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Albert Bressand, Professor, International Strategic Management in Energy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Albert Bressand is Professor of International Strategic Management in Energy at Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Netherlands. In 2014, he was Special Adviser to the Commissioner for Development at the EU Commission in Brussels. From 2006 to 2012, he was a Professor and Executive Director of the Center for Energy, Marine Transportation and Public Policy at Columbia University. From 2003 to 2006, he led the Global Business Environment Department in Royal Dutch Shell, London. Previously, he co-founded and acted as Managing Director of Prométhée, Paris. Currently, he is also a member of the faculty of the World Economic Forum, Oxford Energy Policy Club at St Antony’s College, Advisory Boards of the European Center for Energy and Resources Security (EUCERS) at King’s College, Natural Resources Charter, Politique Internationale, and Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum. He earned a Master’s in Public Administration and a PhD in Political Economy at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

João Campari, Special Advisor to Minister of Agriculture on Environment and Sustainability, Brazil

João Campari is Special Advisor to Brazil’s Minister of Agriculture, in charge of environmental affairs and sustainability. Prior to joining the Ministry, he was executive director of The Nature Conservancy in Brazil and chief economist of the Global Lands department. He has held senior positions at the World Bank, UNDP and DFID, and has advised governments in Latin America on the design and implementation of development policies that combined economic growth with environmental management. He has been nominated among the top 100 Brazilian thought leaders in agribusiness and was acknowledged by the Clinton Global Initiative for the work he led on water security. He has a Bachelor’s degree in International Relations and Economics, Masters and Ph.D. degrees in Economics, and graduated in the General Management Program of the Harvard Business School. He published two books on economic development and rural poverty and several articles on the nexus of economic development and conservation.

Luca Cosentino, Executive Vice President, Energy Solutions, Eni

Luca Cosentino has been Eni’s Executive Vice President of Energy Solutions since November 1, 2015. In 1986, he spent the first years of his professional life in the Reservoir Department’s reservoir modeling group in Italy and abroad. After that, he worked as project manager with Institut Français du Petrol, France (IFP) in Venezuela and in the Persian Gulf. In this period, he also taught at IFP School and published several technical papers, including a book on Integrated Reservoir Studies. He came back to Eni in 2003 as Head of the Reservoir Department. At Eni, he was also Head of the Reservoir Modeling Department, Operation and Asset Manager in Eni North Africa, a member of the management in Eni Oil (later Mellitah Oil & Gas), Managing Director of Eni Congo, and the appointed Senior Vice Chairman for Non-Operated Business Performance and Stranded Resources Valorisation. He graduated with honors in Geology in 1985 from the University of Padua.

Penny Davies, Program Officer, Equitable Development, Ford Foundation

Penny Davies is a Program Officer in the Equitable Development Team at Ford Foundation. She has worked with organizations on climate change policies that benefit low-income rural communities, particularly indigenous peoples. Her grant making has also focused on efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from forest degradation. She joined Ford in 2012, following her tenure as the Senior Forestry
Adviser for the British government's Department for International Development. Previously, she was a Regional Agroforestry Consultant for a European Union agricultural frontier program in Central America, and a rural economist at the Bolivian Centro de Investigación Agrícola Tropical. She played a central role in developing the UK's international forestry initiatives, strengthening rural grassroots organizations, building alliances between government and civil society, and promoting policies that benefit forest communities. She holds master's degrees from the University of Oxford and the University of London, and her undergraduate degree from the University of Bristol.

**Danielle Fugere**, President, As You Sow

Danielle Fugere is President and Chief Counsel for As You Sow, where she is responsible for strategic management of the Energy, Environmental Health, and Waste programs. She brings a wealth of experience in achieving broad and lasting change and in-depth knowledge of clean energy, conservation policy, toxic enforcement, and team building. She served most recently as Executive Director of the Environmental Law Foundation. Prior, she was Legal Director and Regional Program Director for Friends of the Earth, where she spearheaded innovative legal strategies to reduce global warming pollution and directed campaigns to reduce pollution and promote sustainable alternative energies and fuels. Through her work, she has been instrumental in securing compliance with environmental laws and industry conversions to environmentally sound technologies. She was recognized with the WaterKeeper’s Environmental Achievement Award in 2000 for her outstanding achievements protecting California waters from pollution and compelling polluters to assume the costs of environmental degradation. She holds a JD and a BA in Political Economics from the University of California, Berkeley.

