High-level event – Transforming food systems:
Implications for coordination and financing

Monday 2 November 15:00-17:00 (CEST)

Moderator

Dr. Jim Woodhill
Honorary Research Associate, Environment Change Institute, University of Oxford, and Director AgriFoodNexus Consulting

Dr. Jim Woodhill is an independent consultant based in Oxford, United Kingdom, an Honorary Research Associate with the University of Oxford’s Environmental Change Institute and an Honorary Associate with the Institute of Development Studies (IDS). In IDS, he is part-time Director of the Knowledge for Development (K4D) Programme, which supports the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). Dr. Woodhill has over 30 years of international development experience as a specialist on inclusive agribusiness, rural development, food security and multi-stakeholder partnerships. He has served as Principal Sector Specialist for Food Security and Rural Development with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Dr. Woodhill was also Director of the Centre for Development Innovation at Wageningen University and Research Centre in the Netherlands. He has undertaken numerous consultancies, evaluation and facilitation assignments for international organizations and has written widely on issues of food systems, multi-stakeholder partnerships, evaluation, and foresight. Dr. Woodhill holds a PhD in Political Economics and a degree in Agricultural Science.

Opening remarks

Paul van de Logt
Head, Food and Nutrition Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands

Paul van de Logt heads the Food and Nutrition Security team in the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. This team has taken up the responsibility to reduce the number of people in a situation of malnutrition, improve smallholders’ productivity and promote sustainable management of farmland. To achieve these goals, the team works in partnership with the private sector, non-governmental organizations, knowledge institutes and public sector partners.

Prior to this position, Mr. van de Logt worked on climate finance and European cooperation on environment and energy. He has worked as a diplomat in the Embassies in Beijing and Kabul. Mr. van de Logt is an international economist who specializes in climate and sustainability.
Dr. Agnes Kalibata
United Nations Secretary-General’s Special Envoy on the Food Systems Summit and President of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA)

Dr. Agnes Kalibata leads the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) and its efforts with public and private partners to ensure a food secure and prosperous Africa through rapid, sustainable agricultural growth. Prior to joining AGRA in September 2014, Dr. Kalibata was Rwanda’s Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI). Dr. Kalibata has held several other leadership positions, including Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Agriculture and Deputy Vice-Chancellor of University of Rwanda.

She also worked for the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture in Uganda, and various other agricultural development organizations. She sits on several boards including the International Fertilizer Development Corporation (IFDC), Bioversity International, Africa Risk Capacity, the Malabo-Montpellier Panel, and is a member of the Global Agenda Council of the World Economic Forum. Dr. Kalibata received the 2012 Yara Prize for her great leadership in the transformation of food security and agricultural development in Rwanda.

Dr. Kalibata holds a PhD in entomology from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and a Master’s degree in Agriculture and a Bachelor’s degree in Entomology and Biochemistry from Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda.

Michelle Nunn
President and CEO, CARE USA

Since July 2015, Michelle Nunn has been President and CEO of CARE USA, a leading humanitarian organization that fights global poverty and provides lifesaving assistance in emergencies.

Before joining CARE, Ms. Nunn had built an illustrious career of civic and public service as a social entrepreneur, a nonprofit CEO, and a candidate for the United States Senate. She co-founded the volunteer-mobilization organization Hands On Atlanta and expanded it from a single entity to a national network of more than 50 affiliates. Ms. Nunn oversaw the group’s merger with Points of Light, creating the world’s largest organization dedicated to volunteer service, with affiliates across the globe engaging more than 70,000 corporations and nonprofit organizations. Ms. Nunn served as Points of Light CEO from 2007 to 2013.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Virginia, Ms. Nunn majored in History with a minor in Religion and earned her Master’s degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. She also received a Kellogg Fellowship to study faith and social justice in more than a dozen countries, from Peru to Namibia to Jordan.
Marie Haga
Associate Vice-President, External Relations and Governance Department, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Marie Haga is Associate Vice-President of the External Relations and Governance Department at the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). She is responsible for communications, global engagement, partnerships, resource mobilization, and relations with IFAD Member States. Ms. Haga has extensive experience in conservation, food security, foreign affairs, and politics. Before joining IFAD, she worked with the Global Crop Diversity Trust, where she was Executive Director.

