

speaker biographies



Javid Abdelmoneim

President, MSF UK

Born in Cambridge to Sudanese Iranian parents, Javid spent his first 7 years in Khartoum, Sudan, before returning to Cambridge for schooling. Going to medical school at University College London, he graduated 2003 and entered training in Emergency Medicine. After completing the Diploma in Tropical Medicine & Hygiene and gaining membership of the Royal College of Physicians he joined MSF in 2009 for his first field assignment, which was to Iraq. Since then, he has worked in the field as a doctor with MSF in Haiti, Lebanon (for Syria), South Sudan, Sierra Leone (for Ebola), on the Mediterranean on one of MSF's search & rescue vessels and in Raqqa in North Syria. Javid has also visited MSF projects in Armenia, DR Congo, France and Jordan whilst filming them in his role as a reporter for the TV health magazine show "The Cure" broadcasting on the Al Jazeera network. This series features solutions and innovations in healthcare from around the world. He is the winner of the Foreign Press Association award for best science story of the year in 2016 for the episode "Operation Gaza." Filming for the BBC has included the Panorama Ebola Frontline special which was Emmy and BAFTA nominated, The Truth About Alcohol and The Refugee Camp: Our Desert Home. In 2018 he was BAFTA nominated for the BBC2 documentary No More Boys and Girls. Whilst still working as a registrar in Emergency Medicine in Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust in London, Javid has been the President of MSF UK since May 2017.



Mirza Alas Portillo

Programme Officer, South Centre

Mirza Alas Portillo is a program officer at the South Centre. She works on global public health issues as part of the Health, Intellectual Property and Biodiversity Program (HIPB) team. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Human Ecology from College of the Atlantic (Maine, USA) with a focus on development studies and anthropology. She then obtained a Master of Public Health (MPH) joint degree conferred by the University of Copenhagen (Denmark) and the University of Sheffield (UK). She joined the South Centre in 2015 to provide research and policy advice to developing countries on antimicrobial resistance and access to medicines issues at the United Nations, World Health Organization (WHO), and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), develop technical capacity building activities on antimicrobial resistance at the regional and national level. Before her work at the South Centre, she worked as a health policy researcher with Third World Network and had been actively engaged in the United Nations (UN) processes in New York related to Sustainable Development.



Fadi AlHalabi

Founder and General Director, Multi Aid Programs (MAPs)

Fadi AlHalabi is a resident Physician in Neurosurgery and has graduated from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Damascus in 2009. A full-time humanitarian worker since 2013 and director of the initiative MAPS in Lebanon, which operates medical and educational field, and capacity building among the Syrian refugees, which today has more than 350 Syrian employee works. He worked for two years as a consultant and medical coordinator for the Qatar Red Crescent. He participated many times in a UN-ESCWA project called the National Agenda for Syria's Future. Several rounds in the US led after the founding of hope Syria team from young children and the Syrians and their superiority in local and international robotic competitions so as to advocate for the rights of refugees and change the stereotypical perception of them.



Ricardo Angora
Mental Health and Psychosocial Coordinator, MDM

Ricardo Angora is a member of MDM Spain. He is a psychiatrist with experience in human rights protection. He has participated in several humanitarian settings concerning Mental Health interventions: Refugee seekers in transit to Europe crisis; Palestinian-Israeli conflict; Syrian refugee crisis, Horn Africa hunger crisis, Darfur conflict, Iraq conflict. Currently is the MDM Spain mental health coordinator for Ebola outbreak response in Nord Kivu (RDC). He is a volunteer activist for universal health right. In this field, he is working in protection of human rights of people with mental health disorders, as member of Rights Section of Spanish Association of Psychiatry (AEN). He worked in the rights protection of people with mental health disorders living in restrain conditions in Cebu island. Former member of Humanitarian Group of Spanish NGO Platform (CONGDE).



Tuenwa Clément Bagnoa
Rehabilitation Specialist, Humanity and Inclusion

Tuenwa Clément Bagnoa has a Master of Development and is an International Specialist for Health, Environment, Territory and Society Sciences. Tuenwa works as Field Rehabilitation Specialist for HI, after having worked 14 years in the Ministry of Health. He has 10 years of working experience with HI in the field. Key areas of expertise include expanding program of Immunisation, neglected tropical diseases, the use of insecticide-treated mosquito nets for malaria preventing as well as the participation in several works and seminars on Health systems management.



Roxana Baldrich
Policy Advisor - Climate Risk Management and Huaraz Case, Germanwatch

Roxana Baldrich is a policy advisor for climate risk management and the Huaraz Case at Germanwatch – an environmental and development NGO that promotes North-South equity and the preservation of livelihoods. After completing her master's degree in Human Rights and Humanitarian Action at Sciences Po Paris, she worked for the German Red Cross in a refugee center. Other previous work experience includes the Council of Europe, the German Consulate General in New York and GIZ. In the International Climate Policy team at Germanwatch, her work focuses on climate litigation (mainly the lawsuit of Saúl Luciano Lliuya against RWE), climate-induced migration and displacement as well as the Brown to Green Report 2019.



Hildegard Bedarff
Lecturer in Political Science, Hamburg University

Dr. Hildegard Bedarff is a political scientist, lecturer at the Universität Hamburg and co-author of the Greenpeace study: Climate Change, Migration, and Displacement (2017). Her main areas of interest are environmental migration, international climate policy, European integration and democracy.



Tobias Bergner

Coordinator for the Foreign Policy Dimension of Global Health Issues, Federal Foreign Office Germany

Since 2015, Tobias Bergner holds the position of Coordinator for the Foreign Policy Dimension of Global Health Issues at the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin, Germany. Prior to this, 2009-2013, he was serving as Foreign Policy Advisor to the Minister of the Interior. Since joining the Foreign Ministry in 1988, he worked at different positions in German Embassies - in Yemen, at the German Mission to the United Nations in New York, dealing with Middle East and Northern Africa, at the German Embassy in Moscow and in Abu Dhabi/UAE. In his diplomatic career, he held different positions at the Foreign Office covering mainly Eastern Europe, as well as the Middle East/Northern Africa.



Constanze Bönig

Desk Officer Humanitarian Aid and Development Cooperation, Vétérinaires sans Frontières

Constanze Bönig grew up in a household of veterinarians and holds a degree in International Business and Cultural Studies (Univ. Passau) and a postgraduate master in Peace and Security Studies (Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy Hamburg). Her upbringing and education as well as her work experience in conflict contexts sensitised her for the interconnectedness of everything in the world. As part of the Programmes Department, she provides backstopping and management support to VSF Germany's humanitarian and development projects that often apply the One Health approach.



Susan Buckingham

Researcher and Writer on gender and environmental justice

Susan Buckingham writes, researches, advises and broadcasts on how gender and environment are critically interlinked, and that addressing environmental problems can only be successful when combined with addressing gender (and other social) inequality. Susan has been an academic – Professor in Human Geography at Brunel University, London until 2015 – and was Chair of Trustees for the Women's Environmental Network for nine years. She helped to establish WEN's Women's Manifesto on Climate Change in 2007, and continues to collaborate with WEN on women's climate change activism. Susan has also worked with vulnerable and abused women: as a volunteer, trustee and undertaking research to establish their support needs. Beyond the UK, Susan has advised EU projects, UNEP and British Council gender and environmental projects in Pakistan. Drawing on this experience, Susan's completely revised edition of *Gender and Environment* will be published by Routledge in 2020.



