

Development Finance Network (DeFiNe)

DOMESTIC RESOURCE MOBILISATION – PUBLIC FINANCE

PUBLIC EXPENDITURES – INFRASTRUCTURE

11 October 2010 Paris

Biographies

Biographies are sorted by alphabetical order of first name.

DeFiNe members

YOGINDER ALAGH
INSTITUTE OF RURAL MANAGEMENT, ANAND (IRMA) - INDIA

YOGINDER ALAGH

Yalagh@gmail.com

Chairman



Yoginder Alagh is currently Chancellor of Nagaland University and Vice Chairman of Sardar Patel Institute of Economic and Social Research, Ahmedabad (India). He was earlier Minister of Power and for Planning & Programme Implementation. He has been Member of the Planning Commission (in the rank of Minister of State), and Chairman of Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices, and Ministry of Industry and Secretary of India.

He was a Member of the Council for the United Nations University and also Chairman, Scientific Steering Committee of the International Social Science Programme of UNESCO. He was the Coordinator for South Asia Technology Network of the Commission of European Communities at Brussels. He has been Senior Adviser Consultant to FAO, UNFPA, ILO, ESCAP World Bank and UNDP. Yoginder Alagh holds a Doctoral Degree in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE BATEGEKA
ECONOMIC POLICY RESEARCH CENTER (EPRC) - UGANDA
Senior Research Fellow

bategeka@eprc.or.ug



Lawrence Bategeka, who joined the EPRC in 2002 from the UNDP Somali Country Program, holds an MA in Economics from Makerere University, Kampala. He has a wealth of experience from various development institutions including the Central Bank of Uganda, Uganda's Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, and the UNDP Uganda Country and Regional Program. His area of research and publication encompasses monetary and public finance policies, and debt sustainability.

DEBAPRIYA BHATTACHARYA

debapriya.bh@gmail.com

CENTRE FOR POLICY DIALOGUE (CPD) - BANGLADESH

Executive Director



Deb Bhattacharya is a Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), Bangladesh. Most recently, he was the Special Advisor on LDCs to the Secretary General, UNCTAD, in Geneva. He was earlier Ambassador of Bangladesh to the WTO and UN system in Geneva. He was also the Executive Director of the CPD and Senior Research Fellow at Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies.

Deb Bhattacharya has held a number of visiting positions including in Oxford, Manchester, Centre for Global Development (CGD) in Washington DC, UN-INTECH in Maastricht, and IDE in Tokyo. He is in the governing board of a number of international and regional organisations and networks on development, finance, trade, agriculture, environment and migration.

Adriana De Queiroz

aqueiroz@cebri.org.br

BRAZILIAN CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (CEBRI) - **BRAZIL** Executive Coordinator



Adriana De Queiroz is responsible for projects on international trade, development, energy, environment, integration and global governance, financed by multilateral and US, Swiss and British governments and/or organizations. She is currently coordinating the "Project Brazil and China as New Actors in Global Development", with a focus on Africa Development, funded by the Department of Foreign Investment and Development (DFID/UK).

In 2007-2009 she coordinated the "Project Brazil's Agenda in South America: perceptions of the Brazilian Foreign Policy Community". In 2008, she organized the Latin-American Research-Policy Dialogue on "Making Global Trade Governance Work for Developing Countries", in partnership with Oxford University. Before that, she worked for the Federation of Industries of Rio de Janeiro, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Institute of Applied Economic Research.

Jose María Fanelli Network of Mercosur Universities (Merconet) - Mercosur Professor

josefan@arnet.com.ar



Jose María Fanelli has a PhD in Economics from the University of Buenos Aires. He is currently Senior Researcher at CEDES (Center for the Study of State and Society), Argentina and former Director of the Economics Department at the University of Buenos Aires. He has been actively involved in the establishment of research networks in the Latin American region. He has worked as a consultant for ECLAC, IDB, The G-24, UNCTAD, GDN, and IDRC. He published extensively on macroeconomic and financial problems in Latin America and market reforms in developing countries.

JONATHAN GLENNIE j.glennie@odi.org.uk

OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (ODI) – **UNITED KINGDOM** *Research Fellow*



Jonathan Glennie has worked on aid and development finance policy for a number of organisations, and has written a well-received book on the subject. Before joining ODI he managed Christian Aid's aid programme in Colombia, where he developed expertise on human rights and land issues. He was also a research analyst at UN Economic Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean. Jonathan Glennie holds a Post Graduate Certificate in Economics from the Birkbeck College (London) and an M.Prof in Sustainable Development from the non-profit organisation *Forum for the Future*.

