



# Engaging with Africa on Climate Change

European Climate Diplomacy

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#### **BIOGRAPHIES**

## **OPENING REMARKS**

# Jos Delbeke

Mr Delbeke is the Director-General of the European Commission's DG Climate Action since its creation in 2010. He was very involved in negotiations on the package on climate change and energy in the EU Council and Parliament. Mr Delbeke has also been a key player in developing Europe's International Climate Change strategy, its legislation on cars and fuels, the European Emissions Trading Scheme, and legislation on air quality and emissions from big industrial installations.

He joined the European Commission in 1986 and was very active on market-based instruments, on cost-benefit analysis, and on the new chemicals legislation REACH. For several years he was the European Commission's chief negotiator at the UNFCCC Conference of the Parties. He holds a PhD in economics and has lectured at the University of Louvain in Belgium. In 1985, he worked temporarily for the International Monetary Fund in Washington.

#### **CHAIRS**

## **Nick Westcott**



Dr Westcott was appointed Managing Director for Africa in the European External Action Service (EEAS) on 1 February 2011. Prior to that, he was British High Commissioner to Ghana and Ambassador to Cote d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso, Togo and Niger from 2008 to 2011. He has had previous postings as Deputy High Commissioner in Dar es Salaam, as Minister-Counsellor at the Embassy in Washington, and at the UK's Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels.

At the FCO in London, he has been involved in EU work and was responsible for organising the G8 Summit in Birmingham in 1998. He was Chief

Information Officer at the FCO from 2002 to 2007. From the end of 1997 until 2001, he worked in DG Development and DG Environment in Brussels on a wide range of environmental issues, particularly climate change in developing countries. He joined the European Commission in 1993, when he was first responsible for the bilateral co-operation covering agricultural policies, rural development and the environment in the EC Delegation in Zimbabwe in Harare. After his University education, he started his professional career at the University of Göttingen, Germany in 1985. His main scientific and lecturing topics were natural resources economics and development economics, including extensive research in rural West Africa. He holds a doctoral degree in agricultural economics.

# **Artur Runge-Metzger**



Mr Runge-Metzger is the Director 'International & Climate Strategy', DG Climate Action of the European Commission. He took up his current position in October 2009. His current directorate covers international & inter-institutional relations, climate finance and deforestation, monitoring, reporting, verification and strategy and economic assessment.

Since 2003, he was Head of Unit focussing on climate strategy and international climate change negotiations. Before this, he spent two years

a in the EC Delegation to Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo. From 1997 until 2001, he worked in DG Development and DG Environment in Brussels on a wide range of environmental issues. He joined the European Commission in 1993, when he was first responsible for the bilateral co-operation covering agricultural policies, rural development and the environment in the EC Delegation in Zimbabwe in Harare. After his University education, he started his professional career at the University of Göttingen, Germany in 1985. His main scientific and lecturing topics were natural resources economics and development economics, including extensive research in rural West Africa. He holds a doctoral degree in agricultural economics.

# **Manuel Lopez Blanco**



Dr. Manuel Lopéz Blanco was appointed in January 2011 as Director for West and Central Africa at the European External Action Service. In addition, he is Senior Coordinator of the EU Strategy for Security and Development in the Sahel.

Prior to that, he was Head of Unit for West Africa at DG Development of the EU. From 1998 to 2002 he was Head of Delegation in Mexico, covering also Cuba, and then Senegal, covering also Cape Verde and the Gambia (2002-2006).

From 1986 to 1998 he worked in DG Agriculture and DG Development, with a special focus on ACP countries and the Economic Partnership Agreements. From 1990 to 1994 he served as Member of Cabinet of Mr M. Mann, Vice-President of the European Commission. Dr. Lopéz Blanco has a diverse academic background, having studied development economics, agricultural economics and economics in the USA, France and Spain.

#### **SPEAKERS**

# Tosi Mpanu-Mpanu



Tosi Mpanu-Mpanu is the Chair of African Group for UNFCCC and Director of the CDM DNA.

He is a Congolese (Dem. Rep. Congo) national, resident in the Democratic Republic of Congo and is currently working in the Ministry of Environment and as Climate Change Negotiator.

Tosi Mpanu-Mpanu has worked as a consultant to the World Bank, in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and as an Adviser to the Minister for

Economic Matters and Foreign Resources Mobilisation. He has a BA in Economics and an MBA, Finance and Investments

# Jürgen Lefevere



Jürgen Lefevere is Adviser, International Climate Negotiations and Strategy, at the Climate Action Directorate-General (DG CLIMA) of the European Commission in Brussels and manages the European Commission's Climate Change Negotiating Task Force. Jürgen also co-chairs a key working group on the future of the Kyoto Protocol in the UN climate negotiations. He regularly represents the European Commission in high level informal and bilateral meetings.

Prior to joining the Commission in October 2003, Jürgen worked at the Foundation for International Environmental Law and Development (FIELD), where he was Director of the Climate Change and Energy Programme. Part of his portfolio was providing assistance to the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) in the climate negotiations. Jürgen played a key role in the development of the EU's greenhouse gas emissions trading system (1998-2005). Jürgen has a law degree from the Maastricht University (the Netherlands), with a specialisation in Dutch Administrative Law and European Law and Languages (1993). He regularly lectures on EU and international environmental law at a number of universities (including Leuven, London, Amsterdam and Florence).

# **Nick Mabey**



Nick Mabey is Chief Executive and a founder director of E3G (Third Generation Environmentalism) a non-profit international organisation dedicated to accelerating the transition to sustainable development. In addition to his management role, Nick leads E3G's work on European climate change policy, climate diplomacy and foreign policy, and the security implications of climate change.

