



RISING PHARMACEUTICAL INNOVATION IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH: PAINTING WITH NEW COLORS

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BIOGRAPHIES

Welcome remarks:

Suerie Moon

Co-Director, Global Health Centre, Geneva Graduate Institute



Suerie Moon is Professor of Practice, Department of International Relations & Political Science, and Co-Director of the Global Health Centre at the Geneva Graduate Institute. She focuses on global governance and health, with specialized expertise in innovation and access to medicines, outbreak preparedness and response; trade, investment and intellectual property rules; and development assistance. She is the Principal Investigator on five research projects, and the recipient of a career grant from the Swiss National Science Foundation. Her current research examines new business models of pharmaceutical R&D, international sharing of outbreak-prone pathogens and related benefits, and the global governance of Covid-19.

Speakers:

Marcela Vieira

Project Coordinator, Global Health Centre, Geneva Graduate Institute



Marcela Vieira is a Senior Researcher at the New Business Models for Governing Innovation and Global Access to Medicines project and Project Coordinator of the Knowledge Network for Innovation and Access to Medicines, a project of the Global Health Centre directed by Dr. Suerie Moon. She has a background in Law and Social Sciences, specialization in Intellectual Property Law and New Technologies of Information and holds a masters degree in Public Health from the Universidade de Sao Paulo (Brazil), obtained with a dissertation about alternatives models of innovation for health technologies. Prior to joining the Global Health Centre, she was coordinator of the Brazilian civil society Working Group on Intellectual Property (GTPI) and legal consultant and researcher at accessIBSA: Innovation & Access to

Medicines in India, Brazil and South Africa, a project conducted in partnership with the National School of Public Health/Fiocruz in Brazil. She has been working on access to medicines and intellectual property issues since 2005, in close collaboration with several civil society organizations, mostly from developing countries. She has also consulted for a number of international organizations in the field.

Yiqi Liu

Research Assistant, Global Health Centre, Geneva Graduate Institute



Yiqi Liu was a research assistant at the Global Health Centre, working on the New Business Models for Governing Innovation and Global Access to Medicines project and the research collaboration on pharmaceutical innovation in the Global South. She holds a BA in Diplomacy from China Foreign Affairs University and a MA in International Relations/Political Science from the Geneva Graduate Institute, obtained with a dissertation on commercial and political factors affecting the global distribution of Chinese COVID-19 vaccines.

Carlos Correa

Executive Director, South Centre, Switzerland



Dr. Carlos M. Correa is the Executive Director of the South Centre, Geneva, Switzerland. Previously, he was the Special Advisor on Trade and Intellectual Property of the South Centre. Dr. Correa is a renowned international authority on intellectual property, international trade, plant biodiversity and technology issues. Dr. Correa has worked with the Argentinian government and has been the Director of the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies on Industrial Property and Economics (CEIDIE) at the Law Faculty of the University of Buenos Aires. He has been a member of the Scientific Council of the Deutsch-Argentinisches Hochschulzentrum (DAHZ-CUAA), of the UK Commission on Intellectual Property, of international expert commissions convened by the World Health Organization and of the FAO Panel of Eminent Experts on Ethics in Food and Agriculture. He has been a visiting professor in post-graduate courses of several universities, as well as consultant to various regional and international organizations, including FAO, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNIDO and the World Bank. He is the author of several books and of numerous articles. He is a lawyer and economist and holds a PhD in Law from the University of Buenos Aires.

Matthias Helble

Scientist, Research for Health Department, World Health Organization



Matthias Helble is a Scientist in the Research for Health Department, Science Division, of the World Health Organization (WHO). He is responsible for supporting WHO Member States in their efforts to strengthen their research and development capacity for new health technologies, especially in low- and middle income countries.

Matthias' research interests include health, international trade, and development economics. His research has appeared in flagship publications of international organizations as well as in books and scientific journals. His work includes affiliations with the Asian Development Bank, World Bank, the World Trade Organization, as well as the United Nations. Matthias holds graduate degrees in economics from the University of Tübingen and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He earned his PhD in health economics from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies and the Swiss School of Public Health.