Ms. Haga served with Norway’s Foreign Service as a career diplomat and held various positions in the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including the Norwegian Mission to the United Nations in New York and the Embassy in New Delhi. She was State Secretary/Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1997 to 1999.


Ms. Haga studied Political Science and was a trainee in the Norwegian Foreign Service.

 Speakers

Hanneke Faber
President, Foods & Refreshment, Unilever

Hanneke Faber joined Unilever in January 2018 as President of Europe and member of the Unilever Executive. In this role, she accelerated the digitization of Unilever’s European business.

Ms. Faber spent most of her career in the fast-moving consumer goods and retail industry. Prior to joining Unilever, she worked at Royal Ahold Delhaize as Chief E-commerce and Innovation Officer, and was Member of the Executive Committee, playing a key role in accelerating the company’s e-commerce business. Between 2013 and 2016, she was Chief Commercial Officer and Member of the Executive Committee of Royal Ahold responsible for e-commerce, digital, innovation and customer branding.

Ms. Faber started her career at Procter & Gamble (P&G) where she became Vice President and global leader of three of P&G’s top brands with a presence in over 180 countries. She serves as Member of Bayer AG’s Supervisory Board since 2016 and of the Advisory Board of Leading Executives Advancing Diversity (LEAD).
Ms. Faber holds a Bachelor’s degree in Journalism and a Master’s degree in Business Administration from the University of Houston in the United States.

**Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki**  
Chief Executive Officer, African Union Development Agency, New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD)

Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki is the Chief Executive Officer of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD) Agency, a position he holds since January 2009. A former Prime Minister of Niger from 1997 to 2000, Dr. Mayaki has a Master’s degree from the National School of Public Administration (ENAP), Quebec, Canada and a PhD in Administrative Sciences from the University of Paris I, France. He worked as a Professor of Public Administration in Niger and Venezuela.

From 1996 to 1997, he served as Minister in charge of African Integration and Cooperation and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Niger. In August 2000, he set up the Analysis Centre for Public Policy in Senegal. From 2000 to 2004, Dr. Mayaki was a guest Professor at the University of Paris XI, where he lectured on international relations. He also led research at the Research Centre on Europe and the Contemporary World within that university. In 2004, he served as Executive Director of the Platform in support of Rural Development in West and Central Africa, the Rural Hub, based in Dakar, Senegal.

**Carla Montesi**  
Director, Planet and Prosperity (DEVCO.C), Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission (EC)

Carla Montesi is Director at the European Commission’s Directorate General for Development and Cooperation, where she has been responsible for the Directorate “Planet and Prosperity” since September 2018. From 2014 to 2018, she was Director for Western and Central Africa. Prior to 2014, she was Director at the Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries. Initially responsible for fisheries conservation, control, and structural actions for the Mediterranean and Black Sea, she has piloted maritime policy as well as fisheries and funding for the Baltic Sea, North Sea and Landlocked Member States.

Formerly a lawyer in Italy who specialized in European affairs at the College of Europe in Bruges, Ms. Montesi’s earlier career encompassed diverse responsibilities in the field of European Union external policy for development and cooperation, both at headquarters and in European Union delegations in Africa, as well as experience in the Cabinet of European Union Commissioner Emma Bonino for External Policy and Humanitarian Affairs.
Dr. Johan Swinnen became Director-General of the International Food and Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in January 2020. Prior to joining IFPRI, Dr. Swinnen was Professor of Economics and Director of the LICOS-Centre for Institutions and Economic Performance at the KU Leuven and Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels. He was Lead Economist at the World Bank from 2003 to 2004, and Economic Advisor at the European Commission (1998–2001). He has served as Visiting Professor at various universities, including the Centre for Food Security and the Environment (FSE) at Stanford University, and is a regular advisor to institutions such as the World Bank, The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

Dr. Swinnen holds a PhD from Cornell University and Honorary Doctorates from Gottingen University and Nitra University. He has more than 19,000 citations and an h-index of 69 on google scholar. He is a Fellow of the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) and the European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE) and was President of the International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE) from 2012 to 2015.

