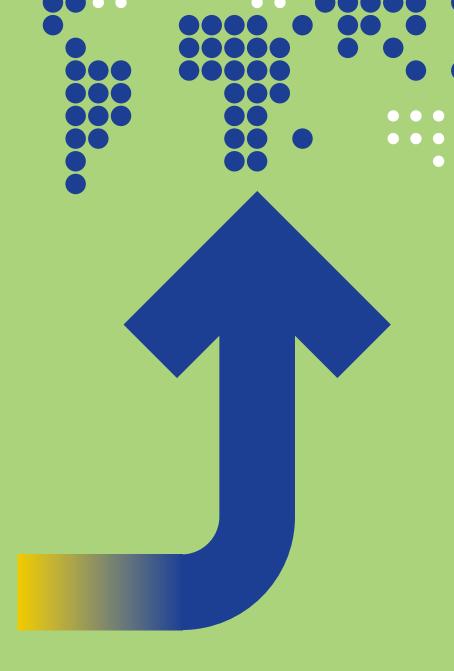
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Chairman, Policy and Management Consulting Group (PMCG); Former Minister of Finance Georgia

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Aleksi Aleksishvili, Chairman and CEO at Policy and Management Consulting Group (PMCG), has 20 years of working experience in the public finance and economic development policy sector as a high-level government official and the government adviser responsible for budget and financial policy, tax and customs policy reform, business climate improvement and doing business environment.

While working as Minister of Finance of Georgia between 2005 and 2007, he successfully conducted a series of reforms in the domains of public finance, tax and customs policy and administration as well as economic deregulation and liberalization domains. Notably, Georgia was ranked by the World Bank "Doing Business" survey as the world's top reformer country in 2005-10. Similarly, Georgia also rose from 132nd place to 18th in the ranking of "Ease of Doing Business" by the World Bank between 2004 and 2007.

As Minister of Finance, Aleksishvili conducted reforms in public finance management and tax and customs. As a result of comprehensive policy reforms, Georgia's GDP growth rate in 2005-2007 reached over 10% on average (2005 - 9.6%, 2006 - 9.4% and 2007 - 12.3%) while the country's FDI increased from USD 250 million in 2004 to USD 2.1 billion in 2007.

Aleksishvili has accumulated exceptional knowledge of development challenges. As the Chairman of the United Nations Commission of Sustainable Development (2005-2006), he has addressed issues related to energy, climate change, air pollution and industrial development, successfully adopted by the Commission and UN General Assembly.

Aleksishvili is a member of the Caucasus and Central Asia Advisory Group (CCAG) of the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Middle East and Central Asia Department (MCD). He has advised numerous governments of countries such as Albania, Mongolia, Kosovo, Mozambique, Afghanistan and Kyrgyzstan to enhance their respective business enabling environments by providing valuable assistance and delivering specialized experience of a transitional country.





Mr. Rustam Aminjonov is a Deputy Director at Analytical Center "Navo", which is a non-governmental organization, engaged in carrying out high-quality independent research and the provision of innovative, practical and individual advices based on intricate knowledge of local conditions and specifics in all sectors of the economy of Tajikistan. Mr. Aminjonov has extensive experience in the development and implementation of government policy in various areas of economic reform, in particular the implementation of public administration reform. Several years he was Head of Division of investment projects implementation in the Executive Office of the President of Tajikistan, and later directly involved in the management of a number of projects, funded by the World Bank, Asian Development Bank, European Union, United Nations Development Programme and others. He holds a Master degree in engineering (1993) and a doctorate in economics (2004) from Tajik Technical University. Author of one monograph and numerous articles in scientific journals in Tajikistan and abroad.



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Lena Lee Andresen is the Deputy Head of the Bilateral Cooperation unit of the Swiss National Bank (SNB). In this capacity, she is responsible for the coordination of the SNB's technical assistance to other central banks. Before taking up this position, she was a Senior Economist in the SNB's International Monetary Cooperation division and served as Advisor to the Executive Director of the Swiss constituency at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington DC. Prior to joining the SNB, Ms. Andresen was an Investment Strategist at UBS and a Political Analyst at the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs. Ms. Andresen holds an MSc in Economics from the University of St. Gallen and an MA in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva.

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Candidate of Economic Sciences, Associate Professor, Head of the Institutional Research and Social Sector of the Economy Department of the Institute of Economics and Demography of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tajikistan. Deputy Director of Think-Tank - Analytical Center "NAVO".

Member of the Coordination Council of the Think Tanks of the CAREC Institute (since September 2017)

He graduated from Moscow State University by M.V.Iomonosov, Faculty of Economics, Department of Political Economy, in 1975. He defended his thesis at the Institute of Economics of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR on the topic "Regional problems of reproduction and use of labor".

He trained and was on scientific trips to the USA, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Turkey, Dubai, China, Japan, South Africa, Ethiopia, as well as in all CIS countries.

