



## ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

### Purpose

This conference, organized under the auspices of the Shaping Inclusive Finance Transformations (SHIFT) Programme, aims to provide a platform for identifying new opportunities to increase investments in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the emerging Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) economies of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam (CLMV), while enabling investors, bankers, MSMEs, regulators and donors to connect and develop partnerships.

The conference especially focuses on leveraging formal financial markets to better harness the commercial and social returns from investing in MSMEs led by women, employing women and serving women.

### SHIFT Programme

Implemented by the UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), SHIFT is a regional programme enabling financial markets in the ASEAN region to be more responsive to the development priorities of people and businesses, especially low-income women, youth and MSMEs.

By 2020, SHIFT aims to transition, or *shift*, at least 6 million low-income people and businesses from reliance on informal financial mechanisms to actively using formalized regulated financial services, enabling them to secure new economic opportunities, better plan and manage risk, and more easily transact through efficient payment options.

SHIFT directly intervenes in the frontier economies of CLMV with incentives to find innovative solutions to expand financial services at scale, while supporting other financial markets in the region through sharing data, knowledge and expertise, and improving standards, policies and strategies to accelerate financial inclusion.

SHIFT is funded by the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), the Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO), and UNCDF.

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

### Day 1: Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April

8:15 – 8:55	Registration and Refreshments
9:00 – 9:35	Welcome and Opening Remarks
9:35 – 10:00	Context Setting
10:00 – 10:20	Networking Break
10:20 – 11:45	ASEAN Open For Business
11:45 – 12:00	Pitching the Parallel Breakout Sessions for Day 1
12:00 – 13:00	Inclusive Business and Growth for Who?
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	Three Parallel Breakout Sessions: Capitalizing financial markets and growing the real economy
15:15 – 15:45	Networking Break
15:45 – 16:00	Pitching the Parallel Breakout Sessions for Day 2
16:00 – 17:00	Market-Place: Invest in My Enterprise
19:00	Networking Dinner and Cultural Programme

### Day 2: Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> April

9:00 – 9:10	Remarks
9:10 – 9:20	Key Messages from Day 1
9:20 – 10:30	Two Parallel Breakout Sessions: Investing in women
10:30 – 11:00	Networking Break
11:00 – 12:15	Two Parallel Breakout Sessions: Investing in real-economy sectors and alternative financing arrangements for enterprise growth
12:15 – 13:15	Networking Lunch
13:15 – 14:30	Speakers' Corner: "I Have Something to Say"
14:30 – 15:00	Video Presentation of two days Conference Synthesis of Conference Outcomes
15:00 – 15:10	Conference Evaluation Session
15:10 – 15:30	Closing Remarks

8:15 – 8:55 Registration and Refreshments

9:00 – 9:35 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Welcome

Moderator:



Sharanjit Leyl  
Producer and Presenter, BBC World News  
Singapore

Opening remarks



Emma Tiaree  
Counsellor, Department of Foreign Affairs  
and Trade, Government of Australia  
Thailand



His Excellency Governor Chea Chanto,  
National Bank of Cambodia



Claire Van der Vaeren  
Resident Coordinator of the UN  
and Resident Representative of UNDP  
Cambodia

9.35 – 10:00 Context Setting

Shaping Inclusive Finance Transformations (SHIFT) Programme: Driving Financial Inclusion and Investment Returns in ASEAN

Speaker:



Feisal Hussain  
Senior Regional Technical Advisor (Asia),  
UN Capital Development Fund  
Thailand

10:00 – 10.20 Networking Break

10.20 – 11.45 ASEAN Open For Business:  
Harnessing opportunities for businesses and growth

Presenter:



Satish Mishra  
Consultant, UN Capital Development  
Fund and Managing Director, Strategic Asia,  
Indonesia

Panellists:



Faisal Ahmed  
Resident Representative, International  
Monetary Fund (IMF),  
Cambodia



In Channy  
President and Group Managing Director  
ACLEDA Bank Plc,  
Cambodia



Penchan Manawanitkul  
Senior Officer, Enterprise Development,  
ASEAN Secretariat  
Indonesia



Ravi Tissera  
Director CEO, LoLc Micro Credit Ltd.,  
Sri Lanka and  
Managing Director, LoLc Myanmar Microfinance Ltd.,  
Myanmar



Syed Nabil Aljeffri  
Secretary-General, ASEAN-Business Advisory  
Council (BAC), and Council Member,  
ASEAN-BAC Malaysia,  
Malaysia



Tammy Medard  
CEO, ANZ  
Lao PDR

Format and Objective:

This plenary session, in the form of a 'talk show', explores the opportunities and conditions for businesses to grow and drive ASEAN's economic prosperity.

Moderator: Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

11:45 – 12:00 Pitching the Parallel Breakout Sessions for Day 1

A: Leveraging Finance and Investment  
Vehicles for Micro, Small and  
Medium Enterprises

B: Creating Enabling Conditions for  
Financial Institutions and Investors  
to Increase Financing for Micro,  
Small and Medium Enterprises

C: Incubating Micro, Small and  
Medium Enterprises, and Making  
Enterprises Investible

Pitcher:



Mark Taylor  
Regional Private Sector  
Development Specialist,  
Southeast Asia Regional Hub,  
Department of Foreign Affairs  
and Trade (DFAT)  
Thailand

Pitcher:



Stanley Boots  
Senior Advisor, Asian Development  
Bank (ADB) - DFAT Mekong  
Business Initiative  
Viet Nam

Pitcher:



Timothy Buehrer,  
Chief of Party, ASEAN  
Connectivity through Trade and  
Investment (ACTI), The ASEAN  
Secretariat,  
Indonesia

Format and Objective:

This plenary session, in the form of a 'soapbox' announcement, offers a snapshot of the themes to be discussed in the parallel breakout sessions on Day 1.

Moderator: Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

**12:00 – 13:00 Inclusive Business and Growth for Who?**  
**Reaping the 'double dividend' of Women in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises as Drivers of Economic Growth.**



Corinne Molitor  
 Member of the Board Directors, ADA Asbl, and Business Development Consultant, Innpact Sarl, Luxembourg

Rachel Freeman  
 Advisory Manager, Financial Institutions Group, Asia Pacific, International Finance Corporation, Hong Kong



Freda Miriklis,  
 Member, United Nations Women's Empowerment Principles: Equality Means Business Leadership Group (WEPs LG); Co-Chair, Commonwealth Business Women (CBW), Australia



Vijay Mahajan  
 Board Member, Alliance for Microfinance in Myanmar, and Founder, BASIX Group, India

Format and Objective:  
 This plenary session, in the form of a 'talk-show', identifies why Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in ASEAN, led by women, and employing and serving women, is an attractive investment proposition for financial markets and governments.

Moderator: Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

**13:00 – 14:00 Networking Lunch**



**14:00 – 15:15 Three Parallel Breakout Sessions**  
**Capitalizing financial markets and growing the real economy**

A: Leveraging Finance and Investment Vehicles for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

B: Creating Enabling Conditions for Financial Institutions and Investors to Increase Financing for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

C: Incubating Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, and Making Enterprises Investible

Lead Discussants:



John McGinley  
 Managing Partner, Mekong Strategic Partners, Cambodia

Lead Discussants:



Chamnan Ngammaneeudom  
 Lecturer, Burapha University, Thailand

Lead Discussants:



Angelyn Ardivinata  
 Director, Global Entrepreneurship Program, Indonesia



Kamisah Abd Kadir  
 Deputy Director, Bank Negara Malaysia, Malaysia



Hazlinda Abdul Hamid  
 Head, Approval & Operations – SME Banking, Community Financial Services, Maybank, Malaysia



Jonathan Chang  
 Executive Director, Lien Centre for Social Innovation, Singapore



Khine Khine Nwe  
 Joint Secretary General Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Myanmar



Robin Newnham  
 Financial Inclusion Policy Advisor, Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI), Malaysia



Norul Amin  
 Economic and Private Sector Coordinator, OXFAM, Thailand



Somphone Sisenglath  
 Managing Director, Ekpathana Lao MFI, Lao PDR



Tahira Dosani  
 Director of Portfolio Engagement, Accion Venture Lab, USA



Vu Thi Quynh Anh  
 Executive Director, Spark, Viet Nam

Moderator:  
 Mark Taylor  
 Regional Private Sector Development Specialist, Southeast Asia Regional Hub, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Thailand

Moderator:  
 Stanley Boots  
 Senior Advisor, Asian Development Bank (ADB) - DFAT Mekong Business Initiative Viet Nam

Moderator:  
 Timothy Buehrer  
 Chief of Party, ASEAN Connectivity through Trade and Investment (ACTI), The ASEAN Secretariat, Indonesia

Format and Objective:  
 These breakout sessions, in the form of roundtable discussions, will identify the opportunities, challenges and 'quick-win' solutions for financial markets to generate significant returns on investment in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

**15:15 – 15:45 Networking Break**

15:45 - 16:00 Pitching the Parallel Breakout Sessions for Day 2

A: Better Returns: Investing in Women's Enterprises

B: Making Good Business: Investing in Enterprises Employing or Serving Women

C: Investing with a Sector Lens

D: Finding the New Normal: Customized Financial Products and Services for Women and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Pitcher:



Joy Anderson  
President, Criterion Institute, USA

Pitcher:



Emma Tiaree  
Counsellor, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia, Thailand

Pitcher:



Vincent Wierda  
Programme Manager, CleanStart, UN Capital Development Fund, Thailand

Pitcher:



Paul Luchtenburg  
Programme Specialist Inclusive Finance, UN Capital Development Fund, Myanmar

Format and Objective:

This plenary session, in the form of a 'soapbox' announcement, offers a snapshot of the themes to be discussed in the parallel breakout sessions on Day 2.

