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Since October 2015, Mr. Jorge Chediek has been the Director of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation, leading United Nations system-wide promotion and coordination of South-South cooperation for development. In March 2016, Mr. Chediek was appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General as his Envoy on South-South Cooperation.

Prior to this, Mr. Chediek served as the UN Resident Coordinator/United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Resident Representative in Brazil (2010-2015).

In that capacity, he was also the Director of the International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth, UNDP's global forum for policy dialogue and South-South learning on social development innovations. He served as Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Peru (2005-2010); United Nations Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Nicaragua (2001-2005); Deputy Resident Representative in Cuba (1999-2001); Deputy Resident Representative in Uruguay (1996-1999); Programme Management Officer, Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States in New York (1994-1996); and Programme Officer and then Assistant Resident Representative in Turkey (1990-1994).



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Mrs. Ospina has a degree in Philosophy from the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, with a graduate degree in Pedagogy of Values and Ethics from the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana and in Resource Management and International Cooperation at the Jorge Tadeo Lozano University.

She has extensive experience in the public sector, with a strong performance as Presidential Advisor of Special Programs, where she had important achievements in topics related with: democratic governance, strengthening of the strategy "Network of Social Managers", social inclusion of people with disabilities; reinforcing citizens to exercise their rights, and improving student conditions in vulnerable areas of 160 municipalities in 29 departments. As a result, Mrs. Ospina helped to improve the living conditions of thousands of people in municipalities throughout the country.



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Dr. Deb Bhattacharya is a macro-economist and public policy analyst and currently he is a Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) in Dhaka. He is a former Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and UN Offices of Geneva and Vienna. He had been Special Advisor on LDCs to the Secretary General of UNCTAD. He is a member of United Nations' Committee for Development Policy (CDP) and Chair of Southern Voice international network of think tanks. Involved in many international development networks, sits in the governing bodies of a number of leading institutions and editorial board of reputed journals; provided policy advice in many developing countries.

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Currently, Professor and Director of the Animal Genetic and Feed Resources Research Lab., INAT(Carthage University). Earned my Ph.D. in Animal Breeding from Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa (USA) in 1985. Have worked more than 30 years in the field of animal genetic resources. In 2007, I had the responsibility to lead the National Gene Bank of Tunisia as its first Director General (2007-March, 2012). Member of the Technical and Legal Experts Team of FAO on Access and Benefit-Sharing. A catalyst Facilitator in Empowering Technicians, Scientists and Farmers in many developing countries in Animal Genetic Resources Sustainable Use. Vice Chair of the International Association of Friends of Rural Areas (AMAR-NGO) (2018-present). President of the Green University-NGO (2016-Present). Got the FAO Award, 2004 and the Premio Internazionale PRIMULA D'ORO in 2010.



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Sara has a ten-year of professional experience in the international cooperation and development field. Currently, she works for the African Union Secretariat for Peer Review Mechanism as an officer in charge of the Agenda 2063/SDGs Unit and South-South Cooperation, based in Johannesburg South Africa. She manages research projects as well as multi-lateral workshops and dialogue at the continental level to raise awareness, building capacities, and sharing experiences on the best practices for monitoring and evaluation of Agenda 2063 'Africa We Want' and UN Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs). She also handles the APRM collaboration with UNECA, UNDESA, and other organs.

Earlier, she worked at the Cabinet of the Minister of International Cooperation in Egypt as a Senior Economic Researcher in charge of cooperation with the regional financial institutions as well as China for Seven years. She also received a professional traineeship at the European Investment Bank (EIB) in Luxembourg from 2017-2018, of which she provided policy analysis and research regarding the EIB role outside the EU, especially in the southern Mediterranean region as regarding various issues such as migration, donors' relations, and economic resilience in the neighboring countries.

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Expert in international cooperation, with a long history as a consultant for UNDP, World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, European Union, GIZ of Germany. He worked as a consultant in 12 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean for the institutional strengthening of cooperation organisms, in local development projects and project evaluation.

He was a director of NGOs for more than 20 years, Director of International Cooperation for the Office of Planning and Budget of the Presidency of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay 1991-1995 and advisor to several ministers.



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Prof. (Dr.) Milindo Chakrabarti has distinguished experience of over 33 years as a Professor of Economics and Public Policy. He is at present a Visiting Fellow at Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), Delhi besides teaching at the Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat. He also serves as an Adjunct Professor with the Natural Resource Institute at Manitoba University, Canada. Along with his long standing career in teaching, Dr. Chakrabarti is engaged in active research and has written and published numerous research papers, articles and books. He has also delivered lectures at Indiana University, Bloomington, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Gandhi Nagar.

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