Developer of National Human Development Reports in Tajikistan 2010, 2012, 2013 and 2015

He was a member of the Working Group of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan on the development of: NDS-2015 and PRS 2007-2009; NDS-2030 and MDPT 2016-2020

Conducted Assessments of the implementation and completion of joint National and International Strategies and programs: State Strategy for the Development of the Labor Market of the Republic of Tajikistan until 2020; Tajikistan's National Decent Work Agenda 2011-2013 and 2015-2017; National Action Plan for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor in the Republic of Tajikistan 2015-2020; Application of the G-20 Learning Strategy to the Partnership of the ILO Project and the Russian Federation (Stage II).

He has more than 360 published scientific works - monographs, textbooks and manuals, articles.



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Mr. Levon Barkhudaryan holds a PHD in economics and having a huge working experience in the spheres of economy and finance has made his contribution to the economy of the Republic of Armenia from the beginning of the independency of the country.

Key qualifications are experience in leadership, guidance and co-ordination of design, implementation and monitoring of macroeconomic, public finance, regional development policies. Experience in strategic advice to government agencies and international organizations in Armenia on a range of financial sector, public finance management. As well as consulting practices with the number of international organizations in Armenia and internationally including DFID, UNDP, USAID, EU, GIZ and the World Bank.

At present he is holding a position of director of Training centre of the State Revenue Committee of RA starting from 2016. From 2001 to 2017 he worked at AVAG Solutions Ltd consulting company as senior adviser. From 2010 to 2012 he hold the position of vice rector of Armenian State Economic University. From 2001 to 2007 Chairman of the Supervisory Board at Armimpexbank CJSC. From 1999 to 2000 Mr. Barkhudaryan worked as Minister of Finance and Economy of the Republic of Armenia and from 1993 to 1997 as Minister of Finance of the Republic of Armenia. During this period some of important projects brought into life were introduction of the national currency, establishment of the basic tax and customs legislation, and organic budgetary system law.





Amelie Brune is an Economist in the Bilateral Cooperation unit of the Swiss National Bank (SNB). Prior to joining the SNB, she worked as Research and Teaching Assistant at the Department of Banking and Finance at the University of Zurich from 2008 to 2017. In 2015, she was a Visiting Lecturer at the ISM University of Management and Economics in Vilnius, Lithuania. She also visited the Leibniz Institute for Economic Research at the University of Munich (ifo Institute) and the London School of Economics. Ms. Brune received her PhD in Economics from the University of Zurich in 2017.



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Lilia Burunciuc is the Regional Director for the Central Asia Region at the World Bank. Since joining the World Bank in 1996, she held a range of increasingly challenging positions: Manager in Operations Policy and Country Services; Country Manager for Macedonia; Country Program Coordinator for Southern Africa and Central Asia; Senior Country Officer for Ukraine and Belarus.

She has strong and diversified World Bank experience in leading teams and complex operational and corporate assignments such as regional and country strategies, World Bank's operations simplification and coding reform. She has extensive experience on leading policy dialogue with governments on various aspects of development. She led the preparation of the first World Bank regional strategy for Central Asia.

Prior to joining the Bank, Ms. Burunciuc was a Deputy Governor of the National Bank of Moldova (central bank). In that capacity she worked on the establishment of a regulatory framework for the foreign exchange market, reform of banking supervision and bank restructuring.

She has a master of public administration degree from George Washington University (USA) and a degree (master level) in Economics, Management and Planning form the Technical University of Moldova.



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Marco Cavaliere is Head of the Bilateral Cooperation unit of the Swiss National Bank (SNB). His main responsibility is the supervision and coordination of (i) the SNB's official bilateral relationships with other central banks, (ii) monetary and technical assistance to other central banks, and (iii) the preparation of the Swiss position on country-specific items discussed at the Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Before joining the SNB, Mr. Cavaliere was Senior Advisor of the Swiss Executive Director at the IMF in Washington DC, Senior Economist at the Swiss State Secretariat for International Financial Matters, Deputy Head of the Aggregate Risks and Scenario Analysis unit in the Risk Management Department of the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority, and Program Manager for the Central Bankers Courses in Finance and Monetary Economics at the Study Centre Gerzensee (a foundation of the SNB). Mr. Cavaliere holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Bern.



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Michael began his career at the OECD, Paris, from 1966 to 1973. Upon accession of the UK to the EU in 1973 he joined the European Commission in the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs, where he had successive responsibilities for macroeconomic analysis and forecasting, the economics of forming the internal market and later the monetary union. His last position at the Commission was as its first Ambassador to the USSR and then Russia from 1991 to 1995.

From 1996 to 1998 he was Senior Research Fellow at the London School of Economics.

