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As Regenerative Agriculture Specialist, also at the IIRR, she developed and
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MARIE-STÉPHANE MARADEIX

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Monde, La Voie Privée (fundraising magazine), the French Social Affairs Ministry and a major French charity on education, La Fondation des Apprentis d’Auteuil. After heading the fundraising campaign for the Fondation d’Auteuil, she was appointed Deputy Director of the Development Campaign of ESSEC Business School. Then, in 2007, she directed the Campaign for the Ecole Polytechnique (a top French university) before joining the Fondation Daniel et Nina Carasso, a family foundation, as Executive Director in October 2011. Marie-Stéphane’s experience in the philanthropy sector includes a year of research at the Johns Hopkins University’s Institute for Policy Studies in the USA. She has written three books on philanthropic practice: Les ONG américaines en Afrique Sub-Saharienne (American NGOs in Sub-Saharan Africa); Repère à travers le monde des Fondations (Finding a Way through the World of Foundations); Fundraising: stratégies pour l’enseignement supérieur et la recherche (Fundraising Strategies for Higher Education and Research), which she co-wrote with Nathalie Levallois. She was trustee of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education Europe (CASE Europe) and president of the French Association of Fundraisers. From 2011 to 2016, she has been a member of the Haut Conseil à la Vie Associative (Higher Council of Non-Profit Organizations), a consultative body that advises the French Prime Minister. She is currently a board member of the French Center of Funds and Foundations, and board member of several foundations.

PAT MOONEY

Pat Mooney has more than four decades experience working in international civil society, first addressing aid and development issues and then focusing on food, agriculture and commodity trade. In 1977 Mooney co-founded RAFI (Rural Advancement Fund International, renamed ETC Group in 2001). He received The Right Livelihood Award (the “Alternative Nobel Prize”) in the Swedish Parliament in 1985 and the Pearson Peace Prize from Canada’s Governor General in 1998. He has also received the American “Giraffe Award” given to people “who stick their necks out.” In 2017 Pat was awarded an honorary degree Doctor of Laws for the University of Waterloo for his extraordinary contributions to the protection of plant genetic resources and to improving the livelihoods of the world’s small-scale farmers. The author or co-author of several books on the politics of
biotechnology and biodiversity, Pat Mooney is widely regarded as an authority on issues of global governance, corporate concentration, and intellectual property monopoly. Although much of ETC’s work continues to emphasize plant genetic resources and agricultural biodiversity, the work expanded in the early 1980s to include biotechnology. In the late 1990s, the work expanded more to encompass a succession of emerging technologies such as nanotechnology, synthetic biology, geoengineering, and new developments in genomics and neurosciences. ETC Group remains a nano-CSO with offices in Canada, the United States, Mexico and the Philippines and works in close cooperation with many civil society partners around the world.

