

## Women and War Speaker Bios

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**Pamela Aall**

Provost of the Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding  
United States Institute of Peace



Pamela Aall is Provost of the U.S. Institute of Peace's Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding. Her research interests include mediation in inter- and intrastate conflicts, the role of nonofficial organizations in conflict management and resolution, civil-military relations, and the role of education in exacerbating conflict or promoting reconciliation. She is the author and editor of a number of books and articles on international conflict management and mediation. Pamela is the past president of Women In International Security (WIIS).

**Safaa Adam**

Secretary General  
Community Development Association (Sudan)



Safaa Adam is secretary general and gender adviser of the Community Development Association. Ms. Adam is one of Darfur's leading advocates for civil society's inclusion in peace negotiations. For nearly a decade, she has brought women's voices and priorities directly to negotiating tables, including as lead of the Gender Expert Support Team. At the 2007 negotiations in Abuja, the Team played an integral role in ensuring the gender sensitivity of the Darfur Peace Agreement. An expert in development, she has advised numerous organizations on the planning and execution of post-conflict community organizations, income generation programs, and relief coordination and distribution networks. Ms. Adam has a background in gender issues in conflict, gender-sensitive and women's development, international standards of human rights, religion as a tool for peace, relief monitoring and evaluation, conflict transformation, small- and micro-enterprise financing, and project management and strategic planning. She is an executive member of the Sudanese Women's Empowerment for Peace and Development Network; a founding member of Khartoum's Community Development Association; and a member of the Sudanese Women's Solidarity Group, the Civil Society Initiative for Peace Forum, and the Women in Law and Development Network. She is also a member of the expert committee on women within Sudan's Federal Ministry of Agriculture. Ms. Adam authored a study on women's role in the informal economy and coauthored a study on Sudanese women entrepreneurs, the latter for the Small Enterprises Promotion and Development Society. An executive member of the Darfur Forum for Dialogue and Peaceful Coexistence and a member of the Darfur Conflict Advocacy Group, Ms. Adam advised the group of women civil society leaders that participated in the seventh round of the Darfur Peace Negotiation in Abuja in December 2005. She is also a board member for the Darfur Relief and Documentation Centre, based in Geneva. Ms. Adam was among the group of 1000 women peace builders nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005.

**Sanam Anderlini**

Executive Director

International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN)



Sanam Naraghi-Anderlini is the co-founder of the International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN), a US-based NGO dedicated to supporting civil society activism in peace and security in conflict affected countries. For over a decade she has been a leading international advocate, researcher, trainer and writer on conflict prevention and peacebuilding. In 2000, she was among civil society drafters of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security. As Director of the Women Waging Peace Policy Commission (2002-2005), Ms. Anderlini led ground breaking field research on women's contributions to conflict prevention, security and peacemaking in twelve countries. In 2008, she was appointed as Lead Consultant for a new UNDP global initiative on the "Men and the Gendered Dimensions of Violence in Crisis Contexts." In 2009, she was appointed as a personal representative of the UN Secretary General to the Advisory Board of the UN Democracy Fund (UNDEF). In 2010, she was appointed to the Civil Society Advisory Group on Resolution 1325, chaired by Mary Robinson. She has written extensively on women and conflict issues. Her latest book, *Women Building Peace: What they do, why it matters*, was published by Lynne Rienner in 2007.

**Inger Andersen**

Vice President, Sustainable Development Network  
The World Bank



Ms. Andersen, a Danish national, became Vice President of Sustainable Development at the World Bank in July, 2010. As such, she has overall responsibilities for the organization's global work in agriculture, environmental, infrastructure, urban, and social development, along with global public goods issues in those areas. Prior to her appointment, she was Director of Sustainable Development in the Africa Region, where she oversaw a significant expansion in energy and agriculture programs, tackling the ambitious and complex development agenda while also leading the Bank's work in the region on mainstreaming climate action. Ms. Andersen joined the World Bank in 1999 working on international waters in the Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Development Vice Presidency. In 2001, she moved to the Africa region where she subsequently was named Sector Manager for Water and Urban Development. In 2005, Ms. Andersen moved to the Middle East & North Africa region as Director for the Rural Development, Water, & Environment Department and in 2006 assumed the leadership of the new Sustainable Development department for the region. In 2008, she returned to Africa as Director of Sustainable Development. Ms. Andersen is a water and environment specialist with special focus on hydro-diplomacy and leadership of trans-boundary water initiatives and investments. In this capacity, she has worked on the negotiation of complex international waters treaties, including the Niger, the Senegal, and the Nile as well as work with the Israelis, the Jordanians, and the Palestinians on trans-boundary water-related activities. Prior to joining the World Bank, Ms. Andersen worked at the United Nations in New York between 1987 and 1999 in a variety of positions. Among them, she managed projects addressing global environmental concerns, international waters, and renewable energy/climate change in the United Nations Development Programme's Regional Bureau of Arab States (1993-1999) and in the United Nations Drought and Desertification Office. While at the UN, Ms. Andersen also served on the organization's three-member delegation to the Middle East Multilateral Peace Talks. Ms. Andersen has extensive country experience, notably in Sudan where she worked from 1983 to 1987, including three years with a non-governmental organization. Ms. Andersen received her Master's Degree in Development Economics and African Politics from the University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies. She is fluent in English and Danish, and proficient in Arabic and French.

### **Séverine Autesserre**

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Barnard College, Columbia University  
Peace Scholar at the United States Institute of Peace (2004-2005)



Séverine Autesserre is an Assistant Professor of political science, specializing in international relations and African studies, at Barnard College, Columbia University. Her research focuses on civil wars, peacebuilding and peacekeeping, humanitarian aid, and African politics, and her findings have appeared in scholarly and policy journals including *Foreign Affairs*, *International Organization*, *the African Studies Review*, *the Review of African Political Economy*, *the Journal of Humanitarian Affairs*, and *Birikim*. Her most recent research project culminated in a book entitled *The Trouble with the Congo: Local Violence and the Failure of International Peacebuilding* (Cambridge University

Press, 2010). Over the past twelve years, Professor Autesserre has worked periodically for humanitarian and development agencies in Afghanistan, the Congo, India, Kosovo, and Nicaragua. She has conducted extensive fieldwork in the eastern Congo since 2001.

### **Gary Barker**

Director, Gender, Violence and Rights  
International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)



Gary Barker is director of gender, violence and rights at the International Center for Research on Women (ICRW). In this role, Barker oversees ICRW's research, policy analyses and programmatic work to develop solutions that address the underlying causes that lead to violence against women, including the involvement of men and boys. Barker is a social scientist with more than 15 years of experience researching gender equality, men and masculinities, sexuality and HIV/AIDS. He also is an expert in exploring the links between men and violence in conflict and post-conflict settings in parts of Latin America, the Caribbean, sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia. Prior to joining ICRW in 2008, Barker

was founding executive director of Instituto Promundo, a nongovernmental organization based in Brazil that works to promote gender equality and reduce violence against children, youth and women. Barker also has served as a consultant to the World Bank, the World Health Organization, UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNDP and the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women. Barker was elected as an Ashoka Fellow in 2007 and awarded an Individual Projects Fellowship from the Open Society Institute. He is a founding co-chair of MenEngage, a global alliance of international organizations that work to engage men and boys to promote gender equality. Barker holds a doctorate in child and adolescent development from Loyola University, a master's degree in public policy from Duke University and a bachelor's in journalism from Texas A&M University.