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Michael joined CEPS as an Associate Senior Research Fellow in 1998, and has worked on a succession of projects, mainly in the European neighbourhood. These initially concerned the conflict zones of the European neighbourhood, including the Balkans, Cyprus, the Middle East and the Caucasus. More recently he has focused his work on the East European neighbourhood, with projects on Ukraine, Moldova and Georgia. Also concurrently on Brexit.

Education:

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M.A. Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Balliol College, University of Oxford); Honorary doctorates from the Universities of Keele and Kent

Languages:

English, French



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Bakhodur Eshonov is an experienced expert in development policy. In the early 1990s he worked in different government institutions of Uzbekistan (State Planning Committee, Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, State Committee for Forecasting and Statistics). In 1994 he joined UNDP as coordinator of the first National Human Development Report of UNDP. He later worked at different positions with UNDP being in charge of some major initiatives and programmes. The latter particularly included the set up of the most think tank in Tank-Tank in Uzbekistan - Center for Economic Research (www.cer.uz). In this his capacity, Bakhodur Eshonov was engaged in the formulation of the first national medium-term Welfare Improvement Strategy and later in the formulation of Vision-2030 for Uzbekistan. He is currently an independent consultant, provides consultancy for major development actors in the region of Central Asia (UNDESA, Asian Development Bank, FAO, ESCAP, etc.).





Born 1958, studies at Zurich and Yale. Entered Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland in 1989 as career diplomat. Worked at the World Bank as Country Officer for Haiti 1994 to 1997. Returned to diplomatic service as head of economic and financial unit at the Swiss Embassy in Bonn and Berlin in 1997. Managing strategy and public policy at private sector Think Tank Avenir Suisse in 2002. Posted at Swiss Delegation to the OECD in Paris in 2006, as head of mission in ambassador rank from 2010. Returned to Foreign Affairs headquarters in Bern in 2014 as head of Sectoral Policies, covering Finance, Economy, Environment and Science. Since 2018 Delegate of the Federal Council for Trade Agreements and Head of Special Foreign Economic Services.



Chairman of the Board, Swiss Investment Fund in Emerging Markets (SIFEM); Chairman, Swiss Sustainable Finance Switzerland



Jean-Daniel Gerber was born in 1946.

In the late 1970s, Jean-Daniel Gerber was a Swiss delegate to the World Trade Organization (WTO). He subsequently headed up the Developing Countries Section at Switzerland's then Federal Office for Foreign Economic Affairs. He then moved to the Swiss Embassy in Washington as head of the Finance, Economics and Trade Division.

In the mid-1990s, Jean-Daniel Gerber spent five years as an Executive Director and as Dean of the World Bank Board, before being appointed Director of the Swiss Federal Office for Migration in November 1997. In April 2004, he became State Secretary and Director of Switzerland's State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), retiring from this post in March 2011.

Jean-Daniel Gerber currently holds various positions: He chairs the Board of SIFEM (Swiss Investment fund for Emerging Markets) and is a Board member of Lonza Group AG. He is chairman of the Swiss Society for Public Good and the association "Swiss Sustainable Finance" and a member of AOAF-Foundation. He received an honorary doctorate from the University of Berne. The maxim of Jean-Daniel Gerber is "Ut melius fiat" (turn it to the better).



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John Hauert works for the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), where he focuses on sustainability in emerging markets and sustainable infrastructure in particular. At GIZ, John heads a project on sustainable and inclusive connectivity in Asia, covering, inter alia, the Belt and Road Initiative.

John studied law, politics and economics at Sciences Po, the University of Edinburgh, and Columbia University. He completed his doctorate at the University of Cologne on the legal and policy framework for investments in the extractive industries in West Africa. He interned with the German government, and several international law firms in Paris and worked as a research assistant with the Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment.

From 2014 to 2017, he worked on legal and investment policy issues at the OECD's Investment Division in Paris.



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Daniel Heller was head of financial stability at the Swiss National Bank, head of the Secretariat of the Committee on Payment and Settlement Systems at the Bank for International Settlements, and executive director for Switzerland, Poland, Serbia, Azerbaijan, and four Central Asian republics at the International Monetary Fund. He received his PhD from the University of Bern and was a research fellow at Stanford University. His academic publications are on optimal design of bond auctions, demand for central bank money, and collateral requirements for over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives clearing. His current research focuses on the impact of emerging digital technologies such as blockchain on the financial sector, financial stability, and central banking.





Werner Hermann was director at the Swiss National Bank (SNB) and in charge of central bank cooperation. Since he joined the SNB over twenty-five years ago, he has been involved in macroeconomic research, banking and financial market issues, and international relations. Mr. Hermann was a visiting scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Prior to joining the SNB he taught at the Uni¬versity of Basel and was a member of the Basel Business Cycle Research Group (BAK, now BAK Basel Economics AG). He received a doctorate in economics from the University of Basel.