ALEXANDER MÜLLER

Alexander Müller (Germany) is the TEEBAgriFood Study Leader and former Assistant Director General of FAO. He is the study leader of “The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity for Agriculture and Food”. Alexander received a diploma in sociology at the Philipps-University in Marburg in 1985. He was elected as city councillor in Marburg (1985 -1992) with the responsibility for social and environmental affairs and was chair of the board of the municipal utilities (electricity, natural gas, water and public transport). From 1992 to 1995, he was appointed as state secretary in the Ministry of Youth, Family Affairs and Health in the state of Hesse. From 1995 to 2000, he was member of the parliament of Hessen and served inter alia as chair of the caucus and member of the budget committee. From 2001 to 2005, he was State Secretary in the Ministry for Consumer Protection, Food and Agriculture in the Federal Republic of Germany. From 2006 until June 2013, he served as Assistant-Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and was responsible for the Department for Natural Resources and Environment. The Secretary-General of the UN nominated him as a member of the Advisory Group on Energy and Climate Change (AGECC) in June 2009 to advise him on the energy-related dimensions of the climate change negotiations. From 2008 to 2011, he was chair of the United Nations System Standing Committee on Nutrition (UNSCN). May 2013 until October 2014, he was Senior Fellow in the cluster Global Contract for Sustainability of the IASS working on governance of sustainability, with a focus on soils and its role in the Nexus of Water, Food and Energy and on the German Energiewende. He was also appointed as study leader of the UNEP project “The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity Agriculture and Food” (TEEBArigFood). The European Commission appointed him as a member of the independent expert...
Dr. Meredith Niles is an assistant professor in the Food Systems program and the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences at the University of Vermont. Meredith's work focuses on the nexus of food and environment with a focus on people, behaviors and policy. Meredith's research examines farmer perceptions and responses to climate change, responses to drought and groundwater policies in California, climate change and food security, farmer's adoption of integrated crop and livestock systems, and food waste behaviors. She currently teaches Food Policy and Politics and Food Systems Science and Policy in the Food Systems program at University of Vermont. Meredith completed her undergraduate work Phi Beta Kappa in political science with honors in environmental studies at The Catholic University of America. She holds a PhD in ecology, with a focus on human ecology and environmental policy from the University of California-Davis where her dissertation work explored New Zealand and US farmer perceptions of climate change, climate policies and adoption of climate mitigation and adaptation policies. Following her graduate work she was a post-doctoral fellow in sustainability science at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government where she worked with the Climate Change, Agriculture, and Food Security (CCAFS) group to explore smallholder experiences with climate change and food security. During her academic career she has been a Visiting Scientist at AgResearch, New Zealand and is currently an associate at the New Zealand Institute of Economic Research. Prior to her academic career Meredith worked for the United States Department of State on the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and for The Center for Food Safety, pioneering their “Cool Foods Campaign”, a public education and policy campaign about food and climate. She has also worked in various consulting projects for farmer organizations, food industry, and non-profit groups, most recently examining potential agricultural carbon offset markets for reduced fertilizer use in the United States. She is passionate about making academic research more publicly available through advocating for open access and research policies and is currently serving on the board of directors for Public Library of Science (PLOS), one of the world's largest non-profit scientific publishers. She also served on the Board of the Agricultural Sustainability
Institute at UC Davis and as Director of Legislative Affairs for the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students during her time as a graduate student. Meredith has been recognized for her leadership receiving a number of notable honors, including the Emerging Public Policy Leadership Award from the American Institute of Biological Sciences, the Next Generation Leadership Award from the Right to Research Coalition, and Board Member of the Year from the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students.

OLIVER OLIVEROS

Oliver Oliveros is Senior Officer at Agropolis Fondation based in Montpellier, France. His role within the group is to promote and facilitate the emergence of partnerships and international cooperation in the area of agriculture and food research and its interface with society. Prior to this, he worked as the Global Coordinator of an international initiative called DURAS which aimed to promote dialogue between the scientific and civil society communities and transform such efforts into concrete research collaboration. He was formerly a Programme Officer at the Secretariat of the Global Forum on Agricultural Research (GFAR) in FAO in Rome, where he worked on partnership issues and in promoting local innovation and civil society involvement in the research process. Before coming to Europe in 1999, Oliver worked for five years at the Ministry of Socio-economic Planning in Manila (Philippines) where he was extensively involved in policy analysis, project evaluation and investment programming in the agriculture, rural development and natural resources sector as well as in the formulation and localization of the country’s Agenda 21 and Medium-Term Development Plan. He was former Vice Chair and among the founders of YPARD (a young professional platform on agricultural research and development) and co-initiator of the NGO-led Prolinnova (promotion of local innovation in agro-ecology and natural resources management). He serves in the Steering Committee of initiatives such as AWARD (African Women on Agricultural Research for Development) and the Global Alliance for the Future of Food.

KRISTIAN PARKER

Kristian Parker is Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Oak Foundation and a member of its founding family. Oak Foundation commits its resources to address issues of global social and environmental concern, particularly those
that have a major impact on the lives of the disadvantaged. He has overseen the Oak Foundation's environment program since its inception in 1998, and has worked full-time for the programme since 2003. The Oak Foundation's environment programme dedicates a majority of its resources to two of the world's biggest challenges: climate change and collapsing fish stocks. Kristian is a graduate of Colby College (Waterville, Maine) and received his Doctorate in Environmental Sciences from the Duke Marine Laboratory (Beaufort, North Carolina). Kristian also held a postdoctoral fellowship at the Kewalo Marine Laboratory in Honolulu, Hawaii. Kristian is a member of the Board of Trustees for the ClimateWorks Foundation, a founding board member of OceansFive and a member of the board for Oceana.

