

Brief Biographies of Speakers

Robert Archer

Robert Archer is the Executive Director of the International Council on Human Rights Policy in Geneva. Prior to this, he was a Policy Adviser at Christian Aid. He has degrees in philosophy and literature from Cambridge University and in African Studies from the School of Oriental and African Studies (London). Robert has taught and done research in Madagascar, and is the author of books on Madagascar and South Africa.

Andrew Bonwick

Andrew Bonwick has been working for Oxfam GB for the past 5 years and is currently their Protection Adviser. Prior to this, he worked in the field for the International Committee of the Red Cross. Andrew has an MA from Cambridge University, a Postgraduate Diploma in Law and is currently completing a Masters in Public International Law at the London School of Economics.

Lord W Brett

Bill Brett has been Director of the ILO London Office since January of 2004. He has had a long and committed career in the trade union movement and was General Secretary of the Institution of Professionals, Managers and Specialists from 1989-99. Bill was the Chairperson of the ILO Governing Body from 2002-3 and, prior to that, he was Vice-Chairperson of the same Governing Body, and Chairperson of the Workers' Group of the ILO Governing Body, holding both positions between 1993 and 2002. He has been a member of the House of Lords since 1999.

David Brown

David Brown is a Research Fellow at the Overseas Development Institute, where he is a member of the Rural Policy and Governance Group. He is a political sociologist who worked overseas for twelve years as an academic and NGO representative in West Africa. He has undertaken research and advisory work throughout the developing world. Prior to joining ODI, David lectured in development management for nine years at the University of Reading. He has written widely on social development issues, particularly in the forest sector.

Andy Carl

Andy Carl is co-founder and Director of Conciliation Resources. From 1989-94, he was Senior Programmes Coordinator for International Alert (London) and, prior to that, National Coordinator of the Central America Human Rights Committee, UK (1986-89). He has degrees in literature from the University of California at Berkeley (BA) and Trinity College, Dublin (MPhil). Andy is on the Steering Group of the Reflecting on Peace Practice project and served on the board of the Conflict, Development Peace Network's Executive Committee until 2002.

Mac Chapin

Mac Chapin is co-founder and Director of the Center for the Support of Native Lands, an organisation which assists indigenous peoples to defend their lands, natural resources and cultures. He has spent more than 35 years working with indigenous peoples, primarily in Central and South America. Mac has a degree in history from Stanford University (BA) and degrees in anthropology from the University of Arizona (MA, PhD).

Christine Chinkin

Christine Chinkin is Professor of International Law at the London School of Economics and an Overseas Affiliated Faculty member at the University of Michigan School of Law. She is the author of numerous articles on international law, dispute resolution and human rights and several books, including *Gender Mainstreaming in Legal and Constitutional Affairs* (2001) and *Gender, Minorities and Indigenous Peoples* (with F. Banda) (2004). Christine has been a consultant on issues of international law, women's human rights, trafficking and post-conflict reconstruction with the Asian Development Bank and the UN.

Mandeep Dhaliwal

Mandeep Dhaliwal is a Programme Officer in the International HIV/AIDS Alliance's Policy, Research and Good Practice Team in London. She obtained her M.D. in Canada, after which she completed her internship and residency in internal medicine. From 1994 to 2000 Mandeep undertook an extensive project with sex workers in Mumbai, India. Her experience and knowledge of medical, legal and ethical issues relating to HIV/AIDS in India have made her one of the best-known experts in this field.

Owen Davies QC

Owen Davies is joint Head of Chambers at Garden Court Chambers in London. His practice areas include public law, with challenges in fields such as human rights and the environment. In 1995 he successfully represented the World Development Movement in their challenge against the use of the UK overseas aid in Malaysia in the Pergau Dam case. Owen has published a number of articles on human rights, criminal law, law and information technology, public law, extradition, humanitarian laws of war, and German legal affairs. He teaches advocacy at the Inner Temple and seminars on judicial review as part of the Bar Continuing Education programme.