He has published widely on agricultural and food policies, international development, political economy, institutional reforms, trade and global value chains.

Joan Valadou is the Head of the Human Development Department at the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs. His portfolio covers global health, food security, education, and gender issues. Prior to his current post at the Ministry, Mr. Valadou worked in Japan as Press and Communication Counselor in the French Embassy in Tokyo (2015–2019) and as First Secretary in charge of Human Rights in the French Embassy in Beijing (2011–2015). He had served in the Asia and Oceania Department as Desk Officer for China (2009–2011), and in the global health team of the Ministry, as Desk Officer working on UNITAID (2007–2009). Mr. Valadou studied International Organizations and Public Affairs at Sciences Po Paris and Chinese Language and Civilization at the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO).
Martien van Nieuwkoop
Global Director, Agriculture and Food Global Practice, The World Bank

Martien van Nieuwkoop was appointed Global Director for the Agriculture and Food Global Practice in the World Bank’s Sustainable Development Practice Group in July 2019. He provides leadership to the formulation and implementation of the World Bank’s strategy and knowledge in agriculture and food, oversees the operationalization of the World Bank’s vision on agriculture and food in regional and country programmes, acts as senior spokesperson for agriculture and food, and manages the Agriculture and Food Global Practice.

Before taking up this position, Mr. van Nieuwkoop served for two years as Practice Director of the World Bank’s Agriculture Global Practice, where he oversaw agriculture lending, portfolio and analytic work in the East-Asia Pacific, Latin-America and the Caribbean and South Asia regions, coordinated collaboration with the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on agribusiness, and led the World Bank’s global engagement on agriculture and climate change.

Mr. van Nieuwkoop joined the World Bank in 1993 as a Young Professional and worked initially as Agriculture Economist in the Latin-America and Caribbean Region. He was Cluster Leader covering agriculture during field assignments in Madagascar from 2001 to 2004 and in India from 2005 to 2007. From 2007 to 2015, Mr. van Nieuwkoop worked as Program Coordinator and Sector Manager for Agriculture in various assignments in the Africa Region, including covering Southern and West Africa. He was also the Practice Manager for Agriculture in the South Asia Region, a position he held from 2015 to 2017. Prior to joining the World Bank, Martien was an associate scientist in the Economics Program of the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center in Mexico from 1991 to 1993 and an associate expert in the Dutch bilateral cooperation programme in Pakistan from 1989 to 1991.

Mr. van Nieuwkoop holds a PhD in Development Economics from Wageningen Agricultural University, The Netherlands, and an Master of Business Administration, International Executive Program from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., United States.
**Event 2 – Pathways for food systems transformation**

**Moderator**

**Ron Hartman**  
Director, Global Engagement, Partnership and Resource Mobilization Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Ron Hartman leads the International Fund for Agricultural Development’s (IFAD) global engagement and multilateral relations including with the private sector; south-south and triangular cooperation; and replenishment, resource mobilization and funds management. Prior to his current role, he served as IFAD Country Director and Representative in the subregional office for South East Asia and the Pacific, in Indonesia. He was also IFAD Country Programme Manager for Nepal, the Pacific Islands and Thailand, and Portfolio Advisor in the Asia and Pacific region. He served as Portfolio Manager for the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) based in Thailand. Prior to joining the United Nations in 2003, he held management positions in both public and private sector, most recently in investment banking and fund management. With over 24 years of professional experience, including over 15 years with the United Nations, Mr. Hartman has specialized knowledge in promoting sustainable socio-economic development and poverty reduction, public policy, public and private investment, and partnerships.