**Rosa Brooks**

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Rule of Law and Humanitarian Policy  
United States Department of Defense



Ms. Brooks serves as Deputy Assistant on a public service leave from her position as a professor at the Georgetown University Law Center, where she specializes in international law. She has had a varied career in government, academia, the media and the NGO world. From 2005 to March 2009, she was a foreign policy columnist for the Los Angeles Times. Ms. Brooks has also served as Special Counsel to the President of the Open Society Institute, Associate Professor of Law at the University of Virginia School of Law; Senior Advisor at the US Department of State's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, a consultant for Human Rights Watch, a lecturer at Yale Law School, a Term Member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a fellow at the Carr Center at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. Over the years, her work has brought her to more than thirty countries, from Indonesia, Kosovo, Sierra Leone and Russia to China, India, Iraq and Afghanistan. She has also served on numerous boards and advisory groups, including the Board of Directors of the National Security Network, the steering committee of the White Oak Foreign Policy Leaders' Project, the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Fragile States, the board of directors of Amnesty International USA, and the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law. Brooks has published numerous scholarly articles on international law, state failure, post-conflict reconstruction and the rule of law, terrorism and the law of armed conflict. With Jane Stromseth and David Wippman, she is the co-author of "Can Might Make Rights? The Rule of Law After Military Interventions" (Cambridge University Press, 2006). Brooks received her A.B. from Harvard, followed by a master's degree from Oxford (where she was a Marshall Scholar) and a law degree from Yale.



**Michael E. Brown**

Dean of The Elliott School of International Affairs  
The George Washington University



Michael E. Brown is Dean of the Elliott School of International Affairs and Professor of International Affairs and Political Science at The George Washington University. From 1998 to 2005, Dr. Brown was on the faculty of the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University. From 2000 to 2005, he served as Director of Georgetown's Center for Peace and Security Studies and Director of the M.A. program in Security Studies. From 1994 to 1998, he was Associate Director of the International Security Program at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard

University. From 1988 to 1994, he was a member of the Directing Staff and Senior Fellow in U.S. Security Policy at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London. Dr. Brown was Co-Editor of the journal *International Security* from 1994 to 2006. He now serves on the journal's Editorial Board. He was Editor of the journal *Survival* from 1991 to 1994. Dr. Brown is the author of *Flying Blind: The Politics of the U.S. Strategic Bomber Program*, which won the Edgar Furniss National Security Book Award. He is the editor or co-editor of 21 books, including: *Grave New World: Security Challenges in the 21st Century*; *Ethnic Conflict and International Security*; and fifteen *International Security* readers, including *Going Nuclear: Nuclear Proliferation and International Security in the 21st Century*. Dr. Brown received his Ph.D. in Government from Cornell University. He has traveled to more than 70 countries.

**Mayra Buvinic**

Sector Director

Gender and Development, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank



Mayra Buvinic, a Chilean national and internationally respected expert on gender and social development, is the Bank's senior spokesperson on gender and development issues. Before joining the Bank in 2005, she was Chief of the Social Development Division at the Inter-American Development Bank and the IDB's Special Advisor on Violence Prevention. Prior to this, she was a founding member and President of the International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) in Washington, D.C. Ms. Buvinic holds a Ph.D. and a master's degree both in social psychology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

## **Major-General Patrick Cammaert**

Military Advisor

United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations



Major General (ret) Patrick Cammaert has a distinguished military career in both The Netherlands with the Royal Netherlands Marine Corps and the United Nations, where he served as Sector Commander in Cambodia (UNTAC), as Assistant Chief of Staff in Bosnia/Herzegovina (UNPROFOR), as Force Commander in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE), as Military Advisor to the Department of Peace Keeping Operations (DPKO), and as General Officer Commanding the Eastern Division in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUC). Since his retirement from the military in 2007, he has been an effective expert

advocate with regard to issues such as leadership in crisis circumstances, international peace and security, civil-military cooperation in peace support operations, peacekeeping, and security sector reform. Major General Cammaert has advised the senior management of UN Department for Peace Keeping Operations (DPKO), UN Development Programme (UNDP) and UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) on strategic planning issues such as Integrated Training Development, the protection of civilians under immediate threat of physical violence and the sexual gender based violence (SGBV) in armed conflict. Major General Cammaert also has advised the Dutch Government on strategic planning for peace support operations in Africa and Afghanistan, the Dutch Minister for Foreign Development on logistic and financial support to DRC and Burundi and the Vietnamese Government on peacekeeping and SGBV. In 2008, Major General Cammaert was awarded the Carnegie-Wateler Peace Prize. He serves as Chairman of the Dutch Foundation for Refugees, and is a member of the advisory board of the Mukomeze Foundation, which helps women and girls who survived rape and sexual violence in Rwanda.



### **Ambassador Anwarul Chowdhury**

Former Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing Countries  
United Nations



Ambassador Anwarul K. Chowdhury served from 2002 to 2007 as the Under-Secretary-General and High Representative of the United Nations, responsible for the most vulnerable countries of the world. A career diplomat, he served as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations in New York from 1996 to 2001. He also served as Bangladesh's Ambassador to Chile, Nicaragua, Peru and Venezuela, as well as Bangladesh's High Commissioner to the Bahamas and Guyana. Ambassador Chowdhury served as President of the United Nations Security Council for two terms in 2000 and 2001 and Chairman and President of the UNICEF

Executive Board in 1985 and in 2000. His initiative in March 2000 as the President of the Security Council led to the adoption of the groundbreaking UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on the role of women in peace and security. Ambassador Chowdhury has structured curricula and taught courses on "The Culture of Peace" at the Soka University of America, Los Angeles and the City University of New York in 2008 and 2009.

### **Lisa Davis**

Human Rights Advocacy Director  
MADRE



Lisa Davis is the Human Rights Advocacy Director for MADRE. She received her J.D. from CUNY Law School, where she was Editor-in-Chief of the *New York City Law Review*, and her M.A. in International Policy from American University. For over ten years she has worked as an advocate for human rights and has written extensively on international women's human rights issues, including on LGBTQ rights. Lisa currently serves as the Coordinator for the Lawyers' Earthquake Response Network (LERN) Gender Working Group. She is a member of the New York City Bar Association's International Human Rights Committee and the National Lawyers'

Guild Working Group on Haiti. Lisa recently returned to CUNY Law School as an Adjunct Professor of Law for the International Women's Human Rights Clinic.

### **Chantal De Jonge Oudraat**

Associate Vice President, Jennings Randolph Fellowship Program  
United States Institute of Peace



Chantal de Jonge Oudraat is associate vice president of the Jennings Randolph Fellowship Program. Before joining USIP, de Jonge Oudraat was an adjunct associate professor at the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, and a senior fellow at the Center for Transatlantic Relations, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, where she focused on transatlantic relations and global security issues. In 2002, she was a recipient of the Robert Bosch Foundation Research Scholar Fellowship at the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies (AICGS), Johns Hopkins University. De Jonge Oudraat is a member of Women In International Security (WIIS) and served on its executive board (1998-2007) and as its vice president (2001-2007). She received her B.A. in political and social sciences from the University of Amsterdam, her M.A. from the University of Paris I (Sorbonne) and her Ph.D. in political science from the University of Paris II (Panthéon).

### **Visaka Dharmadasa**

Founder and Chair

Association of War-Affected Women and Parents of Servicemen Missing in Action (Sri Lanka)



Visaka Dharmadasa has designed and facilitated Track II dialogue processes in Sri Lanka, bringing together influential civil society leaders. Working to end the civil war that has gripped Sri Lanka for the last twenty years, she educates soldiers, youth, and community leaders about international standards of conduct in war and promotes the economic and social development of women across conflict lines. When talks were foundering and leaders of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Elam refused to speak with members of the Sri Lankan government and Norwegian negotiators, they asked Ms. Dharmadasa, founder of Parents of Servicemen Missing in Action and the Association of War-Affected Women, to carry messages to the government. In January 2004, Ms. Dharmadasa authored an analysis on the unraveling of the current peace efforts, which she presented to Yasushi Akashi, Japanese special envoy for the Sri Lankan peace process. That year she also initiated a lawsuit against the Government of Sri Lanka to force DNA testing on soldiers' remains, which would enable families to confirm the death of a loved one in combat—a particularly meaningful success since she has a son missing in action. For this and other work, the President appointed Ms. Dharmadasa to the National Commission Against Proliferation of Illicit Small Arms; she is also a member of South Asia Small Arms network, working against the misuse of light weapons. Dharmadasa is determined to be a new kind of woman leader with support from a robust women's movement that she will help create.