Nahitun Naher

Assistant Director, Centre of Excellence for Health Systems and Universal Health Coverage, BRAC University, Bangladesh



Dr. Nahitun Naher is a public health specialist with expertise in designing and conducting public health research. She is experienced in public health issues in Bangladesh and low- and middle-income countries; she has extensive experience in operation research issues, research management, and mentoring in multi-disciplinary, multi-ethnic environments. Dr Naher is a graduate of Z.H. Sikder Medical College, Dhaka Bangladesh. She has a master's in healthcare quality improvement from the University of Helsinki, Finland, and a post graduation in public health and hygiene from the Institute of Public Health and Hygiene, Delhi, India. She has published in peer-reviewed international journals, authored research monographs, and working papers. Attended and presented papers in many international seminars, conferences, and workshops. Her research interests include health system, health workforce, health equity, marginalized population, adolescent health, universal health coverage, health sector corruption, pharmaceutical promotion, pharmaceutical research and development, infectious diseases and antimicrobial resistance, road traffic injury, etc. At present, she is Assistant Director, at Centre of Excellence for Health System and Universal Health Coverage (CoE-HS&UHC), BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health, BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Sanjida Ahmed Srishti

Senior Research Assistant, BRAC University, Bangladesh



Sanjida Ahmed Srishti is a Senior Research Assistant at BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health. She graduated with a Bachelor of Pharmacy (Hons.) from the School of Pharmacy, BRAC University, and is currently a PhD candidate at Duquesne University, USA. Her recent research interest focuses on the qualitative study of the current scenario of pharmaceutical research and development, prospects of existing and alternative business models, funding flow for pharmaceutical R&D, and the clinical trial situation in Bangladesh. Along with that, she conducted the scoping review and rapid review in the field of public health and pharmaceutical science. She has been involved in secondary data review for the past 2.5 years and has conducted research on computational biology, nano-formulations, genome sequencing-based annotation of virulence and antimicrobial resistance factors, etc. Sanjida has a good experience in relevant software knowledge for review in public health and pharmacy background.

Mohammad Kamruzzaman

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Mohammad Kamruzzaman is Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva. He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2008 and has previously worked at the Consulate General of Bangladesh in Sydney; Bangladesh High Commission in New Delhi and Embassy of Bangladesh in Stockholm. In the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka, he worked in various capacities in the Multilateral Economic Affairs Wing, International Organizations Wing, Europe and EU Wing, and South Asia Wing. He has worked as a Lecturer in Information and Telecommunication Engineering in Southeast University, Dhaka. He is trained in Applied Physics and Electronics from the University of Dhaka.

Tatiana Andia

Associate professor, University de los Andes, Colombia



Tatiana Andia is associate professor of sociology at University de los Andes in Bogotá, Colombia. She holds a BA in economics and history from the same university, an MA in Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and a PhD in Sociology from Brown University. Her recent research focuses on innovation and access to health care technologies, health care systems as institutional arrangements, and migrants health. She has explored the leading role that experts in public health and other fields, temporary visitors of the State, played in the design of the pharmaceutical policies in Brazil and Colombia since the 1990s. She is also interested in the political economy of health and development, particularly in what has to do with health inequalities, tensions between global economic integration and the guarantee of social rights, and the theories of the state and social movements. She was an advisor to the Colombian Minister of Health between 2014 and 2018 and consulted for the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the World Bank and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) on health and access to medicines projects.

Maria Juliana Tenorio Quintero

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Maria Juliana Tenorio Quintero is a member of the Colombian Foreign Service, currently Minister Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva. She holds a PhD in Public International Law from Universidad de Buenos Aires, and an LL.M in Public International Law from Leiden University. She is graduated with honours from the Faculty of Law at the Universidad San Buenaventura de Cali, Colombia. She has eighteen years of experience in international affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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