Veronica 'Derek' Cabe

Lead, Coal-Free Bataan Movement

Derek Cabe is a coordinator for the Coal-Free Bataan Movement. A staunch anti-coal advocate, she is among community members leading the campaign to hold San Miguel Corporation accountable for its coal plants' violations in the Philippines, which are directly affecting residents in her hometown in Bataan. She has actively campaigned in protecting and defending communities against the damage caused by dirty and harmful sources of energy. She is also a petitioner of the landmark case in the Philippines holding Carbon Majors accountable through the Commission on Human Rights. In 2018, she testified in the public inquiry hearings to share her personal experiences of extreme weather events in the Philippines. Her experiences on the frontlines galvanized her commitment in promoting environmental awareness and protection, as well as the advancement of people's rights and welfare.



Ilan Cerna-Turoff

Ph.D. Candidate, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Ilan Cerna-Turoff has over 10 years of experience in the fields of protection and global health. Ilan's work is strongly rooted in social justice, with an ethos of working with most impacted communities, particularly in the Global South and humanitarian contexts. He specializes in mixed-method evaluations, capacity building and training and research with children and adolescents in challenging operating environments. In recent years, Ilan has focused on building the evidence base on social and health outcomes of natural disasters and global climate change. He is interested in understanding what makes communities vulnerable or resilient to disasters and how it relates to negative social and health outcomes, such as violence. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine where he studies violence against children after natural disasters.



Dr Christos Christou

International President, International

Dr Christos Christou is International President of Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) since 1 September 2019. His time with MSF started in 2003, when he worked with migrants and refugees in Greece. He then joined missions in Sub-Saharan Africa, commencing ARV treatment to HIV/AIDS patients. Since then, he participated in surgical missions in conflict zones and highly insecure contexts, like South Sudan, Mosul Iraq and SW Cameroon. Dr Christou graduated the medical school in Greece and later was specialized as general and emergency surgeon. He holds a MSc title in "International Health - Health Crisis Management" and a PhD in Colorectal Surgery. Since 2013, he is based in London, working as Consultant of Colorectal and Emergency Surgery at North Middlesex University Hospital. In 2018, he was awarded fellow of the European Board of Surgery in Coloproctology. Dr Christou was the president of MSF Greece Board of Directors since 2012 and recently elected International President of MSF.



Rita Dayoub

Academy Fellow, Chatham House

Rita Dayoub is an Academy Associate at the Centre on Global Health Security at Chatham House. She is a Syrian activist and a dentist specialized in periodontology and implantology, she also holds an MSc in Public Health from King's College London where her research examined the participatory approaches to health promotion in refugee camps. Over a span of four years, she worked on the health humanitarian response and protection in Syria, Zimbabwe and South Sudan where she managed the Healthcare in Danger initiative of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). Prior to that, she managed grassroots health and human rights projects between 2011 and 2013. Rita's work at Chatham House focused on documenting and analyzing the protection measures and mitigation strategies implemented by local health providers in the Middle East to reduce attacks against healthcare during conflicts. Rita is also the founder of the Health Workers at the Frontline storytelling initiative, which records audio stories on the lives of and the challenges facing local health workers on the frontline in conflict zones.



Elisabeth Decrey-Warner
Associate Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

Elisabeth Decrey Warner was a member of the Parliament of the Republic and Canton of Geneva from 1989-2001; she was elected its rotating President in 2000. Founder of the NGO Geneva Call, she led negotiations for over two decades with armed non-State actors on the protection of civilians in armed conflict. She has been recognized internationally for her outstanding contribution to peace. She was nominated for Switzerland as one of 1000 Women for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005. Among other awards, she received the highest recognition in France, *Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur*, an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Geneva and the Hessen Peace Prize in Germany. Mrs. Decrey Warner was the President of the Board of Trustees of the World Organization against Torture and has been a member of several other Boards of academic and international organisations. She is currently Associate Fellow at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy and member of the board of "Leaders pour la Paix".



François De Keersmaecker
Director, MDM Germany

After finishing his law degree François De Keersmaecker worked for five years as a Program Manager in Mozambique, Pakistan and Madagascar for Handicap International. In 1998 he founded the German section of Handicap International and was its Managing Director till end of 2014. From 2000 till 2010 he was Board Member of the German Campaign against Landmines and Cluster Munition. In the years 2004 till 2008 he was a member of the Coordination Taskforce of the Global Partnership to Disability and Development and spokesperson from 2011 till 2015 at VENRO (the umbrella organisation of German NGOs in development work) of the working group for disabilities and development. 2014 and 2015 he was a freelance consultant for international NGOs. Since January 2016 he is the Executive Director of Ärzte der Welt, the German section of Médecins du Monde/Doctors of the World.



Nora Dettmer
Advocacy Project Manager, MSF

Nora joined the Berlin Advocacy Unit at Médecins Sans Frontières in 2016. She works on developing and delivering a series of advocacy projects, including the annual Humanitarian Congress Berlin. She covers a number of different humanitarian contexts depending on advocacy priorities such as neglected crises and attacks on medical care. Her current focus is on the humanitarian consequences of the climate crisis. Prior to joining MSF, she worked in external relations at Chatham House in London (The Royal Institute of International Affairs). She holds a Master's degree in International Liaison and Communication and a Bachelor's in Hispanic Studies and English-Speaking Cultures. She is particularly passionate about gender equality issues.



Paul Dettmer
Logistics Consultant, WFP

Paul is a Consultant at the UN World Food Programme. As part of the Global Fleet Unit, he provides logistics and supply chain related support to WFP's operations and external entities. Since joining WFP in 2018, Paul mainly works on fleet management, last-mile transportation solutions and telematics systems. He facilitated regional capacity building initiatives in Uganda and supported rail operations in Tanzania. Paul holds a Master's degree in Management from the University of Göttingen where he focused on application of operations research and network optimization on humanitarian supply chains in East Africa.



Carol Devine
Humanitarian Advisor, MSF

Carol Devine is Humanitarian Advisor with Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) Canada. She co-leads a project on climate, environment and health for MSF and contributed to the 2018 Lancet Countdown: Tracking Progress on Health and Climate Change. Carol worked with MSF in Rwanda, East Timor, Peru and South Sudan and was the Canadian liaison for MSF's Access to Essential Medicines Campaign. She's also a writer, conceptual artist and social scientist who led and participated in ocean pollution and research initiatives in the UK, Arctic and Antarctic. She has advocated for access to medicines and respect for humanitarian principles before the Canadian Parliament and the World Trade Organization and has spoken at TEDxMontrealWomen, McGill University and at the American Geophysical Union Conference on plastic pollution, climate change and health. Carol is a Fellow with the Dahdaleh Institute of Global Health Research, Toronto.



Surindar Dhesi
Lecturer, University of Birmingham

Surindar Dhesi is an environmental health lecturer, researcher and active practitioner. She has several years' experience of working in UK Local Authority enforcement roles and also as a consultant in the private sector. Her research interests include policymaking to tackle health inequalities; understanding impacts on volunteers supporting refugees; and investigating environmental health conditions experienced by refugees and internally displaced people in France, Indonesia, Rwanda and Nigeria.



Fawad Durrani
Expert - Climate Migration and Displacement, Greenpeace Germany

Fawad Durrani is from Afghanistan and he is now working as an expert on the context of climate migration, conflict and displacement at Greenpeace in Germany since 2016. He has studied business administration and previously, worked for several humanitarian and development national and international organizations in Afghanistan. Devastating climate change impacts such as drought, flood and weather extremes already force millions of people to migrate around the world and threaten people's livelihoods. Fawad Durrani talks about the relationship between climate change, migration and displacement in countries like Afghanistan where poverty, conflict and disasters are already affecting people.