MARTIN GRANDES martin_grandes@uca.edu.ar
PONTIFICAL CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF ARGENTINA (UCA) GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS - ARGENTINA

Professor



Martin Grandes has been Professor of Economics and Finance, Director of Research in Economics, and Director of the Applied Research Centre at the Graduate Business School of UCA since August 2009. Before that, he served as Executive Director the Center for Financial Stability, a Latin American think tank based in Buenos Aires.

From September 2004 to August 2008 he was Associate Professor of Finance and Public Policy and Dean of the Graduate School of Government at the American University of Paris (AUP), where he is currently on leave. He was also an economist at the OECD Development Centre, a consultant to ECLAC-UN and advisor to two deputy secretaries of state in the Ministry of Finance in Argentina. He also consulted for the Bank for International Settlements and coordinated projects for the IADB.

Martin Grandes holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the "Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales", Paris.

SOMCHAI JITSUCHON tao@tdri.or.th

THAILAND DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE (TDRI) - THAILAND Senior Research Fellow



Somchai Jitsuchon received his doctorate degree in Economics from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. He specializes in macroeconomic policies, macroeconomic modelling (computable general equilibrium models and econometric models), theories and empirical applications on poverty and income distribution, welfare system.

His past experiences include being a visiting researcher at the Economic Planning Agency (EPA), Tokyo, Japan and a special lecturer at various leading universities in Thailand.

SAMAN KELEGAMA
INSTITUTE OF POLICY STUDIES (IPS) - SRI LANKA

Executive Director



Saman Kelegama is a Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences of Sri Lanka and was the President of the Sri Lanka Economic Association (SLEA) during 1999-2003. He has published extensively on Sri Lankan and regional economic issues in both local and international journals. His latest books are: Trade in Services in South Asia (Sage, 2009), South Asia in the WTO (Sage, 2007), Development under Stress: Sri Lankan Economy in Transition (Sage: 2006), Contemporary Economic Issues: Sri Lanka in the Global Context (SLEA: 2006), Economic Policy in Sri Lanka: Issues and Debates (Sage: 2004), and Ready-Made Garment Industry in Sri Lanka: Facing the Global Challenge (IPS: 2004). He is the co-editor of the South Asia Economic Journal (Sage Publication).

He serves and had served in a number of government and private sector Boards as an independent member. He received his Doctorate (D.Phil.) in Economics from University of Oxford, U.K.

STEFAN LEIDERER

GERMAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (DIE) - GERMANY

Economist (Bi- and Multilateral Development Cooperation)

stefan.leiderer@die-gdi.de



Stefen Leiderer joined the German Development Institute in 2002. His main work areas are public finances in sub-Saharan Africa, new aid modalities (budget support) and methods of impact evaluation. He recently carried out an empirical study on the operational efficiency of service provision and infrastructure maintenance at local government level in Zambia. He is currently involved in a joint international evaluation of budget support in Zambia where he focuses on the impact of budget support on public financial management and allocative efficiency. He has an Economics degree (Diplom - Volkswirt) from the University of Mannheim.

MAURICIO OLIVERA
FEDESARROLLO – COLOMBIA
Researcher

molivera@fedesarrollo.org.co



Mauricio Olivera joined Fedesarrollo in 2005, to work on impact evaluation, public budget process, and public policy (among others). Before that, he worked as a consultant for the National Department of Planning of Colombia (2005-2006), where he was the project coordinator of the implementation of Municipal Performance Budget in two Colombian cities, Medellín and Pasto. He was also a consultant for the research department of the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington D.C., working on the effects of public debt on social expenditures, and on the political economy determinants of taxation, political economy, fiscal policy and institutional economics

Mauricio Olivera holds a Ph D in Economics from George Washington University (Washington, DC). He was a professor at the University of Maryland, and various Colombian universities (Universidad Javeriana, Universidad Catolica)

MUSTAFIZUR RAHMAN CENTRE FOR POLICY DIALOGUE (CPD) — BANGLADESH Executive Director

mustafiz@cpd-bangladesh.org



Mustafizur Rahman is the Executive Director of the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), a leading civil society think-tank in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Dr. Rahman has been a professor in the Business Studies Faculty of Dhaka University. His areas of interest include regional cooperation, trade policy, poverty alleviation, fiscal and macro policies for poverty alleviation and issues of interest to the LDCs in the context of global integration.