DUNCAN POLLARD

Duncan Pollard's work is to support Nestlé's operations in developing solutions to improve the company's sustainability performance, in particular in the areas of procurement and agriculture. An important aspect of the role is to develop and enhance relations and collaboration with a variety of environmental and social non-governmental organisations and other outside stakeholders. Involving these stakeholders into the way that Nestlé works has become an important strategic approach for how the company develops its programmes on responsible sourcing of commodities and on rural development. Working with the businesses and markets, Duncan also provides advice and support on a range of sustainability issues including human rights, livelihoods, deforestation, and new ways of measuring societal value creation. Before joining Nestlé, Duncan's career has seen him move from the corporate sector, to the non-profit sector and back again. With an honours degree in forestry he worked for a variety of forest companies and spent nine years with Shell, firstly in their London head office, then in Chile and Uruguay. He spent almost 10 years with WWF International heading their Forest Programme in Europe, then as Director of the Global Forest Programme, and finally as the Director responsible for WWF's global thematic work on energy, water, forests, species, oceans and policy. In 2010 he joined Nestlé as independent advisor and became a permanent employee in 2013.
Janos Pasztor is currently Senior Fellow and Executive Director of the Carnegie Climate Geoengineering Governance Initiative (C2G2) at the Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs. He has over 35 years of work experience in the areas of energy, environment, climate change and sustainable development. Before taking up his current assignment, he was UN Assistant Secretary-General for Climate Change in New York under Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. Earlier, he was Acting Executive Director for Conservation (2014) and Policy and Science Director (2012-2014) at WWF International. He directed the UNSG’s Climate Change Support Team (2008-2010) and later was Executive Secretary of the UNSG’s High-level Panel on Global Sustainability (2010-2012). In 2007 he directed the Geneva-based UN Environment Management Group (EMG). During 1993-2006 he worked, and over time held many responsibilities at the Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC), initially in Geneva and later in Bonn. His other assignments included: in the Secretariat of the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development (Earth Summit ’92); Stockholm Environment Institute; United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); Secretariat of the World Commission on Environment and Development (Brundtland Commission); the Beijer Institute; and the World Council of Churches. He has BSc and MSc degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Alice Ruhweza is the Executive Director of Vital Signs, an integrated monitoring system that generates data on agriculture, ecosystems and human wellbeing and transforms them into decision support tools for managers and planners to enable better decision-making in support of sustainable development. Before Vital Signs, Alice worked for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) where she served as Team Leader of the Environmental Finance Unit in Africa for six-and-a-half years. Prior to joining UNDP, Alice worked for Sprint Telecommunications (USA), the National Environment Management Authority in Uganda, Forest Trends (USA), and as a consultant for the World Bank, UNEP Economics and Trade Branch (Geneva), the Foundation for International Environmental Law and Development (UK), the UNFCCC Secretariat (Bonn), and the Institute for
European Environmental Policy (Brussels) on a wide range of issues, from the Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity, Trade and the Environment, Environmental Governance, Innovative Finance, and more. Alice’s recent work has focused on systems thinking and identifying decisions, points or processes across sectors where data can be influential in policy and planning. This is what attracted her to Vital Signs where she will continue to promote multi-scale and multi-sectoral use of Vital Signs’ data, and ensure the same data adds value to policy and planning frameworks across sectors and scales. Alice holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Social Sciences from Makerere University (Uganda), and a Master’s Degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics from the University of Wisconsin (USA).