Ajith Edathoot
Project Coordinator, BORDA

Ajith Edathoot works as a Project Coordinator at the Innovation Department of Bremen Overseas Research & Development Association (BORDA). For over 40 years BORDA has been development of decentralized sanitation solutions in over 20 countries around the world. BORDA has been actively involved in Humanitarian WASH interventions in the Afghanistan, Iraq, Jordan and Bangladesh through innovative approaches to sanitation planning, wastewater treatment and faecal sludge management. Ajith has been working in sanitation sector since 2012. He has worked on projects related to research, planning, implementation and capacity building in WASH. Ajith holds a master's degree in Technology & Development from Indian Institute of Technology Bombay.



Nathalie Ernout
Head of Regional Advocacy, MSF Access Campaign

Nathalie Ernout is the head of regional advocacy of MSF Access Campaign an MSF advocacy entity aiming to tackle barriers to people's access to medical care, ensuring that quality products such as medicines, vaccines and diagnostics are available, affordable and adapted to people in MSF projects and beyond. Nathalie has 20 years of management experience with international humanitarian organization and has witnessed many of the access to medicine challenges faced by governments and NGOs. Nathalie Ernout holds a Master degree in communication and a University degree of the School of Laws of Paris Pathéon Assas. She is a lecturer at Institut de Relations Internationales Stratégiques (IRIS).



Peter Felten
Head of the Humanitarian Assistance Division, Federal Foreign Office Germany

Peter Felten has been the Head of Division for Humanitarian Assistance – Policy, International Organisations, Multilateral Coordination at the Federal Foreign Office since August 2016. In this capacity, he coordinates Germany's contribution to the international humanitarian system and relevant processes, including the World Humanitarian Summit and Grand Bargain follow-up, as well as to the international debate on key humanitarian issues. Furthermore, his division is in charge of Germany's relations with international humanitarian organisations as well as the humanitarian structures of the EU. From 2016 – 2019 he was a member of the Advisory Group of the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) of the UN. Mr. Felten joined the German Foreign Service in 1993. He held postings in the Russian Federation, at Germany's Permanent Mission to the UN in New York, in Portugal and as Foreign Policy Advisor to Siemens Company. Following a first term in the Foreign Office's humanitarian assistance division from 2008 to 2011, he became German Ambassador to the Republic of South Sudan, followed by a posting as Deputy Head of Mission at the German Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan.



Philipp Frisch
Head of Berlin Advocacy Unit, MSF

Philipp Frisch is the Head of the Berlin Advocacy Unit for Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) Germany. He and his team is responsible for coordinating MSF's advocacy and public positioning activities in Germany. Philipp has been working for MSF since 2009. He has worked as the Coordinator of the Access Campaign in Germany and as Humanitarian Affairs Officer in Zimbabwe and Swaziland. He also worked for MSF and other organizations in South Africa, Ethiopia, Nigeria and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Prior to this, he worked in the field of intellectual property and access to medicines and is co-author of a White Paper commissioned by the German parliament on how to incentivize medical R&D in the field of antimicrobial resistance. He holds a Master's degree in Political Science.



Günter Fröschl
Board Member, MdM

Dr Guenter Fröschl is a medical doctor and specialist in infectious diseases and tropical medicine and a senior lecturer and researcher at the Division of Infectious Diseases and Tropical Medicine of the University Hospital, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, where he is heading the T&TU Teaching and Training Unit. The T&TU comprises training formats on International and Global Health from medical undergraduate up to PhD level degrees. At the same time he is a board member of the CIHLMU Center for International Health and of the humanitarian organization Médecins du Monde, Germany. He has been employed by different humanitarian organizations for missions mostly on the African continent, dealing with health system strengthening, infectious disease management programs and working with refugee populations in different settings.



Robert Gensch
Senior Project Coordinator, German Toilet Organization/German WASH Network

Robert Gensch is senior project coordinator at German Toilet Organisation (GTO) and is heading GTO's WASH capacity development unit. He has more than 13 years of experience in humanitarian and development WASH with a particular focus on sanitation technology solutions in emergency situations and corresponding hygiene and behaviour change approaches. He is lead author of the recently published "Compendium of Sanitation Technologies in Emergencies" and the the soon to come "Compendium of Water Technologies in Emergencies".



Chinma George
Environmental Expert, ClimFinance Consulting

Chinma George is environmental researcher and climate finance expert. Her areas of interest include but are not limited to climate change, climate finance, youth, sustainable development and climate change negotiations. She has consulted with the UN and the Nigerian government. With over five years' experience in climate change research, development and presentation of technical papers, co-authoring books and policy documents as well as capacity development for parliamentarians. She co-authored a book with freie university Berlin on social and political impacts of climate change in Nigeria, and was one of the lead authors for the book Stocktaking of Africa's Journey in the UNFCCC Negotiations with UNECA. She is a consultant at Climfinance Consulting, a think and do tank that researches on climate finance and sources funding for organisations and government. Chinma is a PhD candidate in the Department of Geography, University of Lagos



Gie Goris

Editor-in-chief, MO* magazine

Gie Goris (1955) worked in development education from 1980 until 1990, when he started working in global journalism. He is editor-in-chief of MO*. The magazine and website have an editorial focus on development, globalization, climate transition and diversity, and the trends shaping a changing world. Goris usually writes on the issues of interculturality, religion and globalization. He has been travelling all corners of the globe and did interviews with a diversity of writers and thinkers, politicians and farmers alike. He received the Dutch Journalist for Peace award in 2012. Gie Goris also edited some books on religion and violence; on art, cultural diversity and globalization; on worldviews and engagement; on human rights and freedoms. In 2011, he published *Opstandland. De strijd om Afghanistan, Pakistan en Kasjmir*, a wide ranging account of the conflicts in South/Central-Asia. In 2017 he published *Radicaal voor Rechten*, a volume of contributions on rights and freedoms in times of increasing polarization. Besides his professional career in journalism and publishing, Gie Goris was president of different organisations and platforms for refugees, asylum seekers and illegal immigrants); an international filmfestival; a donor organisation supporting cultural projects in Africa; a platform of online news organisations in Flanders.



Kim Gruetzmacher

Program Manager, Health Program, Wildlife Conservation Society

Dr. Kim Gruetzmacher is a Program Manager for the Health Program of the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS). She graduated from Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich with a veterinary degree in 2009. Before vet school she was a science intern on Dr. Roger Payne's research vessel Odyssey, where she assisted with research, investigating the levels of persistent organic pollutants in sperm whales. She enrolled in a PhD program in Biomedical Sciences at the Free University Berlin in 2012, conducting her research at the Robert Koch Institute with fieldwork in the Central African Republic, where she set up a field laboratory for wildlife health monitoring, to perform on-site and real-time investigations of disease outbreaks. In her PhD, she focused on anthropogenic respiratory disease in wild great apes in Sub-Saharan Africa. Alongside her PhD training Kim obtained a certificate from the University of Saskatchewan's ITrAP (Integrated Training Program in Infectious Disease, Food Safety and Public Policy), in 2014. In 2016 she was awarded the Rudolf Ippen Young Scientist Award.



Katja Gürten

Project Coordinator, Johanniter Auslandshilfe - International Assistance

Katja Gürten is the Desk Officer for the DR Congo program at the Johanniter International Assistance. She has been working in the field of development cooperation, conflict transformation and humanitarian assistance for the past 12 years with organisations such as the Forum Civil Peace Service, GIZ and the International Civil Society Centre. Her research interests include conflict sensitivity and accountability to affected communities. She holds a master's degree in Conflict Resolution from the University of Bradford and a bachelor degree in International Studies from the University of Montreal.