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HU Biliang is now the Dean of Emerging Markets Institute (EMI), as well as the Director of the Belt and Road Research Institute (BRRI) of Beijing Normal University (BNU), also a professor of Economics of the University. Before his professorship, he was the Chief China Economist of SG Securities Asia; He also worked with the World Bank Beijing Office as an economist in 1990s. He used to teach Development Economics in the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences as an economics professor of the Academy.

His latest publications include Chinese Village, Global Market (with Tony Saich), New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012; China's New Deal: The Development of China's Economy Under the International Financial Crisis (co-editor), New York: Nova Science Pub Inc, 2011; Informal Institutions and Rural Development in China, London and New York: Routledge, 2007 and A Village Economy in Central Thailand, Bangkok: Thai Watana Panich Press, 2007.

His works won twice (in 1994 and 2006 respectively) Sun Yefang Economic Prize which is the highest economics research award in China, and he also won Zhang Peigang Development Economics Award in 2009.

He received his Doctorate of Economics from the School of Economics and Management, Witten/Herdecke University in Germany, Master of Science degree jointly by University of Dortmund in Germany and Asian Institute of Technology in Bangkok Thailand, and he also conducted a two and half year post-doc research program in the Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University.





Nasiba Imaralieva is a Senior Economist in the Bilateral Cooperation unit of the Swiss National Bank (SNB). Prior to that, she worked as an Economist in the Middle East and Central Asia Department at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) from March 2016 to April 2017. From 1998 to 2016, Ms. Imaralieva worked at the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and served for the bank in various positions, and she headed the Monetary Policy Division for six years. Ms. Imaralieva holds a Master of Public Administration from the Columbia University (USA, 2018) and a Master of Arts in Economics from the Bowling Green State University (USA, 2009).



Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch

State Secretary for Economic Affairs
Switzerland



State Secretary Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch (*1961), Attorney, MBA, SECO Director and Director of the Foreign Economic Affairs Directorate since 1 April 2011. From 2007 Federal Council Ambassador and Delegate for Trade Agreements, Switzerland's chief negotiator at the World Trade Organisation (WTO) as well as member of the SECO Board of Directors and in addition to the WTO responsible for the OECD and free trade agreements as head of the World Trade Division in the Foreign Economic Affairs Directorate. Previously, from 1999 to 2007, head of the WTO sector. From 1995 head of section in the WTO section of the Federal Office of Foreign Economic Affairs FOFEA. 1992/1993 she worked at the World Bank (Washington D.C., USA) as assistant to Switzerland's Executive Director's. From 1990 to 1995 scientific adviser in the Legal Service and International Investment and Technology Transfer Service in the FOFEA. 1989 gained her MBA from INSEAD (Fontainebleau, F). 1988 Junior Consultant at McKinsey in Zurich. 1987 gained her law degree at the University of Berne qualifying as an attorney.



Governor, National Bank of Kazakhstan Kazakhstan



Mr. Jandosov is currently the director of the RAKURS Center for Economic Research, serving in this role since 2008; Chairman of the Board of Association of Economists of Kazakhstan; and Advisor to the Board and member of the Presidium of the National Economic Chamber of Kazakhstan "Atameken Union."

He has held a number of prominent roles in Kazakhstan throughout his career, including Chairman of the Agency for Natural Monopolies Regulation and Protection of Competition, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Air Kazakhstan, Chairman of the Board of Association of Financiers of Kazakhstan, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Chairman of the National Bank of Kazakhstan, and President of JSC KEGOC. He has served as an assistant to the President, a member of the Higher Economic Council and National Council for Sustainable Development, and as co-chairman of Akzhol and True Akzhol, Kazakh political parties.

He graduated from Moscow State University as an economist-cybernetician in 1987.



Founding Partner, EGE Advisors; Former Vice Prime Minister; Former Minister of Foreign Affairs Georgia

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Mikheil Janelidze has a demonstrated history of successful work in the international affairs and economic development field. He has exceptional mix of public and private sector experience in national and international arena.

Mikheil is a founding partner of EGE, an advisory firm which offers to international businesses, international institutions and national governments political and economic intelligence, expertise in trade, investment, economic sectors and regional integration policies, government and business communications, to make informed decisions, minimize the risks and get maximum benefits in Eastern European region.

As a Vice Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Georgia (2015-2018), Mikheil Janelidze achieved to deepen ties with the US, the EU, Western and Central Asia as well as Japan, India and China resulting in strengthened economic and security cooperation, enhanced role of Georgia in the region and unique economic integration with the largest regional and world economic powers. Georgia became the leader of the EU's Eastern Partnership program and strengthened trade and security ties with the US and NATO, concluded free trade agreement with China, launched negotiations on bilateral investment treaty with Japan and started free trade exploratory talks with India. Georgia took the leadership role in the implementation process of Sustainable Development Goal #16 and chaired the Open Government Partnership.