**Abigail E. Disney**

Filmmaker and Philanthropist

Producer of the film “Pray the Devil Back to Hell”



Abigail E. Disney is a filmmaker, philanthropist, and scholar. She has produced a number of documentaries focused on social themes, including the award-winning 2008 film *Pray the Devil Back to Hell*, which discovered and shared with the world the little-known story of how a small band of women dared to break barriers of gender and politics in Liberia and end a century of entrenched civil war. The film inspired her to form Peace is Loud ([peaceisloud.org](http://peaceisloud.org)), an organization that supports female voices and international peace-

building through nonviolent means. Her current project, “Women, War & Peace,” is in production for PBS Wide Angle by her production company, Fork Films. Ms. Disney also serves a number of social and political organizations including the Daphne Foundation, which she founded along with her husband Pierre Hauser. Currently, Ms. Disney also serves on the boards of the Roy Disney Family Foundation, the White House Project, the Global Fund for Women, the Fund for the City of New York, and Peace is Loud, as well as the advisory boards of a broad range of organizations working in the areas of poverty, women’s issues, education and environment. Ms. Disney received her Bachelors degree from Yale University, her Masters degree from Stanford University, and her Doctorate from Columbia University.

## **L. Tammy Duckworth**

Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs  
United States Department of Veterans Affairs



L. Tammy Duckworth was nominated by President Barack Obama to serve as the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs. She was confirmed by the Senate on April 22, 2009 and sworn in by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Eric Shinseki, on April 24, 2009. As Assistant Secretary, Duckworth represents and advises the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on matters relating to media and public affairs. She directs departmental communications and oversees programs relating to intergovernmental relations, homeless Veterans, consumer affairs, and the Department's six national rehabilitative special event programs. Duckworth served as the Director of Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs from 2006-2008. As director, she implemented many first-in-the-nation, cutting-edge programs for Veterans, especially in the areas of health care, mental health, housing and employment. She also initiated a public-private partnership program giving grants to non-profits working on Veterans disability, homelessness, long-term medical care and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). A Major in the Illinois Army National Guard, Duckworth served in Iraq as an Assistant Operations Officer and also flew combat missions as a Black Hawk helicopter pilot. During a mission north of Baghdad in 2004, her aircraft was ambushed and a rocket-propelled grenade struck the helicopter she was co-piloting. She continued to attempt to pilot the aircraft until passing out from blood loss. As a result of the attack, Duckworth lost both of her legs and partial use of one arm. She received many decorations for her actions, including the Purple Heart, the Air Medal, and the Combat Action Badge. Since her recovery at Walter Reed, Duckworth has dedicated her life to public service, advocating on behalf of disability rights and Veterans. In 2006, Duckworth was the Democratic Candidate for Illinois' 6th Congressional District. In 2007, she received the Hubert H. Humphrey Civil Rights Award and was named the 2008 Disabled Veteran of the Year by the Disabled American Veterans. In 2008, she was selected by Candidate Obama to deliver the presidential campaign's key address on Veterans' rights at the Democratic National Convention. In 2009, she was named as an American Veterans (AMVETS) Silver Helmet award recipient as well as The George Washington University's Colin Powell Public Service Award Recipient. Duckworth served as a manager for Rotary International's Asia Pacific Region. She speaks fluent Thai and Indonesian and is a published author on the health risks of environmental radon and lung cancer. She has declined her Army medical retirement to continue her service in the National Guard. In 2008 and 2009, she completed the Chicago Marathon, fulfilling a promise made at Walter Reed. She has also resumed flying as a civilian pilot.

**Cerue Garlo**

Executive Director

Women NGOS Secretariat of Liberia



Cerue Konah Garlo is executive director of the Women NGOs Secretariat of Liberia (WONGOSOL), an organization connecting women's NGOs dealing with health, education, social justice, women's rights, and security sector reform. A community peace builder and gender trainer, Ms. Garlo was a member of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs Pre-election Assessment Delegation to Sierra Leone's 2007 elections. To ensure the election went smoothly, Ms. Garlo assessed the political environment ahead of the elections, met with key civic and political party leaders as well as President Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, and provided public feedback of the delegation's findings. She

later became an international observer of those elections. Prior to her post at WONGOSOL, Ms. Garlo served as finance and administrative manager of the West Africa Network for Peace Building Liberia, where she managed women in peace-building programs. During the civil war, Ms. Garlo staged a mass protest to persuade Charles Taylor to negotiate. She was later involved in the UNDP's mid-term evaluation of Liberia's disarmament, demobilization, rehabilitation, and reintegration process. In this capacity, she ensured that key stakeholders, especially female ex-combatants, were consulted in UNDP's evaluation. She contributed to grassroots mobilization that was instrumental in President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf's victory. Through The Initiative for Inclusive Security, Ms. Garlo attended American University's Peacebuilding and Development Institute in the summer of 2007. She also participated in the World Bank's February 2007 Liberia Partners' Forum, a transformative opportunity to engender Liberia's Poverty Reduction Strategy. Ms. Garlo holds a degree in accounting and economics from the University of Liberia and a diploma in social work from the Mother Patern College of Health Sciences of Don Bosco Polytechnic.



## **Raymond Gilpin**

Associate Vice President  
Sustainable Economies, Centers of Innovation  
United States Institute of Peace



Raymond Gilpin directs USIP's Sustainable Economies Center of Innovation. He leads the Institute's work on analyzing complex economic relationships during all stages of conflict (including prevention, mediation, resolution and post-conflict). Gilpin collates sound practices from practitioners and experts and designs appropriate capacity-building and reach-back tools for conflict environments. Before joining USIP, he served as academic chair for Defense Economics at the Africa Center for Strategic Studies, National Defense University (2003-2007); where he pioneered work on development economics and resource management in Africa's security sector. He was also lead faculty for Center's work on energy, maritime security and China. Prior employment includes: director for International Programs, Intellibridge Corporation (now part of Eurasia Group); senior economist at the African Development Bank Group; research director at the Central Bank of Sierra Leone; and economist at the World Bank. Gilpin holds a doctorate from Cambridge University in the United Kingdom. His thesis was on *Macroeconomic Stabilization and Parallel Markets* (1993). He also holds an Executive Certificate in International Finance and Capital Markets from Georgetown University.

## **Anne-Marie Goetz**

Chief Advisor of Governance, Peace and Security  
The United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)



Anne-Marie Goetz is the chief advisor of Governance, Peace and Security at the UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and is a professor of political science at the Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex. Her work focuses upon the politics of pro-poor, gender-equitable development. She has also studied women politicians in developing countries, analyzing the constraints they face to advancing a gender-equity agenda within state institutions and in political parties. She has conducted research in India, Bangladesh, Uganda, and South Africa. She is the author of *Women Development Workers* (2001); co-author of *Contesting Global Governance* (1999), editor of *Getting Institutions Right for Women in Development* (1997) co-editor of *No Shortcuts to Power: African Women in Politics and Policy-Making* (2003), and co-author of *Reinventing Accountability: Making Democracy Work for the Poor* (2004).



**Joseph Hoenen**

Gender Expert, Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Afghanistan  
The Royal Netherlands Embassy



Joseph Hoenen has 27 years of experience with working in development and post conflict countries. He started his career as a specialist (animal husbandry economist) in rural development programs in Yemen and Sri Lanka. The next 10 years he was the country director for a Dutch NGO (SNV) in Mali and Benin. He then became a consultant on strategic planning and organizational management (2 years). Since 1999 he has worked on different positions within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. From 1999 till 2004, he was the first secretary on political governance, gender, and development for Kenya, Uganda, Somalia and South Sudan. He then worked 2 years in Eritrea as a Deputy Ambassador, after which he became seconded to the World Bank in Khartoum as a Deputy Country Manager. Since August 2008, Joseph Hoenen is working at the Gender Division of the Department of Human Rights, Gender, Good Governance and

Humanitarian Aid as a Coordinator on Women, Peace & Security.