Christian Haggemiller

Research Coordinator Health Security Interface, German Institute for Defence and Strategic Studies

Dr. Christian Haggemiller was drafted as a ship doctor in 1997. He served in several military medical facilities and was posted at NATO's Joint Analysis and Lessons Learned Centre (JALLC). He worked on civil military analysis projects in all NATO missions during 2006-2013 and provided strategic and operational recommendations. From 2013-2016 he served at the German Operational Forces Command in the Department Joint Medical, responsible for the health/medical support of German contingents deployed to UN missions. Currently, he is a lecturer at the Command and Staff College of the Bundeswehr and Research Coordinator in Health & Security at the German Institute for Defence and Strategic Studies. He is a founding member and chair of the interdisciplinary network "Global Health Security Alliance" GloHSA and joined the WHO roster of experts in public health emergencies and bio weapons.



Andrew Haines

Professor of Environmental Change and Public Health, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

Professor Sir Andy Haines was Dean (subsequently Director) of the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine for nearly 10 years until October 2010 and is currently Professor of Environmental Change and Public Health. He has been a member of many national and international bodies including the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (on 3 occasions), the UK DFID Research Advisory Group (latterly chair) and the WHO Advisory Committee on Health Research. He was chair of the Rockefeller Foundation /Lancet Commission on Planetary Health and is currently a member of several international initiatives including the Sustainable Development Solutions Network Leadership Council and the Rockefeller Council on the Economics of Planetary Health. His research interests focus on the effects of climate change on health and the health (co-)benefits of 'low carbon' policies, including sustainable healthy cities and food systems.



Stephane Heymans

Operation Director, MdM

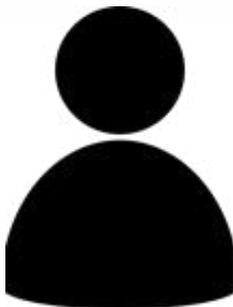
Stephane Heymans holds a diploma in Economics and Anthropology and a postgraduate certificate in Environment from SOAS in London. For more than twenty years, he has been working in humanitarian contexts. Ten years thereof, he worked as Head of Mission and Field Coordinator with MSF in Angola, Chad, Ivory Coast and Niger. Since ten years, he is working with MdM, thereof responsible for domestic projects and since 4 years, serving as director of national and international operations.



Anja Hohl

Resident Doctor, Stiftung Endamarariiek

Anja Hohl graduated from medical school in 2018 and is now working as a resident doctor at the institute for pathology, University of Bern in Switzerland. Since her internship at Endamarariiek Health centre in northern Tanzania, she is a regular attendant at the donation board meetings of the «Stiftung Endamarariiek. She has revisited Endamarariiek twice and launched a cervical screening service in October 2018. Furthermore, she organizes internships for Swiss medical students and nurses.



Olaf Horstick

Director of Teaching, Heidelberg Institute of Global Health

Olaf Horstick is a consultant in public health medicine, as a Medical Doctor with a main interest in public health in low and middle-income countries, with over 25 years of work experience in public health at local, national and international level as well as clinical medicine. Postgraduate academic training as a Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health, London, as a Doctor of Tropical Medicine at University of Heidelberg, Germany, as well as a MA in Public Health and Science in Public Health in Developing Countries. He is currently Director of the Teaching Unit at the Institute of Public Health at the University Hospital Heidelberg, Germany.



Anette Bringedal Houge

Head of Unit, Humanitarian Needs and Analysis, Norwegian Red Cross

Anette Bringedal Houge is the Head of Analysis at the Norwegian Red Cross. The Norwegian Red Cross has recently published two reports on the humanitarian effects of climate change nationally and internationally. Houge holds a PhD in Criminology and Sociology of Law from the University of Oslo, Norway (2017). Houge's research concerns international/supranational criminology and international criminal justice, narrative criminology, and politically motivated and collective violence.



Mason Huffine

Africa Business and Sales Director, Little Sun

Mason Huffine is a longtime advocate for energy access in the global south. Starting in 2008 as the Country Director for SolarAid / Sunny Money T, he developed sustainable community solar projects including over 80 kW on 120 large-scale distributed PV projects for health centers and schools. At the social business "Sunny Money", he created new markets for pico solar products and pioneered the Schools campaign that has now sold over 1.8 million solar lamps to students in Africa. As Project Director for ICS for TZ 21st Program, he supported the deployment of over 1000 systems totaling 240 kW. At Solar Nexus International he consulted different private companies, NGOs, and local solar businesses as a project developer on rural electrification projects. At LittleSun GmbH as Africa Business & Sales Director, Mason has worked to expand business in Africa and developed a strong humanitarian program within the company.



Anne Isakowitsch

Campaign and Fundraising Director, SumOfUs

Anne works as a campaign and fundraising director for SumOfUs, a movement of consumers, workers and shareholders speaking with one voice to counterbalance the growing power of large corporations. She runs campaigns in English and German and is in charge of fundraising for the organization. In 2017, Anne founded a new political party in Germany, "Demokratie in Bewegung". Previously, she worked as a campaigner with Crisis Action on the protection of civilians in conflict with a focus on Syria and Russia.



Mariam Janssen-Yousaf
International Programmes Officer, MdM Germany & Member of HCB Steering Committee

As part of the International Programmes Department of Doctors of the World Germany / Médecins du Monde Network, Mariam works for health programmes, e.g. in Iraq, Central African Republic and specifically the Somali Region in Ethiopia. Her areas of interest involve localization, quality and changing power structures in the humanitarian sector, as well as questions of inequality, human rights and environment. With a background in Political Science and Sociology, her experience includes working with migrants and refugees in Germany, projects in Pakistan, social justice movements such as the European Social Forum, and filmmaking / media.



Günther Jonitz
President, Berlin Chamber of Physicians

Qualified surgeon, since 1999 President of the Berlin Chamber of Physicians and a member of the board of the German Medical Association (GMA/BÄK). Chairman of the quality assurance bodies of the GMA. Representative of the GMA in the Board of Trustees of the Institute for Quality and Efficiency in Health Care (IQWiG) and of the Institute for Quality and Transparency in Health Care (IQTIG). He is founding member and formerly Chair of the German Coalition for Patient Safety (APS) as well as founding member of the German Network for Evidence Based Medicine (DNEbM). Since 2006 he is the technical advisor to the German Ministry of Health on questions relating to patient safety in international organizations (e.g. EU Commission, WHO). He is also leader of the working group "Patient Safety" that is part of the national programme "Gesundheitsziele.de", defining goals and setting agendas in health care. He has organized the first congress on value-based health care in Germany in 2016 in cooperation with the bmj and the Nuffield College, University of Oxford, UK. He received the Federal Medal of Honour by the German Federal President for his achievements in patient safety and evidence-based medicine in 2016.



Sina Kaufmann
Writer and Activist, Extinction Rebellion

Sina Kamala Kaufmann lives as an author and activist in Berlin, after studying politics, philosophy, and international law. Parallel to her studies she investigated living as a tree and subsequently worked several years in the gaming industry. Her volume of short stories »Helle Materie« (tr: Bright Matter), published in 2019, is dedicated to life in the future in short utopian vignettes. Kaufmann is Extinction Rebellion (XR) activist and Editor of the German XR-Handbook »Wann wenn nicht wir*«, (S.Fischer/2019).



