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GLOBAL PREPARATORY MEETING

3 April 2012, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations, New York

BIOGRAPHIES

Opening session



Ambassador Miloš Koterec became President of the Economic and Social Council on 10 January 2012 after serving as Senior Vice-President of the Council in 2011.

Ambassador Koterec has assumed his functions as Permanent Representative of Slovakia to the United Nations in September 2009. During his current tenure, he has served in several positions, including as Chairman of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) of the 65th session of the General A8D hrE.J19.9Kthe Dis.6nrD71

the Disarmament Section and in 2000 as Director. From 1995 until 1999 he worked at the Permanent Mission of Slovakia to the United Nations in New York in the rank of First Secretary. He started his civil servant career in 1993 and was later appointed Chief of the United Nations Section in the Department of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Koterec was an Assistant Lecturer at the Faculty of Electrotechnical Engineering and Informatics at the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava from 1989 until 1993.

He graduated from the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava in 1986, Faculty of Electrotechnical Engineering and Informatics. Subsequently, in 1992, he graduated from the University of Economy, Faculty of Trade in Bratislava. In 1994, he completed a post-graduate programme in international relations and diplomacy at the Faculty of Law of the Commenius University in the same city.

Keynote address



Erik Brynjolfsson is the Schussel Family Professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management, Director of the MIT Center for Digital Business, Chair of the MIT Sloan Management Review, and the Editor of the Information Systems Network. His research and teaching focuses on how businesses can effectively use information technology (IT) in general and the Internet in particular. His latest book is Race Against the Machine: How the digital revolution accelerates innovation, drives productivity and irreversibly transforms employment and the economy.

Presentation by Member of Committee on Development Policy

Jose Antonio Alonso, Professor of Applied Economics at the Complutense University. He is a member of the Development Cooperation Council of Spain; co-founder and member of the Board of the Association of Spanish Specialists in Development Cooperation. He

Panel discussion



Aurelio Parisotto is a Senior Economist at the Policy Integration Department of the ILO. His current interests are the economic and social

Africa, Asia, and Latin America (1988-1994). Dr. Crowley holds Ph.D. and M.Phil. degrees in Anthropology from Yale University, B.A. degrees in Government and Anthropology from Smith College and has been the recipient of awards and fellowships from the Rockefeller Foundation, Fulbright-Hayes, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, among others. She has a working knowledge of English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Kriolu of Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde. Her work with rural women, communities and peoples' organizations has inspired a deep commitment to communicating the importance of social and gender equality, local ingenuity, rural institutions, social inclusiveness and cultural diversity for sustainable development. She has published numerous publications, policy briefs and encyclopaedia articles on sustainable agriculture and rural development, organizations of the poor, local institutions and livelihoods, women's property rights, household food and nutrition security, agrarian and land use change, rural labour dynamics, and soil management and agroforestry practices.



Mr. Degol Hailu is Senior Adviser, Poverty Practice, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). He was the Acting Director of the International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth in Brasilia, form