**Elizabeth Huybens**

Sector Manager, Social Development Department  
The World Bank



Elisabeth Huybens is the Sector Manager for the Social Development Department of the World Bank's Sustainable Development Network (SDN). The Social Development Department offers advisory and operational support, research and innovative thinking in social sustainability, focusing on what makes societies cohesive, inclusive, resilient and accountable. Ms. Huybens manages the overall department and leads research on successful public institutions in fragile and conflict-affected situations. She is a member of the Bank's Global Expert Team on Fragile and Conflict-affected Situations. M. Huybens joined the Bank in 2000 as an Economist in the Africa Region and has since held various positions, including that of Country Economist for Chad, Country Manager for Timor-Leste and Lead Country Operations Officer for South East Europe. Ms. Huybens, a Belgian

national, has a Ph.D in Economics from Cornell University.

**Jok Madut Jok**

Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow  
United States Institute of Peace



Jok Madut Jok is a Fellow of the Rift Valley Institute and a professor of African studies in the department of history at Loyola Marymount University in California. His project investigates threats posed by tribal conflicts in South Sudan to the implementation of the 2005 Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA). It aims to understand the causes of tribal conflict and explore changes in acceptable wartime behavior which have resulted in gruesome violence in recent conflicts. The project will inform policy makers and peace mediators how the viewpoints of citizens, civil society groups and political parties about the CPA affect its viability. Jok was born and raised in Sudan and studied in Egypt and the United States. He has worked in aid and development, first as a humanitarian aid worker and subsequently as a consultant for a number of aid agencies. He has previously received a USIP grant and a Woodrow Wilson Center Fellowship, where he presented ideas to policy makers and conducted consultancies on post-war reconstruction and violence against women, all emphasizing peace building. He is trained in anthropology of health and has a Ph.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

**Renée Jones-Bos**

H.E. Ambassador of the Netherlands to the United States



Renée Jones-Bos has served as the Netherlands' Ambassador to the United States since Aug. 21, 2008. Jones-Bos attended the Gymnasium, Katwijk de Breul, Zeist (Netherlands) in 1971, the Università Italiana per Stranieri, Perugia (Italy) in 1972, and a licentiate in Russian and English studies and politics and economics from the University of Antwerp (Belgium), in 1976. In 1977, she received a Master of Arts degree in Russian Studies from the University of Sussex (UK), and in 1981, she completed diplomatic training in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Jones-Bos worked as a freelance interpreter/translator at Interlingua, and then served as assistant to the agricultural counselor for the Netherlands Embassy in Moscow from 1979-1980. She joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1981 and was posted at Dutch embassies in Dhaka and Paramaribo from 1982-1987. From 1987-1990, Jones-Bos was first secretary at the Netherlands Embassy in Washington, DC, before serving as head of recruitment and training at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1990-1994. From 1994-1998, Jones-Bos was deputy chief of mission for the Netherlands Embassy in Prague, Czech Republic, and from 1998-2000, she was security council coordinator at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Jones-Bos was ambassador-at-large for human rights in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2000-2003, before becoming Deputy Director-General for Regional Policy and Consular Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2003 to 2005. She was Director-General for Regional Policy and Consular Affairs from 2005-2008, immediately previous to her present position. Jones-Bos speaks Dutch, English, German, French, Russian and some Italian.

**Suraiya Kamaruzzaman**

Executive Director

Flower Aceh (Indonesia)



As executive director of Flower Aceh which was established in 1989, Ms.Kamaruzzaman has relentlessly championed the rights of Acehnese women following the Indonesian army's brutal crackdown on the Aceh Freedom Movement (GAM) in the late 1980s and the early 1990s. Flower Aceh empowered women by ensuring their safety and advising them on issues of economic and reproductive rights. The organization also collected and recorded data on violence against women, which was rampant following the government's clamp-down of the freedom movement. Since the 2004 tsunami, the organization has been running a Women's Crisis Centre in conjunction with other local women's groups and works to empower women in the social, political and economic sphere. Ms.Kamaruzzaman also led the ICAN/MIT 1325 assessment in Aceh. Since January 2010, Ms.Kamaruzzaman has served as the Gender Mainstreaming and Equity Adviser of LOGICA 2, a program under the Australia Indonesia Partnership that delivers governance reform and community development outcomes within six districts across the Province of Aceh.

## **Christine Karumba**

Democratic Republic of Congo Country Director  
Women for Women International



Christine Karumba, the Country Director of Women for Women International's DRC chapter, has vivid memories of the growing climate of uncertainty leading up to the country's civil war in the early 1990s and the years of destruction that followed. The trauma of living each uncertain day, not knowing if it was to be the last, became an everyday occurrence for many of Christine's countrymen. The effects of war were particularly trying for DRC's women as gender-based violence replaced armed combat as a war tactic. Christine witnessed what she calls two types of death: physical death, when one is no longer alive to walk the earth; and the widespread emotional death that prevents one from seeing signs of hope, causing one to feel "dead inside." Christine recalls that she "was forced to be a leader" because of all of the suffering she witnessed of her fellow Congolese women. Christine has led the effort to serve over 36,000 women in urban and rural areas rebuild their lives after the deadliest war documented in African history. Under her leadership, the Congo office has implemented the core program of direct financial assistance, rights education, vocational skills training, and income-generation opportunities. Women for Women International – DRC (WfWI – DRC) has helped thousands of returning refugees and other socially excluded women in Congo gain economic autonomy; for instance, in June 2006, women raised their voices by voting in the country's first democratic elections in over 40 years. Returning to her own country after having fled to Uganda during the war has been an insightful experience, Christine says, because it has shed light on the power for change that women hold. Christine is often heard to say, "One woman can change things. Many women can change everything," a philosophy her work with Women for Women has instilled in her. Prior to joining Women for Women International, Christine worked with Cooperazione Italiano, an Italian NGO; UNICEF; GTZ/Goma in the Democratic Republic; Kapeeka Orphanage; and Martha and Mary Ministries Christian Organization in Kampala, Uganda. She has over six years experience working in community development and gender issues. She has technical expertise on issues ranging from women's rights, to project development, to monitoring and evaluation. Christine holds a degree from the Institute of Rural Development in Bukavu, DRC with an emphasis on rural development. Additionally, she has a Diploma on Discipleship and Ministry Church Administration from Miracle Bible College Robert Kayanja Ministries in Kampala, Uganda.

## **Carla Koppell**

Director

The Institute for Inclusive Security



Carla Koppell directs The Institute for Inclusive Security and the Washington, DC office of Hunt Alternatives Fund. In that role, she works extensively with women and civil society leaders from conflict areas worldwide including the Middle East, Iraq, Sudan, and Uganda. Ms. Koppell speaks and writes widely on the contributions of women and civil society to peacebuilding. She has addressed officials from the UN, World Bank, NATO, US State Department, and the US Congress in addition to providing commentary for myriad other research and policy making institutions. Her opinions have been published in *The Christian Science Monitor* and the *International*

*Herald Tribune*, among others. Previously, Ms. Koppell was senior adviser and interim director of the Conflict Prevention Project at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, where she authored *Preventing the Next Wave of Conflict: Understanding Non-Traditional Threats to Global Stability*. Ms. Koppell served as deputy assistant secretary for international affairs of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, where she oversaw a portfolio of cooperative programs that included efforts to assist humanitarian aid and reconstruction in Central America, housing reform in China, and post-conflict reconstruction in South Africa. Ms. Koppell was also special assistant to the administrator of the US Agency for International Development (USAID), and director of the USAID climate change program. She has worked for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. She received her master's degree in public policy from the Harvard Kennedy School and her bachelor's degree from Cornell University.

**M. Charito Kruvant**

President and CEO

Creative Associates International, Inc.



M. Charito Kruvant is President and CEO of Creative Associates International, Inc., a 32-year-old professional services firm that builds capacity for education, civil society, communities in transition, elections and political processes and stabilization and development, among many other efforts. Under Charito's leadership, Creative has grown to become a leading implementer to international agencies including the U.S. Agency for International Development, the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of Defense, the United Nations Development Programme, The World Bank, and many others. Charito serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Acacia Federal Savings Bank and Calvert Funds for socially responsible investing, on the board of the Summit Fund of Washington, and on the executive and grants committees of the Venture Philanthropy Partners. Charito is also a member of the Economic Club of Washington, D.C. and the Executive Committee of the Federal City Council. She is a former chair of the Advisory Council of the U.S. Small Business Administration Washington, D.C. office. She is also a former chair of the Board of Trustees of The Community Foundation for the National Capital Region. Charito has received numerous business awards. Born in Bolivia and raised in Argentina, she received a bachelor of arts from Colegio Ward in Argentina and a master of arts in early childhood development from the University of Maryland. She has lived in the Washington, D.C. area for more than 35 years.