Mikheil Janelidze served as a Vice Minister of Economy and chief trade negotiator of Georgia (2011-2015). He successfully negotiated Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement with the EU, which has resulted in upgrade of Georgia's trade policies. Mikheil actively participated in the development and implementation of enterprise and SME Development mechanisms. Georgia strengthened relations with international donors and IFIs (WB, ADB, EBRD, EIB, AIIB) and augmented investments in sustainable development, clean energy, transport infrastructure.

Before joining the public service Janelidze worked for the private sector as a manager and an entrepreneur in the area of business development and management consulting mostly focused on international trade and investment.

Mikheil Janelidze earned his bachelor's degree with honors in International Relations from Tbilisi State University in 2002 and MBA in Global Management with Distinction from the Grenoble Graduate School of Business in 2011. Mikheil speaks Georgian, English, Russian and German.



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Dr. Jeker serves as CEO and Chairman of Emerging Market Services Ltd and as CEO and Vice-Chair of the AO Foundation. He is also Chairman of the Advisory Board of SGS Switzerland, Chairman of CARBURA, Switzerland and a Member of the Board of Case New Holland, part of Fiat Industrial.

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Thomas J. Jordan is Chairman of the Governing Board of the Swiss National Bank (SNB). He received his PhD in economics from the University of Bern in 1993. Following a three-year post-doctoral research position at the Department of Economics at Harvard University, he joined the SNB as an Economic Advisor in 1997. The University of Bern appointed him lecturer in 1998 and honorary professor in 2003, and he received an honorary doctorate from the University of Basel in 2017. In 2007, the Federal Council appointed Thomas J. Jordan to the position of Member of the SNB's Governing Board. In 2010, he was appointed Vice Chairman and in 2012 Chairman of the Governing Board. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) in Basel and of the Steering Committee of the Financial Stability Board (FSB). He is the Governor of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for Switzerland, as well as Chairman of the G10 Central Bank Counterfeit Deterrence Group (CBCDG).



Deputy Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

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Deputy Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF) International Organization Current position: Deputy director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, IMF, since March 2012. Oversees the department's work on Egypt, the West Bank and Gaza, and the CCA (Caucasus and Central Asia) countries.

Previous positions: In the IMF since 1986. Has previously worked in the Research, Asian, Policy Development and Review, and European Departments. Past assignments include period as resident representative in India, work on advanced and emerging market countries in Asia (Japan, Singapore, Poland, Thailand), heading IMF missions to Albania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Germany, and Russia, and reviewing IMF work on some 50 countries representing all continents.

Prior to joining the IMF, in 1982–86 worked as assistant professor at New York University, associate professor and professor at Helsinki School of Economics, and research advisor at the Bank of Finland.



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Vice President for Europe and Central Asia,
World Bank
Kazakhstan



Shigeo Katsu is President of Nazarbayev University, a position he has held since December 2010. Prior to that, over the course of a 30-year career at the World Bank, Shigeo Katsu held various positions including leading financial sector reform support for China, Director for Côte d'Ivoire, and Vice President for Europe and Central Asia.

After his retirement from the World Bank, he served for a few years on the US board of a youth-oriented international development NGO. Between 2011 and 2015 he was an Advisory Panel member of the ASEAN+3 Macro-Economic Research Office (AMRO). In addition to his responsibilities at the university he is a member of the National Commission on the Modernization of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and serves as advisor to international and bilateral development institutions.

In 2010/2011 he authored a chapter of "Asia, 2050: Realizing the Asian Century" by the Asian Development Bank, in 2014 he served as an editor for the book "Kazakhstan 2050 – Towards a Modern Society for All" (2014), and in 2015/16 was involved in the book "Central Asia 2050 – Unleashing the Region's Potential".





Head, PR Department, Lukoil, **Uzbekistan Operating Company** Uzbekistan

Employment Experience

LUKOIL Uzbekistan Operating Company (Russian Oil and Gas Company) Tashkent, Uzbekistan Leading Specialist Oct.2014-till now PR and Protocol Department

Central Bank of Uzbekistan: Tashkent, Uzbekistan Head of Division International Relations 2010-2014 Foreign Exchange Regulation and International Relations Department Head of Unit International Protocol 2002-2010 Foreign Exchange Regulation and International Relations Department Junior Expert Foreign Exchange Regulation and International Relations Department 2001-2002 "UZVOD Construction and Trade" Foreign Economical Company Tashkent, Uzbekistan Russian-English Interpreter 1998-2001

Education and Qualification World Trade Institute, University of Bern Bern, Switzerland Master of International Law and Economics 2003-2004 Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies Tashkent, Uzbekistan Master of International Relations 2000-2002 Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies Tashkent, Uzbekistan Bachelor of International Relations, (Diploma with honors) 1996-2000