Moderator: Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

16:00 – 17:00 Market-Place: Invest in My Enterprise

Enterprises seeking funds:

- Pitching by three enterprises

Investors looking to invest funds:



Abhijit Ray  
Chief Operating Officer, Unitus Capital, India



Tahira Dosani  
Director of Portfolio Engagement, Accion Venture Lab, USA



James Dien Bui  
Head, Lotus Impact, Viet Nam



Tammy Medard  
CEO, ANZ, Lao PDR

Format and Objective:

This plenary session, takes the form of 'BBC's Dragon's Den' programme ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_QvguJJNilA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_QvguJJNilA)), where three enterprises will individually pitch their businesses to a panel of investors and bankers.

Moderator: Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

19:00 Networking Dinner and Cultural Programme

9:00 – 9:10 Remarks: Ministry of Women's Affairs of Cambodia

9:10 – 9:20 Key Messages from Day 1:

Format and Objective:

Presentation in plenary on key lessons and conclusions from Day 1  
By Sharanjit Leyl, Producer and Presenter, BBC World News, Singapore

9:20 – 10:30 Two Parallel Breakout Sessions Investing in women

A: Better Returns: Investing in Women's Enterprises

B: Making Good Business: Investing in Enterprises Employing or Serving Women

Lead Discussants:



Hnin Wai  
Secretary General, Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs Association, Myanmar

Lead Discussants:



Deepali Bhardwaj  
Chief Operating Officer, Sakha Consulting Wings, India



Joni Simpson  
Senior Specialist, Gender, Equality and Non-Discrimination, Decent Work Team, ILO, Thailand



Esther Germans  
Manager, Strategic Communication, Stakeholder Engagement, and Finance, ILO Better Work Programme Cambodia



Keo Mom  
President Cambodia Women Entrepreneur Association, Cambodia



Hanh Do  
Director, Business Development (Overseas), Esquel Group, Viet Nam



Nguyen Thi Tuyet Minh  
Chairwoman, ASEAN Women Entrepreneurs Network, Viet Nam



Nivana Cheng  
President, Cambodia Women Business Federation, Cambodia

Moderator:

Joy Anderson  
President, Criterion Institute, USA

Moderator:

Emma Tiaree  
Counsellor, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia, Thailand

Format and Objective:

These breakout sessions, in the form of roundtable discussions, will identify how tailored financial and non-financial services to enterprises led by women, and employ or serve women, can maximize investment returns for banks, businesses and women.

10:30 – 11:00 Networking Break

11:00 – 12.15 **Two Parallel Breakout Sessions**  
**Investing in real-economy sectors and alternative financing arrangements for enterprise growth**

C: Investing with a Sector Lens

Panellists:



Arjen Luxwolda  
 Managing Director, Kamworks Ltd.,  
 Cambodia



Arindom Datta  
 Executive Director & Head, Rural & Development  
 Banking Advisory, Rabobank,  
 India



James Dien Bui  
 Head, Lotus Impact,  
 Viet Nam



Citra Savitri  
 Communications Officer, Kopernik  
 Indonesia

Moderator:  
 Vincent Wierda  
 Programme Manager, CleanStart, UN Capital  
 Development Fund,  
 Thailand

Format and Objective:  
 These breakout sessions, in the form of roundtable discussions, will identify promising financial models and arrangements to unlock investment into the real economy.

D: Finding the New Normal: Customized Financial  
 Products and Services for Women and Micro, Small,  
 and Medium Enterprises

Panellists:



Abhijit Ray  
 Co-founder and Managing Director, Unitus Capital,  
 India



Mario Ferro  
 CEO and Co-Founder, Wedu,  
 Thailand



Nazleena Nordin  
 Executive Vice President, Corporate Support, Malaysia  
 Credit Guarantee Corporation,  
 Malaysia



Anthony Perkins  
 Chief Executive Officer, WING,  
 Cambodia

Moderator:  
 Paul Luchtenburg  
 Programme Specialist Inclusive Finance, UN Capital  
 Development Fund,  
 Myanmar

12:15 – 13.15 Networking Lunch

13:15 – 14.30 **Speakers' Corner: "I Have Something to Say"**

Format and Objective:  
 This plenary session, inspired by Hyde Park's "Speakers' Corner", offers a democratic speech format, in which participants can volunteer to speak on an issue they are passionate about, that may or may not have been captured in previous plenary and breakout sessions.

Moderator:



Chea Serey  
 Director General, National Bank of Cambodia,  
 Cambodia

14:30 - 15:00 **Video Presentation of two days Conference  
 Synthesis of Conference Outcomes**

Rapporteur:



Sharanjit Leyl  
 Producer and Presenter, BBC World News,  
 Singapore

Moderator:



Feisal Hussain  
 Senior Regional Technical Advisor (Asia)  
 UN Capital Development Fund  
 Thailand

Format and Objective:  
 This plenary session, offers a synthesis of key themes, priorities and recommendations for Driving Financial Inclusion, and Investment Returns for Women and Enterprises. Following the presentation, there will be feedback sought from the plenary and the session concluded with next steps.

15:00 – 15:10 **Conference Evaluation Session**

15:10 – 15:30 **Closing Remarks**

- Royal Government of Cambodia
- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia



Xavier Michon  
 Deputy Executive Secretary,  
 UN Capital Development Fund,  
 USA



**Name:** Abhijit Ray  
**Title:** Co-Founder & Managing Director  
**Organization:** Unitus Capital  
**Country:** India

Abhijit has 22 years of experience in Investment banking, Financial Services, SME Funding and Development / Impact Financing. He started his career in State Bank of India in 1993 and then moved to SIDBI and served there for 11 years in various capacities viz., providing loan and grants to MFIs / SMEs in different parts of India. He joined Unitus in 2006 to develop capital markets practice and closed 6 guarantee transactions, arranged portal based funding for 2 MFIs. He also led a team in formulating Rural Micro Finance strategy for a new generation Private Bank.

In 2008, Abhijit co-founded Unitus Capital and successfully led and closed multiple equity and debt transactions totalling US\$ 1 bn. Abhijit is also an Advisory Committee member in various debt / equity funds across the globe.

Abhijit co-authored articles on microfinance in international journals and has been quoted in different articles on micro finance / social enterprises in leading national dailies. He has been a panellist in many global conferences on Microfinance / impact investing.

Abhijit is a Economics Graduate and a Certified Associate of IIBF, Mumbai. He attended "Strategic Leadership programme in Microfinance" at Harvard Business School, School of Applied Microfinance (SAM) 2005 in Kenya and Strategic Planning for MFIs in South Africa.



**Name:** Angelyn Ardiwinata  
**Title:** Executive Director  
**Organization:** Global Entrepreneurship Program Indonesia(GEPI)  
**Country:** Indonesia

Angelyn is Executive Director of Global Entrepreneurship Program Indonesia (GEPI), a U.S. State Department-led initiative to promote entrepreneurship in Indonesia. Angelyn's passion for entrepreneurship grew during her studies at Columbia University, where she was a founding member of Columbia Entrepreneurs Network, a hub for graduate students at Columbia interested in doing their own start-ups. While in New York, Angelyn also worked at UNICEF and NYC Department of Education. Prior to that, Angelyn was project manager at BeritaSatu Media Holdings, where she led the launch of Student Globe, a media program for high school students, and accelerated the social media growth of Jakarta Globe, the company's national newspaper. A P.E.O. International Peace scholarship recipient and Lippo Group Foundation grant recipient, Angelyn holds a master's degree in social enterprise administration from Columbia University and a bachelor's degree in education from Universitas Pelita Harapan. She enjoys playing board games and learning how to cook in her spare time.