Prof. Rahman did post-doctoral research at Oxford University and at Yale University. Dr. Rahman is a member of panel of Economists for Bangladesh's Sixth Five Year Plan and WTO Advisory Council, set up by the Government of Bangladesh.

ABDALLAH SAAF
CENTRE D'ÉTUDES ET DE RECHERCHES EN SCIENCES SOCIALES (CERSS) - MOROCCO
Director

abdallahsaaf@yahoo.fr



Abdallah Saaf is a Professor at the Faculty of Law, Economics and Social Science of Mohammed V University of Rabat, and also at the Moroccan National School of Administration, and the Rabat Centre of Strategic Studies. He is president of the Moroccan Association of Policy Science.

He is a former Minister Secondary and Technical Education (1998-2000) and Minister of Education (2000-2001).

His areas of interest include social sciences, political sciences, international relations, the philosophy of law, the history of political ideas, public policy analysis, and development policies. Abdallah Saaf holds a PhD in International Public Law from University Paris II.

LICHIA SANER

CENTRE FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CSEND) — SWITZERLAND



President

Born in Taipei in 1949 and a Swiss citizen, Lichia Saner holds a doctorate in psychology from Indiana University. A former associate professor at Chinese Culture University, Taipei, she was a post-doctoral fellow at Columbia University in organisational psychology.

Dr. Yiu has over 20 years of experience as an advisor to governments and international organisations on organisational development and reform of public administration. She recently directed a two-year, bilateral Swiss-Slovene project to reform the public administration of Slovenia and a three-year Sino-Swiss bilateral programme to modernise management training of senior civil service officials in China. She has also been a consultant to the United Nations Development Programme and other specialised UN agencies, as well as to private-sector organisations.



Before joining CEF in 2004 Pablo Souto was advisor at the International Operations Department (1999-2003) and auditor -on tax payer firms- at an Auditor Division of the Federal Tax Bureau (AFIP). He published papers on business cycles transmission, the effects of public deficits on the long-run interest rate, banking regulation, corporate governance, among other topics.

His specialization areas are corporate governance, financial regulation and supervision, financial services taxation, financial education, and contractual savings. He participates in the design and execution of several projects at CEF and in the elaboration of research documents. He has been a lecturer at the Universidad Católica Argentina since 2003. Pablo Souto holds graduate degrees from Universidad de San Andrés (2000) and from the Kiel Institute for World Economics (2003).

FIKRET TOKSÖZ

TURKISH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL STUDIES FOUNDATION (TESEV) - TURKEY

Good Governance Program Director





Fikret Toksöz received his B.A in Public Administration from Ankara University and his Masters degree in the same field from Manchester University. Between 1978 and 1980, he was the undersecretary of the Ministry of Local Government. He served as the principal advisor for the International Union of Local Authorities from 1989 to 1992. Between 1992 and 2002, he was the Secretary General of the Union of the Municipalities of the Marmara Region. Since 2005, Fikret Toksöz is the Program Coordinator of the Good Governance Program.

ANTONIO TUJAN
IBON FOUNDATION - PHILIPPINES
Director, International Department

atujan@ibon.org



Antonio Tujan Jr. is a social activist working on Philippine and International issues for more than 40 years. On of the founders of IBON Foundation in 1978, he is the current International Director; and currently chairman of Asia Pacific Research Network (APRN), a network of more than 50 major research NGOs in the Asia Pacific. He is current Chairman of Reality of Aid (RoA) Network, and co chairperson of the Coordinating Group of the Betteraid Open CSO Platform on Aid Effectiveness.

He is a researcher, editor, educator, and writer. He has written and/or edited various articles and books on food sovereignty, globalization and related issues including The Peoples Convention on Food Sovereignty, Training Modules on Food Sovereignty, Globalizing Philippine Mining, Contract Growing - Intensifying Corporate Control of Agriculture, The Impact of WTO Agreement on Agriculture and others.