Sara Kayyali
Syria Researcher, Human Rights Watch

Sara Kayyali is the Syria researcher in the Middle East and North Africa Division at Human Rights Watch, investigating human rights and international humanitarian law violations in Syria. Prior, she was the legal analyst at the Syrian Legal Development Programme, where she provided research and capacity-building support on human rights and humanitarian legal issues arising out of the Syrian conflict. Kayyali previously worked with civil society on regional and international advocacy and policy-making around key issues in the Arab region as the Policy and Advocacy program specialist at the Open Society Foundations - Arab Regional Office. She was also a member of the Human Rights Clinic at Columbia, where she conducted human rights advocacy and research on the right to housing and civil society engagement with UN Special Procedures. Kayyali holds a double-degree in law from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and Columbia Law School.



Karline Kleijer
Head of Emergency Desk, MSF

Karline Kleijer is the Head of the Emergency Department for Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) based in Amsterdam. She has worked with MSF since 2001 in more than 30 countries including Central African Republic, Libya, Haiti, Sudan, Syria, Yemen and Sri Lanka. She is responsible for emergency interventions strategies with a focus on access negotiation, security management, advocacy and program strategy. She provides trainings in regards to intervention strategy and security management in complex emergency settings.



Stefan Krug
Political Director, Greenpeace Germany

Stefan Krug was born on April 15, 1961 in Ludwigshafen am Rhein. After studying history, romance languages and philosophy in Heidelberg and Hamburg, he headed the regional office of the news agency ddp / ADN for several years as a correspondent for northern Germany. In 1995, Stefan Krug joined Greenpeace Germany as press officer. In 2001, he moved to Berlin and expanded the political unit office of Greenpeace. As the Political Director Stefan Krug coordinates the political work of Greenpeace.



Michael Kühn
Deputy Director, Policy and External Relations, Welthungerhilfe

Michael Kühn has more than 25 years' experience in the international field with NGOs and in initiatives pursuing social justice, human rights, sustainable development, peace-building and environmental protection. He has spent half of his career in the field, in strategic and management positions in conflicting environments. He joined Welthungerhilfe in 2007, first as Country Director in Haïti and since 2010 as Deputy Director of the Policy and External Relations Unit. His advocacy and policy portfolio include humanitarian affairs, climate change politics, disaster risk reduction, resilience building, rights-based approaches and risk financing systems. Michael Kühn has proven track record of working in multicultural and conflicting environments, development of advocacy strategies and in external communication. Michael holds a Master's Degree in Political Science and Medieval History from University of Hamburg.



Barbara Küppers
Public Affairs Manager, terre des hommes Deutschland e.V.

Barbara Küppers is a sociologist and journalist. She started her political life in the women's movement and as an anti-nuclear activist. Since the early 90ies, she is working to strengthen human rights with a focus on child rights on issues like children and armed conflict, flight and displacement, violence against children and child labour. In different roles - as co-founder, contributor, and coordinator - she contributed to national and international campaigns, like the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, campaigns on the rights of refugee and migrant children, on child labour and corporate responsibilities. Currently, Barbara is working as public affairs manager for terre des hommes, a child focused agency supporting movements and projects for children in 67 countries.



Zoé Kyavaghendi

Risk Communication and Community Engagement, WHO

Zoé Kyavaghendi is a passionate activist for justice, education and promotion of female leadership. She has been working in the field of global health risk communication and community engagement as well as social mobilization for UNICEF, World Vision and WHO. According to her areas of interest, she speaks up against violence against women and children and supports sensitization activities in the context of the (international) Ebola response.



Gernot Laganda

Chief Climate and Disaster Risk Reduction, WFP

Gernot Laganda is leading the climate and disaster risk reduction work at the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP). He joined WFP from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), where he managed the world's largest climate change adaptation program for smallholder farmers in developing countries. A geoscientist by training, Gernot has spent the past 20 years managing projects and programs at the intersection of rural development, disaster risk management and climate change adaptation. He held posts with an Austrian NGO supporting disaster relief and reconstruction projects in Afghanistan and Tajikistan; the Austrian Development Agency - a bilateral aid agency in his native Austria; and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in South Africa and the Regional Center for Asia/Pacific. Gernot holds a M.Eng. degree in Applied Geosciences, a MA degree in Public Policy, and postgraduate diplomas in disaster management and development cooperation. He is a 2016 Greenberg World Fellow at Yale University.



Daniel Lorenz

Researcher, Disaster Research Unit (DRU) FU Berlin

Daniel F. Lorenz is senior researcher at the Disaster Research Unit (DRU) at Freie Universität Berlin, Germany. He has conducted research in India, Japan, South Korea, Sierra Leone and Greece. His research interests include various social science issues in the context of disasters and humanitarian emergencies such as vulnerability and resilience. Currently, his work focusses on novel developments at the intersection of humanitarian aid, disaster management and civil protection in the context of displacement. He will be presenting also on behalf of his colleague and co-author Dr. Cordula Dittmer, who is a senior researcher at the Disaster Research Unit (DRU) at the Freie Universität Berlin, Germany. From a social science perspective, she conducts research at the interface of civil protection, disaster management and humanitarian aid in Europe and beyond in various research projects, amongst others in an evaluation of civil protection and disaster management in Northern Germany, on vulnerability and resilience in disasters in German-Indian comparison or on communication processes of the Berlin fire department.



Christa Luginbühl
Joint Managing Director, Public Eye

Christa Luginbühl works for more than 20 years in the NGO-sector and specialized in advocacy campaigning. In her current function as Joint Managing Director of the Swiss based NGO Public Eye, she is in charge for campaign work related to the pharmaceutical sector, the global textile industry, the pesticide market, the agricultural sector and soft commodity trading. In addition she conducted several multi-brand surveys, policy work on the implementation of human rights due diligence along global supply chains and research on the wage and living conditions in European post-socialist countries. Christa Luginbühl graduated in management in non-profit organisations and completed post-graduate studies in "Development and Cooperation" (ETH Zurich) and in "Gender, Justice, Globalisation" (University of Berne). Public Eye conducts investigations and in-depth research and sheds a light on human rights violations perpetrated by Swiss companies abroad.



Fiston Mahamba Wa Biondi
Co-founder and Editor, Congo Check

Fiston Mahamba Wa Biondi holds a degree environmental sciences and sustainable development as well as a learning bachelor's degree in multimedia journalism from Lille University. Since 2012, he has been working as journalist based in Goma, eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. As Editor-in-chief of Politico.cd, the first online media dedicated to politics and business in the DRC, he amongst others collaborated with Turkish news agency Anadolu, Deutsche Press Agentur and Reuters, Associated Press, and Le Monde newspaper. He is involved in the Committee to Protect Journalists, CPJ and initiated "Cover CONCO" data researcher network and CONGO CHECK. In this context, he developed instruments for fact-checking, multimedia and data journalism in Congo.



Fyras Mawazini
Vice President, MdM France

Fyras has worked for more than 20 years as Head of Mission for International NGOs in several countries throughout the MENA region and Africa. Simultaneously, he has been fervently engaged with Medecins du Monde (MdM) as a volunteer member for almost 15 years, participating in and monitoring closely the strategies and humanitarian operations in the Middle East more particularly around the Syrian crisis. Since 2017, he is a member of the Board of MdM France where he follows closely the Emergencies and Crisis Operations and in June 2018 he became MdM France vice president. Thanks to his different assignments, Fyras has been living in almost all the MENA countries. It gives him the chance to follow deeply the transformation of the civil societies in the region and to accompany and support the empowerment of several civil society organisations throughout the implementation of development projects addressing the countries' social challenges. Fyras holds an MSc in Development Studies from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva.



Maylin Meincke

Board Member, Deutsche Allianz Klimawandel und Gesundheit (KLUG) e.V.