**Mark Gainsborough**, Executive Vice President, New Energies, Shell

Mark Gainsborough was recently appointed to lead Shell’s recently created New Energies business, focusing on lower carbon energy solutions. He has spent over 30 years in the energy business, working in marketing, sales, supply chain, trading and strategy roles. He is currently based in Singapore. He has worked extensively on a range of environmental and sustainability issues and completed a Master’s Degree in Environmental Policy in 2008. In past roles, he developed Shell’s strategy in Alternative Energies and made investments in a range of biofuels technologies. He was responsible for the formation of the Raizen JV in Brazil, which is now the world’s largest producer of sugar cane ethanol. He led the Shell contribution to the WBCSD report on Sustainable Mobility, published in 2005, which anticipated many of the technology trends seen in the last 10 years. He is a Fellow of the UK Energy Institute.

**Alfred Griffin**, President, NY Green Bank

Alfred Griffin is President of NY Green Bank. He is an industry leader in developing innovative solutions in financing renewable energy generation and energy efficiency projects, and brings 25 years of experience in banking and finance to NY Green Bank. As President, he oversees partnerships with private sector capital providers and other clean energy market participants to address barriers that limit private investment into attractive renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. Previously, he specialized in structured finance with roles in corporate and investment banking, capital markets, and risk management at Citigroup Global Markets Inc. His roles included Alternative Energy Banking, Institutional Recovery Management, and Global Structured Solutions. Before joining Citigroup in 1997, he held positions at Edward D. Jones & Co. and Smith Barney Inc. He holds Bachelor’s and Master of Business Administration degrees from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and serves on the university’s Board of Visitors.
**Hon. Tim Groser**, New Zealand Ambassador to the United States

Ambassador Groser is New Zealand’s Ambassador to the United States. He was New Zealand’s Ambassador to the World Trade Organization (WTO) from 2002-2005, and the Chair of Agriculture Negotiations for the WTO. He also served as New Zealand’s Ambassador to Indonesia from 1994-1997. He was elected to Parliament in 2005. He was cabinet minister from 2008 to 2015, most recently as Minister of Trade and Minister Responsible for Climate Change Issues. He is regarded as one of the world’s leading experts on international trade. He has served New Zealand with distinction in a number of capacities, including being New Zealand’s Chief Negotiator in the GATT Uruguay Round, the Round that brought agriculture into the system of the world trade rules for the first time, and has been instrumental in helping to develop the Global Research Alliance on greenhouse gas emissions. He is also a Special Adviser on climate change to IEA and an Honorary Adviser to the New York Asia Society. He speaks French and Indonesian.

**Craig Hanson**, Global Director of Food, Forests & Water, World Resources Institute

Craig Hanson is the Global Director of Food, Forests & Water at the World Resources Institute. He has co-developed a number of leading initiatives at WRI, including Global Forest Watch, the Global Restoration Initiative, the Forest Legality Alliance, the Food Loss and Waste Protocol, Champions 12.3, and the Better Buying Lab. He is a co-author of the current World Resources Report, Creating a Sustainable Food Future, and lead author on publications such as The Restoration Diagnostic and the Corporate Ecosystem Services Review. Prior to becoming program director, he managed the Green Power Market Development Group, a coalition of a dozen Fortune 500 companies that helped pioneer corporate energy markets in the United States.

**Stephen Heintz**, President, Rockefeller Brothers Fund

Stephen Heintz has served as President of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund (RBF) since 2001. The RBF seeks to advance a more just, sustainable, and peaceful world. He was Founding President of Dēmos, which works to enhance the vitality of American democracy and promote economic opportunity. From 1990-1997, he served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of EastWest Institute (EWI), based in Prague. He devoted the first 15 years of his career to politics and government service in Connecticut, where he served as Commissioner of Economic Development and Commissioner of Social Welfare. In 1988, he helped draft and secure passage by Congress of “The Family Support Act,” the first major effort to reform the nation's welfare system. He serves on several nonprofit boards and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