**Dr. Tristan Armstrong**  
Sector Specialist, Agricultural Productivity and Food Security, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia

Dr. Tristan Armstrong is Australia’s Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade representative on the Policy Advisory Council of Australian Centre for International Agricultural Centre. He holds a PhD in plant molecular genetics from the Australian National University and has over 25 years of professional experience in agricultural research, rural development, and natural resource management. Dr. Armstrong has supported the design and implementation of a diverse range of research and international development programmes across Asia, the Pacific and sub-Saharan Africa. In his current role, Dr. Armstrong works across Australia’s bilateral and regional programmes and with partner governments, the private sector and key multilateral agencies to build effective agriculture and food security investments. Dr. Armstrong represents Australia on the Global Donor Platform for Rural Development, and from 2015 to 2019 he chaired the ‘AgResults’ initiative, a US$150 million, G20 prize challenge programme. More recently, Dr. Armstrong has played a key role in coordinating international responses to escalating biosecurity incursions in Timor-Leste and the Pacific.
Prior to joining the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Dr. Armstrong worked as a research scientist at the Australian National University and Landcare Research New Zealand, an adviser on genetically modified crops at the Australian Department of Agriculture, and the Country Director for the World Wildlife Fund International in the Solomon Islands.

Dr. Conrad Rein
Policy Officer, Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

Dr. Conrad Rein joined the European Commission, DG DEVCO, in 2015. He works on policy issues and coordinates the European Union development cooperation on food and nutrition security as well as rural development with Member States, the G7, and the G20. Dr. Rein holds a PhD in Government from University College Cork, and a Bachelor of Arts and Master’s degree from Leipzig University. He has previously worked for the United Nations, the Hudson Institute, and the Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, in addition to working in the private sector. Dr. Rein is Co-Chair of the Global Donor Platform for Rural Development.

Paul van de Logt
Head, Food and Nutrition Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands

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Prior to this position, Mr. van de Logt worked on climate finance and European cooperation on environment and energy. He has worked as a diplomat in the Embassies in Beijing and Kabul. Mr. van de Logt is an international economist who specializes in climate and sustainability.
Event 3 – Food systems: Data for evidence-based policymaking

Wednesday 4 November 15:00-16:30 (CEST)

Jaron Porciello
Co-Director of Ceres2030 / Cornell University

Jaron Porciello is an information scientist and a faculty fellow at the David R. Atkinson Center for Sustainable Development at Cornell University. She is Associate Director for Research Data Engagement in International Programs, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (IP-CALS). Ms. Porciello has worked with agricultural research communities, publishers, United Nations agencies, donors, and development groups across sub-Saharan Africa for more than a decade to support the changing and complex sociotechnical environment of research, evidence, and data. She is currently Co-Director of Ceres2030: Sustainable solutions to end hunger, an initiative that brings together a diverse and global community to build consensus on the interventions needed to end hunger and transform the lives of the world’s poorest farmers while protecting the environment.

Prior to her current role, Ms. Porciello was Director of a developing world agricultural science information public-private partnership (TEEAL) and Program Manager for AGROA, a Research4Life (R4L) partnership across the World Health Organization (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). She also oversaw the member sustainability portfolio for arXiv.org, the world’s leading preprint server for mathematics and physics. Ms. Porciello holds dual Master’s degrees in Information and Library Sciences, and English literature from Indiana University. She used to write for The Onion.

Dr. David Laborde
Co-director of Ceres2030 / International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

Dr. David Laborde joined the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in 2007, where he is a Senior Research Fellow in the Markets, Trade and Institutions Division and the Theme Leader on Macroeconomics and Trade for IFPRI. His research interests include globalization, international trade, measurement and modeling of protectionism, multilateral and regional trade liberalization as well as environmental issues (climate change and biofuels). He has developed the MAcMapHS6 on tariffs as well as the TASTE software. Dr. Laborde is a contributor to the Global Trade Analysis Project (GTAP) database and a GTAP research fellow since 2005 and received the Alan Powell award in 2018. Since 2015, he has been focusing on costing the roadmap to achieving Sustainable Development Goal 2 (Zero hunger) in a globalized context while considering the role of goods, capital, and migration flows.

He has developed several partial and general equilibrium models applied to trade policy and environmental issues, including the MIRAGE and MIRAGRODEP models and their extensions. He is also engaged in various
capacity strengthening exercises by delivering training sessions for researchers and policymakers in several developing countries, with a special focus on sub-Saharan Africa and is actively involved in the African Growth and Development Policy Modeling Consortium (AGRODEP) network.