Marianne Haslegrave

Marianne Haslegrave served as a consultant for Partnerships on Sexual and Reproductive Health and the MDGs with the Millennium Project. She is also Director of the Commonwealth Medical Trust (Commat), an organisation for health professionals and their associations, working on sexual and reproductive health, medical ethics and the right to health. Marianne was a member of the UK delegation at the Fifth Asian Conference on Population in Bangkok in December 2002 and at the International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo in 1994. At the UN Special Session on HIV/AIDS, she was a member of the Commonwealth Secretariat delegation.

Bruce Lankford

Bruce Lankford is a Senior Lecturer in Natural Resources at the School of Development Studies, University of East Anglia. He has been working in agricultural water management since 1983, mainly at the irrigation system level in sub-Saharan Africa. Bruce's research interests cover livelihood, legal, institutional and basin approaches to the governance of water. In the last two years, projects have involved capacity building and institutional analysis of water user associations in Kyrgyzstan; studies of sectoral water transfer in Chennai, India; and livelihoods research and investigations related to the productivity and allocation of water in Tanzania.

John Mackinnon

John Mackinnon is a development economist who has advised on poverty reduction and poverty monitoring in a number of countries including Uganda, Rwanda and Ethiopia. He was a Research Officer at the Centre for the Study of African Economies at the University of Oxford before becoming a freelancer. Now based in London, John is currently writing a book on ethics, examining the philosophical basis for assessing the quality of people's lives.

Simon Maxwell

Simon Maxwell became Director of the Overseas Development Institute in 1997. He is an economist who worked overseas for ten years, in Kenya and India for UNDP, and in Bolivia for the UK Overseas Development Administration; and then for 16 years at the Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex, latterly as Programme Manager for Poverty, Food Security and the Environment. He has written widely on poverty, food security, agricultural development and aid. Simon's current research interests include global governance, economic and social rights, social exclusion and the dissolving boundary between North and South.

Andy McKay

Andy McKay is Professor of Economics and International Development at the University of Bath and was a Research Fellow in the Poverty and Public Policy Group in the Overseas Development Institute. He is also a founder member and Associate Director of the Chronic Poverty Research Centre. Andy's work at ODI focused on three main themes: poverty analysis in relation to monitoring poverty reduction strategies; inequality; and pro-poor growth.

Lyla Mehta

Lyla Mehta is a sociologist and has worked as a Research Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex since 1998. She has conducted research on the dynamics of water scarcity, forced displacement and resistance to large infrastructure projects and conceptual issues around the 'public' and 'private' nature of water. Lyla has extensive field experience in India and more recently has begun research in South Africa. She is the author of *The Politics and Poetics of Water: Naturalising Scarcity in Western India* and is on the scientific steering committee of the Global Environmental Change and Human Security Project.

Katarina Tomasevski

Katarina Tomasevski is Professor of International Law and International Relations at the University of Lund, external Professor at the Centre for Africa Studies, University of Copenhagen and founder of the Right to Education Project. She was the Special Rapporteur on the right to education of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights from 1998 to 2004. Katarina has published extensively on human rights. Her most recent books are *El asalto a la educación* (2004) and *Education Denied: Costs and Remedies* (2003).

Peter Uvin

Peter Uvin is the Henry J. Leir Professor of International Humanitarian Studies and the Director of the Institute for Human Security at the Fletcher School. He holds a PhD from the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Geneva. His books include *Human Rights and Development* (2004) and *Aiding Violence: The Development Enterprise in Rwanda* (1998). Peter has worked as a practitioner and a consultant in the field of development in many African countries (but foremost in Rwanda and Burundi) for a multitude of bilateral, and multilateral agencies and NGOs. He serves on the editorial board for Kumarian Press and the *Journal of Peacebuilding and Development*.

Anneke Van Woudenberg

Anneke Van Woudenberg joined Human Rights Watch in 2002 as the Senior Researcher on the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Since 1999, she has focused on humanitarian and human rights issues in the DRC working as the Country Director for Oxfam GB during the height of the war. Anneke has provided regular briefings on the situation in the DRC to the United Nations Security Council, US Congress, the British Parliament and the European Parliament. She has written numerous reports and briefing notes on human rights in the DRC and is a regular commentator in the international press. She has a Masters Degree in International Relations from the London School of Economics.