**Name:** Anthony Perkins  
**Title:** Chief Executive Officer  
**Organization:** WING  
**Country:** Cambodia

**Education**  
 1994-1997 University of Greenwich, London  
 BSc (Honours) Computing Science

**Experience**  
 2012 - Present CEO, Wing (Cambodia) Ltd.  
 2011-2012 COO, Wing (Cambodia) Ltd.  
 2008-2011 CTO, Wing (Cambodia) Ltd.

**Others**  
 2004-2008 Barclays Bank Plc.  
 2003-2004 Aon Ltd.  
 2001-2003 Bank of New York Europe Ltd.  
 2000-2001 IBM Global Services  
 1998-2000 Royal Bank of Scotland Plc.  
 1997-1998 JP Morgan Cazenove



**Name:** Arindom Datta  
**Title:** Executive Director and Head of Rural & Development Banking/Advisory  
**Organization:** Rabobank Group  
**Country:** India

Arindom Datta is Executive Director and Head of Rural & Development Banking / Advisory for Rabobank Group in India.

Arindom has over 22 years of experience in Rural Finance, Cooperative Banking, Microfinance and Agribusiness. He heads the Rural banking and advisory portfolio and for Rabobank Foundation oversees projects in rural cooperatives and "access to finance". He also leads the Sustainability Banking initiatives for the Rabobank group in India.

He is managing a portfolio of small businesses and has developed special banking products / services for the segment.

His earlier experience was with NABARD, IDBI Bank and CARE India.

Arindom is a graduate from St. Stephens' College, Delhi and has an MBA with specialization in Finance and Strategy from Indian Institute of Management. He also has an MBA with specialization in Finance and Strategy from Indian Institute of Management.



**Name:** Arjen Luxwolda  
**Title:** Managing Director and co-founder  
**Organization:** Kamworks Solar  
**Country:** Cambodia

Arjen Luxwolda is the Technical Director and the engineering nexus of Kamworks. With years of experience in the field of renewable technology, he brings a superior technical background to the organization. Frisian by origin, Arjen manages to intensify the engineering level and skills of the Kamworks organisation with his extensive technical expertise and background knowledge on renewable technologies. Arjen has lived in Cambodia since 2006 and previously worked as an Automation Engineer at Nestle corporation.



**Name:** Chamnan Ngammaneeudom  
**Title:** Lecturer  
**Organization:** Burapha University  
**Country:** Thailand

Dr. Chamnan Ngammaneeudom has been involved with micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in Thailand and ASEAN Member States (AMSs) for many years, especially in promoting equitable development and inclusive growth among MSMEs through favorable government policy and MSMEs promotion mechanism. His work experiences included policy-level study on high-growth SMEs, promotion of SMEs networking and public dialogue strategy, improving regulation for national SME statistical system, as well as others. He also actively involved in promoting ASEAN MSMEs' access to service information with the creation of integrated online ASEAN SME service center, www.ASEANSME.org, which aimed to be an all-in-one web portal to link various aspects of MSMEs' business needs to more than 52 million MSMEs in AMSs. The ASEANSME.org is a part of ASEAN SME Working Group (ASMEWG)'s initiative and a collective responsibility of 10 ASEAN SME agencies from all AMSs.



**Name :** H.E. Chea Chanto  
**Title:** H.E. Governor  
**Organization:** National Bank of Cambodia  
**Country:** Cambodia

H.E. Chea Chanto was born on 9 October 1951. He was appointed as the Governor of the National Bank of Cambodia in 1998, the year in which Cambodia faced the Asian financial crisis. He has introduced numerous banking reforms and strengthened Cambodia's banking system. He implemented a selective monetary policy in line with the development strategy of the government in order to rescue the economy from the crisis and contribute dynamically to promoting economic growth. Under his leadership, Cambodia's banking system has now been modernized and integrated in the regional and international financial system.

By recognizing his achievements to date, H.E. Chea Chanto was re-appointed by His Majesty the King as the Governor in equivalent rank of Senior Minister for another term to the National Bank of Cambodia on 17 April 2012. Prior to assuming his current position, he was the Minister of the Ministry of Planning from 1986 to 1998. During his tenure, he introduced socio-economic plans aiming at contributing to poverty reduction and promoting investment in Cambodia. He also served as a Member of Parliament from 1993 to 1998. In 1986 he served as First Vice Minister at the Ministry of Planning.

Before joining the Ministry of Planning, H.E. Chea Chanto also had major responsibilities at the central bank as the Director of the Phnom Penh Municipality of the National Bank of Cambodia from 1979 to 1981. He was then appointed as Deputy Governor of the National Bank of Cambodia from 1981 to 1986.



**Name:** Chea Serey  
**Title:** Director General  
**Organization:** National Bank of Cambodia  
**Country:** Cambodia

Serey Chea is Director General at National Bank of Cambodia in charge of the Economic, Research and International Cooperation Department, Foreign Reserve Management and payment system Department, Statistic Department and Banking Operation Department since 2013. Before her current position she was Deputy Director General of Banking Supervision. She joined the National Bank of Cambodia in 1999 and held various positions in banking and microfinance Institutions supervision and regulation. She is a member of different policy-driven committees including the monetary policy committee, Investment committee, Financial Stability Committee and Banking Supervision Consultative Committee. Serey is also a member of the technical working group drafting the Cambodia Financial Sector Development Strategies 2011-2020, member of the national sub-committee on promoting trade facilitation and trade-related investment and member of the national sub-committee on SME development. She is chairwoman the Credit Bureau Cambodia Ltd., the first and only privately run credit sharing system in Cambodia. She played a leading role in the establishment of the CBC that earned Cambodia an improved ranking by 5 points in World Bank Doing Business Report 2012. Serey is frequently invited to deliver addresses in many national and international conferences on various topics relating to central banking and banking supervision.

Serey has a MBA in Banking from University of London (UK), Post Graduate in Commerce and Administration Certificate from University of Sydney (Australia), BCA major in Finance and Accounting from Victoria University of Wellington (New Zealand) and Baccalaureate major in Science from Academie de Montpellier (France) with Mention Assez Bien. She speaks fluently French, English and Khmer as mother tongue, with basic knowledge in German, Thai and Chinese.

Serey is married with 2 children. On her personal time, she is actively involved in many charity works, including being a board member of Operation Smile Cambodia that provide free surgery to cleft and burn children in the country. She is a founder and chairman of Raksa Komar Foundation that focuses on the welfare of underprivileged Cambodian children. She is also President of Cambodia Economic Association, a networking association that brings together leading economists and professionals in the country for round-table policy discussion and promotes evidence-based policy decision making



**Name:** Citra Savitri  
**Title:** Communication Officer  
**Organization:** Kopernik  
**Country:** Indonesia

Citra Savitri is the Communication Officer of Kopernik, an Indonesia-based non-profit organisation which connects simple technology with last mile communities to reduce poverty. Kopernik's Ibu Inspirasi/Wonder Women Eastern Indonesia initiative empowers Indonesian women to become clean energy micro-social-entrepreneurs, opening access to clean energy technologies for their communities in remote areas, and has recently received Momentum for Change 2014 Lighthouse Activity award from United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) as one of the best examples of climate change solutions. Kopernik is based in Ubud, Bali, Indonesia.



**Name:** Claire Van der Vaeren  
**Title/Organization:** Resident Coordinator of the UN  
 Resident Representative of UNDP  
**Country:** Cambodia

Claire Van der Vaeren holds a License in Sciences Politiques from the Free University of Brussels, Belgium and a Master of Arts from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Medford, Massachusetts.

Ms. Van der Vaeren joined the Cambodia United Nations Country Team as UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in March 2013. She came to Phnom Penh from Bhutan where she was the UN RC and UNDP RR from June 2009 to March 2013. Prior to her assignment to Thimphu, she was the Division Chief for Southeast Asia and the Pacific, UNDP Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific in New York from mid-2004 to mid-2009. She served as the Deputy Resident Representative of UNDP in Turkey from mid-2000 to mid-2004.