Nick was previously a senior advisor in the UK Prime Minister's Strategy Unit leading work on national and international policy areas, including: energy, climate change, countries at risk of instability, organised crime and fisheries. Nick was employed in the UK FCO's Environment Policy Department, and was the lead for the Johannesburg Summit in 2002 where

he established international partnerships on clean energy, tourism and environmental democracy.

Before he joined government Nick was Head of Economics and Development at WWF-UK. Nick trained as a mechanical engineer at Bristol University and holds a masters degree in Technology and Policy from MIT where he specialised in energy systems analysis.

# Joachim von Braun



Joachim von Braun is an economist, with a Doctoral degree in agricultural economics from University of Göttingen, Germany. He joined ZEF as Professor and Director of the Department for Economic and Technological Change in December 2009. He was also Director at ZEF during its foundation phase 1997-2002. Before returning to ZEF, von Braun was Director General of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) based in Washington, DC, U.S.A. 2002 to 2009. von Braun also has been Professor for Food Economics and Policy at Kiel University, Germany. His research addresses international development economics topics, incl. markets and trade; poverty; health and nutrition; science and technology. von Braun serves on various boards of publishers of journals, as well as national and international advisory bodies of research and policy organizations. 2000-03

he was President of the International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE), he is member of the Academy of Science of North-Rhine Westphalia, of the German Academy of Science and Engineering (acatech), Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences, and member of the International Policy Council (IPC),

## Laurence Tubiana



Laurence Tubiana is founder of the Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI) in Paris. She follows and participates in the international negotiations on climate change, in which IDDRI is highly involved. She is also professor and director of the Sustainable Development Center at Sciences Po Paris.

From May 2009 to May 2010, Laurence Tubiana was asked to set up the new direction of Global Publics Goods of the French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs. She is member of several scientific boards of main research institutions such as the French Agricultural

Research Centre for International Development (CIRAD), the India Council for Sustainable Development and the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development.

From 1997 to 2002, Laurence Tubiana served as senior advisor to the Prime Minister, Lionel Jospin, on environmental issues and conducted a number of international negotiations on this subject. She was also member of the French Council of Economic Analysis and research director for the French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA). She has been a representative of the European NGOs at the World Bank and directed the French-based NGO Solagral. Laurence Tubiana studied at the Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris and holds a PhD in economics.

## Laura Cozzi



Deputy Head, Office of the Chief Economist, International Energy Agency

Laura Cozzi is Deputy Head at the Office of the Chief Economist of the International Energy Agency (IEA). She is in charge of climate change, energy poverty and overall modelling and scenario analysis for the World Energy Outlook, the IEA's flagship publication. Laura Cozzi joined the IEA in 1999, contributing to more than 10 editions of the report. Prior to joining the Agency, she worked as an energy economist for the Italian oil company Eni SpA.

Ms. Cozzi holds a MSc in Environmental Engineering from Milan Polytechnic and a Master in Energy and Environmental Economics.

### Jean-Paul Joulia



Jean-Paul Joulia is a geologist and mining engineer by education

He worked for most of his career in the international field: construction of plants in private sector and since 1984 at the European Commission on energy issues.

From 2003 to 2011 he was responsible for the Commission' programmes to improve nuclear safety outside the EU and to mitigate proliferation risks. He has been appointed in 2011 as Head of the Energy unit at DEVCO.

## Rehana Dada



Rehana Dada is a South African science and environmental journalist. She has produced numerous television documentaries on a wide range of environmental, science and conservation topics, managed and produced a weekly environmental news page that demanded a broad current knowledge base and close links to conservation and environmental organisations, and developed a website for a weekly conservation programme on South African television to further the information life of the programme's inserts and provide additional relevant information. In 2003 she received a Knight Science Journalism Fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology but her education has been mainly informal through the research required for her films.

# **Alexander Carius**



Alexander Carius is co-founder and Managing Director of adelphi. The core topics of his research and consultancy work are: resources and governance, climate and energy, and development and security. He also provides advice on institutional matters with respect to environmental and development policy, policy integration and the development regional and multilateral cooperation frameworks. Alexander advises federal ministries, aid agencies, the European Commission and various international organizations. Institutional and policy learning as well as bridging the science and policies divide are important aspects of his research and consultancy work. He has published more than 200 essays, research papers and books on various matters relating to environmental and

developmental policy. Alexander is board member of various projects and journals and sat on the German government's advisory panel on civilian crisis prevention, conflict resolution and peace consolidation from 2005 to 2009.

#### **Peter Betts**



Peter Betts is the Director of International Climate Change at the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC). He is also the EU Lead Negotiator on the Convention track of the UNFCCC negotiations.

#### **Hussen Alfa Nafo**



Currently advising the Malian Environment and Sanitation Minister, AMCEN Chair on Climate Change (Negotiations, Finance, Project Design & Development) also, Partnership & Mobilization of Financial Resources Section Chief at Environment & Sustainable Development Agency (active participation & oversight of Key Policy documents' drafting: National CC Policy, Strategy & Action Plan, Mali's FAST START, Adaptation Fund's Program, Economy-wide NAMAs, Low-emission Climate Resilient Development Strategy (LECRDS), etc.)

Within AGN (African Group of Negotiators): Mitigation & MRV Lead-coordinator since Bonn 2011, AGN Spokesperson since Panama 2011. Before

joining the Ministry/AEED: held different Consulting positions, worked on evaluating Mali's rural electrification National Program, public transportation fleet renewal, renewable energy program, carbon & sustainable development Fund, etc.