**Andrea Illy**, President, illycaffè S.p.A.

Andrea Illy is President of illycaffè S.p.A., a family business founded with the mission of producing the world’s best coffee. He developed illy’s groundbreaking Total Quality Program, co-authored Espresso Coffee: The Chemistry of Quality, and authored Coffee: The Dream. He was named “Marketing Superstar” by Advertising Age and “Businessman of the Year” by Ernst & Young Italia, served as President of Association for Science and Information on Coffee (A.S.I.C.), Chairman of the Promotion and Market Development Committee of the International Coffee Organization, Mentor of the 2013 World Economic Forum and is currently President of Altagamma Foundation. Under his leadership, illycaffè became the world’s first company to earn DNV’s Responsible Supply Chain and its naming as one of the World's Most Ethical Companies. Andrea earned degrees in business from Bocconi and chemistry from the University of Trieste. He is married and has three daughters.
**Naoko Ishii**, CEO and Chairperson, Global Environment Facility (GEF)

Naoko Ishii has served as the CEO and Chairperson for the Global Environment Facility (GEF) since June 2012. Prior to that, she was the Deputy Vice Minister of Finance, where she was responsible for Japan's international financial and development policies, and for its global policies on environmental issues. She led the Japanese delegation at the Transition Committee for designing the Green Climate Fund. For nearly half of her career, she has served in international assignments outside of Japan. At the World Bank, she was the Country Director for Sri Lanka and the Maldives from 2006 to 2010. She has published numerous papers and several books, two of which were awarded the Suntory Prize in 1990 and Okita Memorial Prize for International Development Research in 2004. She is the inaugural recipient of the 2006 Enjoi Jiro Memorial Prize. She holds BA and PhD from University of Tokyo.

**Chris Jochnick**, President and CEO, Landesa

Chris Jochnick is a global land rights expert with decades of experience in international development. He joined Landesa as CEO in August 2015 after leading Oxfam America’s work on private sector engagement, including the successful “Behind the Brands” campaign. He is the co-founder and former director of two human rights organizations: Center for Economic and Social Rights and the Ecuador-based Centros De Derechos Economicos y Sociales. Jochnick spent seven years working in Latin America, devoting much of that time to addressing threats to indigenous peoples’ land rights. He spent four years on Wall Street as an attorney with Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School and a former fellow of the MacArthur Foundation and Echoing Green Foundation. He teaches business and human rights at Harvard Law School and serves as Chair of the Business and Human Rights Resource Centre.

**Petter Johnsen**, Chief Investment Officer Equity Strategies, Norges Bank Investment Management

Petter Johnsen was appointed Chief Investment Officer for Equities at Norges Bank Investment Management on April 1, 2011. He joined Norges Bank Investment Management on September 1, 2003 as a portfolio manager, a position he held until August 2010, when he was appointed Global Head of Sector Strategies. Prior to joining Norges Bank Investment Management, he was Assistant Vice President at Merrill Lynch in London between October 2000 and August 2003. He previously worked as a research analyst at Morgan Stanley in London. He is a business economist with a Master of Economics from the Norwegian School of Economics (NHH).

**Nezha Larhrissi**, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Environment, Kingdom of Morocco

Nezha Larhrissi serves as Advisor to the Moroccan Minister of Environment and UN Climate Conference COP22 Low Emissions Solutions Conference Director. She is a passionate ICT professional, having long experience in Telecoms and Sustainable Development. In 2013, she graduated from Techwomen. Before that, she worked for fourteen years in Nokia Siemens Networks and Nokia Networks where she held multiple senior positions. She is also involved in community projects related to women and youth empowerment. She co-founded eSTEM Morocco, a local NGO that aims at providing girls and young women with tools and self-confidence to encourage them to pursue careers in STEM fields. She holds a Master’s of Sc. degree in Telecommunication Networks and Multimedia Engineering from INPT Rabat. Back in 2004, she contributed a Chapter in the book entitled “Advanced Cellular Network Planning and Optimization: 2G. 2.5G. 3G. Evolution to 4G” edited by John Wiley & Sons Inc.
Éric Martel, President and CEO, Hydro-Québec