She started her career with the UN in 1991 as Field Implementation Officer for the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Between 1993 and mid-1997 she worked as a policy and evaluation officer for UNCDF, supporting the Fund's efforts to develop and mainstream an evaluation system geared to policy formulation and strengthening partnerships with key donors. From August 1997 to August 2000, she was UNDP Assistant Resident Representative in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, in charge of local rural and urban development and decentralization. Prior to Working with the UN, she worked briefly for the European Commission and for CARE International, a non-governmental organization.



**Name:** Corinne Molitor  
**Title/Organization:** Member of the Board Directors, ADA Asbl  
 Business Development Consultant, Inn Pact Sarl  
**Country:** Luxembourg

Corinne has been working over 20 years in the financial center in Luxembourg and as Head of Business Development for institutional clients of Banque de Luxembourg, she advised fund initiators and managers in establishing their own microfinance or impact investment vehicle. She chaired the European Impact Investment Luxembourg initiative (EILL), which was the sponsor of the 2010 EVPA (European Venture Philanthropy Association) Conference in Luxembourg. In August 2013, Corinne moved with her family to Bangkok, Thailand. She currently acts as a business development consultant for INNFACT, a Luxembourg based private company whose mission is to foster sustainable impact finance initiatives by providing innovative advisory, consulting and management support services. Furthermore, Corinne sits on the Board of ADA, an NGO specialized in microfinance and inclusive finance. Corinne holds a Master in Business management and Economics from Université Louis Pasteur as well as a Bachelor in Law from Université Robert Schuman in Strasbourg, France.





**Name:** Deepali Bhardwaj  
**Title:** Chief Operating Officer  
**Organization:** Sakha Consulting Wings  
**Country:** India

Deepali Bhardwaj has extensive experience in the sectors of Human Resource Consulting, Retail, Consumer Durables and not for profit sector. In her career spanning about 20 years she has been instrumental in setting up systems from scratch for various new ventures, scaling up, drive organizational effectiveness with major contributions in the area of transformation / change management and organizational realignment in complex and competitive work environments. Her major stints include working with Ernst & Young, Save The Children, Whirlpool of India Limited and Inditex Trent (Zara)

Areas of specialization and interest include strategy, change management, leadership development, talent management, scaling up businesses and bringing in operational efficiencies.

Deepali is a passionate about issues pertaining to women and children related issues. She is also engaged as an external member on prevention of Sexual Harassment committees with various prestigious organizations.

Deepali is currently associated with Azad Foundation in the management capacity and is also the Chief Operating Officer of Sakha Consulting Wings – A unique enterprise for women by women in the domain of providing safe and alternate solutions to women.



**Name:** Emma Tiaree  
**Title:** Counsellor (Development Cooperation)  
**Organization:** Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)  
**Country:** Thailand

Emma Tiaree is a development professional with Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and currently heads up DFAT's South East Asia Regional Hub in Bangkok. With over ten years' experience in international development, Emma oversees the Australian aid program's regional investments in South East Asia. Her portfolio covers investments that support ASEAN's economic integration with a focus on ensuring women and those outside the formal economy benefit from integration. Emma also directs the Hub's strategic and technical advisory services to all DFAT's South East Asia country missions on private sector development, gender and governance issues; and manages Australia's representation and relationships with Bangkok-based multilateral and UN organisations. Prior to joining DFAT, Emma worked in environmental management and policy roles for both government and civil society organisations, with international field experience in Pacific small island states. Emma is also an accredited public procurement professional.



**Name:** Esther Germans  
**Title:** Manager, Strategic Communication, Stakeholder Engagement, and Finance  
**Organization:** International Labour Organization (ILO) Better Work Programme  
**Country:** Cambodia

Esther Germans has a Masters in Economics with a specialisation in development economics. She started her career in the banking sector, being member of an ING team providing technical assistance and support to banks in emerging markets. With this experience, she joined the ILO in 2003. Her first position for the ILO was in Peru where her main responsibilities were to support the development of small and medium enterprises (SME) in the Andean countries. Esther focussed on developing entrepreneurship culture amongst SME owners. After 3 years in the field, she moved for the ILO to Geneva to build and strengthen donor relations prior to joining the Better Work programme in 2009. Within Better Work, she has been member of the senior management team in Geneva and has been responsible for a range of issues, including financial and institutional sustainability, stakeholder engagement, strategic communication and donor relations. In April 2015 she moved to Cambodia to become the programme manager of Better Factories Cambodia.



**Name:** Faisal Ahmed  
**Title:** Resident Representative  
**Organization:** International Monetary Fund  
**Country:** Cambodia

Faisal Ahmed has been the IMF Resident Representative in Cambodia since 2011. Mr. Ahmed has worked on a broad range of economies, including Bangladesh, Grenada, Iceland, South Africa, Spain, and Vietnam. He was a core member of the IMF's emerging market surveillance team and led IMF Technical Assistance missions on reserve and debt management. His research interests and publications focus on financial market development and stability issues, monetary and exchange rate policies.

Mr. Ahmed holds a Ph.D. and an M.A. in Economics from the University of Minnesota, an M.Fin. in Quantitative Finance from Princeton University. Prior to joining the Fund, he worked as an actuary for a global reinsurance company for four years and as a research economist for the Central Bank of Turkey and a visiting scholar at the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at the Royal School of Administration in Cambodia. He previously taught at the University of Minnesota and at the South East Asian Central Banks (SEACEN) Research and Training Centre. Mr. Ahmed is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder.



**Name:** Faisal Hussain  
**Title:** Senior Regional Technical Advisor  
**Organization:** UN Capital Development Fund  
**Country:** Thailand

Faisal Hussain is the Senior Regional Technical Advisor for Financial Inclusion at the UN Capital Development Fund. Faisal leads a team of Country Technical Advisors and Specialists to deliver financial inclusion programming in the region, while managing new regional programme to accelerate financial inclusion in the ASEAN region. Faisal also supports the global clean energy finance team to test and upscale business models to rapidly expand financial services to poor people for clean energy access in Africa and Asia.

Faisal Hussain has almost 25-years international development experience in strategic leadership, senior management, advisory and programme management roles, with a particular focus on financial services for the poor and livelihoods. Prior to joining the UN Capital Development Fund, Faisal ran a development consultancy in the UK, designing and evaluating projects for donors, not-for-profit organisations, and microfinance institutions. Before this he spent 5-years designing and project-managing economic livelihood projects globally for ActionAid International, and he served for four years as ActionAid's country director in Bangladesh. Before his role as Country Director for ActionAid, he spent several years designing and managing microfinance programmes both at the retail level and at the meso level through policy research and advocacy. His initial focus was in Bangladesh in the early 1990s, then Asia more generally through UNDP's MicroStart project, and then South Asia more especially through the microfinance think-tank South Asian Network of Microfinance Initiatives, which he helped to create in the mid- 1990s.

Before joining the development sector, Faisal worked in the City of London in the late 1980s in retail banking and then in wealth management of high net-worth individuals.

Faisal holds a Masters in Development from the University of Leeds and Bachelors in Business from Middlesex University.



**Name:** Freda Miriklis  
**Title/Organization:** Member, United Nations Women's Empowerment Principles: Equality Means Business Leadership Group (WEPs LG); Co-Chair, Commonwealth Business Women (CBW)  
**Country:** Australia

Freda is an entrepreneur, executive and board director with an immense amount of experience educating and supporting world leaders and CEOs to promote equality and economic opportunities that empower women at a global level. She is an inaugural member of the United Nations Women's Empowerment Principles: Equality Means Business Leadership Group (WEPs LG) that provides strategic guidance to UN Women/UN Global Compact WEPs, based in New York, and a member of the WEPs CEO Leadership Awards Committee.

As Co-Chair of CBW, Freda co-founded the non-profit membership company registered in the UK with a remit to encourage, enable and embed economic empowerment for women in the Commonwealth. She served as President of BPW International (2011-2014) where she oversaw key resources and projects inline with the organisation's Integrated Strategy Roadmap and developed BPW International's first Sustainability Report: Fulfilling the Legacy.

She has worked in the investment advisory industry for over twenty years and as market commentator in broadcast and print media. A sought after conference speaker, Freda is a leader of international consortia promoting global commercial collaborations and alliances; and is involved in establishing sustainable investment frameworks and policies by creating commercial partnerships in the investment and finance sector. Freda is a Fellow of the Financial Services Institute of Australasia (FinSia), Master Stockbroker with the Stockbrokers Association of Australia and Fellow of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (RSA).