FRANÇOIS YATTA

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NETWORK OF AFRICA (LEDNA) - AFRICA

Project Coordinator



François Yatta holds a PhD in urban and regional economics from the University of Paris XII – Val de marne (France). He is a researcher at the research laboratory of the Observatory of Economy and Local Institutions (Paris, France), where he mainly works on comparison of the major world cities at the levels of production, elaboration of a local development model, and participation in the reform process of the European Union Regional Policy.

Dr Yatta was regional Advisor at the Municipal Development Program for West and Central Africa, in charge of local finances, local economies and fiscal decentralization. He is now coordinator of the Local Economic development Network of Africa (LEDNA) whose general objective is to facilitate strong and competitive national and local economies by sharing knowledge, strengthening capacities and developing LED and fiscal decentralization in Africa.

OECD Staff

AZIZA AKHMOUCH

Aziza.Akhmouch@oecd.org

OECD, DIRECTORATE FOR PUBLIC GOVERNANCE AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT (GOV)

Policy Analyst, Regional Development Policy Division



Aziza Akhmouch is in charge of the Water Governance Pillar of the OECD Horizontal Water Project which consists in identifying best practices for coordinating water policies across ministries and levels of government. She contributes to the OECD LAC Initiative Programme on "Access to Public Services for Poverty Alleviation" and to the MENA Focus Group on "Green Growth and Territorial Development".

Before joining the OECD, she was a Lecturer at the University of Cergy-Pontoise, and an Associate Researcher at ESSEC Business School. She facilitated Teambuilding, Leadership and Negotiation Seminars at the European Commission and ENA, and also participated in ESSEC-UN Conflict Resolution Programmes in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Aziza Akhmouch holds a PhD in Geopolitics (IFG-Paris 8) and a MS in International Business (Paris-Dauphine).



Régis Avanthay heads the Partnerships Unit, which ensures that networks engage OECD partners on priority issues, to influence policy thinking, inform the public on development issues and reach out policy communities within the OECD. Before that, his range of activities in the Swiss Agency for development & Cooperation (SDC) included the setting-up of a global economic issues unit, the coordination of Swiss positions for UN Conferences on LDCs, Financing for Development and landlocked countries, SDC financial sector policy and country programmes. He also worked as Senior Economist in the Swiss Embassy in India, SDC country Director in Ecuador, in cooperation with development banks and was in charge of a project in Honduras and Central America aimed at reducing post harvest grain losses. He received his Master of Development Economics from the Geneva Graduate Institute of development studies (Switzerland).

CLAIRE CHARBIT

OECD, DIRECTORATE FOR PUBLIC GOVERNANCE AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT (GOV)

Deputy Head of Division, Regional Development Policy





Since she started working at the OECD, Claire Charbit's work has focused on multilevel governance issues and their impact on regional development. She has contributed to several OECD horizontal reports (including on contracts and on performance indicators for linking regions and central governments) and Territorial Reviews (for example in Chile, in Mexico and currently in Brazil), and participates regularly in national and international think tanks. She co-ordinates for GOV the OECD Network on Fiscal Relations across Levels of Government, and the Governance of Water Policy in the OECD Horizontal Project.

She holds a PhD in Economics, with a specialisation in Institutional Economics. Before joining the OECD, she was Professor of Economics at the National School of Telecommunications in Paris where she worked and published mainly on Economics of Knowledge and their territorial dimension.

CHRISTIAN DAUDE
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Economist, Latin America and Caribbean Desk

Christian.Daude@oecd.org



Before joining the Development Centre in September 2008, Christian Daude worked as a research economist at the Inter-American Development Bank as well as an economist at the European Central Bank's International Policy Analysis division. He also worked as a researcher on pension reforms and macroeconomic issues at CINVE-Uruguay, a non-partisan think tank, and taught several courses in economics and econometrics. His primary research fields are development economics and international macroeconomics. He has worked extensively on FDI and capital flows to emerging markets, as well as business cycle fluctuations, sovereign debt problems, and growth and productivity dynamics in Latin America.

Christian holds an M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from the University of Maryland at College Park, and did his undergraduate studies in economics at the Universidad de la República in Montevideo, Uruguay.