**Kathleen Kuehnast**

Gender Advisor

Gender and Peacebuilding Initiative

United States Institute of Peace



Kathleen Kuehnast is the Gender Advisor at the United States Institute of Peace (USIP), and formerly served as Associate Vice President of the USIP Grant Program. Prior to her present position, Kuehnast was engaged for over fifteen years in the development field, including extensive work with the World Bank. From poverty studies, *Better a Hundred Friends than a Hundred Rubles: Social Networks in Transition in Kyrgyzstan*, to conflict-related development projects, *Whose Rules Rule? Everyday Border and Water Conflicts in Central Asia*, Kuehnast has focused on the role of qualitative social analysis as a critical perspective, especially in understanding the role of women in economic transition and post-conflict reconstruction. Dr. Kuehnast is co-editor of the forthcoming volume, *Women and War: Power and Protection* (USIP Press). She is also well-published on the impact of post-Soviet transition on the role of women in Central Asia. Her post-doctoral included a Mellon Foreign Fellowship at the Library of Congress (2000) and the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies Fellowship at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (1999). Kuehnast holds a Ph.D. in socio-cultural anthropology from the University of Minnesota. Her master's degree in education is from the University of St. Thomas.

**Sylvie Maunga**

Consultant on Conflict, Human Rights, Peace Building Process and Gender-Based Violence  
The Democratic Republic of Congo



Sylvie Maunga is a trained lawyer and works with seven organizations in the fight against sexual violence of women in the eastern region of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). She is coordinator of a program against sexual violence and provides counseling and legal services to victims of rape and sexual violence. Additionally, she works among the ethnic conflicts within communities in the province of South Kivu and has facilitated dialogue between different groups which has enhanced communication and tolerance. Sylvie has also served as a radio correspondent for the French/Swahili service of Voice of America, covering local women's peacebuilding initiatives and issues of women's leadership.

**Barbara D. Miller**

Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs  
Professor of Anthropology and International Affairs  
The George Washington University



Professor Miller served as the Associate Dean of the Elliott School from July 1999 to August 2002. She is currently serving a three-year term as Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs in the School, starting July 2009. Dr. Miller has done most of her research on gender and health issues in India, but she has also studied rural development in Bangladesh, low-income household budgeting in Jamaica, and Hindu adolescents in Pittsburgh. Her current research takes three directions: child survival and gender inequality in India, health and illness patterns cross-culturally as affected by rapid development and population movements, and the role of culture in international policy and programs. Dr. Miller is the director of the Elliott School's research and policy program on Culture in Global Affairs. Her books include but are not limited to three undergraduate textbooks: *Cultural Anthropology* (Pearson, 5th ed., 2009), *Cultural Anthropology in a Globalizing World* (Pearson, 2nd ed., 2010), and *Anthropology* (Allyn & Bacon, 2009). She is the editor of a new series of studies documenting the relevance of anthropology, called *Anthropology Works* (Pearson/Allyn & Bacon). Professor Miller received her B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in anthropology from Syracuse University. She joined the Elliott School in 1993 as a specialist in the anthropology of international development. Before that, she taught at the University of Rochester, SUNY Cortland, Ithaca College, Cornell University, and the University of Pittsburgh.

**Mahmoud Mohieldin**

Managing Director

World Bank



Mr. Mohieldin has served as the Egyptian Minister of Investment since 2004. As minister, he designed and led a comprehensive structural and regulatory reform program to modernize and liberalize the Egyptian economy in three critical areas - leveraging private investment for growth and job creation; enhancing access to non-bank financial services; and implementing a successful asset management program of public enterprises. He has established a global reputation for effective and strategic management and built an outstanding record of results: creating an effective single regulator for the non-bank financial sector; building a stock-market for small and medium sized enterprises; consolidating and liberalizing the insurance sector and enhancing its regulatory framework; developing the mortgage finance market and launching Egypt's first liquidity facility for mortgage refinance; creating the first Institute of Directors in the Arab World, and producing the first Arabic Code of Conduct for corporate governance and introducing guidelines for corporate social responsibility. As a result of his leadership, Egypt was named Top Reformer for four years in the Doing Business Report and was top regional recipient of FDI. Prior to his position as Minister of Investment, Mr. Mohieldin served as Senior Adviser to the Minister of Trade, and before that as Senior Economic Adviser to the Minister of Economy and Trade, and Minister of State for International Cooperation. A member of the Commission on Growth and Development, chaired by Professor Mike Spence, he has served on several boards and committees, including the Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Egypt. He was selected by the World Economic Forum as Young Global Leader, co-chaired the OECD-MENA Investment Committee, and served as the Alternate Governor of Egypt to the African Development Bank and the Islamic Development Bank. Mr. Mohieldin holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Warwick, UK; a Masters in Social and Economic Policy Analysis from the University of York, UK; a Diploma of Quantitative Development Economics from the University of Warwick; and a B.Sc. in Economics from Cairo University. An active member in numerous research institutions and think tanks, Mr Mohieldin served as a Professor in Economics at Cairo University and has published widely on international economics, finance, prudential regulations, private sector development, competition policy, and corporate governance.

## **Admiral Michael Mullen**

Chairman

United States Joint Chiefs of Staff



Admiral Mullen is the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the highest-ranking officer in the U.S. Armed Forces and the President's principal military advisor. As such, he presides over all meetings and coordinates the efforts of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), advising the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council and the Homeland Security Council. Prior to this duty, Adm. Mullen served as the 28th Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), the Navy's top uniformed leader and representative to the JCS. His rise in the Navy started at sea. Three months after graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1968, then-Ensign Mullen reported aboard the destroyer

USS COLLETT (DD 730) for duty as Anti-Submarine Officer where he deployed to the Western Pacific and participated in combat operations off the coast of Vietnam. Over the course of his career at sea, he served aboard six other warships, three as the commanding officer; and as an admiral, he commanded the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON Carrier Strike Group and the U.S. Second Fleet. His tours ashore have been focused in the areas of resourcing and personnel and included duty with the Bureau of Personnel, the Navy staff, and the staff of the Secretary of Defense. Adm. Mullen obtained a Master of Science degree in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA and also graduated from the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School. From August 2003 to October 2004, Adm. Mullen served as the Navy's 32nd Vice Chief of Naval Operations. During the first half of 2005, he served as Commander of NATO's Joint Force Command Naples and Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe, leading the Alliance's peacekeeping operations in the Balkans and its training mission in Iraq. Since taking office as Chairman in October of 2007, Adm. Mullen has focused his efforts on three main priorities: 1) defending vital national interests in the Middle East; 2) resetting, revitalizing and reconstituting the Armed Forces; and 3) properly balancing global risk. He has placed significant emphasis on the expansion of counter-insurgency warfare training and resources and was an early advocate for a greater focus on operations in Afghanistan. He now considers that war the U.S. military's "main effort." Adm. Mullen and his wife, Deborah, also devote much of their time to advancing a host of warrior and family support initiatives, to include survivor benefits, suicide prevention, mental health, wounded care and veteran employment and education.

**Stephen Ndegwa**

Lead Specialist, Public Sector Governance and the 2011 World Development Report on Conflict, Security, and Development  
World Bank



Stephen Ndegwa brings practical and academic expertise on governance, political economy, and public sector capacity-building to the WDR core team. He is a Lead Specialist in the Africa Region of the World Bank and has previously worked in East Asia and Pacific region and in the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network. Since 1992, Stephen has conducted research work in several African countries on topics related to NGOs, land reform, electoral systems, institutions and governance, and AIDS policy. He has also undertaken consulting assignments on democracy, governance, and evaluation reviews for the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). His most recent assignments at the World Bank included work on Zimbabwe and Sudan. Ndegwa is the author of *The Two Faces of Civil Society*, and editor of *A Decade of Democracy in Africa*, as well as co-editor (with York Bradshaw) of *The Uncertain Promise of Southern Africa*. He is a non-resident Visiting Scholar at UCLA, Globalization Research Center and holds a PhD in political science from Indiana University.