**Name:** Hanh Do  
**Title:** Director, Business Development (Overseas)  
**Organization:** Esquel Group  
**Country:** Viet Nam

Ms Hanh Do currently serves as Director, Business Development (Overseas) of the Esquel Group – one of the global leading apparel and textile manufacturers. In the current position, Hanh is involved in supporting the Chairman and CEO of the Group in strategic planning and business development issues.

Prior to joining Esquel, Hanh was the Country Representative of the Asia Competitiveness Institute (ACI) in Vietnam. ACI is a research centre at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, which aims to build the intellectual leadership and network for understanding and developing competitiveness in the ASEAN region. The institute works in affiliation with Professor Michael E. Porter's Institute for Strategy and Competitiveness (ISC) at Harvard Business School.

Prior to this, Hanh was the Chief Representative in Hanoi for Viet Capital Asset Management – a leading local fund management company and the Economic Growth Specialist overseeing United States economic growth projects with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). In this role, she was involved in managing and administering a range of economic development projects supporting the country's economic reform process. Hanh also had years of experience in the macro-economic and public administration areas, serving with Ministry of Industry of Vietnam.

Hanh holds a Bachelor degree in Economics from Hanoi Foreign Trade University and a MBA from the University of Southern California.



**Name:** Hazlinda Abdul Hamid  
**Title:** Head, Approval & Operation-SME Banking  
**Organization:** Maybank  
**Country:** Malaysia

Hazlinda Abdul Hamid is Head Approval & Operations, SME Banking, CFS Malaysia, Maybank. She has cumulative 19 years experience in Business Banking and SME Banking. Prior to assuming the current position, she was Regional Head, SME Banking, Central Region for 4 years dealing directly with SME clients.

A graduate from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and Certified Credit Professional (CCP) from Bank Negara Malaysia. She is responsible for the overall operations of SME Banking in Maybank.

Her responsibilities covers the operational end to end processes with regards to overall sales delivery to SME Banking clients of the Bank. She is also involved in credit evaluation, reviews and managing asset quality for SME Banking in Maybank. She was involved in the Transformation Journey undertaken by the Bank on SME Banking and had played an instrumental role.

Her role in Operations also covers Operational Excellence and formulate improvements in ensuring good Customer Experience for SME Banking.



**Name:** Hnin Wai  
**Title:** General Secretary  
**Organization:** Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association (MWEA)  
**Country:** Myanmar

Mrs. Hnin Wai graduated from the University of Yangon and holds MBA from Yangon University of Economics and received scholar award of Young Leadership program, MBA from Tokyo Hitosubashi University in Japan. She is Secretary General of Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association (MWEA) and she served as a project director for MWEA's women economic empowerment project, which implements entrepreneurship development initiatives and raises awareness about women rights. She is listed in Top Fifty Myanmar Modern Women in 2013 and she did many business women and women development interviews. She For the private sector business, she worked as export & import manager for rattan and handicraft manufacturing companies about six years and she run her own business, private school for eight years. Currently, she is a Director of family business, Ar Raw Jan Co., Ltd, which distributes foreign medicines and consumer products in Myanmar. As Managing Director, she is leading another service company which is providing recruitment services and interior decoration services.



**Name:** In Channy  
**Title:** President & Group Managing Director  
**Organization:** ACLEDA Bank Plc.  
**Country:** Cambodia

Cambodian. Born June 1960. He joined ACLEDA Bank Plc. Board in September 2014. Dr. In Channy co-founded ACLEDA in January 1993. As President of the Executive Committee he leads the Executive Management Team which is responsible for overall strategic planning and running the day-to-day business of the organisation as well as implementation of the business plan. He is directly accountable to the Board of Directors. His other responsibilities within the group include Chairman of ACLEDA Bank Lao Ltd., Shareholder Representative for ACLEDA Bank Lao Ltd., ACLEDA Securities Plc., ACLEDA Training Center, and ACLEDA MFI Myanmar Co., Ltd.

Outside ACLEDA he is the Chairman of the Association of Banks in Cambodia (ABC); Vice-Chairman of the International Business Chamber of Cambodia (IBC), Member of the Credit Committee for Rural Development (CCRD), and Member of the Government Subcommittee for Corporate Governance. He holds a Doctorate of Business Administration and is also a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD).



**Name:** James Dien Bui  
**Title:** Managing Director  
**Organization:** Lotus Impact  
**Country:** Viet Nam

James Dien Bui has over 15 years experience in economic development and impact investing in North America and Southeast Asia. At Lotus Impact, James oversees social impact investments in micro-finance, workforce development, affordable housing and sustainable agriculture. He also leads the development of impact metrics and evaluative studies. Prior to joining Lotus Impact, James worked as principal consultant on affordable housing, workforce development and clean energy projects for a number of clients including the IFC, FMO and non-profit organizations worldwide. He helped raise and implement over USD50 million for social impact projects, particularly in post Hurricane Katrina reconstruction and clean water projects in Southeast Asia. James holds a Masters from the University of Michigan and was awarded graduate fellowships in community economic development at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and UCLA. He is a US citizen residing in Ho Chi Minh City



**Name:** John McGinley  
**Title:** Managing Partner  
**Organization:** Mekong Strategic Partner  
**Country:** Cambodia

An experienced banking executive Mr John McGinley possesses dual expertise across banking and financial services, as well as the development sector. He is currently the Managing Partner of Mekong Strategic Partners, a boutique investment and advisory firm with a focus on the Greater Mekong Region.

Prior to this John served as the Head of Strategy & Business Development for ANZ (Australia & New Zealand) Bank for the Greater Mekong Region, with country responsibility for Cambodia, Myanmar, Laos & Vietnam.

Resident in Cambodia since 2003, John has a passion for combining banking and finance with positive development outcomes. He understands the transformative effect responsible financial institutions and corporations can have on a developing economy.



**Name:** Jonathan Chang  
**Title:** Executive Director  
**Organization:** Lien Centre for Social Innovation  
**Country:** Singapore

Jonathan is a social entrepreneur and motivational speaker, having founded and co-founded four startups in Silicon Valley and Manhattan. Recently relocated to Singapore, he is the Executive Director of Lien Centre for Social Innovation and an Adjunct Professor of Social Entrepreneurship at Singapore Management University. Jonathan co-founded a social enterprise, working with organic and non-GMO farmers and food manufacturers in California and helping them achieve supply chain sustainability and market growth.

His research works include a paper on entrepreneurship as a tool for social change in Rwanda for Columbia's Earth Institute, a case study on entrepreneurship in rural India for Stanford Graduate School of Business, and a book about government and innovation with Esko Aho, former Prime Minister of Finland. Jonathan mentored aspiring young entrepreneurs at Ashoka's Youth Venture, Young Women Social Entrepreneurs, and the Jackie Robinson Foundation.

He has also given a TEDx talk at Harvard. Jonathan earned his degrees from the University of California, Berkeley, Stanford Graduate School of Business, and Harvard Kennedy School of Government. Jonathan was a recipient of Stanford GSB's Miller Social Change Leadership Award and was named Harvard Law School's Digital Problem Solving Initiative Fellow.



**Name:** Joni Simpson  
**Title:** Senior Specialist, Gender, Equality and Non-Discrimination for East and South East Asia and the Pacific  
**Organization:** International Labour Organization  
**Country:** Thailand

Joni is the International Labour Organization's (ILO) Senior Specialist in Gender, Equality and Non-Discrimination for East and South East Asia and the Pacific, based in Bangkok, Thailand. For the last seven years, she was ILO's Global Coordinator & Specialist in Women's Entrepreneurship Development and Entrepreneurship Education in Geneva. In her current role, she provides technical guidance and support on gender equality and non-discrimination to ILO constituents and partners for policies and programmes relating to employment and job creation. Joni is an Advisory Board Member for UN Women's Women's Economic Empowerment Knowledge Gateway. She also sits on an Expert Committee for the Global Women Entrepreneur Leaders Scorecard.

Over and above her work at the ILO, she has over ten years of experience in Community Economic Development and Community Credit, working on building accessible and adapted resources and advocating for inclusive services in Entrepreneurship Development. Her past experience includes work in micro-finance, social economy and youth employability. She holds a Master's degree in Cultural anthropology and she also has an Education degree.



