation. In addition to this, he has contributed to the German-British NAMA Facility which is supporting developing countries that show leadership in tackling climate change and want to implement transformational NAMAs. Prior to these activities, he worked as an assistant to the Chairman of the GIZ Management Board and as a Junior Professional Officer for GIZ's Climate Protection Programme. He holds a M.A. in International Relations from the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University (Washington, DC) and graduated in Public Administration from Potsdam University.

LEENA WOKECK

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Leena Wokeck is a corporate social responsibility expert and acts as Director and Senior Associate of CSR Asia. Her focus areas include poverty alleviation, inclusive value chains, human rights, climate change adaptation, partnerships for sustainable development, sustainability reporting, sustainability standards and guidelines and stakeholder engagement. She has extensive experience advising organizations of various sectors and sizes and leads research and engagement projects on cutting edge issues and trends for the role of business in sustainable development. Among others, she spent several years working for the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). Leena Wokeck is an accomplished trainer and facilitator and has developed and delivered executive education programs, including the joint CSR Asia-AIT Professional Master's Program in CSR.