**Paula R. Newberg**

Marshall B. Coyne Director  
The Institute for the Study of Diplomacy, Georgetown University



A scholar and practitioner with wide-ranging experience in multilateral and nongovernmental organizations, Dr. Newberg specializes in issues of governance, human rights, and democratic development in crisis and transition states. She served as a Special Advisor to the United Nations in a host of countries in south and central Asia, central and eastern Europe, and Africa. Dr. Newberg was a senior associate position at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, where she co-founded its Democracy Project and chaired the South Asia Roundtable, and was a Guest Scholar at the Brookings Institution. A former foundation executive, Dr. Newberg worked closely with the United Nations Foundation, the Markle Foundation and the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Foundation on their portfolios related to development and diplomacy. She taught for many years at Columbia University, and has published extensively in academic and popular journals on issues including law and constitutionalism, insurgency and human rights, and international assistance to war-torn states. A graduate of Oberlin College, Dr. Newberg received her doctorate in political science from the University of Chicago.



**Diane Orentlicher**

Deputy Director, Office of War Crimes  
United States Department of State

Diane F. Orentlicher is professor of international law and co-director of the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at Washington College of Law. From 1995 to 2004, she served as faculty director of the law school's War Crimes Research Office, which has provided legal assistance to international criminal tribunals since 1995. Described by the *Washington Diplomat* as "one of the world's leading authorities on . . . war crimes tribunals," Orentlicher has lectured and written extensively on the scope of states' obligations to address mass atrocities and on the law and policy issues relating to international criminal tribunals and universal jurisdiction. She has served as an Independent Expert and consultant to the United Nations in various capacities relating to the UN's efforts to combat impunity. In September 2004 Orentlicher was appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General as Independent Expert to update the UN's Set of Principles for the protection and promotion of human rights through action to combat impunity. A graduate of Yale University, she received her J.D. from Columbia University.

**Pia Peeters**

Senior Social Development Specialist, AFTCS  
World Bank



Pia Peeters is currently responsible for managing the Learning for Equality, Access and Peace (LEAP) Program. The program supports gender and conflict work in Sub Saharan Africa (SSA). It focuses on four themes: gender sensitivity in D&R programs, gender-based violence (GBV), women associated with fighting forces (WAFF), and young men at-risk of engaging in conflict. She manages a project on addressing sexual gender based violence in South Kivu, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). In addition, she manages projects in Rwanda and Burundi on Demobilization and Reintegration of ex-combatants and Community Driven Development in Burundi.



**Turid Smith Polfus**

Israel-Palestine Research Fellow

Norwegian Centre for Human Rights



Turid Smith Polfus has followed the Israeli-Palestinian conflict from research, field-work and work in the region over more than a decade. Her special field of interest has been the political involvement by the Palestinian women's movement. She was a Research Fellow at the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo from 1998 - 2003 and then Associate Professor at the University of Trondheim, Norway till 2005. Since September 2006 she has lived and worked in Palestine. The last two years she has worked as a consultant including writing a background paper for the UNDP Palestinian Human Development Report 2009/10 *Investing in Human Security for a Future State*

**Mossarat Qadeem**

Executive Director

Paiman Alumni Trust (Pakistan)



Coming from a conservative Pashtun family in Pakistan's North-West Frontier Province, Mossarat Qadeem is dedicated to helping women become leaders of their own lives. Executive director of PAIMAN ("promise") Alumni Trust, she develops training materials in areas such as leadership development, gender mainstreaming, women's political participation, and women and peacebuilding. Ms. Qadeem also conducts training, surveys, and research on these topics across Pakistan and South Asia, regularly working with students from several universities in

Peshawar, as well as members of civil society. PAIMAN, which in Islamabad established Pakistan's first center for conflict transformation and peacebuilding, has worked with 75,000 young people and women across the Federally Administered Tribal Areas and the Swat Valley. Ms. Qadeem taught for 14 years at the University of Peshawar's Department of Political Science and was previously assistant director of the university's Women Study Centre, working on women's political participation, gender and good governance, and women and conflict transformation. She is a founding member of the regional Women's Peace Forum and has worked as a consultant for the Brookings Institute, Pakistan's Ministry of Women and Development, the UN Development Programme, and the World Bank. Ms. Qadeem has written two books and numerous articles (published in Pakistan and internationally) and has made documentary films on women in conflict. She is a PhD candidate at the Institute of Social Sciences in the Netherlands, where she is focusing on women in politics in Pakistan and their impact on socioeconomic policies and development.

**Betty A. Reardon**

Consultant and Founding Director Emeritus

Teachers College Peace Education Center, Columbia University



Betty A. Reardon, Founding Director of the International Institutes on Peace Education, is a peace educator whose experience is international and spans five decades. She has contributed to the development of the theoretical base of the field and to the methods through which it is taught at all levels of formal education and within non-formal citizen education. She has served as an officer of and consultant to national and international nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations such as Peacelinks, Community-based Institutes on Peace Education, the International Peace Research Association, the International Council on Adult Education, the UN Department for Disarmament Affairs and UNESCO. She has taught at various universities in the United States and abroad, including Colgate University, the Universities of Oregon and Hawaii, Teachers College Columbia University, Kanda, Kobe and Ritsumeikan Universities in Japan and Jaume I University in Spain. She has served for many years as an NGO representative at the United Nations and was among those who worked for the drafting and adoption of UNSCR 1325, and is among the 1000 Peace Women nominated for a joint Nobel Prize. She was presented with a special honorable mention by the jury of the UNESCO Prize in Peace Education and was the 2009 recipient of the Sean MacBride Peace Prize awarded by the International Peace Bureau. Her writings published and unpublished are archived in the Ward M. Canaday Special Collections at the University of Toledo Library. Much of her work has been developed from a feminist perspective that focuses on security issues, human rights, development and the environment. She has published a number of works related to gender and peace, most recently, *The Gender Imperative: Human Security vs. State Security*, a collection of essays contributed by and international group of scholars, co-edited with Asha Hans, founder of the Women's Studies Program at Utkal University in India and Director of Sansritsi, a feminist organization working for the human rights of women.

## **Zainab Salbi**

Founder and CEO

Women for Women International



Zainab Salbi is Founder and CEO of Women for Women International, a grassroots humanitarian and development organization helping women survivors of wars rebuild their lives. Since 1993, the organization has helped 271,000 women survivors of wars access social and economic opportunities through a program of rights awareness training, vocational skills education and access to income generating opportunities, thereby ultimately contributing to the political and economic health of their communities. In its 17-year history, the organization has distributed more than \$89 million in direct aid, micro credit loans, and has impacted more than 1.4 million family members. For its work “alleviating human suffering,” Women for Women International was awarded the 2006

Hilton Conrad Humanitarian Award, becoming the first women’s organization to receive this honor. Zainab Salbi is the author of two books; a national bestseller “Between Two Worlds: Escape from Tyranny: Growing Up in the Shadow of Saddam” (with Laurie Becklund) that documents her life under Saddam Hussein’s rule and “The Other Side of War: Women's Stories of Survival and Hope.” Her work has been featured in major media outlets, including 8 appearances on “The Oprah Winfrey Show,” CNN, *The Washington Post*, and *The New York Times*. Zainab Salbi has been honored by Former President Bill Clinton for her work in Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1993 and was most recently nominated by Former President Clinton as one of the *Harper’s Bazaar* 21st Century Heroines to honor her actions, faith and determination in making a difference. She is the recipient of the 2010 David Rockefeller Bridging Leadership Award and has received the *Forbes* Trailblazer Award and *Time Magazine’s* Innovator of the Month award, among many others. Zainab Salbi is a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, one of 22 members of the Clinton Global Initiative Lead program, and is a member of the UN Secretary General’s Civil Society Advisory Group focusing on UNSCR 1325. Zainab Salbi has a master’s degree from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a bachelor’s degree from George Mason University.