**Name:** Joy Anderson  
**Title:** President and Founder  
**Organization:** Criterion Institute  
**Country:** USA

Joy Anderson is a prominent national leader at the intersection of business and social change. She began her career in the New York City Public Schools, then transitioned from a school teacher to an entrepreneur - founding Criterion Ventures in 2002, co-founding Good Capital with Tim Freundlich and Kevin Jones in 2006 and leading the development of Rockefeller-funded Healthcare\_Uncovered from 2006 until 2009. A serial entrepreneur and consummate networker, Joy's leadership and expertise have been at the forefront of the development of the social capital markets over the last 10 years. As a recognition of her business leadership, in 2011, Joy was ranked 51st in Fast Company's annual of the 100 Most Creative People in Business. Currently, she leads Criterion Institute which seeks to broaden what matters in our economic decisions by expanding who has authority in the work of reinventing the economy, particularly around church and gender. Criterion's program (re)Value Gender connects gender analysis to the core practices through which we understand value in finance.



**Name:** Kamisah Abd Kadir  
**Title:** Deputy Director  
**Organization:** Bank Negara Malaysia  
**Country:** Malaysia

Ms. Kamisah is the Deputy Director of Development Finance and Enterprise Department of Bank Negara Malaysia and she is formerly headed the SME Financing and Financial Inclusion Division which involved the designing, implementing and monitoring of policies and programmes pertaining to SME Financing and Financial Inclusion. She is currently the head of the DFI Prudential Policy Division which involved regulating the Development Financial Institutions (DFIs) in Malaysia to ensure capacity and capability of DFIs are strengthened in order to effectively deliver their mandated roles.

Her involvement in the SME development began since 2005 as the Secretariat member of the National SME Development Council at the Bank before the function transferred to SME Corporation Malaysia in 2008. She had the opportunity to work with the World Bank consultants in drafting the SME Masterplan 2012-2020 during her two-year attachment at SME Corporation Malaysia as the Director of Economics and Policy Planning Division. Her other working experience at the Bank for 20 years include regulation/supervision of development financial institutions and insurance industry as well as corporate strategic management. Ms Kamisah holds Master's Science in International Development Finance from University of Manchester in UK and Bachelor of Commerce from University of Canterbury in NZ.



**Name:** Keo Mom  
**Title:** President  
**Organization:** Cambodian Women Entrepreneurs Association (CWEA)  
**Country:** Cambodia

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

1990 : Graduated Diploma Degree

**PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:**

2002 – Present : Chief Executive Officer of LYLY FOOD INDUSRY CO.,LTD.  
 2006 – Present : Vice President of Phnom Penh Small and Medium of Industries Association. (PSMIA)  
 2007 – Present : Deputy Secretary General of Chamber of Professional and Micro Enterprises of Cambodia. (CPMEC)  
 2010 – Present : Vice President of Cambodia Korea Alumni Association (CAMKAA)  
 2010 – March 2015 : Vice President of Cambodian Women Entrepreneurs Association (CWEA)  
 April 2015 – Present : President of Cambodian Women Entrepreneurs Association (CWEA)



**Name:** Khine Khine Nwe (Rosaline)  
**Title:** Joint Secretary General  
**Organization:** Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI)  
**Country:** Myanmar

Khine Khine Nwe (Rosaline) is the Deputy Managing Director of Best Industrial Company Limited, a garment manufacturing company, General Secretary of Myanmar Garment Manufacturers' Association (MGMA) and Joint Secretary General (JSG) of Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI). She also heads Corporate Social Responsibility Committee and Industrial Relations Committee in UMFCCI. She is also Employers' Delegate to International Labor Conference held in Geneva for 4 consecutive years, 2011 to 2014.

She holds her Master's Degree from Yangon University, Myanmar and taught at Assumption University in Bangkok, Thailand. She is now Chairman of Myanmar Garment Human Resource Development Center (MGHRDC) and Honorary Principal of UMFCCI Training Institute. She is also a member of Myanmar Investment Commission, promoting responsible business conduct in the country.

Her passion is to help develop an inclusive socio-friendly economic environment in Myanmar that will lead to equitable growth of the country.



**Name:** Mario Ferro  
**Title:** Co-founder & CEO  
**Organization:** Wedu  
**Country:** Cambodia

Mario Ferro is the CEO and Co-Founder of Wedu ([www.weduglobal.org](http://www.weduglobal.org)) a social enterprise promoting leadership development for women in Asia via mentorship and innovative financing for education. He is a former Senior Advisor for Energy Investments for Greenpeace and a former Senior Consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Advisory as well as Acumen Global Fellow. Previously he worked on in the post-disaster relief effort after the earthquake on January 2010 in Haiti and trade promotion from small medium enterprises working in China. He holds a Master in Economics and Management from University La Sapienza and a MSc in Development Management, from the LSE. He has been studying and working in Italy, Finland, Ireland, United Kingdom, Mainland China, Hong Kong, Haiti, India, United States, Cambodia and Thailand.



**Name:** Mark Taylor  
**Title:** Regional Specialist, Rural and Private Sector Development  
**Organization:** Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
**Country:** Thailand

Mark Taylor is the Regional Rural and Private Sector Development Specialist for the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. He is based in Bangkok, Thailand and has been living and working in Southeast Asia for over 13 years. Prior to joining the Australian aid program, Mark was the Managing Partner of Emerging Markets Consulting, a regional consulting firm specializing in strategy, business consulting, and private sector development. He was the Chairman of the Board for Emerging Markets Entrepreneurs, one of Cambodia's first business accelerators, and has mentored and worked with SMEs, social enterprises, and impact investors across the Mekong region. He also has worked at the World Bank and for several pre-IPO start-up technology firms in the Silicon Valley and Seattle. Mark holds an MBA from Georgetown University and is a Landegger Honors Program graduate from the Georgetown School of Foreign Service.



**Name:** Nazleena Nordin  
**Title:** Executive Vice President Corporate Support  
**Organization:** Credit Guarantee Corporation Malaysia Berhad (CGC).  
**Country:** Malaysia

Madam Nazleena Nordin is the Executive Vice President, Corporate Support overseeing the management and overall performance of asset management and corporate support of Credit Guarantee Corporation Malaysia Berhad (CGC).

She joined CGC as the Assistant General Manager, Organizations and Methods in 2002. In 2007, she was assigned as Assistant General Manager of Corporate Planning and subsequently, was promoted to General Manager of Corporate Services in 2011.

Prior to joining CGC, she was a Systems Engineer at IBM World Trade Corporation supporting the Finance Industry from 1988 to 1994 and a Senior Manager at Mayban Life Assurance (a subsidiary of Maybank now known as ETIQA) from 1994 to 2001.

She is a Chemical Engineer by profession, having graduated with a Bachelor of Engineering (Chemical) degree from the University of Adelaide, South Australia. She started her career as a Chemical Engineer at SANTOS, a petroleum company in Australia.



**Name:** Nguyen Thi Tuyet Minh  
**Title/Organization:** Chairperson, ASEAN Women Entrepreneurs Network (AWEN)  
 Chairwoman, Vietnam Women Entrepreneurs Council (VWEC)  
**Country:** Viet Nam

Mrs. Nguyen Thi Tuyet Minh, the Chairwoman cum Party Cell Secretary of Vietnam Women Entrepreneur Council (VWEC), Executive member of The Executive Board of Vietnam Women's Union XI (2012-2017); Member of Executive Board of VCCI Course V (2008-2015) and Course VI (2015-2020), Member the Standing Committee of VCCI's Labour Union, Head of the department on women issues of VCCI Trade Union.

She has nearly 35 years working in different fields such as trade, investment promotion, tourism, supporting SMEs; support and protect legal and legitimate rights of employers in labour relationship; support and protect legal and legitimate rights of women entrepreneurs; policy recommendation and consultation, etc.

With remarkable achievement during her working time, she has received various noble titles and awards, medals: Certificate of Merit awarded by the Prime Minister; various Certificates of Merit given by VCCI Chairman in many years, Campaign Medal on "For the development of business community" awarded by VCCI Chairman, Campaign Medal on "For the Young Generation" in 2012 awarded by the Executive Board of Ho Chi Minh Youth Union, Medal on "For the Development of Vietnamese Women" awarded by the Chairwoman of Vietnam Women's Union, of Ho Chi Minh Youth Union, Medal on "For the Development of Vietnamese Women" awarded by the Chairwoman of Vietnam Women's Union.



**Name:** Nivana Cheng  
**Title:** Chairperson  
**Organization:** Cambodia Women's Business Federation (CWBF)  
**Country:** Cambodia

Nivana studied art and social work in the US before returning to Cambodia in 1992. She is widely recognized as an expert in Khmer handicrafts; furniture, interior and architectural design reflecting Khmer culture and traditions; and, product display. Over the past 20 years she has worked with an extensive network of craft producers, architects, engineers, carpenters and electricians to design and deliver a wide range of arts and crafts, furniture and architectural and interior design services. She has undertaken extensive research on traditional architecture, interior design and tradition handicrafts and is actively engaged in upgrading the products and skills of local craft producers. She is committed to maintaining high standards of socially and environmentally responsible business practices. As chairperson of CWBF, she is actively engaged in leading the efforts of like-minded business women to eliminate all forms of discrimination against business women and encourage and promote the participation of women in the economy.