Dr. El Iza Mohamedou
Program Manager of 50x2030

Dr. El Iza Mohamedou is Program Manager of 50x2030, a 10-year, US$500-million initiative aimed at filling data gaps in agriculture in 50 low and lower middle-income countries by 2030. Dr. Mohamedou has more than 20 years of international experience in the field and at headquarters with UNICEF, the African Development Bank, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and in the private sector. Her expertise spans multidisciplinary projects, institutional strengthening, programme evaluation, gender, and fragile and conflict states. Dr. Mohamedou holds a PhD in Economics, a Master of Business Administration in International Business, and a Bachelor’s degree in Economics.

Thule Lenneiye
Agriculture Transformation Office (ATO) Coordinator for the Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives, Kenya

Thule Lenneiye began her career in Zimbabwe as part of a start-up that implemented the first e-Voucher programme on the continent – the precursor to the very successful Zambian e-voucher programme. During that time, she gained unparalleled hands-on experience in project management for the deployment of IT systems and what has now become ‘the digital transformation’ space. Over the years, she has established herself as a sought-after thought leader. Currently at the Agriculture Transformation Office (ATO) as Coordinator for the Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives, Ms. Lenneiye drives the transformation agenda in the agriculture sector by fostering the embracing of digital platforms that can make a tangible difference in how the Ministry operates and interacts with the wider community – as well as private sector engagement for increased investments in the sector in Kenya. For Ms. Lenneiye, mainstreaming youth and increasing women’s participation along the supply chains in agriculture will also be key measures of success in her endeavors.
Event 4 – Catalyzing responsible private sector investments for food systems transformation

Thursday 5 November 15:00-16:30 (CEST)

Opening remarks

David Hegwood
Senior Advisor, Global Engagement Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, U.S. Agency for International Development

David Hegwood joined USAID in 2009. He manages USAID engagement in a wide range of global policy issues, including the G20, the G7, the Committee on World Food Security, and the Sustainable Development Goals. He previously served as the representative of the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, the World Food Program, and the International Fund for Agricultural Development and as Special Counsel to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. Mr. Hegwood has previously held positions as a consultant with O’Mara & Associates, as Assistant Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, and as Majority Staff Counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. He began his career as a Foreign Service officer in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Mr. Hegwood holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Missouri-Columbia, and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Georgia.

Sean de Cleene
Head of Food Systems Initiative, Member of the Executive Committee, World Economic Forum

Sean de Cleene is Head of Food Systems Initiative at the World Economic Forum and a Member of the Executive Committee. He is the former Vice President of Business Development and Strategic Partnerships at the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA). Mr. de Cleene held senior positions in the private sector, primarily as Senior Vice President Global Initiatives, Strategy and Business Development for Yara International, the world’s leading global crop nutrition company. Mr. de Cleene has strong private sector, non-governmental, entrepreneurship and development experience. He was also Chair of the World Economic Forum New Vision for Agriculture Project Board, incorporating multi-stakeholder partnerships in 14 countries across Africa, Asia and Latin America, including partnering to form both Grow Africa and Grow Asia. He is Co-Chair Emeritus Grow Africa.

He is a former special advisor to the United Nations Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Food Security and Nutrition. He has jointly initiated Grow Africa, the African Green Revolution
Forum, the Beira Agricultural Growth Corridor, the Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor of Tanzania, Malawi Agriculture Partnership, Business Action Against Corruption, the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), the Africa Taskforce JSE SRI Index, and the African Institute of Corporate Citizenship.

Leesa Shrader
Program Director, AgriFin Accelerate (AFA) and AgriFin Digital Farmer (ADF) Programs, Mercy Corps

Leesa Shrader is Program Director of the AgriFin Accelerate (AFA) and AgriFin Digital Farmer (ADF) Programs at Mercy Corps. AFA is a 6-year, US$24-million programme funded by the MasterCard Foundation, while ADF is a 2-year US$5-million programme funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to expand smallholder farmer access to technology-enabled financial and information services across Africa.

Ms. Shrader joins AgriFin from the Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), where she served as the Senior Digital Financial Services Expert for Asia. She has over 20 years global experience working in financial inclusion with leading banks, mobile network operators and institutions such as CGAP, the World Bank, GiZ, KfW and Women’s World Banking.

