

**Fourth High-Level Symposium on  
Global Health Diplomacy:**

**Negotiating Health in the 21st Century:  
Fragile States: Analyzing the interface of health and  
diplomacy**

*Short Biographies of Speakers*

*Auditorium Jacques-Freymond  
November 29<sup>th</sup> 2010*

10.00 – 10.15 |

**WELCOME****PROFESSOR Dr. ELISABETH PRÜGL**  
Deputy Director, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

Faculty member since 2009 and Deputy Director of the Graduate Institute since 2010, Professor Prügl previously taught at Florida International University, where she co-directed the Miami-Florida European Union Centre of Excellence. Her research focuses on gender politics in global governance and feminism in International Relations. In addition to numerous journal articles, she has published *The Global Construction of Gender: Home-based Work in the Political Economy of the 20th Century* (Columbia University Press, 1999) and *Transforming Masculine Rule: Agriculture and Rural Development in the European Union* (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, forthcoming 2011). She also has co-edited *Gender Politics in Global Governance* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1999) and *Diversity and the European Union* (Palgrave 2009). She is co-editor of *Politics and Gender*, a journal of the Women and Politics Section of the American Political Science Association.

**PROFESSOR RIFAT ATUN**  
Director Strategy, Performance and Evaluation Cluster, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Professor Rifat Atun joined the Global Fund in September 2008 as a member of the Executive Management Team. He is currently the Chair of the Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board. Professor Atun was the Professor of International Health Management and Director of the Centre for Health Management at the Imperial College London. He has worked extensively with the World Bank, World Health Organization, and the UK Department for International Development in Europe, Latin America, Central Asia and the Middle East on health systems reform programmes. He was member of the Strategic Technical Advisory Group (STAG) of the World Health Organization for Tuberculosis and chaired the WHO Task Force on Health Systems and Tuberculosis Control. He has also serviced as a member of the Advisory Committee for WHO Research Centre for Health Development in Japan.

**Mr. DANIEL RYCHNER**  
Counsellor, Swiss Permanent Mission to the UN Geneva**Moderator of the day****PROFESSOR Dr. Dr. h.c. ILONA KICKBUSCH**  
Director, Global Health Programme, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

Ilona Kickbusch is the Director of the Global Health Programme at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva with a focus on global health governance and global health diplomacy. She is known throughout the world for her contributions to innovation in public health, health promotion and global health. She has had a distinguished career with the World Health Organization, where she initiated the Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion and a range of “settings projects” including Healthy Cities. In 1998 she joined Yale University, where she contributed to shaping the field global health. She is a sought after speaker and advisor on policies and strategies to promote health at the national and international level. She presently serves as senior health policy advisor to the Swiss Federal Office for Public Health. She advises organizations such as The Federation of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent and the European Foundation Centre and works closely with a range of public health organisations. She has published widely and is a member of a number of advisory boards in both the academic and the health policy arena. Most recently she has served as the Thinker in Residence by the Premier of South Australia with a focus on health in all policies. She has also launched an initiative for a European Council on Global Health. She is a political scientist with a PhD from the University of Konstanz, Germany. Details can be found on her Website: [www.ilonakickbusch.com](http://www.ilonakickbusch.com)

| 10.15 – 11.30 |

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Meta-Leadership and the Global Health Challenge: Negotiating Connectivity of Strategy & Operations

**Dr. LEONARD J. MARCUS**

**Director of the Program for Health Care Negotiation and Conflict Resolution at the Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH)**



Dr. Marcus is the founding Director of the Program for Health Care Negotiation and Conflict Resolution at the Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH). Dr. Marcus is also founding Co-Director of the National Preparedness Leadership Initiative, a collaborative effort of HSPH and the Kennedy School of Government, developed in collaboration with the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, the White House, and the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Defence. He has directed numerous projects intended to advance development of the negotiation, collaborative problem solving, and conflict resolution field applied to health related issues.

| 11.30 – 12.30 |

**PANEL**

Negotiating Improved Health Governance in Fragile States: Agencies' Perspectives

**PROFESSOR RIFAT ATUN**

**Director Strategy, Performance and Evaluation Cluster, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria**

**Dr. DANIEL EDUARDO LOPEZ-ACUÑA**

**Director, Health Action in Crisis, WHO**



Dr Daniel López-Acuña, a Mexican and Spanish national, graduated as an M.D. from the National University of Medicine and did both his Masters and Doctoral studies in Public Health at the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. In 1986, Dr López-Acuña joined the Pan American Health Organization, Regional Office for the Americas of the World Health Organization. Since then until 2005 he occupied several high-ranking functions, including that of Director of Health Systems and Director of Program Management of the Pan American Health Organization. In 2005, he was appointed as Director of Recovery and Transition Programmes, Health

Action in Crises in WHO Headquarters in Geneva. As of 01 January 2010, following the reorganization of the Cluster Health Action in Crises, Dr López-Acuña was appointed Director of the Department of Strategy, Policy and Resource Management (SPR). The SPR department is responsible for the formulation of humanitarian health policies and strategies in coordination with humanitarian partners, the development of methodologies and tools for health action in crises, the development of interagency work and partnerships for humanitarian health action, the mobilization of financial resources for Health Action in Crises and the coordination of the work of WHO as Global Health Cluster Lead agency.