**Name:** Norul Amin  
**Title:** Regional Enterprise Development Programme Lead  
**Organization:** Oxfam  
**Country:** Thailand

Norul has been working in development sector since 16 years and leading and managing market development, enterprise development and livelihoods program. His core expertise is on inclusive business, enterprise development, risk financing and women economic leadership. Currently, he is leading and coordinating the regional portfolio of enterprise development program (EDP) at Oxfam Asia Regional Center in Bangkok. His job involves providing strategic and technical support to the country teams for promoting small enterprises, preparing business plan, financial projection and building capacity of Oxfam and partner staffs. In addition to that he is maintaining liaison and network with regional experts, investors, private sector, civil society organizations and research institutions to increase investment in SME and agriculture sector. As Economic and Private Sector Coordinator at Oxfam in Bangladesh, he led economic empowerment and private sector development Program and worked with largest agro-based private companies, chamber of commerce and business associations for increasing investment in SME sector and developing inclusive business model. He also led to develop an innovative index based flood insurance product in Bangladesh. Before that he worked Helvetus Swiss Interoperation and CARE Bangladesh.



**Name:** Paul Luchtenburg  
**Title:** Programme Specialist  
**Organization:** UN Capital Development Fund  
**Country:** Myanmar

Paul has more than 20 years of experience in Development and Microfinance having played a variety of roles from implementer, Technical Assistance provider, funder rep, board member and setting up an equity fund.

Currently based in Myanmar Paul works as a Programme Specialist. UNCDF is doing a number of creative projects in Myanmar which include the MAP financial inclusion supply and demand research which will inform the development of a financial inclusion road map for the government of Myanmar. Additionally, UNCDF is facilitating MF entrants of leading regional microfinance providers, financial diaries research and setting up a market development wholesale lending facility.

Before UNCDF Paul served as the Senior Operations Officer for Microfinance covering the East Asia and Pacific region for the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

Among his experience implementing Paul served as the CEO of the MFI AMK in Cambodia. Previous to AMK Paul worked with World Relief implementing in Cambodia and then providing TA support to the Euro Asia region.

Paul holds an MBA from Eastern University and has also been a part of the writing of a number of books and articles on microfinance and financial inclusion. Including the Microfinance assessment report for Myanmar.



**Name:** Penchan Manawanitkul  
**Title:** Senior Officer  
**Organization:** Enterprise Development, the ASEAN Secretariat  
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**Education:**  
 1997 HSBC Executive Management Programme, London, UK  
 1986-1989 MBA (Finance), Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand  
 1992-1994 BA (Economics), Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand

**Experience**  
 2010-Present ASEAN Secretariat  
 Senior Officer Enterprise Development  
 2007-2010 IBM Thailand  
 Managing Consultant, Financial Service Industry, Global Business Service  
 GIZ Thailand  
 2006-2007 Adviser and Financial Product Developer  
 2004-2005 Deloitte Consulting SEA  
 Senior Consultant, Financial Service Industry  
 2001-2004 UOB Bank, Thailand  
 Assistant Vice President, Commercial Portfolio Management  
 Senior Relationship Manager, Corporate Banking Division  
 1994-2001 HSBC, Thailand  
 Manager Treasury Services  
 Manager Retail Credit & Recoveries  
 Assistant Credit Manager, Corporate Banking Division



**Name:** Ravi Tissera  
**Title:** Director CEO  
**Organization:** LOLC Micro Credit Ltd  
**Country:** Sri Lanka

Ravi Tissera is a Development Finance Specialist with over 23 years experience in the MSME sector. He is the founder CEO of LOLC Micro Credit Ltd Sri Lanka's largest MFI. As Head of Microfinance of the LOLC Group he also sits on the boards of LOLC Micro Credit, LOLC Myanmar Microfinance Ltd, Thanakea Phum Cambodia Ltd, BRAC Lanka Finance Ltd and LOLC Micro Investments Ltd. His current work also involves expanding LOLC's microfinance footprint into other ASEAN countries.



**Name:** Robin Newnham  
**Title:** Financial Inclusion Policy Advisor  
**Organization:** Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI)  
**Country:** Malaysia

Robin Newnham has worked for the Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI) since 2011, and as a Financial Inclusion Policy Advisor has been responsible for the facilitation of AFI's Financial Inclusion Strategy Peer Learning Group (FISPLG) since its establishment in October 2012. The FISPLG provides a forum for knowledge exchange and the development of guidelines on the development and implementation of national financial inclusion strategies. Robin also supports AFI's working group on Global Standards Proportionality (GSPWG), AFI's new peer learning initiative with the global Standard Setting Bodies (SSBs), and oversees the AFI Network's engagement with the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPII).

Prior to joining AFI, Robin held various positions in the United Kingdom Treasury over a seven year period, including Financial Inclusion policy, Global Economic analysis, Countering Financing of Terrorism, and Islamic Finance. He holds a M. Phil in International Relations and a BA in Modern History, from the University of Oxford.



**Name:** Satish Mishra  
**Title:** Consultant, UNCDF; and Managing Director, Strategic Asia  
**Organization:** Strategic Asia  
**Country:** Indonesia

Prior to heading Strategic Asia, Satish Mishra conceptualised and managed the United Nations Support Facility for Indonesian Recovery (UNSFIR) project funded by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). His other professional experience includes high-level assignments at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), including leading the first OECD Mission to Indonesia during the Asian crisis, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the World Bank in over 40 countries across Asia, Africa and Europe. Satish Mishra has a wide range of experience in managing large inter-disciplinary teams of professionals in difficult economic and political environments. He studied Economics and Politics at Oxford University and has a Doctorate in Economics from the University of Cambridge.



**Name:** Sharanjit Leyl  
**Title:** Producer and Presenter  
**Organization:** BBC World News  
**Country:** Singapore

Sharanjit Leyl is a Singaporean producer and presenter for BBC World News. She regularly anchors Asia Business Report and Newsday from the BBC's Singapore studio. She is also a reporter and producer on these shows along with World Business Report. She has filed reports for radio on the BBC World Service business and arts programmes and written features for BBC news online.

Sharanjit began her broadcasting career at the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in 1997. While there she reported for the award-winning show The Pacific Rim Report. While in Canada, she covered the protests and subsequent police brutality against students who were pepper-sprayed at the APEC summit that took place there in 1997.

She returned to Singapore in 1998 to file reports on the Asian financial crisis for CBC. She joined financial news service provider Bridge Information Systems where she wrote for its newswires on foreign exchange movements in the aftermath of the crisis. She also provided daily television and radio updates on currencies and equity movements in South East Asia.

She was approached by Bloomberg Television in 2000 and moved to its headquarters in Tokyo. There she presented its main three-hour newscast On The Money Asia, reporting on breaking financial stories as well as major news events such as the US-led invasion of Iraq in March 2003. She also anchored a weekly lifestyle and culture segment from Asia. As one of the first main anchors for Bloomberg's Asia Pacific headquarters, she played an integral role in editing and influencing the content of its programming.

Sharanjit Leyl joined BBC World News in September 2003 and has since reported and presented from places as far afield as Pakistan, Tokyo and London. Her noteworthy interviews include heads of state ranging from Thailand, Pakistan, the Philippines, New Zealand, and East Timor; former prime ministers of Australia, Malaysia and Singapore, presidents of the World Bank and the IMF, and chief executives and chairpersons from various Fortune 500 companies ranging from Microsoft to Walmart.



**Name:** Somphone Sisenglath  
**Title:** Managing Director  
**Organization:** Ekphatthana Microfinance Institution  
**Country:** Lao PDR

Somphone Sisenglath is founder and Managing Director of Ekphatthana Deposit Taking MFI and Microfinance Center Laos. He has explored the full range of microfinance models implemented in the Lao PDR and has conducted Microfinance Best Practice Trainings to more than 2,000 participants with practitioners and policy makers. He has shared his expertise as a Microfinance Consultant to several projects of ADB, World Bank, UNDP, EU and other INGOs in Lao PDR. Somphone has an MBA in International Business from the Asian Institute of Technology in Bangkok in 1998. He also served as Co-Chairman of Lao Microfinance Working Group 2008-2010.