Dr. Maylin Meincke is a board member of the Deutsche Allianz Klimawandel und Gesundheit e.V. (KLUG), a network of individuals, organisations and associations in the health sector working on raising the awareness of the impacts of climate change on human health in Germany. She currently is a fellow of the postgraduate training in epidemiology (PAE/EPIET) at the Robert-Koch-Institute and the State health office of Baden-Württemberg. As an advisor for health and adaptation to climate change at the Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH Meincke previously worked together with NGOs, ministries of health and environment of partner countries, and the UN to strengthen the resilience of health systems in the face of a changing climate.



Jennifer Morgan

Executive Director, Greenpeace International

Jennifer Morgan is a leading expert on climate issues and civil society advocacy. Recently voted by Apolitical as one of the world's top 20 most influential people in climate policy, Morgan is currently the Executive Director of Greenpeace International. Involved in climate change issues for over twenty years, Morgan has held a series of directorship roles of climate programmes at different non-governmental organisations, including World Resources Institute, E3G and WWF. She has participated in every COP meeting since the first in Berlin in 1995. Jennifer was also a Review Editor for the 5th Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and has served on the Advisory Board to the Grantham Institute on Climate and the Environment. Previously, she served on the German Council on Sustainable Development and was a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research. At Germanwatch's 20th anniversary celebration, Jennifer was named an honorary member of the organisation for her long-term commitment to international climate issues and the empowerment of civil society.



Annie Tracie Muraya

Program Officer Manager, EPN/ReAct Africa

Tracie Muraya is a Program Officer at EPN, currently leading the HIV Program. She holds a BPharm Degree from Rhodes University, South Africa and a PGDip Public Health from the University of Liverpool. Prior to joining EPN, she worked as a hospital pharmacist for over 10 years, during which she significantly contributed to strengthening respective institutional health systems. Her current role as ReAct Africa Program Manager at EPN involves coordination of projects that contribute to implementation of different countries' AMR NAPs. This involves but not limited to, establishment of AMS Programs across sub-Saharan African countries, engaging mapped AMR CSOs and participating in strategic meetings to advocate and lobby for LMICs in matters addressing AMR.



Angela Muriuki

Maternal Reproductive Health Advisor, Save the Children

Dr Angela Muriuki is the Regional Maternal Reproductive Health Advisor at Save the Children. Prior to this, she was the Head of Child Survival for Save the Children in Kenya leading the technical team on the design and implementation of health, nutrition and WASH programs, health innovation, donor and government coordination along with advocacy at the national level. Prior to joining Save the Children, Angela worked in a number of humanitarian health roles including health program management, emergency response and evaluation roles in South Sudan, DRC, Chad and Liberia with Merlin and Médecins sans Frontières. Angela is a medical doctor with an MSc in International Health (SRH).



Aninia Nadig
Policy and Practice Management, Sphere

Aninia was heavily involved in the revision of the Sphere Handbook 2018, overseeing the process during much of the second revision year. Prior to joining Sphere, Aninia was Country Analyst at the Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC) where she was responsible for the Horn of Africa. Before that, she worked in the Netherlands, focusing on Dutch and EU refugee and asylum policy issues with Dutch non-profit organizations. Aninia holds a Master's Degree in International Relations from the University of Amsterdam.



Emma O'Leary
Senior Humanitarian Policy Advisor, Norwegian Refugee Council

Emma O'Leary is NRC's Senior Humanitarian Policy Advisor with a focus on the impact of counterterrorism measures on principled humanitarian action. She is the author of 'Principles under Pressure', NRC's recent report on this issue. Emma's knowledge in this area developed over several years working in Yemen and Afghanistan for NRC and for International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO) focused on issues of humanitarian access and negotiations. Prior to joining this sector Emma worked for a private consultancy firm in the City of London. She has a BA in Politics and History, and received an MA in Latin American Studies from the University of London.



Phyllis Omido
Executive Director, Center For Justice Governance and Environmental Action

Phyllis Omido dubbed the "East African Erin Brockovich", is a Kenyan environmental activist. She was one of 6 people to be awarded the Goldman Environmental Prize in 2015. She is known for organizing protests against a lead smelting plant located in the middle of Owino Uhuru, a slum near Mombasa. The plant was causing lead poisoning by raising the lead content in the environment, killing residents, in particular children, and harming others, including her own child. The plant was ultimately closed. She is the founder of the Centre for Justice, Governance and Environmental Action (CJGEA). Her book about her story and fight against the lead refineries was just published in Germany.



Heather Pagano
Conflict & Humanitarianism Advisor, MSF

Heather Pagano is the conflict and humanitarianism advisor for Médecins Sans Frontières based in its Operational Centre Brussels. She focuses on the politics of epidemic response and global health security, the evolution of the aid system, and the challenges and dilemmas of humanitarianism in contemporary conflict. She joined MSF in 2008, serving as the Ebola advocacy and communication coordinator during the 2014-2015 West African epidemic, after extensive field and operations level communications experience. She has written widely on public health emergencies such as the West Africa Ebola epidemic and the current one in DRC, as well as the South Sudan and northeast Nigeria conflicts.



Ben Parker
Senior Editor, The New Humanitarian

Now senior editor for the independent humanitarian news service The New Humanitarian (formerly IRIN), Ben has been working in humanitarian affairs, online media and fragile states for more than 20 years. In 2013, he was the director of communications for the UN in Mogadishu. Before that he headed UN OCHA in Damascus and in Nairobi. Ben has worked for various agencies in East Africa and in the private sector with Africa Online. He was closely involved with humanitarian emergencies in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan and Darfur. He co-founded IRIN in 1995. Now based in Geneva, he is a graduate of Goldsmith's College, University of London and a fellow of the Rift Valley Institute. In his book "Against a Tide of Evil", the former UN chief in Sudan, Mukesh Kapila, wrote: "Ben was entrepreneurial and opportunistic, and he had a sharp eye for a story... how he had made it into the UN I couldn't imagine."



Agnes Patongloan
Project Manager, Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund Indonesia and the Philippines

Agnes is currently managing Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund (ASB) Indonesia and the Philippines' inclusive emergency response and early recovery program post-earthquake and tsunami in Central Sulawesi, Indonesia. Through this program and her previous works, she is closely working with local Disabled People's Organisations striving for a more inclusive humanitarian action. She has more than 10 years' experience in the field of disaster risk reduction and humanitarian response with various organisations including World Vision, International Organization for Migration, Save the Children, and Peace Brigade International. She also holds a master degree in Disaster Management. She has an extensive inclusive facilitation, training and capacity development experiences throughout her professional working years.



Jelena Pejic
Senior Legal Adviser, ICRC

Jelena Pejic is Senior Legal Adviser at the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Geneva. Since joining the ICRC in 1999 she initiated or developed the Committee's legal and policy positions on a range of issues including IHL and the "war on terrorism", internment in armed conflict, direct participation in hostilities, the interplay between IHL and human rights law, non-State armed groups, and strengthening compliance with IHL. She conceptualized and has been editing the ICRC's quadrennial reports on "IHL and the Challenges of Contemporary Armed Conflicts" (2003-2015). Prior to joining the ICRC she was a Program Coordinator at Human Rights First in New York responsible for the organization's activities in the area of international criminal justice. In that capacity she led the Human Rights First delegation to the 1998 Rome Conference for the establishment of an International Criminal Court. Ms. Pejic holds an LL.M. degree from Columbia University Law School in New York and a law degree from Belgrade University Law School. She was a lecturer in Public International Law and International Relations at the Law School in Belgrade.