**Ms. ANGELA GÜSSING-SAPINA**

**Deputy Director of Operations, ICRC**



Angela GUSSING is the Deputy Director of Operations for Global Affairs and Policy of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). In her current assignment, Mrs. Gussing oversees the humanitarian diplomacy efforts of the ICRC and leads efforts to organize work on transversal issues of global nature. Prior to her current assignment, Mrs. Gussing was the ICRC Head of Operations for Latin America and the Caribbean since 2007 at the Headquarters in Geneva. Previously, from 2003 to 2007 she was the Head of Division for Cooperation and Coordination within the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, leading ICRC's engagement with national societies worldwide. She started to work for the ICRC in 1990 and was

assigned to field missions in Mozambique and Somalia until 1993. Between 1993 and 1997, Ms. Gussing worked as an independent development consultant and carried various short-term missions in Mozambique, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Ethiopia, Botswana, Norway, South Africa, and Swaziland.

Ms. Gussing obtained her University Degree as a Bachelor of Arts in 1983 from the Instituto Superior de Administração in Lisbon, Portugal. Before joining the ICRC in 1990, she worked in the private banking sector in Switzerland as customer manager for Latin American countries.

**Dr. PAUL SPEIGEL MD, MPH**  
**Chief Public Health and HIV Section, UNHCR**



Dr. Spiegel is the Chief of the Public Health and HIV Section at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) as well as a senior fellow for the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative and Adjunct Professor at Johns Hopkins and Emory Schools of Public Health. Before UNHCR, Dr. Spiegel worked as a Medical Epidemiologist in the International Emergency and Refugee Health Branch at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Previously he worked as a medical coordinator with Médecins Sans Frontières and Médecins du Monde in refugee camps in Kenya and DRC as well as a consultant for numerous organisations including the Canadian Red Cross and the Pan American Health Organisation. Dr. Spiegel's research interests in humanitarian emergencies are in HIV/AIDS, epidemiological methods, nutrition and food security, health information systems and surveys, and health and human rights. He has published extensively in the field of humanitarian emergencies. He has won numerous awards including CDC's Charles C. Shepard award for outstanding research in Assessment and Epidemiology.

| 12.30 – 14.00 |

**LUNCH RECEPTION**  
**HOSTED BY THE SWISS MISSION TO THE UN GENEVA**

| 14.00 – 14.30 |

**WEBSITE LAUNCH**  
[Global Health Diplomacy – gdh-net.org](http://gdh-net.org)

**Dr. CHANTAL BLOUIN**  
**Associate Director, Centre for Trade Policy and Law, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada**



Chantal Blouin is Associate Director of the Centre for Trade Policy and Law, a think tank sponsored by the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA) at Carleton University and the Faculty of Law of University of Ottawa. She is also the co-director of the Health and Foreign Policy Initiative, a NPSIA program aiming to generate and disseminate research and information to ensure foreign policy decisions on global health are informed by the best available evidence. Her recent publications have focused on the impact of international trade on health system and population health, as well as different facets of Canadian trade and foreign policy. Before joining CTPL in 2007, Chantal was Senior Researcher, Trade and Development at The North-South Institute in Ottawa. She held a senior fellowship at the Canadian International Council in 2008-2009, a Congressional fellowship from the American Political Science Association (APSA) in 1999-2000 and the Norman Robertson Research Fellowship at the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) in 1998-1999. She completed her PhD in Political Science at the University of Toronto and holds a MA and BA in Political Science from Université Laval.

| 14.30 - 15.00 |

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Negotiating Health in Fragile States: An African Perspective

**Dr. MARY AMUYUNZU-NYAMONGO**

**Executive Director of the African Institute for Health & Development (AIHD)**



Mary Amuyunzu-Nyamongo is the Founder and Executive Director of the African Institute for Health & Development (AIHD) based in Nairobi, Kenya. The Institute implements evidence-based programmes and is engaged in research and policy on a wide range of health issues in Kenya and the African region. Mary coordinates health promotion activities in the region as part of the global initiatives of the International Union for Health Promotion & Education (IUHPE). She is also the Coordinator of the Consortium for Non-Communicable Diseases Prevention and Control in sub-Saharan Africa (CNCD-Africa). She is a Senior Fellow with the Synergos Institute and a Technical Consultative Committee member of the African Programme for Onchocerciasis Control (APOC) and the Community Directed Interventions of WHO-TDR. Mary holds a PhD in Anthropology from the University of Cambridge, UK.

| 15.00 – 16.00 |

**PANEL**

Negotiating Health in Fragile States: Country experiences from different perspectives

**Somalia**

**ANN CLAXTON**

**Senior Technical Advisor, the Center for Global Health in World Vision International**



Ann Claxton is Senior Technical Advisor in the Center for Global Health in World Vision International, where she provides strategic direction and support for health programs funded by the Global Fund and other multilateral donors. Previously, she held positions in World Vision United States as Director of International Program Development, and Sr. HIV/AIDS Program Advisor for the Africa Region. Ms. Claxton's professional career spans 30 years in international development and humanitarian response, having earlier worked with the United Nations, the US Agency for International Development, the United National Association of the USA and as a private consultant with a focus on community development and civil society. Ann earned a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree from New York University in 1982, focusing on international organizations and development administration and also has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree (1974) from the University of Connecticut.