Jeff Dayton-Johnson is the Head of the Development Centre's Latin America and Caribbean Desk, the principal activity of which is the Latin American Economic Outlook. He also co-ordinates the Centre's work on migration and development. Before joining the Development Centre, Jeff's experiences ranged from coaxing a sometimes-stubborn Volkswagen through rural Mexico to interview farmers in peasant irrigation societies, to delivering economics training courses to public servants in Eastern Europe; from advising Canadian federal and provincial policymakers on matters of cultural policy, social cohesion and foreign aid, to teaching and advising several cohorts of energetic students in the Master of Development Economics program that he coordinated for many years at Dalhousie University in Canada. Jeff received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of California, Berkeley, and received his undergraduate education at Berkeley and the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

SARA FYSON
OECD, DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION DIRECTORATE
Policy Advisor, Aid Effectiveness

Sara.fyson@oecd.org



Sara Fyson manages the Global Partnership on Country Systems- a network which aims to provide the impetus to strengthening country systems (including those relating to public financial management and procurement) and to accelerate progress in donors' use of those systems to ensure more sustainable development. She is completing a D.Phil at the University of Oxford on the implementation of public financial management reforms in Ghana and Tanzania. She previously worked at the World Bank, both in the Operations Country Policy Services and Corporate Secretariat divisions in Washington, DC. She was also project manager at a private consulting firm in Oxford. She obtained an MPhil in International Relations in 2000 from the University of Oxford and a BA (hons) from the London School and Economics and Kings College, London.

KIICHIRO FUKASAKU
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Head of Division, Regional Desks

Kiichiro.Fukasaku@oecd.org



Kiichiro (Ki) Fukasaku has been working extensively in the following areas: intraindustry and intra-firm trade, trade and development, direct foreign investment, regional integration and co-operation and the "development dimension" of the WTO system. More recently, he has dedicated much of his research time to OECD programmes on development issues, including policy coherence for development, trade and structural adjustment, trade capacity building, aid for trade and private sector development, with focus on Africa and Asia.

Prior to joining the OECD, Ki Fukasaku was a staff economist of the Economic Research and Analysis Unit of the GATT Secretariat (now the WTO) in Geneva (1983-90). He M.A. (International Economics) from Keio University, Japan, and M.A. (Development Economics) and D.Phil. (Economics) from University of Sussex, United Kingdom.



Before joining the Centre in 2009, Burcu Hacibedel was an Assistant Professor of Finance at RSM, Erasmus University (the Netherlands).

Previously, she held various research and teaching positions at the Institute for Financial Research (Sweden), IMF, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey, University College (University of Oxford), Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship (University of Oxford). She has also worked in the finance industry for a number of years, prior to her post-graduate studies.

She holds DPhil (Financial Economics), MPhil (Economics) and MBA degrees from University of Oxford. Her broad areas of research are international finance, asset pricing, emerging markets and behavioural finance.

IAN HAWKESWORTH

Ian.Hawkesworth@oecd.org

OECD, DIRECTORATE FOR PUBLIC GOVERNANCE AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT (GOV) Policy Analyst, Budgeting and Public Expenditures Division



lan Hawkesworth, a Danish national, leads budget reviews and related studies and is responsible for the Budget Practices and Procedures Database project. He also organises the OECD annual meeting on public-private partnerships. Ian previously worked as head of section and advisor at the Ministry of Finance in Denmark, among other things coordinating the implementation of accrual budgeting, modernisation of government, and budget examinations.

lan holds an MSc. in comparative politics from the London School of Economics, and an MSc. in political science and economics from the University of Copenhagen. He was associate professor for a number of years at the latter university.

JOHANNES JUTTING OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Johannes.Jutting@oecd.org

Head of Unit, Poverty Reduction & Social Development



Johannes P. Jütting, Senior Economist, is the head of the Poverty Reduction and Social Development unit. His responsibilities include conceptualising, managing and providing leadership in the areas of employment, gender, social protection and migration. He has published extensively in peer reviewed journals such as World Development and the Journal of Human Development.

Prior to joining the OECD in 2002, Johannes was a Research Fellow at the Center for Development Research in Bonn (ZEF) where he directed a research group on poverty (1997-2002). He holds a Ph.D. in agricultural economics from Humboldt-University (Berlin) and received his habilitation in development economics from the University of Bonn.