Éric Martel took office as President and Chief Executive Officer of Hydro-Québec in July 2015. He is responsible for the company’s strategic objectives. He immediately set out four priorities for Hydro-Québec: proactive communication, sustained growth of the company’s activities, and improving customer service and productivity. Prior to this appointment, he worked at Bombardier from 2002 to 2015. He held several senior management positions, including that of President, Bombardier Business Aircraft, where he managed some 12,000 employees throughout the world. He also served as President, Customer Services and Specialized and Amphibious Aircraft. Before joining Bombardier, he worked for various high-profile international companies in the aerospace manufacturing sector, such as Pratt & Whitney and Rolls Royce, as well as for Procter & Gamble and Kraft Foods. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Electrical Engineering (1991) from Université Laval. He has been actively involved in Centraide of Greater Montréal since the early 2000s.

Petros Mavroidis, Edwin B. Parker Professor of Foreign and Comparative Law, Columbia Law School

Petros C. Mavroidis is Edwin B. Parker Professor of Law at Columbia Law School, New York. He also teaches at the University of Neuchatel, Switzerland. He studied law and economics in Thessaloniki (Greece), Brussels (Belgium), Berkeley and Heidelberg (Germany). He was chief reporter for the ALI study on International Trade Law: the WTO, and his latest publication is “The Regulation of International Trade,” MIT Press, 2016.

Pedro van Meurs, President, Van Meurs Corporation

Pedro H. van Meurs, President of Van Meurs Corporation, has provided petroleum consulting services for 39 years in or with respect to 80 countries around the world. He has been involved in developing oil and gas legislation and regulations or serving as a key economic advisor for dozens of these countries, including Bangladesh, Bolivia, Canada, China, Gabon, Kuwait, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, and the United States (Alaska). He has advised corporations, such as China’s CNOOC and the Kuwait Oil Company with regard to determining fiscal terms for oil and gas fields. He developed PETROCASH, which is the most comprehensive integrated database and computer model for World Fiscal Systems for Oil & Gas, published two books on petroleum economics and is currently co-producer of the study “World Rating of Oil and Gas Terms (2011).” Additionally, he has hosted the World Fiscal Systems for Oil & Gas course and participated in training seminars for governments and companies in more than 30 countries for the last 30 years.

Minister Amina J. Mohammed, Minister of Environment, Nigeria

Hailing from Gombe State, Amina J. Mohammed is the Honorable Minister of Environment under President Mohammed Buhari. Previously, she was the Special Adviser to the United Nations Secretary-General on Post-2015 Development Agenda since 2012. She has been working in the field of development for more than 30 years, both in the public and private sector. She was the CEO and Founder of the Center for Development Policy Solutions, and also Senior Adviser to the past President of Nigeria on Millennium Development Goals, and Coordinator to the United Nations Millennium Project’s Task Force on Gender and Education. Her notable achievements includes coordinated debt relief funds towards the achievement of MDGs in Nigeria, coordinated development of a fully participatory National Action Plan, and development of strategies to empower community participation at government level. She was named as one of Fortune Magazine’s 2016’s ‘50 Greatest World Leaders’ and she remains committed towards a more sustainable and peaceful Nigeria.
**Allan Rosas**, Judge, European Court of Justice

Allan Rosas has been a Judge at the European Court of Justice since 2002. He is also a Senior Fellow of the University of Turku, and a Visiting Professor at the College of Europe and University of Helsinki. Previously, he was a Professor of Public Law of the University of Turku (1978-1981) and Armfelt Professor of Law of the Åbo Akademi University (1981-1995); held various governmental expert functions in Finnish legal life and in the context of the United Nations, UNESCO and the Council of Europe (until 1995); served as Principal Legal Adviser at the Legal Service of the European Commission (1995-2001) and as Deputy Director-General of the said Legal Service (2001-2002). He has published more than 400 publications in the fields of EU law, international law and international relations and Finnish and comparative constitutional and administrative law. He holds Doctor of Laws, Honorary Doctor of Laws, and an Honorary Doctor of Political Science.