She has significant expertise in digital financial inclusion, as well as agricultural finance, wholesale and retail microbanking, market research and product development, ratings and technical assistance. With support from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Ms. Shrader worked to build innovative commercial banking technology platforms utilizing branchless and mobile phone channels to serve low-income markets in Indonesia and the Philippines.

She has worked on mobile and development deployments in 16 countries around the world, including Africa, the Middle East, Latin America and Asia. Ms. Shrader holds a Master’s degree in Public Policy from Georgetown University and leads programming across Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Nigeria and Zambia.

Ishmael Sunga
Chief Executive Officer, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)

Mr. Ishmael Sunga has wide-ranging experience, with more than 30 years in the development sector, including development research, international development assistance and development consultancy. His experience spans several sectors and areas including small enterprise development, agricultural and rural development, rural transport, rural manufacturing, micro-hydro power, irrigation schemes, small-scale mining, the informal sector, cooperatives and membership-based organizations. He worked in the United Kingdom for a few years, and has undertaken assignments in many parts of Africa, as well as in India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

His wide-ranging experience and thought leadership has seen him serving on structures of various continental and global institutions/initiatives such as the World Economic Forum, the African Union
Development Agency (AUD-NEPAD), the African Green Revolution Forum (AGRF), the Montpellier Malabo Panel of Experts, the Food and Land Use Coalition (FOLU), the Centre for Technical Cooperation in Agriculture and Rural Development (CTA), the CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS) and Generation Africa.

Mr. Sunga has published and has contributed to publications on various subjects, including digital technology, climate change, agricultural cooperatives, the future farmer and farmers’ organizations. Mr. Sunga holds a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from the University of Zimbabwe and a Master’s degree in Strategic Management from the University of Derby, United Kingdom, among other post-graduate qualifications.

Berry Marttin
Member of the Managing Board, Rabobank

Berry Marttin is member of the Managing Board of Rabobank, responsible for international rural and retail banking, leasing, sustainability, Rabobank Foundation and B4F Inspiration Center RG. Mr. Marttin joined Rabobank as a management trainee after earning his degree in Business Administration in Brazil. Throughout his career at Rabobank, he has gained extensive experience as a banker in both the wholesale and rural & retail banking business worldwide. Before joining the Executive Board in 2009, Mr. Marttin moved to the Netherlands in 2004 to become Chairman of the Board of Directors of Rabobank Amsterdam.

In his current role within Rabobank’s Board, Mr. Marttin meets farmers, farm inputs suppliers, food producers, retailers and many other agribusiness stakeholders from around the world. Being a farmer in Brazil himself, Mr. Marttin is very much in touch with the world of primary production and his insights and passion for food and agriculture have been instrumental in designing the global Banking for Food strategy for Rabobank. His principal other activities outside Rabobank include serving as a Member of the Supervisory Board of IDH (Sustainable Trade Initiative) and Member of the Global Agenda Council on Food & Nutrition Security of the World Economic Forum.

Chea Serey
Assistant Governor and Director General of Central Banking, National Bank of Cambodia

Serey Chea is an Assistant Governor at National Bank of Cambodia. As a central banker, she is a vocal proponent for greater use of the local currency to promote the country's greater independence on economic and monetary policy. Under her guidance, innovative policy instruments were introduced to develop the interbank markets and promote the use of local currency. Serey is also a member of different policy-driven committees within the bank and nationally. For instance, she is chairwoman of the Credit Bureau Cambodia Ltd., the first and only privately-run credit sharing system in Cambodia. As a chairwoman of Clearing House Operation Committee, she has been leading the Bakong Project, an acclaimed initiative of the National Bank of Cambodia in exploring and introducing a new generation of payment system using Blockchain technology.
She is also a member of the Southeast Asia Advisory Council of Women World Banking and a member of Young Global Leaders, Class of 2019, a forum of Young Global Leaders created by the World Economic Forum. She is a strong advocate for women economic empowerment and financial inclusion and served as Alliance for Financial Inclusion’s (AFI’s) high level Gender and Women’s Financial Inclusion Committee (GWFIC). Serey was a senior fellow of Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy and is currently pursuing her PhD degree with the University of Adelaide (Australia).