## **Bios of Speakers**

Mr. Amar Bhattacharya is Senior Fellow in Global Economy and Development at Brookings Institution. Prior he has been Director of the G24 Secretariat. Prior to taking up his current position, Mr. Bhattacharya had a long career in the World Bank. His last position was as Senior Advisor and Head of the International Policy and Partnership Group in the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network of the World Bank. In this capacity, he was advisor to the President and Senior Management and focal point for the Bank's engagement with key international groupings and institutions such as the G7/G8, G20, IMF, OECD and the Commonwealth Secretariat, including on the reform of

Mrs. Dorothy Mwanyika was appointed the Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance in Tanzania in September 2013. As a Deputy Permanent Secretary, she is responsible for Public Financial Management. Prior to that, in 2007 to March 2009 she worked with UNICEF Tanzania Country Office as a Programme Specialist responsible for National and Sub National Planning. From April 2009 to August 2013, she served as the Regional Administrative Secretary in Mwanza Region. She holds a master's degree in Agricultural Economics and has served the Government of Tanzania at various capacities.

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of McKinsey & Company. She has also worked with the Center for Global Development. Gargee worked in the Global Health group of the Gates Foundation from 2005-2009 on innovative finance, helping to launch significant efforts in immunization financing and in impact investing. In addition to her foundation responsibilities, Gargee is currently serving a two-year term on President Obama's Global Development Council.

**Mr. Rodney Schmidt** is a policy and evaluation consultant. He specializes in macroeconomic development and international finance. He worked in the North-South Institute in Ottawa, Canada, as Principal Researcher. Prior to that, he worked for four years at Canada's International Development Research Centre in Hanoi, Vietnam. From 1993 to 1998, Mr. Schmidt was a Researcher and Policy Analyst at the International Finance Division of the Canadian Government's Department of Finance. He received his PhD in Economics from the University of Toronto.

Mr. Navid Hanif has been appointed to the post of Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, where he was Acting Director since September 2011 and also chaired the UN DESA Task Force on Peacebuilding. In January 2010, Mr. Hanif became the Head of the newly established UN DESA Strategic Planning Unit and was also designated as the Secretary of the Executive Committee of Economic and Social Affairs effective 1 August 2010. During 2004-2009, he served as the Chief of the Policy Coordination Branch and led the process of designing and launching new functions of ECOSOC, particularly the Annual Ministerial Review. Before joining UN DESA in 2001, Mr. Hanif served for 6 years at the Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the UN where he chaired and facilitated negotiations on a number of important resolutions, which led to the convening of major UN conferences.

**H.E. Mr. Hazem Fahmy** is the Secretary General of the Egyptian Agency for Development Partnerships. Prior to this appointment, he was Chief of the Multistakeholder Engagement & Outreach Branch at DESA's Financing for Development Office (FfDO), seconded to the United Nations' Secretariat as Minister Plenipotentiary at the Egyptian Foreign Service. During his term at the UN he was elected Vice President for Africa on the Executive Board of UNDP (2001), and Vice Chairman for Africa on the Bureau overseeing the preparatory process of the International Conference on Financing for Development (Monterrey 2002), as well as the "Rapporteur General" for the Conference. Mr. Fahmy started his career in 1987 at the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has served at the Egyptian Mission to the EU, in the Egyptian Foreign Minister's Cabinet and at the Egyptian Permanent Mission to the UN.

Mr. Admasu Nebebe is Director of the UN Agencies and Regional Economic Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development in Ethiopia. His tasks include mobilizing external funding for the country's development programmes, monitoring and evaluating programmes' implementation and ensuring the achievement of intended development results. He is also a focal person on aid coordination in Ethiopia. In this context, he leads the establishment of the aid architecture in the country, serves as Chair of the Harmonization Taskforce established by the

Development Assistance Group and the Government of Ethiopia High Level Forum, and is the focal person and assumes the Secretariat of the Forum. He has recently been tasked to represent Ethiopia in the negotiation process of global and UN climate financing. Mr Nebebe has a Masters Degree in Development Studies from the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague (The Netherlands) and a Bachelor's degree in Management and Public Administration from Addis Ababa University (Ethiopia).

Mr. Yiping Zhou was appointed to Envoy on South-South Cooperation by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. He is also Editor-in-Chief of *Cooperation South*, one of the United Nations Development Programme's (UNDP) signature development journals. Prior to that, Mr. Zhou served as Deputy Director and Senior Policy Adviser of the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation from 1997 to 2004, and as Regional Programme Officer of UNDP's Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific from 1992 to 1997. Before joining the United Nations system, Mr. Zhou worked as Policy Officer in the Department of International Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade of the Government of the People's Republic of China from 1980 to 1984. From 1984-1985, he served as a diplomat in the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations.

**Dr. Sachin Chaturvedi** is Director-General at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries, a think tank with the Government of India's Ministry of External Affairs. Until recently, he was a Global Justice Fellow at the MacMillan Center for International Affairs at Yale University. Dr. Chaturvedi has served as a Visiting Professor at the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and has also worked as consultant to the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation, World Bank, UN-ESCAP, UNESCO, OECD, the Commonwealth Secretariat, IUCN, and to the Government of India's Department of Biotechnology and the Ministry of Environment and Forests, among other organizations. He has been a Developing Country Fellow at the University of Amsterdam (1996), Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla (2003), and Visiting Scholar at the German Development Institute (2007).