**Frank Sesno**

Former Correspondent  
CNN



Frank Sesno, Professor of Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University, is an Emmy-award winning journalist with more than 25 years of experience, including 18 years at CNN, where he serves as a special correspondent. His current work at CNN involves producing documentaries. His last program titled, "We Were Warned: Tomorrow's Oil Crisis," aired on CNN this past March and April. Prior to working as special correspondent, Sesno served as White House correspondent, anchor, and Washington Bureau Chief. He teaches how the media affects the creation of public policy and is a host and producer of in-depth specials and mini-series on PBS and

The History Channel. As a journalist, Sesno has interviewed business and government leaders including U.S. Presidents George W. Bush, Bill Clinton, George H.W. Bush, and Ronald Reagan and former General Electric Co. CEO Jack Welch, the late Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. He covered stories ranging from the Iraq War, the disputed U.S. presidential election of 2000, and the historic series of superpower summits during the 1980s. Before joining CNN in 1984, Sesno worked as a radio correspondent at the White House and in London for the Associated Press. He has won several prestigious journalism awards, including an Emmy, several cable ACE awards, and an Overseas Press Club Award. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Sesno holds a Bachelor's degree from Middlebury College.

**Sudhir Shetty**

Co-Director, 2012 World Development Report  
The World Bank



Sudhir Shetty is currently Co-Director of the team preparing the World Bank's 2012 World Development Report on *Gender Equality and Development*. Until June 2010, he headed the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM) department in the Africa Region of the World Bank. He previously managed the Bank's central Poverty Reduction group and prior to that held a number of positions as an economist in both the Africa and East Asia and Pacific regions of the Bank. Mr. Shetty has a Ph.D. in Economics from Cornell University. Before joining the Bank in 1987, Mr. Shetty was an Assistant Professor of Public Policy and Economics at Duke University.

**Jolynn Shoemaker**

Executive Director

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Jolynn Shoemaker is the Executive Director of Women in International Security (WIIS) at Georgetown University. Previously, she handled international law and policy issues for the Institute for Inclusive Security, an initiative of Hunt Alternatives Fund. She served as Country Director in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, International Security Policy (Eurasia). As a Presidential Management Fellow (PMF), she was the Regional Advisor for Southern and East Africa at the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Office of Country Reports and Asylum Affairs. She also worked as an attorney in the U.S. Department of Defense, General Counsel's Office for International Affairs. Ms. Shoemaker has a J.D. and an M.A. (Security Studies) from Georgetown University. She has published on women and conflict, legal reform in post-conflict situations, human rights, and women in peace and security careers. She is a member of the New York Bar.

**Dr. Richard H. Solomon**

President

United States Institute of Peace



Richard H. Solomon has been president of the United States Institute of Peace since 1993 and has overseen its growth into a center of international conflict management analysis and applied programs. Prior to this assignment, Solomon was assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs from 1989 to 1992. He negotiated the Cambodia peace treaty, the first United Nations "Permanent Five" peacemaking agreement; had a leading role in the dialogue on nuclear issues between the United States and South and North Korea; helped establish the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation initiative; and led U.S. negotiations with Japan, Mongolia and Vietnam on important bilateral matters. In 1992-93, Solomon served as U.S. ambassador to the Philippines. He coordinated the closure of the U.S. naval bases and developed a new framework for bilateral and regional security cooperation. Solomon previously served as director of policy planning at the Department of State and as a senior staff member of the National Security Council. In 1995, Solomon was awarded the State Department's Foreign Affairs Award for Public Service, and he has received awards for policy initiatives from the governments of Korea and Thailand. In 2005, he received the American Political Science Association's Hubert H. Humphrey career award for "notable public service by a political scientist." Solomon began his career as professor of political science at the University of Michigan, and also served as head of the Political Science Department at the RAND Corporation. Solomon holds a Ph.D. in political science, with a specialization in Chinese politics, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Tara Sonenshine**

Executive Vice President

United States Institute of Peace



Tara Sonenshine is Executive Vice President of the United States Institute of Peace. In addition to her broad management responsibilities, she specifically oversees public education, public outreach, and programmatic activity. She also manages the planning of the Public Education Center that will be part of the Institute's new Headquarters project on the National Mall. Prior to joining USIP, she was a strategic communications adviser to many international organizations. Sonenshine has served in various White House capacities, including transition director for the National Security Council (NSC). Her career began in broadcast journalism in 1982 at ABC News in New York, and Sonenshine went on to become editorial producer of ABC News' Nightline, where she worked for more than a decade. During her tenure at ABC News, Sonenshine earned ten News Emmy Awards for coverage of China, Iran, the Philippines, and South Africa. A former contributing editor for Newsweek, Sonenshine is the author of numerous articles on foreign affairs published in the New York Times, Washington Post, and other newspapers.

**Ambassador Donald Steinberg**

Deputy Administrator

United States Agency for International Development



Donald Steinberg is currently the deputy administration for the United States Agency for International Development. He previously served as the deputy president for policy at International Crisis Group, and was responsible for advocacy, policy formulation and reporting for this non-governmental organization charged with preventing and ending armed conflict. Prior to this, he directed the group's New York office. In 2005, he was a Senior Fellow at the U.S. Institute of Peace addressing issues of internal displacement, focusing on Sri Lanka, Kosovo, Sudan and Colombia. During three decades with the U.S. diplomatic service, he served as Ambassador to Angola, Director of the State Department's Joint Policy Council, Special Representative of the President for Humanitarian Demining, Special Haiti Coordinator, Deputy White House Press Secretary, and Special Assistant for African Affairs to President Bill Clinton. He is a member of the UN Civil Society Advisory Group on Women, Peace and Security, and a board member of the Women's Refugee Commission. He holds master's degrees in journalism from Columbia University and political economy from University of Toronto, and a bachelor's degree from Reed College.



**Ambassador Steven E. Steiner**

Former Senior Advisor, Office of Global Women's Issues  
United States Department of State



Ambassador Steven E. Steiner is the Former Senior Advisor in the Department of State's Office of Global Women's Issues that was established in April, 2009. Previously, he served as Senior Advisor in the Department of State's Office of Trafficking in Persons and as Senior Coordinator in the Department's former Office of International Women's Issues. He has also served as director of the Department's Iraqi Women's Democracy Initiative. Ambassador Steiner entered the United States Foreign Service in June 1966. He completed tours of duty at the American Consulate General in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, the Embassy in Moscow, and the U.S. State Department's Offices of Soviet Union and West German Affairs. He also served as Senior Watch Officer and then Deputy Director of the Department's Operations Center, its 24-hour crisis management facility. From 1978-1981, Ambassador Steiner served as Deputy Director of the Office of Theater Military Policy in the State Department's Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs. From 1981-1983, he served as the Public Affairs Advisor to the Bureau of European Affairs. Ambassador Steiner served from 1983 to 1988 as Director of Defense Programs on the National Security Council Staff. He was named by President Reagan as the U.S. Representative to the Special Verification Commission (SVC), the implementing body for the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty (INF), when the Treaty entered into force June 1988. Ambassador Steiner was confirmed by the United States Senate on June 26, 1990. Ambassador Steiner was named by President Bush in September 1991, to serve simultaneously with his SVC position, as the U.S. Representative to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission (JCIC), the implementing body for the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START). Ambassador Steiner received the Secretary of State's Distinguished Service Award in 2002. He received Presidential Meritorious Service Awards in 1990 and 1992, and the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency's Superior Honor Award in 1993. In May 1983, he received the Department of State's Superior Honor Award for his work on the INF and other European security issues. He was a recipient of group Superior Honor Awards in 1980 as part of the team of officials in the Politico-Military Bureau who participated in the development of United States and NATO policy on INF, and in 1973 while serving at the United States Embassy in Moscow. Born in Pennsylvania, Ambassador Steiner received a B.A. in Political Science from Yale University in 1963 and a Masters Degree in International Affairs from Columbia University in 1966. He is married with three children and resides in Chevy Chase, Maryland. He is a member of The Council on Foreign Relations, and has served as a member of the board of the Council for a Community of Democracies.

