

BIOGRAPHIES OF THE PANELISTS*

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Michael T. Clark is Senior Economic Affairs Officer, reporting to the Office of the Secretary-General, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). Based at United Nations headquarters in New York, Mr. Clark is responsible, *inter alia*, for coordinating UNCTAD's response to the June 2009 United Nations Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development. A political scientist with more than thirty years experience in international business, policy and research, focusing particularly on the political economy of North-South relations, Mr. Clark is best known for his work as Executive Director of the U.S.-India Business Council (1998-2004), where he forged coalitions and public private partnerships that produced fundamental reforms to hundreds of laws and regulations in both countries that has led to a rapid expansion in the scope and value of bilateral trade and investment. From 2004 to 2006, he was CEO (worldwide) of GTL Ltd., India's largest private network engineering firm, then among India's 150 top listed companies. More recently, he served as senior adviser to the President of the 63rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly and also served as senior adviser to Congressman Dennis Kucinich, where his work focused on evaluating the US government response to the financial crisis. Mr. Clark is an honors graduate of Harvard

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Roy Culpeper was President & CEO of The North-South Institute, Canada's leading development policy research think-tank, from 1995 to 2010. Prior to joining the Institute he served as an adviser to the Canadian Executive Director at the World Bank, and as an official in Canada's federal Departments of Finance and External Affairs. In October 2010, after stepping down as President & CEO, he was appointed Distinguished Research Fellow of The North-South Institute. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at Carleton University's School of Public Policy and Administration, and a Senior Fellow of the School of International Development and Global Studies at the University of Ottawa. From January until June 2011 he will be a visiting Fulbright Chair at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C. where he will undertake research on issues relating to financial inclusion in developing countries. Mr. Culpeper has a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Toronto. He has a number of publications relating to international finance and development.

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Ravi Ratnayake is the Director of Trade and Investment Division of the United Nations ESCAP, Bangkok, Thailand. He was also the Director of Poverty and Development Division and Chief Economist of UNESCAP as well as the Coordinator of regional MDG programme. Prior to joining the United Nations in the early 1980s, he was with the Ministry of Finance and Planning of Sri Lanka and worked as the Research Director for the Presidential Commission on Tariffs and Trade. He was a Senior Lecturer in economics at the University of Auckland, New Zealand from 1991 to 1999. He is an economist with over 30 years of experience in teaching and research on issues related to development and international trade and has published many referred journal articles, books and working papers and supervised the preparation of a large number of publications, including the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* (annual) at the United Nations and the Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report.

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