Carola Rackete
Ecologist

Carola Rackete is an ecologist, activist and author. She was part of the nautical crew of research vessels like Meteor and Polarstern and worked for the British Antarctic Survey, before she decided to study Nature Conservation in England to deepen her understanding of collapsing ecosystems worldwide. Since 2016, she has volunteered with civil search and rescue organisations in the Central Mediterranean. She was at the focus of media attention for her decision to bring 53 people into the port of Lampedusa in June 2019, defying the will of Italian authorities. Her first book "Handeln statt Hoffen" is a call to get active for environmental justice, to prevent the destruction of ecosystems and the resulting collapse of our society.



Florence Rodgers
Student, Imperial College London

Florence Rodgers is a fifth-year medical student at Imperial College London. Having just completed an intercalated BSc in global health she is involved in ongoing qualitative analysis of cash assistance for refugees in Greece, focussing on the impact on humanitarian protection. Since 2018, she has been the chapter lead for Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) Imperial. UAEM is global network of students working to improve access to and affordability of medicines. Her recent focus has been on clinical trial transparency at Imperial and ranking of UK universities on their global access licensing practices. She has particular interests in refugee and migrant health, cash and voucher assistance and affordability of medicines.



Claudia Roth
Vice President, German Bundestag

Claudia Roth has been Vice President of the German Bundestag since 2013. She studied theatre sciences, worked as a dramaturge and then became manager of the band Ton Steine Scherben. In 1985 she moved into politics as press spokeswoman for the Green parliamentary group in the Bundestag, joined the party in 1987 and became a member of the European Parliament in 1989, to which she belonged until her election to the Bundestag in 1998. In 1998 she became chairwoman of the newly founded Federal Committee for Human Rights and Humanitarian Aid, and from 2003 to 2004 she was Federal Government Commissioner for Human Rights Policy at the Federal Foreign Office. From 2001 to 2013, she served intermittently as Chairperson of her party. Among other things, she is committed to human rights and global justice.



Diane Rutherford
Learning and Development Lead, brap

Diane Rutherford is Learning and Development Lead at brap, a charity transforming the way we think and do equality. Having previously worked in higher education in the UK and Canada, Diane now leads on brap's learning portfolio (which includes topics such as the law, unconscious bias, and working with diverse teams, to name a few). Diane's work engages the university and health sectors, schools and voluntary organisations. She has also led on a number of youth projects, such as working with young people to tackle the stigma associated with mental health and supporting students to challenge universities on equalities issues. Diane is trained in process work (with the Deep Democracy Institute, Oregon USA) and is a skilled facilitator who incorporates many methods and learning styles to enable full engagement in support of learning. She also co-hosted a radio show, which discussed topical issues and concerns.



Alexandra R uth
Head of Task Force Humanitarian Adaptation to Climate Change, German Red Cross

Alexandra R uth has long-term experience in International Cooperation. She started her career in Afghanistan with the German NGO Welthungerhilfe, followed by a mission to Cuba. Being an engineer in agricultural science, she has a strong technical background in Food Security, Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation. Alexandra started working with German Red Cross in 2013 as a desk officer for Southern African Region and West Africa. End 2014 she took over the management of the so-called "Action Plan of the Federal Foreign Office for Humanitarian Adaptation to Climate Change" and developed Forecast-based Financing as a concept together with a multitude of stakeholders. Since end of 2016, she heads a Task Force on Humanitarian Adaptation to Climate Change in German Red Cross.



Axel Schmidt

Emergency Response Coordinator and Sphere FP Germany, Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund Germany

Axel Schmidt is not too smart and a bit naïve, because he still believes that a power shifting, people-centred and inclusive humanitarian approach can make a difference. He often fails but tries his best as ASB's Emergency Response Coordinator, RedR Associate Trainer, Sphere Trainer and Focal Point Germany and RefI ACTIONeer.



Nina Schulz

Global Project Lead of the Climate Justice and Liability Campaign, Greenpeace Southeast Asia

Nina Schulz is Greenpeace Southeast Asia's global project lead of the Climate Justice and Liability campaign. She also works as a freelance journalist on the politics of remembrance.



Estelle Spoel

Medical Advisor for Health and Migration, Mdm

Estelle Spoel is a Medical Doctor, specialist in Internal Medicine and Emergency Medicine, with an additional master in Public Health. She has worked for several years as a Medical Doctor in emergency rooms in Belgium, mainly with the vulnerable populations in Brussels. She also has worked as a humanitarian doctor with the NGO Doctors without Borders in Central African Republic, in Haiti and in South Sudan. After being graduated in Public Health, she has worked as public health specialist in several sectors: Emergency and Intensive Care medical advisor at MSF, Medical coordinator for the agency in charge of the asylum seekers in Belgium and Public health advisor for tuberculosis in the dedicated Belgian agency. She is currently working within the NGO Doctors of the World in Belgium, as a medical advisor for the questions of Health related to Migration.



Haakon Spriewald

Project Coordinator, Humanity and Inclusion

Haakon Spriewald is working for Handicap International e.V. (also known as Humanity & Inclusion) as a coordinator of the project "Phase 2 – Leave no one behind: Mainstreaming Disability in Humanitarian Action", which strives to support German humanitarian actors to increase their capacity on inclusive humanitarian action. It is implemented together with Christoffel-Blindenmission e.V. and the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict of the Ruhr-University of Bochum. He has extensive field expertise with different NGOs in refugee and humanitarian projects in Istanbul & Ankara, in South Turkey & North Syria, in the Philippines, and in Greece. With Handicap International, Haakon specialized in inclusive humanitarian assistance. Among others, he gives guest lectures on this topic at the Ruhr-University of Bochum, and recently provided a training on inclusive emergency latrines. Just this year, he wrote his dissertation on the change process towards inclusive humanitarian assistance in the German Federal Foreign Office, as part of his Master degree in International Law and Diplomacy from Lancaster University.



Ralf Südhoff
Director, Centre for Humanitarian Action (CHA)

Since January 2019, Ralf Südhoff is the Founding Director of the Centre for Humanitarian Action (CHA). CHA is a think tank fostering critical reflection, open debate and public communication of humanitarian action. Previously, Ralf Südhoff served as Director of the Regional Bureau for the Syria crisis of the UN World Food Programme (WFP) in Amman, Jordan. Prior to this role, he was the WFP representative in Berlin for Germany and German speaking Europe for 10 years. He has also worked for WHO and between 2003-2005 he served as Advisor of the State Secretary of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Uschi Eid. He finished his journalism career after his assignment as correspondent of "Die Zeit" in Rio de Janeiro. Südhoff supported Oxfam Germany for 10 years as member of its management board.



Rachel Sweet
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Dr. Rachel Sweet has worked as Lead Investigator with the Congo Research Group into the violence in the Beni area, as a conflict advisor United Nations peacekeeping mission in Congo, and an expert on the Allied Democratic Forces rebellion with the UN Special Envoy to the African Great Lakes. Her research focuses on armed conflict, interactions between armed actors and state institutions, and community resistance to armed actors and foreign intervention. When first arriving in Congo in 2009, she worked at the *Institut des Recherches Intégrées* at a university in Beni. She completed her PhD at Northwestern University, postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard University and is an Assistant Professor at the University of Notre Dame in the Keough School of Global Affairs and the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. Her work has been supported by the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation and the Fulbright-Hays fellowship.



Hugo Tiffou
Head of Environmental Health Group, MdM

Hugo Tiffou currently co-heads the environmental health group in MdM-France. In France, he experienced innovative strategies in primary health care and is currently director of www.avecsante.fr, a new organisation promoting innovations by multiprofessional health houses. Abroad, he graduated both in law and health promotion and experienced 19 years in development and humanitarian contexts with migrants, mostly in the Middle East, Asia and Europe. He promoted access to primary health care, and pathways for people to organize, claim and enjoy their rights. He worked with foundations, grassroots organizations and major advocacy networks. He also contributed to the evaluation of the MdM e-waste program in Metro Manila.