RAJ PATEL

Raj Patel is an award-winning writer, activist and academic. He is a Research Professor in the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas, Austin and a Senior Research Associate at the Unit for the Humanities at the university currently known as Rhodes University (UHURU), South Africa. In 2016 he was recognized with a James Beard Foundation Leadership Award. He has published widely in economics, philosophy, international development and public health journals. His first book was Stuffed and Starved: The Hidden Battle for the World Food System and his latest, The Value of Nothing, is a New York Times best-seller. His next book, A History of the World In Seven Cheap Thingsco-authored with Jason W. Moore will be available in September from the University of California Press. He can be heard co-hosting the fortnightly food politics podcast The Secret Ingredient with Mother Jones’ Tom Philpott, and KUT's Rebecca McInroy. He is currently working on a ground-breaking documentary project about the global food system with award-winning director Steve James.

HONOURABLE RALPH REGENVANU

Ralph Regenvanu was the Director of the National Museum of the Republic of Vanuatu from 1995 to 2006 and Director of the Vanuatu National Cultural Council from 1995 to 2010. He was a founding Board Member of both the Pacific Islands Museums Association (PIMA) and the regional cultural sites preservation organization, ICOMOS Pacifica, and was on the international drafting committee of the “Convention for the safeguarding of the intangible cultural heritage” which was adopted by the General Assembly of UNESCO in
2003. He has also served as a member of the Advisory Committee of Experts, assisting preparation of the 2009 UNESCO World Report on Cultural Diversity. Since 2008, Ralph has been a Member of Parliament in Vanuatu and has held many Ministerial portfolios in Government. In 2013, as Minister of Land and Natural Resources, he initiated a major overhaul of the land laws of Vanuatu aimed at enshrining the jurisdiction of customary law to determine rights to customary land and the ‘free, prior and informed consent’ of traditional owners to dealings in their customary land. Ralph led Vanuatu’s first and second official delegations to the Terre Madre International Conference of the Slow Food Movement in Turin in 2008 and 2009, and has been an inaugural Committee member of The Indigenous Partnership for Agrobiodiversity and Food Sovereignty Scoping Workshop from 2010. Ralph was a founding member also of the Slow Food Vanuatu Committee, and was Co-chair of the National Sustainable Development Plan Core Group which was responsible for developing Vanuatu’s ‘National Sustainable Development Plan 2016 – 2030’ which was launched in early 2017. In January 2017, he was appointed as a member of the Global Environment Fund (GEF) Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group representing the Small Islands States.

RUTH RICHARDSON

Ruth Richardson, Executive Director of the Global Alliance, brings nearly 20 years of experience in the philanthropic sector to this role, and of particular relevance to this undertaking, has extensive experience starting new and complex things. These include being the first Director of the Unilever Canada Foundation, Founding Chair of the Canadian Environmental Grantmakers’ Network, Founder and Chair of the Small Change Fund, which is a leader in grassroots micro-philanthropy in Canada, and the first Environment Director at the Metcalf Foundation, providing a cornerstone to the Ontario sustainable food systems community. Ruth also served as the lead consultant to establish The Circle on Philanthropy and Aboriginal Peoples in Canada and has worked with private-public partnerships on sustainability issues and cross-border collaborations, such as coastal fisheries management. As well, while her career has been focused in Canada, she has lived in Europe, worked on an agricultural kibbutz, and has traveled widely in Africa and the Middle East. She and her husband
own a small farm just east of Toronto, ON, where they have been known to run a small organic garlic operation, and she writes her own food blog.

CECILIA ROCHA

Cecilia Rocha is a member of the International Panel of Experts on Sustainable Food Systems (IPES-Food), and the Canadian Lead of the project scaling-up small-scale food processing for therapeutic and complementary foods for children in Vietnam, funded by Global Affairs Canada and the International Development Research Centre. An Associate Researcher at the Centre for Studies in Food Security at Ryerson University, Canada, Cecilia has participated in the development of the Toronto Food Strategy (2008-2010), was a member of the Toronto Food Policy Council (2005-2011), and was the Director of the project Building Capacity in Food Security in Brazil (2004-2010), funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. She is the author of a number of papers on food policy and programs in Brazil.