## **Wegger Strommen**

H.E. Ambassador of Norway to the United States



Wegger Strommen is the Norwegian Ambassador to the United States. He came to Washington, D.C. in 2007, after serving as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the UN in Geneva since 2005. He was Norway's Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York from 2002-2005, served on the Security Council during Norway's tenure from 2000-2002 and as Norway's Deputy Foreign Minister from 1999 - 2000. Ambassador Strommen joined the Norwegian diplomatic service in 1984. Trained as an international lawyer, he practiced law in Norway and in New York.

## **John Tirman**

Executive Director and Principal Research Scientist

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John Tirman has been since October 2004 the Executive Director and Principal Research Scientist of the Center for International Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was educated at Indiana University in political science and history; his Ph.D., in political science (political theory), was earned from Boston University. Before he came to MIT, he was Director of the Program on Global Peace & Security at the Social Science Research Council (2000-2004); Fulbright Senior Scholar in Cyprus in 1999-2000;

executive director of the Winston Foundation (1986-1999); deputy director of the Union of Concerned Scientists; and a reporter for *Time* magazine. Tirman has published 12 books on international affairs, including the forthcoming *The Deaths of Others: Forsaking Civilians in America's Wars* (Oxford University Press). Research interests focus on war and violence, and U.S. foreign policy, particularly in the Persian Gulf. Recent publications include *Women, Migration, and Conflict* (Springer, 2009, coeditor), *Terror, Insurgency, and the State* (Penn Press, 2007, co-author and co-editor), and *Multilateralism Under Challenge?* (UNU Press, 2004). His many dozens of articles have appeared in the *Washington Post*, *New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, and other periodicals and journals. He has been chair of the Institute for War & Peace Reporting; co-chair of the Foundation for National Progress; and trustee of International Alert (London), and is now chair of the International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN).

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Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues  
United States Department of State



President Barack Obama appointed Melanne Verveer as Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues. The President's decision to create a position of Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues is unprecedented, and reflects the elevated importance of these issues to the President and his entire Administration. In her capacity as director of the Department of State's new office on Global Women's Issues, Ambassador Verveer coordinates foreign policy issues and activities relating to the political, economic and social advancement of women around the world. She mobilizes concrete support for women's rights and political and economic empowerment through initiatives and programs designed to increase women's and girls' access to education and health care, to combat violence against women and girls in all its forms, and to ensure that women's rights are fully integrated with human rights in the development of U.S. foreign policy. Ambassador Verveer most recently served as Chair and Co-CEO of Vital Voices Global Partnership, an international nonprofit she co-founded. Vital Voices invests in emerging women leaders and works to expand women's roles in generating economic opportunity, promoting political participation, and safeguarding human rights. Prior to her work with Vital Voices, Ambassador Verveer served as Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady in the Clinton Administration and was chief assistant to then-First Lady Hillary Clinton in all her wide-ranging international activities to advance women's rights and further social development, democracy and peace-building initiatives. She also led the effort to establish the President's Interagency Council on Women. Prior to her time in the White House, Ambassador Verveer served in a number of leadership roles in public policy organizations and as legislative staff. Ambassador Verveer has a B.A. and M.A. from Georgetown University. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Women's Foreign Policy Group, and numerous other organizations.

## **Margot Wallström**

Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict  
United Nations



Ms. Wallström has been a long-time advocate of the rights and needs of women throughout her political career -- first as Swedish Minister and later as Environment Commissioner and Vice-President of the European Commission. Since her appointment to the European Commission in 1999, she has been actively engaged in promoting the participation of women in peace- and security-related issues, most notably the injustice and violence faced by women during armed conflict. Since 2007, she has served as Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders Ministerial Initiative, where she actively promoted the appointment of women to positions of responsibility. Ms. Wallström also played a leadership role in raising awareness about the urgency to implement United Nations Security Council resolutions 1325 (2000) and 1820 (2008). Ms. Wallström has had a long career in politics, which began when she served as a Member of the Swedish Parliament from 1979 until 1985. Her ministerial career began in 1988 when she was appointed Minister of Civil Affairs, responsible for consumer, women and youth matters. She subsequently assumed the position of Minister of Culture, and then Minister of Social Affairs. In 1998, she retired from Swedish politics to become Executive Vice-President of Worldview Global Media, a non-governmental organization based in Colombo, Sri Lanka. In 2004, when the Barroso Commission took office, she was appointed first Vice-President responsible for Inter-Institutional Relations and Communication. She has received several honorary doctorates and awards for her work on sustainable development and climate change, and has also done extensive work to endorse a European Union-Africa partnership on renewable energy, and to champion equal opportunities. She was also co-founder of the European Union inter-institutional group of women and a key supporter of the 50-50 Campaign for Democracy by the European Women's Lobby, where she worked to promote a more gender-balanced European Union. Ms. Wallström's other distinctions include being voted "Commissioner of the Year" by the *European Voice* newspaper in 2002. She has received numerous awards on rights, as well as environmental and European issues, including the Monismannien Award for Freedom of Speech (2009) and the Göteborg Award on Sustainable Development.

**Dr. Howard Wolpe**

Consulting Director of the Africa Project  
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars



Dr. Howard Wolpe, a former seven-term Member of Congress and former Presidential Special Envoy to Africa's Great Lakes Region, is currently Director of the Africa Program and the Project on Leadership and Building State Capacity at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. A specialist in African politics, for 10 of his 14 years in the Congress Dr. Wolpe chaired the Subcommittee on Africa of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, where he was instrumental in effecting many changes in U.S. policy on Africa, including the ending of military assistance to Gen. Mobutu in Zaire (Congo) and enabling the passage of the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986. He also chaired the Investigations and Oversight Subcommittee of the House

Science, Space and Technology Committee. His other roles in the Congress included the co-chairmanship of the bipartisan Northeast-Midwest Congressional Coalition and the Congressional Energy and Environmental Study Conference. Prior to entering the Congress, Dr. Wolpe served in the Michigan House of Representatives and as a member of the Kalamazoo City Commission. Dr. Wolpe has taught at Western Michigan University (Political Science Department), Michigan State University, the University of Michigan (Institute of Public Policy Studies), and has served as a Visiting Fellow in the Foreign Policy Studies Program of the Brookings Institution and as a Woodrow Wilson Center Public Policy Scholar. Dr. Wolpe received his B.A. degree from Reed College, and his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Lina Zedriga**

Program Director

UN Security Council Resolution 1325 Project (Uganda)



Lina Zedriga Waru Abuku is a lawyer and an expert in “women, peace, and security.” Since her husband, an opposition politician, disappeared eight years ago, she is the sole parent to five children plus three she adopted. She went from being a magistrate to a war widow. But she refuses to be called a “victim.” “We are the stakeholders. Nothing about us without us.” Since 2007 she has been the program manager of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 Project, aimed at empowering women for durable peace and reconciliation. “If we had a 1325 National Action Plan, we would take the Juba peace talks by storm,” she insists. In fact, she staged a

media and grassroots campaign to get even one woman into the negotiations, leading a four-day march into areas of war and rape, then flying into Juba to deliver a peace torch to the Vice President. In 2005, Ms. Zedriga served as program adviser to Northern Uganda Peace Initiatives, where she designed the Women in Peace Building and Reconciliation program, which included bringing together 300 internally displaced women and other Northern Ugandans to advance peace in the region. Before that, she was associate director of the Center for Conflict Management and Peace Studies at Gulu University, where she coordinated community outreach programs, led research, and helped develop a post-graduate diploma in conflict management and peace studies. She has trained women political candidates in nine districts in Uganda. “Where are the women in offices? We’re still making tea.” She has consulted for UNIFEM, trained police officers to protect victims of rape and sexual assault, and facilitated workshops for the Institute for Security Studies. Ms. Zedriga holds a master’s degree in human rights, a law degree, and a certificate of laws from Makerere University. She is a member of numerous professional associations, including the Network of African Peace Builders, the African Judicial Network, and the Uganda Association of Women Lawyers. Ms. Zedriga speaks English, Luo, Luganda, Lugbara, and Kiswahili.