Peter Tinnemann
Coordinator of Global Health, Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin

Peter Tinnemann works with the Institute for Social Medicine, Epidemiology and Health Economics, Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin, where he has been coordinating the project division International Health Sciences since 2007. His main research areas include Social Medicine, Access to Health Care and Health in a Globalising World. He studied Medicine at the Universities in Cologne and Hamburg, both Germany, holds a Master's degree in Public Health from Cambridge University, a Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Medical Parasitology from the Bernhard Nocht Institute and a MD doctorate from Hamburg University. Before entering his current position, he worked as a Public Health Specialist for National Health Services in the UK. His professional career includes more than 10 years international working experience with various humanitarian aid organisations, ranging from practicing paediatrics in low-resource settings to being in charge and managing medical aid projects.



Kathrine Vad
Sustainability Development Advisor, ICRC

With over 10 years of experience in sustainability policy development and implementation notably in industrial settings with DuPont Sustainable Solutions, at the strategic consulting firm in sustainable energy E4tech and as a climate change researcher under the Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, Kathrine Vad is since 2017 the ICRC's Sustainable Development Advisor. One of the ICRC's strategic objectives for 2022 is to bolster the sustainability of its humanitarian response, which is why in her role Kathrine leads a team that strives to enhance the ICRC's own environmental responsibilities and to further environmental practices within the ICRC's assistance programmes. Kathrine holds a comprehensive engineering master's degree from Ecole Centrale Marseille in France and an MSc in industrial ecology from Universiteit Leiden, Technische Universiteit Delft and Erasmus University Rotterdam in The Netherlands. Kathrine speaks English, French and Danish.



Wil van Egdome
Information Security Officer, Greenpeace

Wil van Egdome joined Greenpeace International in 2011 in the role of Information Security Officer. Coming from a corporate background where he was responsible both for information security and environmental management he noticed that, although Greenpeace did implement measures to lower its environmental footprint that a more structural management of these activities could be beneficial. Hence, a more formal, ISO14000 based approach was established consisting of an environmental policy, baseline and automated system to calculate and report yearly emissions. Wil lives in Amsterdam and enjoys outdoor camping all year round.



Robert Verrecchia
Public Health Specialty Registrar, Lancet Countdown

Rob is a public health doctor working with the Lancet Countdown on Health and Climate Change, with a particular interest in the link between migration and climate. He has experience working with Chatham House, Public Health England and the UK Faculty of Public Health and has worked in the field with Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) in the Central African Republic and Democratic Republic of Congo. Rob serves on the board of MSF UK and previously co-chaired the MSF UK Take Action Group for Migrants and Refugees.



Kira Vinke
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Dr. Kira Vinke works at the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) as the project lead of EPICC (East Africa Peru India Climate Capacities), an interdisciplinary project on the co-production of knowledge about regional climate and hydrological systems and their interactions with agricultural livelihoods, human migration and security. Ms. Vinke is currently co-chairing the Advisory Council on Civilian Crisis Prevention and Peacebuilding of the German Federal Government. Ms. Vinke completed her doctoral dissertation at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin on the subject of climate change and migration. From 2014-2016 she worked as an analyst to the director of PIK for the German Advisory Council on Global Change to the Federal Government (WBGU). She has worked as an external consultant for various institutions including the Asian Development Bank for which she developed the flagship report *"A Region at Risk - The Human Dimensions of Climate Change in Asia and the Pacific"* together with an interdisciplinary team of researchers.



Sophie von Dobschuetz
Global Surveillance Coordinator, FAO

Sophie von Dobschuetz works for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) at its headquarters in Rome, Italy. She supports national veterinary services in early warning, early detection, and the prevention and control of infectious animal diseases. Dr von Dobschuetz is currently tasked with coordinating surveillance and veterinary capacity building for zoonotic diseases in Asia, the Middle East and Africa and works alongside the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) on methodologies and tools for qualitative risk assessment at the animal-human interface. Dr von Dobschuetz studied Veterinary Medicine at the Free University in Berlin (FUB), Germany, graduating in 1998. In 2002 she received her PhD from the FUB's Institute of Parasitology and International Animal Health, and in 2016 an MSc in Veterinary Epidemiology and Public Health from the Royal Veterinary College in London, UK.



Maike Voss
Researcher, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

Maike Voss (MPH) is the head of the Global Health Governance Research Team in the Global Governance Division at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP). Researchers at SWP advise policy-makers primarily in Germany with their own solid research related to foreign and security policy. Within the project 'Challenges and opportunities for German global health and development policy for achieving health-related sustainable development goals (SDGs)'. Maike focuses on global governance of the health-related SDGs as well as the interdependences between health and security. In 2018, she got appointed to the Lancet Commission for Synergies between Health Security, Universal Health Coverage and Health Promotion. Before joining SWP she worked as a research associate at the Institute for Public Health and Nursing Research at University of Bremen.



Caroline Voute
Health Policy Advisor, MSF

Caroline Voute has a background in Social Justice and a Master's in Public Health. She has been working in medico-humanitarian crises with MSF, WHO, CDC, UNHCR across 17 countries since 2008 (Malawi, South Africa, Haiti, Chad, Tunisia, Libya, DRC, Sudan, CAR, Syria, Iraq, Liberia, Zambia, Mozambique, Tanzania/Zanzibar, Ethiopia, Bangladesh). She joined MSF in 2010 and has spent her years in the field with MSF as Health Promotion Specialist, Field Coordinator, and Emergency Coordinator/Head of Mission. In August 2018, she joined MSF UK as Health Policy Advisor with the Programmes Unit. Analysing global health issues that affect patients and MSF programmes and helping MSF to advocate towards UK government and global health actors on subjects that matter most. Caroline's recent work has focused on the ongoing Ebola outbreak in DRC, Climate change and environmental breakdown, changing global health architecture and donors, AMR/ABR, and vaccine policy. She is the current coordinator of the MSF Global Health Actors Network (GHAN).



Emilia Wahlstrom
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Emilia Wahlstrom works as Programme Officer with the UN Environment Programme / Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Joint Environment Unit, a 25-year partnership addressing the environmental dimensions of emergencies. She has 15 years' experience working on environmental sustainability and disaster risk management within the UN, Government and the private sector, in field and at headquarters level. In her current role she works with a wide network of partners to strengthen the global response to environmental emergencies and to enhance the sustainability of humanitarian action. She holds a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering and is a trained United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination mechanism member.



Joy Warmington
Founder and CEO, brap

Joy began her leadership career over 30 years ago as an educator designing ground-breaking learning programmes for some of Birmingham's most marginalised communities. Since then Joy has gone on to senior leadership roles in education, local authority and civil society including 15 years as CEO of brap, one of the UK's most progressive equality and human rights charities. brap is bold in its belief that the equalities agenda needs a total rethink if we are to address issues of inequality as part of a globally diverse society, and works to support and partner with cities, organisations and individuals that want to make progress and impact. Joy is a recent graduate in the use of process work, a method to help democratise spaces and encourage people to raise views outside of our accepted norms.



Elli Xenou,
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Senior NGO officer with more than 18 years of experience in the fields of planning, coordination and management of multi-sectoral humanitarian and development programs (health, education, shelter & NFIs, protection, and advocacy). She holds a master's degree in Social Anthropology. She has travelled extensively and participated in various humanitarian missions in Kosovo, Sudan, Indonesia and Pakistan among others. Strong personality with representation and public speaking skills, which have been further reinforced by continuous participation in international and national conferences and meetings and collaboration with international organizations, international, national, regional and local authorities.