PHRANG ROY

Phrang Roy has served as Assistant President of IFAD (the International Fund for Agricultural Development), Rome, and has more than 30 years of international experience supporting rural development and small-scale and indigenous communities’ agriculture. Phrang became IFAD’s Assistant President in 2002 and was the first staff member of IFAD ever to do so, having been selected through a global search by a private sector-led headhunting exercise. Phrang is also the first and so far, the only indigenous person in the whole UN system to reach the level of Assistant Secretary General of the UN. As Assistant President of IFAD, he played a major role in promoting a greater focus on the sustainable approaches of indigenous communities for which IFAD became the leading UN Agency. After retiring from IFAD at the end of 2006, Phrang joined the US-based Christensen Fund, which is working for a more ecological and sustainable approach to development with a special emphasis on indigenous communities, and is currently leading the global Indigenous Partnership for Agrobiodiversity and Food Sovereignty, Rome. He also holds the following positions: International Councillor of Slow Food International; Member of IPES-Food, Chairman of the Meghalaya State Water...
RICARDO SALVADOR

As the senior scientist and director of the Food and Environment Program at the Union of Concerned Scientists, Ricardo Salvador works with citizens, scientists, economists, and politicians to transition our current food system into one that grows healthy foods while employing sustainable and socially equitable practices. Before coming to UCS, Dr. Salvador served as a program officer for food, health, and well-being with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. In this capacity, he was responsible for conceptualizing and managing the Foundation’s food systems programming. He partnered with colleagues to create programs that addressed the connections between food and health, environment, economic development, sovereignty, and social justice. Prior to that, he was an associate professor of agronomy at Iowa State University. While at ISU, Dr. Salvador taught the first course in sustainable agriculture at a land-grant university, and his graduate students conducted some of the original academic research on community-supported agriculture. He also worked with students to establish ISU’s student-operated organic farm, and with other faculty to develop the nation’s first sustainable agriculture graduate program in 2000; Dr. Salvador served as the program’s first chair. He also worked as an extension agent with Texas A&M University. Dr. Salvador has appeared on MSNBC’s Melissa Harris-Perry Show and has been quoted in The Boston Globe, The New York Times, Politico and many other outlets. Dr. Salvador was named a 2013 NBC Latino Innovator and received the James Beard Foundation Leadership Award in 2014. He was also an author of a 2014 op-ed in The Washington Post calling for a national food policy, which is changing how many think about food and farm policy. Dr. Salvador earned a B.S. in agricultural science from New Mexico State University. He holds an M.S. and Ph.D. in crop production and physiology from Iowa State University.

NADIA EL-HAGE SCIALABBA

Nadia El-Hage Scialabba is a trained ecologist working at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) since 1985. Over these decades, she dealt with food system externalities on the environment that forged and promoted integrated approaches to policy, planning,
Examples include: sustainable agriculture and rural development (1992); integrated coastal area management in agriculture, forestry and fisheries (1998); food security, climate change and bioenergy (2008); greening the economy with agriculture (2012); sustainability assessment of food and agriculture systems (2013); full-cost accounting of food wastage footprints (2014); and currently a methodology for agriculture-related costs of health.

SHEFALI SHARMA

Shefali Sharma is the director of the Institute for Agriculture and Trade policy (IATP) European office. From the global production of feed grains to meat processing and retail, her current work and publications focus on the economic, social and environmental impacts of the global meat industry. She continues to examine how international trade rules and global governance on food security and climate intersect with the sector. Shefali established IATP’s Geneva office in 2000 and led its Trade Information Project for several years. She has worked with and consulted for several other civil society organizations, such as the Malaysia-based Third World Network, as the South Asia Coordinator of the Bank Information Center, based in Delhi, and ActionAid. She has an Mphil in development studies from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) in Sussex and a Bachelor of Arts in anthropology from the College of William and Mary.

YICHING SONG

Dr. Yiching Song obtained her Ph.D in rural sociology and rural development in Wageningen University, in the Netherlands in 1998. Since 2000, she has been a senior research fellow in the Centre for Chinese Agricultural Policy (CCAP), Chinese Academy of Science. She is also a lecture professor of the College of Humanity and Development of China Agricultural University and has been appointed as a lecture senior research fellow in the China Centre for Intellectual Property in Agriculture (CCIPA), Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science. Her research focus on
sustainable agricultural and rural development policies in China cover a range of several related areas like agobiodiversity and related in-situ conservation, farmers’ seeds and community rights, IPR and ABS issues, rural community-based development and farmer organization, gender and related social issues. She is leading a participatory action research program in CCAP and a Farmer Seed Network in China.