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Giorgi Khishtovani is a Research Director at PMC Research Center. His research focuses on the political economy and governance, on fiscal policy, human capital development, international trade and global finance. He has more than 10 years of professional working experience at public, private and non-governmental sectors in Georgia and abroad. Before joining PMC Research Center Giorgi worked as the deputy dean of faculty of business administartion and economics at Tbilisi State University (2009-2011), in 2011-2014 he was as a research fellow at the University of Bremen, while in 2015-2016 he worked as the head of research at Institute of Development of Freedom of Information (IDFI) and in 2015-2017 he worked as the director of grants and programs at the National Science Foundation of Georgia (SRNSF). Giorgi has a extensive experience as a researcher, trainer and consultant within the framework of various international projects conducted by the World Bank, the IFC, the European Union, UNDP, GIZ and Federal Foreign Office of Germany. He holds a PhD degree in economics from the University of Bremen (Germany). His PhD thesis covered the topic of the transformation of governance structures in Georgia between 2003-2012. He studied economics and law in Bremen, Trier, Lüneburg and Tbilisi and holds a LL.M. degree from University of Trier (Germany), a Master of Science degree (MSc) in Economics and Social Sciences from the University of Trier (Germany) and a Bachelor degree in Business and Law from the Georgian Technical University. Currently, Dr. Khishtovani is an Associate Professor and head of department of finance at the Business School of Ilia State University and previously tought economics and business administration at the University of Bremen and Caucasus International University. He has published numerous papers in academic journals. Giorgi is fluent in German, English, Russian and Georgian.



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Harinder S. Kohli is the Founding Director and Chief Executive of Emerging Markets Forum as well as Founding Director, President, and CEO of Centennial Group International, both based in Washington, D.C. He is the Editor of Global Journal of Emerging Markets Economies. Prior to starting his current ventures, he served over 25 years in various senior managerial positions at the World Bank. He has written extensively on the emergence of Asia, Latin America, Africa and other emerging market economies, financial development, private capital flows, and infrastructure. He is an author and co-editor of India 2039: An Affluent Society in One Generation (2010), Latin America 2040—Breaking Away from Complacency: An Agenda for Resurgence (2010), A Resilient Asia amidst Global Financial Crisis (2010), and Islamic Finance (2011), Asia 2050: Realizing the Asian Century (2011), and A New Vision for Mexico 2042: Achieving Prosperity for All (2012). He led Centennial Group teams that helped ADB and CAF develop their long term corporate strategies. Mr. Kohli is currently leading a year long EMF study on the long term prospects and challenges faced by emerging market economies worldwide.



Distinguished Resident Scholar, Emerging Markets Forum; Former Regional Vice President, World Bank United States

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Johannes F. Linn is a Distinguished Resident Scholar at the Emerging Markets Forum in Washington, D.C., and a Non-resident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution, and currently serves as the chair for the 10th Replenishment Consultations of the International Fund for Agricultural Development. From 2005-2010 he was Director of the Wolfensohn Center for Development at Brookings. Prior to joining Brookings in 2003, he worked for three decades at the World Bank in various capacities, including as the Bank's Vice President for Financial Policy and Resource Mobilization (1991-1995) and Vice President for Europe and Central Asia (1996-2003). Johannes Linn has published extensively on development and global governance issues, including Central Asia and the Caucasus: At the Crossroads of Eurasia in the 21st Century (co-editor; Sage, 2011), Getting to Scale: How to Bring Development Solutions to Millions of Poor People (co-editor; Brookings Press 2013) and Financing Metropolitan Governments in Developing Countries (co-editor; Lincoln Institute of Land Policy). He was project director and co-editor for the book Kazakhstan 2050: Toward a Modern Society for All (Oxford University Press, 2014). His current research interests are in the areas of aid effectiveness (with a special focus on scaling up successful development interventions), on global governance reform, and on regional cooperation (with a special focus on Central Asia). Linn holds a Bachelor degree from Oxford University (1968) and a doctorate in economics from Cornell University (1973).





Nigar Mammadova was a Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Financial Markets Supervisory Authority of Azerbaijan during 2016-2018.

Prior to that, she was a director of the Market Operations Department at the Central Bank of Azerbaijan during 2005-2016, responsible for FX reserves management and monetary policy operations. During this time she was a member of Monetary Policy and Financial Stability Committee, Investment Committee, Human Resources Committee and Budget Committee. Nigar holds BSc (Hons) in applied mathematics and cybernetics from Baku State University, Azerbaijan, and MBA in Finance from Brandeis University, USA.



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Was born on 26 December, 1959, in Alma-Ata.

In 1984 he graduated with honors from the Moscow State Institute of International relations, majoring in International Economic Relations.

In 1979-1981 served in the army.

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From 1984 to 1990 he worked in various positions at the Ministry of Nonferrous Metallurgy of Kazakh SSR and at the Kazakh Economic and Technical Research Institute.

From 1990 to 1991 he was a trainee at the Carl Duisberg Ges, Germany.

From 1992 to 1994 he worked as Aide to Vice-president of the Republic the Kazakhstan.