**Sudan**

**Ambassador PHILIP MWANZIA**

**Director, Foreign Service Institute, Nairobi, Kenya**



Philip Mwanzia is Director of the Foreign Service Institute in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kenya and Associate Professor of international relations at the United States International University in Nairobi. He has worked extensively in diplomacy as the Ambassador of Kenya to the European Union, Belgium and Luxemburg, but also as the chair of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) and the European Union Sub-Committee on Trade and Customs Cooperation. Mr. Mwanzia was the Ambassador of Kenya to the Sudan from 1992 to 1995 and from this experience gained recognition by the Sudan Government for excellent promotion of bilateral relations between Kenya and the Sudan. Before that he was the Director of the Americas Division in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was responsible for the Washington-based multi-lateral financial institutions of World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF) as well as for the relationships between the Kenyan Government and USAID Rockefeller and Ford Foundations.

## Afghanistan

**Lt.-Gen. (Rtd) LOUIS LILLYWHITE**

**Focal Point Health in Fragile States, Centre on Global Health Security, Chatham House, UK**



Louis Lillywhite was appointed by the Chatham House Centre for Global Health Security (<http://www.chathamhouse.org.uk/-/research/12/> - established in 2009) as the focal point for Health in Fragile and Conflicted Afflicted States in September 2010. Qualifying as a doctor in 1971 he spent his career until April this year in the military. A Consultant Occupational Physician and a military parachutist, he has served in a variety of clinical and leadership roles in many parts of the world. His final appointment was as Surgeon-General of the UK Armed Forces, and it was primarily in this role that he gained an interest in the potential role of health to contribute both directly and indirectly to stability and reconstruction in conflict afflicted states. He is a recipient of a number of UK and USA national honours and awards, a Fellow of a variety of medical Royal Colleges and institutions and has recently also been appointed as the Chief Medical Officer for the St John Ambulance in England and Wales.

## Timor Leste

**PROFESSOR ANTHONY ZWI**

**Convenor, Global Health, University of New South Wales, Australia**



Professor Anthony Zwi heads the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at The University of New South Wales. He has strong interests in international health and policy and humanitarian issues and is increasingly working to enhance the research—policy and practice interface. Professor Zwi focuses on international health and policy and has interests in their interface with equity, social justice and human rights. He seeks to build Australia and Asia-Pacific partnerships and capabilities in public health, health policy, and disaster planning, management and response. He has worked most extensively in the past year in Timor-Leste (East Timor), but also has had recent research projects in Sri Lanka, the Solomon Islands and Cambodia. He is interested in understanding, and improving mechanisms, to facilitate evidence-informed health and development policy. Professor Zwi is keen to build links between humanitarian relief and development organisations and academic institutions. He has interests in injury and violence as public health problems. He heads a team exploring how health-related interventions in countries which have experienced disasters and wars could be more sensitive to culture, conflict, and to rebuilding trust and social cohesion. He and colleagues work on the ethics of research in conflict-affected settings, and the role of service providers and community members, including young people, in shaping and influencing research and responses to violent political conflict. He is keen to build links with health, development and humanitarian NGOs which have a commitment to research and lesson-learning.

## Burundi

**PROFESSOR JEAN-LOUIS ARCAND**

**Professor and Chair of Development Studies, the Graduate Institute**



Jean-Louis Arcand has been Professor of International Economics and Development Studies at the Graduate Institute since 2008. He is also Chair of Development Studies. Prof. Arcand is associate editor of the Journal of African Economies and the Revue d'Economie du Développement, co-editor of the European Journal of Development Research, and Founding Fellow of the European Union Development Network (EUDN). He was assistant and then Associate Professor at the Université de Montréal, and Professor at the Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches en Développement International (CERDI). Prof. Arcand holds a PhD in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, MA, USA. His research focuses on the microeconomics of development, particularly in West Africa and the Maghreb, with a current focus on impact evaluation of social programmes. He has been a consultant

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to the World Bank, the FAO, the UNDP, the Gates Foundation and several national governments. Jean-Louis Arcand is currently leading impact evaluations in Angola, Burkina Faso, Burundi, The Cameroon, The Gambia, Mali, Morocco, and Senegal, with the topics being investigated ranging from peer mentoring to fight HIV-AIDS to capacity building in rural producer organizations to foster food security.

| 16.00 – 16.15 |

#### CONCLUDING OBSERVATIONS

**PROFESSOR Dr. Dr. h.c. ILONA KICKBUSCH**  
Director, Global Health Programme, the Graduate Institute, Geneva