JEAN-FRANÇOIS SOUSSANA

Since March 2017, Dr. Jean-François Soussana has been Vice-President for international affairs at INRA, Paris, France. He obtained his PhD in plant physiology at USTL Montpellier in 1986 after an engineering degree in agronomy. After becoming a senior scientist he led a research lab on grassland ecosystems and global change and was Scientific Director for Environment at INRA (2010-2017). Since 1998, Dr. Soussana is a member of the Working Group II of IPCC and was Lead Author for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Assessment Reports, and shared with all IPCC authors the Nobel Prize for Peace in 2007. He contributes to scientific expertise for FAO (e.g. State of Food and Agriculture, 2016). He has coordinated national and European (EC FP5 and FP7) research projects on climate change and agriculture.

He co-chairs the Integrative Research Group of the Global Research Alliance on agricultural greenhouse gases (46 countries) and the Steering Council of AgMIP, an international modelling program on climate change impacts on agriculture. Dr. Soussana has led the sectorial committee on ecosystems and sustainable development of the French research agency (ANR) and the scientific advisory board of joint programming of research by 21 European countries on agriculture, food security and climate change (FACCE JPI). He coordinates the research strategy of INRA on agroecology. He is also a member of the Scientific and Technical Committee of the Lima-Paris initiative “4 per 1000, Soils for Food Security and Climate” which has been signed during the climate negotiations of COP21. Dr. Soussana has published close to 150 refereed research papers in international journals, cited 7,000 times, as well as two books and a dozen book chapters. He has developed novel experimental and mathematical modelling approaches to the impacts of global change on agriculture, soils, biodiversity, carbon and nitrogen cycles and greenhouse gas emissions.
CHARLOTTE STRECK

Dr. Charlotte Streck is founder and director of Climate Focus, an international advisory company on climate policy with offices in Amsterdam, Berlin, Bogota, and Washington DC. Charlotte is an expert on legal and financial aspects of land use and climate change with a focus on integrating climate strategies with national forest and agricultural policies. She advises governments, international organizations, private corporations, NGOs and foundations on climate change strategies. As a lawyer her main focus is on formulating sustainable, legally and financially robust land use solutions. Before founding Climate Focus in 2004, Charlotte worked for five years as Senior Counsel with The World Bank in Washington, DC. Charlotte serves as independent member of the Investment Committee of the Althelia Ecosphere Fund, as associated editor of the Climate Policy Journal and Chair of the Board of the Climate Strategies research network. She is adjunct lecturer of Potsdam University. She has edited four books and published more than 100 articles, commentaries and reports.

PAVAN SUKHDEV

Pavan Sukhdev is Founder-CEO of GIST Advisory, a consulting collaborative that evaluates performance – including externalities – for governments, businesses, and NGO’s. Pavan was awarded Yale University's 2011 McCluskey Fellowship, and he wrote his book, Corporation 2020, while teaching at Yale in 2011-2012. Based on his book, his campaign “Corporation 2020” (launched at Rio+20) envisions the corporation of the future – one with positive rather than negative externalities – and presents action plans for rapid reforms to transform today’s business for tomorrow’s world. Earlier, Pavan was appointed Study Leader for the G8+5 commissioned project “TEEB” (The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity), a global study of the economic benefits of ecosystems and the social and economic consequences of their loss and degradation. A career banker, Pavan delivered TEEB’s Interim Report (2008) whilst still working full time as a Managing Director at Deutsche Bank, where his last assignment was to set up a leading front-office offshoring operation for their Global Markets division. He then joined UNEP to lead the writing of TEEB’s Final Report suite and to head UNEP’s ‘Green Economy Initiative’. “Environmental Finance” magazine selected Pavan as their
“Personality of the Year” for 2010. The Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (IEEM), UK, awarded Pavan their 2011 Medal. In 2012, UNEP appointed Pavan their “Goodwill Ambassador” for his continuing work on promoting TEEB and Green Economy. Pavan was one of two joint winners of the 2013 “Gothenburg Award for Sustainable Development”, for his work on bringing policy recognition for valuing nature's services.