From 1994 to 1996 he worked as Deputy Governor of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From November 1996 to October 1997 he worked as Chairman of the National Securities Commission of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From October 1997 to October 1999 he was Adviser to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From May 1998 to October 1999 he worked as President of Deutsche Bank Securities (Kazakhstan).

From October 1999 to January 2004 he worked as Governor of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From January to April, 2004 he worked as the First deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From April to October 2004 he worked as Economic Aide to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From October 2004 to January 2009 was Adviser to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

From January 2005 to January 2009 he worked as CEO of Halyk Bank.

From January 2009 to September 2013 he worked as the Governor of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Since October 2013 he is an Independent Economist. He also acts as Advisor and an Independent member of Board of Directors in several institutions.

The best Central Bank Governor of the Year (2003, Euromoney magazine)
The Honorary Consul General of the Kingdom of Spain in Almaty and Almaty region.
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Institutional Analysis on International Economic Cooperation, Yuhikaku(in Japanese);

"Regional Economic Disparities and Fiscal Decentralization in China", in East Asian Economic Review No.3, Shanghai Center for Economic Research, Graduate School of Economics, Kyoto University(in Japanese);

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Visiting Scholar, financial analysis and risk management using derivatives

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Doctoral Thesis on the current account surplus of Japan and its international implications

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Licence ès sciences économiques (mention Très bien)

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Mr. Nag's work has given him wide-ranging insight into several issues and challenges relevant to Asia, including infrastructure financing, public-private partnerships and regional economic integration. His particular interest is in working to enhance regional cooperation and integration in Asia and bridging the gap between the region's thriving economies and the millions of poor people being left behind.

Mr. Nag began his professional career at the Bank of Canada and held senior positions in a leading international consulting firm before joining ADB.

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Nuriyev is active as an international speaker at public universities, think-tanks and international conferences in the USA, UK, Germany, France, Russia and elsewhere in Europe and throughout the world since 1994. He has lectured internationally on post-Soviet Eurasia at a number of respected universities and research institutions, including Columbia University, Stanford University, George Washington University, Brookings Institution, CSIS, Woodrow Wilson Center, The Jamestown Foundation, Chatham House, International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, Russian Diplomatic Academy, Carnegie Moscow Center, Russian Institute for Strategic Studies, Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russkiy Mir Foundation, George Mason University, University of Bonn, Peace Research Institute in Frankfurt, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, German Council on Foreign Relations and other professional organizations.

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His research interests lie in politics, economics and security of the post-Soviet Eurasia. His main areas of expertise include Russia's foreign policy interests and strategies; EU's Eastern neighborhood policy in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine; conflict resolution in Eastern Europe and the South Caucasus; energy security in the wider Black Sea-Caspian basin; US policy and interest in the post-Soviet territory; and regional relations (Iran – Turkey) in Eurasia. His current research focuses on post-conflict energy security cooperation scenarios including a new model of cooperation of the Belt and Road Initiative.

Nuriyev earned B.A. and M.A. degrees with distinction in Linguistics from Azerbaijan University of Foreign Languages in 1992. He received his Ph.D. in political science from Lomonosov Moscow State University and the Institute of Socio-Political Research at the Russian Academy of Sciences in 1996, and a habilitation degree (Dr. habil.) from the University of Bonn (Germany) in 2004. He also studied at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany in 2001. Nuriyev speaks fluent English, German, Turkish, Kazakh and Uzbek.



Djoomart Otorbaev Former Prime Minister Kyrgyz Republic



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Mr. Otorbaev has been graduated with honors from the Leningrad University (1978), received his Ph. D. from Lebedev Physical Institute (Moscow) (1981), and his Research Professorship in Moscow (1989). He worked in few research institutions, including visiting professor position at the Eindhoven University (The Netherlands) (1992-1996). From 1996 he is the CEO of Philips Electronics Representative office, the Vice-president of Philips Electronics in Central Asia. In 2001 he was appointed as a Special representative of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic on Foreign Investments, and at the same time he founded, and became the first Executive Director of the Public Association "Investment Round Table", the NGO which is known for its contribution to the economic reform progress in the country. Between 2002 and 2005 he worked as a Deputy Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic. After that he worked as a Senior Adviser in the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), based in London (2006-2011).

In addition to his involvement in government and business, Mr. Otorbaev is the founding member of the Board of Trustees of the American University in Central Asia, the only self-governing liberal arts university in the region since its inception in 1997. Mr. Otorbaev has been honorary member and invited speaker at numerous boards and forums on emerging markets development and investment.



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Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Sohibkorbank; Former Governor, National Bank of Tajikistan Tajikistan



Mr. Abdujabbor Shirinzoda was born on June 20, 1953 in the Khatlon region of the Republic of Tajikistan. In 1974 he graduated from Tajik State National University with a degree in computer science. Later in 1999, he earned a degree in economics from the same university.

Mr. A. Shirinzoda's working career started in 1974 as a computer software programmer in the data-processing center of Tajik State National University. He left the data center in 1992 from the position of Head of the Department for development of management information systems.