OECD, DIRECTORATE FOR FINANCIAL AND ENTERPRISE AFFAIRS Economist / Policy Analyst, Investment Division



Céline Kauffmann joined the OECD in 2000. She is currently with the OECD Investment Division, leading the work on private sector participation in infrastructure as part of the OECD Programme on Sustainable Financing for Water and Sanitation. She was previously with the OECD Development Centre, coordinating the Development Centre work on the annual African Development Bank / OECD African Economic Outlook Report. She has special expertise in the socio-economic conditions of African countries and in infrastructure development. She previously participated in the 2000 Transition Report on "Labour Markets, Unemployment and Poverty During the Transition" at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (London) and before that worked at the London School of Economics. Ms. Kauffmann holds a PhD in Economics from the Université Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne

ANGEL MELGUIZO **OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE** Economist, Latin America and Caribbean Desk

Angel.Melguizo@oecd.org



Before joining the Development Centre in April 2009, Angel Melguizo worked for seven years at the Economic Research Department of BBVA (a Spanish private bank), specialized in research on pension reform in Latin America, fiscal policy and labour regulation, and long-term economic growth. Besides, during 2007-2008, he was senior advisor in the Spanish government, at the Economic Bureau of the Prime Minister.

Ángel holds a PhD in Public Economics from Complutense University of Madrid (2006, Spanish Institute for Fiscal Studies Award), and a BA in Economics (1998, First National Prize) from the same university. His dissertation analyzed the economic impact of Social Security financing in Spain.

HENRI-BERNARD SOLIGNAC-LECOMTE **OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE** Head of Unit, Europe, Middle East & Africa

Henri-Bernard.Solignac-Lecomte@oecd.org



Henri-Bernard Solignac-Lecomte became a research assistant at the OECD Development Centre in 1992, working on institutions, the informal sector, financial intermediation and EU trade policies.

Later, as a joint appointment of the European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM, Maastricht) and the Overseas Development Institute (ODI, London), he focused on the trade policies of developing countries and related capacity building, as well as on development co-operation between Europe and Africa. He returned to the Development Centre in 2001 to help strengthen its policy impact through networks, policy dialogue and innovation. Since Sept. 2009, he manages the Europe, Middle East & Africa Desk.

LAURA RECUERO VIRTO
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Economist, Europe, Middle East & Africa



Laura Recuero Virto is currently in charge of the project on Innovation in ICTs in Africa for the African Economic Outlook 2009. Prior to joining the Development Centre in October 2008, she was a research associate at Télécom ParisTech in charge of the program on Telecommunications Infrastructure and Economic Performance in the Chair on Innovation and Regulation in the Digital Economy sponsored by Télécom ParisTech, Ecole Polytechnique, and France Télécom. Her professional experience includes Nortel Networks, the Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales (CNES) and the European Space Agency in the field of radio communications (mobile and satellite). Laura holds a B.A. degree on telecommunications engineering and an MBA on international trade from the Polytechnic University of Madrid. She also holds a PhD in economics from Toulouse School of Economics.

HELMUT REISEN
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Head of Research

Helmut.Reisen@oecd.org



Helmut Reisen coordinated the first OECD Global Development Outlook (2010). His recent work includes analysis of sovereign wealth funds, an investigation into China's economic impact on poor countries and on their debt sustainability, a study on the comparative value of grants and concessional loans as instruments of development finance, and an overview of innovative approaches to funding the Millennium Development Goals.

Helmut Risen has written extensively in scholarly journals and the financial press. He holds a PhD from Cologne University and is a Professor of International Economics at the University of Basel. Prior to joining the OECD, he worked at Commerzbank AG, the Kiel Institute for the World Economy, the Federation of German Industries and the German Ministry of Economics.

KENSUKE TANAKA
OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE
Economist, Asia & Pacific Desk

Kensuke.Tanaka@oecd.org



Kensuke Tanaka is in charge of the *Southeast Asian Economic Outlook*. He also leads the related projects of Asian Business Cycle Indicators (ABCIs) and Medium-term Projection Framework for Growth and Development (MPF). His recent research topics include economic growth, macro/finance and regional integration. He is the editor and co-author of "Shaping Policy Reform and Peer Reviews in Southeast Asia: Integrating Economies amid Diversity", OECD, 2008 and has authored several studies on Asian economies.

Before joining the OECD, Mr. Tanaka also worked at a public research institute and taught at a university in Japan. He also taught Economics at Sciences Po (Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris). He received PhD education in Economics at Keio University in Japan and got two MAs from the London School of Economics in the UK and Keio University in Japan.