CRISTINA TIRADO-VON DER PAHLEN

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KEITH TUFFLEY

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Keith has spent over 25 years in finance, investment banking and the capital markets, and was previously Managing Director and Head of Investment Banking at Goldman Sachs in Australia. Keith has completed Bachelor of Economics, Bachelor of Laws and Masters of Laws degrees at Sydney University; the Advanced Management Program at INSEAD; the Goldman Sachs Non-Profit Leadership Program at Harvard University; and Masters of Sustainability Leadership at Cambridge University. He is a Director of the Great Barrier Reef Foundation; a Governor of WWF-Australia; a Board Member of We Mean Business; a Director of the Global Footprint Network; and Ambassador to the Wilderness Foundation Global. His personal interests include a wide range of adventure activities and sports, using them to promote sustainability and environmental causes. In his Grand Tours Project 2013, Keith became the first amateur to cycle every kilometre of the Tour de France, Giro d'Italia, and Vuelta a España, on the same day as each race, in the one season. As a keen mountaineer, Keith has climbed most of the 4,000m peaks in the European Alps, and has led climbing, sailing and skiing expeditions to the Karakoram ranges in Pakistan, the Andes in Chile, the New Zealand Alps, and the Antarctic Peninsula. In 2016-2017, Keith skied the final 1.5 degrees to the North Pole, and became the first person to cycle a new route from the Antarctic Coast to the South Pole. Keith is married and has four children.

**SONJA VERMEULEN**

Sonja Vermeulen has served as Head of Research at the CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS), as Director of the Programme on Business and Sustainable Development at the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), Research Fellow at the University of Zimbabwe, and Field Manager at the World Wide Fund for Nature. Dr. Vermeulen’s work has spanned the natural and social sciences, across the fields of forestry, agriculture and natural resource management. Her career has bridged academic and applied research, with a strong focus on linking science with public policy and private sector strategies, particularly in Africa and Asia. She currently serves as a Commissioner on the EAT-Lancet Commission on Healthy Sustainable Diets, which is exploring how we can feed 9 billion people nutritious diets without exceeding planetary boundaries. Dr. Vermeulen holds an MA in
RONNIE VERNOOY

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IAIN WRIGHT

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CGIAR research centre – part of a global research partnership for a food-secure future. Previously he was Program Leader, Animal Science for Sustainable Productivity and ILRI Director General's Representative in Ethiopia. From 2006 to 2011, he was ILRI's Regional Representative for Asia. Prior to joining ILRI he managed a number of research programs at the Macaulay Institute in Scotland, including research on land use change and land use systems and their impacts. From 2003 to 2006, he was Chief Executive of Macaulay Research Consultancy Services Limited, the Macaulay Institute's knowledge transfer company. He has over 35 years of experience in livestock research and development. He has a BSc (Agriculture) and a PhD in animal nutrition.

OLIVIA YAMBI

Olivia Yambi is Co-Chair of the International Panel of Experts on Sustainable Food Systems (IPES-Food). Ms. Yambi is a national of Tanzania. She holds a PhD from Cornell University, majoring in International Nutrition and Epidemiology. From 1992 to 2012 she served UNICEF in varying capacities around the world. She was UNICEF Representative to Kenya, UNICEF Representative to the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Regional Nutrition Advisor to the UNICEF Eastern and Southern Africa Region, and the Chief of Child Development and Nutrition programme in the UNICEF India Country Office. Prior to this, she served with the Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre as its Director of Policy and Planning. Ms. Yambi's work has focused on developing policies, strategies and programmes that address and contribute to the realisation of rights of children at country and regional levels; as well as multi-sectoral UN country support programmes applying a human rights-based approach to development. This has been in addition to specific attention addressing nutrition problems in developing countries. She has also undertaken research on the links between nutrition status and child mortality, infant and young child feeding and food security, nutrition and HIV and AIDS, amongst others.
ANA YANG

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