From 1992 to 2006, he worked in the banking industry of Tajikistan, serving as a chief engineer, and then director of the settlements department of the National Bank of Tajikistan (NBT), Deputy and First Deputy Chairman of the Agro-Industrial Investment Bank of Tajikistan, Deputy and First Deputy Chairman of the NBT.

After that, he served as Chairman of the State Committee for Control over Public Finances and then Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Tajikistan to the USA.

In 2012, he returned to the banking industry and worked as Chairman of the NBT, resigned in 2015. Currently working in private sector as Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Sohibkorbank.



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Dr Astrid Skala-Kuhmann is an international lawyer, expert in emerging markets and sustainability issues with focus on China. She presently acts as special advisor to the board of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, in particular on the Belt and Road Initiative, where she serves as focal point within GIZ and a special envoy, furthermore on strategic issues for the China portfolio, G20 and other global partnership issues. She acts as co-dean for the "Zukunftsbrücke" (Sino-German Young Professional Campus, jointly implemented by ACYF and Mercatorfoundation/BMW Foundation) since 2016. Since several years Ms Skala-Kuhmann is a supervisory board member of Lenzing AG and Semperit AG, Austria (stocklisted global companies).

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Peter Stutz

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Peter Stutz joined the Swiss State Secretariat for International Finance SIF in 2017 where he advises the Finance Minister and the State Secretary for International Finance on Asian finan-cial markets related policies and initiatives.

Peter Stutz has over fifteen years' experience in the financial service industry. Before joining SIF, he consulted large and medium sized Swiss banks on regulatory driven business trans-formation projects.

Peter Stutz studied Economics and Political Science at the Universities of Zurich, St. Gallen and Singapore.







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Professional Experience

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He started working for JICA April 2016, after graduation of Kyoto University, was responsible for development cooperation with Iraq until April 2018. He was mainly in charge of formulation of Yen-loan water supply project in Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

Education

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Development cooperation in Middle East, Credit Risk Analysis in Middle East and South Asia.





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He has edited several books on international finance including most recently "Bretton Woods: The Next 70 Years" (2015, English edition and 2016 Chinese edition and 2017 russian edition), The 10 Years After the end of the familiar. Reflections of the great financial economic Crisis (2018). Mr. Uzan has authored academic papers on the new architecture for the international financial system and has written extensively about economics and finance in the popular press.

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He earned an M.iur from Göttingen University, Ph.D. in economy from Pierre Mendes-France University (Grenoble II) and Dr. hab. in economy from the Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO, Moscow). After several years of experience in applied economy research projects at the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), the Catholic University of Leuven and the University of Jena he proceeded to working with the Eurasian Development Bank in Almaty, Kazakhstan, being responsible for macro- and microeconomic analysis in particular, as well as the development bank's research program. Dr. Vinokurov was the founding director of the EDB Centre for Integration Studies at the Eurasian Development Bank since 2011 until July 2018. The Centre specialized in quantitative research and carries out activities in the following fields: economic integration in the Eurasian Economic Union, economic modeling, mutual investment and corporate integration, trade economics, fiscal and monetary issues, cooperation in the market for financial services, and systematic research of Eurasian integration. The Centre published 50 reports and worked extensively for the national ministries of the EDB member states, presidential administrations and the Eurasian Economic Commission.

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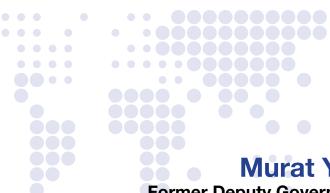


Daniel Woker retired from the Diplomatic Service after having served as Ambassador in Australia (including the Melanesian islands), in Singapore (including Brunei) and in Kuwait (including Bahrain and Qatar). Prior to these missions Mr. Woker was first and founding director, with the rank of Ambassador, of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy GCSP. Earlier diplomatic postings included Deputy Chief of Mission in Paris, in Stockholm and as economic officer at the Swiss UN mission in New York.

At home office he accomplished missions as development cooperation officer in the Foreign Trade Division, including deskduty for the Asian Development Bank, and as Deputy Head of the European Division during the crucial transition period of 1989-93 where he was responsible for the first aid packet for Eastern Europe and for crisis management during the violent break-up of Yugoslavia.

Daniel Woker, a Swiss national, was born 1948 in Zurich and studied law and international relations there, in Geneva and in the US. He holds a PhD (Dr. iur.) in international law from the University of Zurich. Before joining the Swiss Foreign Ministry, he worked as an auditor for then PMM, now KPMG in Geneva. He served in the Swiss Armed Forces as a First Lieutenant of the mountaineering infantry.

He is trilingual German/French/English. He is married to the former Myriam Thürler, an independent theatre producer from Fribourg(Switzerland). They live on the Lake of Thun(Switzerland) and in Paris. They have two adult children.



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