**Name:** Stanley Boots  
**Title:** Senior Advisor  
**Organization:** Asian Development Bank Mekong Business Initiative  
**Country:** Viet Nam

Stanley Boots, lawyer, is a senior advisor with the Asian Development Bank's Mekong Business Initiative, a new program to support business regulatory reform and better access to finance for small medium enterprises in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam. Stanley is also the CEO and founder of Frontier Law & Advisory ([www.bold-frontier.com](http://www.bold-frontier.com)), a regional firm focused on innovative solutions for emerging markets.



**Name:** Syed Nabil Aljeffri  
**Title/Organization:** Secretary-General, ASEAN-BAC  
 Council Member, ASEAN-BAC Malaysia  
**Country:** Malaysia

Syed Nabil Aljeffri is a UK trained lawyer; currently active in private equity, being the head of structuring and acquisitions for a boutique Private Equity firm based in Malaysia, with primary interests in healthcare, property and ICT.

He is also Head of Corporate Services and Legal Compliance for Aljeffridean Chartered Accountants, Chairman of Eco-Hygiene Systems Sdn. Bhd., and director of several other private limited companies. He has also served as Member of various council secretaries including the Malaysia-Venezuela Business Council and the Malaysia-China Business Council.

Syed Nabil has spearheaded numerous initiatives including business seminars, forums, corporate functions and exhibitions, most recently as Chairman of the 1st and 2nd ASEAN-Malaysia Business Seminar in collaboration with the Ministry of International Trade and Industry Malaysia.

Nabil is actively involved in various ASEAN initiatives in and out of the region in various speaking and working group capacities. He has served on the ASEAN Business Advisory Council (ASEAN-BAC) since 2009, as a member of the secretariat until his appointment as a Council Member in 2012. Nabil currently serves as Council Member of ASEAN-BAC Malaysia and elected Secretary General of ASEAN-BAC.



**Name:** Tahira Dosani  
**Title:** Director of Portfolio Engagement  
**Organization:** Accion Venture Lab  
**Country:** USA

Tahira Dosani is the Director of Portfolio Engagement at Accion Venture Lab, working with the fund's portfolio companies to accelerate their growth. Venture Lab is a seed-stage impact investing initiative that provides capital and expertise to early-stage businesses that leverage technology to increase access to financial services for underserved consumers globally.

Tahira previously led strategic projects at LeapFrog Investments, a specialist emerging market PE fund focused on financial services. Prior to that, Tahira worked as Director of Strategy at the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development. Based in Dubai, she drove strategic initiatives for portfolio companies and led new investments in telecoms, technology and infrastructure in South and Central Asia and the Middle East. She also worked at Roshan, Afghanistan's leading telecommunications operator, where she was Head of Corporate Strategy and launched the country's first mobile money platform. Tahira began her career as a management consultant with Bain & Company in Boston.

Tahira holds an MBA from INSEAD and BAs in International Relations, Computer Science, and Education from Brown University.



**Name:** Tammy Medard  
**Title:** Chief Executive Officer  
**Organization:** ANZ Laos  
**Country:** Lao PDR

Tammy Medard was appointed Chief Executive Officer of ANZ Laos in May 2014. Based in Vientiane, she takes over the role at a time where ANZ aims to lead the advancement of the Laos banking sector. She runs a full commercial-licensed bank with Retail, Institutional and Global Markets offerings primarily focused on facilitating the international trade flow in and out of Laos. Tammy joined ANZ in 2009 in the Risk division and has quickly built a reputation for her expertise in risk management and stakeholder relations.

Before joining ANZ, she was an infrastructure credit analyst for Standard & Poor's Ratings Services focusing on utilities, airports, tollroads and public and private partnerships (PPP) across Australia and New Zealand, working closely with major infrastructure companies. She was also S&P's regional specialist on Corporate Hybrid credit risk and equity treatment. Tammy began her banking career with JP Morgan Chase in New York City focusing on the Not-For-Profit, University and Healthcare sectors; delivering municipal bond product solutions and corporate banking products.

Originally from the US of Cuban and Spanish descent, Tammy has a Bachelor of Science (Finance) from the University of Maryland – Robert H Smith School of Business. She is a Board Member of the Australian Chamber of Commerce in Vientiane, on the CSR Committee of the American Chamber of Commerce, Laos, and on the Advisory Committee for Village Focus International. Tammy is married with two young children. She speaks English and Spanish, is conversational in French, and is learning Lao.



**Name:** Timothy Buehrer  
**Title:** Chief of Party  
**Organization:** ASEAN Connectivity through Trade and Investment (ACTI)  
**Country:** Indonesia

With more than 25 years of experience as an economist and a lawyer, Dr. Buehrer has advised governments on economic and trade policy reform in Southeast Asia, Eastern Europe, Africa, Micronesia, and the Middle East. Currently, Dr. Buehrer is Chief of Party for the ASEAN Connectivity through Trade and Investment (ACTI) Project, a five-year project funded by the U.S. government to accelerate implementation of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) in the areas of customs integration, trade and investment facilitation, small and medium-sized enterprises, clean and efficient energy, information and communication technologies. He has both a JD and PhD from Harvard University.



**Name:** Vijay Mahajan  
**Title/Organization:** Board Member, Alliance for Microfinance, Myanmar  
 Founder, BASIS Group, India  
**Country:** Myanmar

Vijay Mahajan, 60, founded PRADAN, a livelihood promotion NGO, ([www.pradan.net](http://www.pradan.net)) in 1983. In quest of scale and sustainability, in 1996, he set up Basix ([www.basixindia.com](http://www.basixindia.com)), which has supported the livelihoods of over two million poor households, deploying over Rs 5000 crore in loans and providing a range of livelihood promotion services along with savings and insurance to borrowers, thus moving from micro-credit to livelihood finance. Vijay was a member and then Chair of the World Bank's Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP). He is a Distinguished Alumnus of the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi and the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and a Fellow of the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, USA. He was named among "60 outstanding social entrepreneurs of the world" at Davos in 2003.



**Name:** Vincent Wierda  
**Title:** Programme Manager  
**Organization:** UN Capital Development Fund  
**Country:** Thailand

Vincent joined the UNCDF team in January 2013 as Programme Manager for CleanStart, which focuses on the financial dimension of Base-of-Pyramid energy access, both at the enterprise and consumer level. His responsibilities include the roll-out and implementation of CleanStart in six countries in Asia and Africa, partnering with financial and energy service providers, setting up a knowledge and learning network, and advocating for an enabling environment to scale-up access to decentralized energy solutions. A key area of interest within CleanStart is how to make small energy enterprises investment ready. Prior to UNCDF, Vincent worked on financial inclusion and SME development programmes with various organizations in Vietnam, Cambodia, Philippines and Ethiopia. He obtained his M.Sc. in Economics at the School of Oriental and Africa Studies, University of London.



**Name:** Vu Thi Quynh Anh  
**Title:** Executive Director  
**Organization:** Spark Center for Social Entrepreneurship Development  
**Country:** Viet Nam

Ms. Vu Thi Quynh Anh is Executive Director of Spark Center for Social Entrepreneurship Development, which supports the sustainable growth of business for resolving social issues through social enterprises development and facilitating for the local business service markets since late 2012. Prior to Spark, she was Deputy Director of SNV Netherlands Development Organisation in Vietnam. She led the design and start up of SNV social

entrepreneurship programme. She has over 18 years of experience in sizable programme design and management, strategic steering, business and human resource development. Her work covers private sector development such as value chain, inclusive business, business environment improvement, BDS development, sub-sector research, programme evaluation.



**Name:** Xavier Michon

**Title:** Deputy Executive Secretary

**Organization:** UN Capital Development Fund

**Country:** USA

With over two decades of experience in the United Nations, he brings in-depth knowledge of UN programme and operations both at Headquarters and in the field.

Before his present appointment, he served as UNDP Country Director in Burundi (2012-2014) and Guatemala (2007-2011), Deputy UNDP Resident Representative in Peru (2004-2006), Programme Advisor in the UNDP Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean (2000-2003), Regional Programme Officer in the UNDP Regional Bureau for Eastern Europe and the CIS (1997-1999), and Project Management Officer for the Africa Section of UNOPS (1994-1995). He also previously served in the investment-banking sector in Spain and the French Chamber of Commerce in the Dominican Republic.

He holds a Masters of International Affairs from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) and a Maîtrise in Business Management from the Institut Supérieur de Gestion (ISG). He is fluent in English, French, Spanish and Italian.