**Jeffrey D. Sachs**, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University

Jeffrey D. Sachs is the Director of the Center for Sustainable Development, Quetelet Professor of Sustainable Development, and Professor of Health Policy and Management at Columbia University. He is Special Advisor to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on the Millennium Development Goals, having held the same position under former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan. He is Director of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network. He is co-founder and Chief Strategist of Millennium Promise Alliance, and is director of the Millennium Villages Project. He is also one of the Secretary-General’s MDG Advocates, and a Commissioner of the ITU/UNESCO Broadband Commission for Development. He has authored several bestsellers including The End of Poverty (2005), Common Wealth: Economics for a Crowded Planet (2008), and The Price of Civilization (2011). His most recent books are To Move the World: JFK’s Quest for Peace (2013) and The Age of Sustainable Development (2015).

**Jérôme Schmitt, Senior Vice President, Innovation & Energy Efficiency, Total**

Jérôme Schmitt was appointed Senior Vice President Innovation & Energy Efficiency for the Gas, Renewable & Power Division on September 1, 2016. He started his career in Asia before joining the Total’s Finance Division in 1992. He was first in charge of Finance Operations for Exploration & Production projects in Asia and North Africa and then in South America. He continued his career in the upstream gas sector. He was then in charge of gas projects business development for the Middle East and Central Asia and thereafter in India, based in Mumbai. In 2000, he was appointed at the Mergers & Acquisition Division, in charge of Corporate M&A. He became Vice President Investor Relations in 2004. In 2009, he was appointed Group Treasurer and thereafter took the position of Senior Vice President Corporate Affairs for the Marketing & Services Branch. Most recently, prior to his current position, he was appointed Senior Vice President Sustainable Development & Environment in 2013. He is a Civil Mining Engineer (S.E.).

**Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger**, Senior Director, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL)

Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger is an expert scholar, jurist and author on law and governance for sustainable development. She is laureate of the 2016 international Justitia Regnorum Fundamentum Award, Senior Director for the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL), fellow of the University of Cambridge C-EENRG and LCIL, and Professor of Law, Faculty of Environment, University of Waterloo, Canada. She has authored/edited 20 books and over 80 papers and serves on seven Law Journal Boards. She is Executive Secretary for the Climate Law and Governance Initiative, Senior Legal Advisor to the Presidency of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and has
been Senior Legal Advisor to the Ramsar Convention; Senior Legal Expert, Sustainable Development for the International Development Law Organization (IDLO); and A/Director in Canada’s Natural Resources Ministry. She chairs the World Bank Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development TWG on Environment and Natural Resources Law. She has a DPhil (Oxon), MEM (Yale), and a BCL and LLB (McGill).

Ilana Solomon, Director, Responsible Trade Program, Sierra Club

Ilana Solomon joined the Sierra Club in 2012 to direct the Club’s work on responsible trade. She works to create public support for trade and investment rules that protect the environment, to shed light on the environmental threats posed by our current global trading system, and to help ensure that trade rules not undermine governments’ ability to protect the climate. She has authored numerous reports and articles on the environmental impacts of trade agreements and trade cases, and has served as an expert commentator on trade issues including on Capitol Hill. She has been quoted in media outlets including The New York Times, The Washington Post and The Wall Street Journal, and is a regular contributor to the Huffington Post. Before joining Sierra Club, she was Senior Policy Analyst with ActionAid, a rights-based anti-poverty agency working in 50 countries. She graduated from Oberlin College and earned a Masters of International Service from American University’s School of International Service.

Francesco Starace, CEO and General Manager, Enel

Francesco Starace was appointed Group Chief Executive of Enel SpA in May 2014. He joined Enel in 2000, holding several executive positions, including Head of Business Power, from 2002 to 2005, and Managing Director of the Market Division, from 2005 to 2008. Between 2008 and 2014, he was Chief Executive Officer of Enel Green Power, the group’s renewable power generation subsidiary and a leading player in the global renewables industry. He began his career in construction management of power generation plants, first at General Electric Group, then at ABB Group, and, subsequently, Alstom Power Corporation, where he was appointed head of worldwide gas turbines sales. During this period, he worked and lived in the United States, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and Bulgaria. He graduated with a degree in Nuclear Engineering from the Milan Polytechnic. He is married with two sons, is a keen cyclist, and is passionate about poetry.