

BIOSKETCHES

SPECIAL INTRODUCTORY REMARKS



Hélène-Marie Gosselin is UNESCO's Representative to the United Nations since February 2006. She directs relations with the United Nations Secretariat and its agencies, funds and programs. Ms. Gosselin is a development and communication official with more than 25 years of managerial experience in multilateral development institutions. Until 2006, she served as UNESCO's director responsible for program activities in 20 countries of the Caribbean region. Prior to this, she worked in Western and Central Africa as a UNICEF Development Officer. She previously served as Director-General of the Communication Branch at the Canadian International Development Agency.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Jorge Balán is currently a Senior Researcher with the Center for Studies of the State and Society (CEDES), a leading social science research organization in Argentina. Dr. Balán also served as the Senior Program Officer for the Ford Foundation and was responsible for international higher education programs. Before joining the Ford Foundation, Dr. Balán was Executive Director of CONEAU, the Argentine agency responsible for higher education evaluation and accreditation. A full professor of social science at the University of Buenos Aires, Dr. Balán also taught at New York University, University of Chicago, University of Texas, and Dartmouth College.



Cigdem Kagiticibasi served as Dean at Koç University, Istanbul from 1998-2001, and has been a professor at the University since 1995. Dr. Kagiticibasi is a Founding Member of the Turkish Academy of Science, and is Vice-chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Mother Child Education Foundation in Turkey. During her academic career, she has been a visiting professor at University of Baroda, India, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, and the Harvard Graduate School of Education. Dr. Kagiticibasi has a B.A. from Wellesley College, and a Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, in Social Psychology.



Devesh Kapur was appointed Director of Penn's Center for the Advanced Study of India in 2006. He is currently associate professor of Political Science, and holds the Madan Lal Sobti Professorship for the Study of Contemporary India at Penn. Previously, Professor Kapur was associate professor of Government at the University of Texas at Austin, and before that, the Frederick Danziger Associate Professor of Government at Harvard University. Professor Kapur holds a BTech from the Institute of Technology, Banaras Hindu University in India, and a Ph.D. from the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University.

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Adama Samassékou is currently President of the African Academy of Languages (ACALAN), based in Bamako, Mali. Previously, Mr. Samassékou was Minister of Education (1993-2000) and Spokesperson for the Government of Mali (1997-2000). Mr. Samassékou is the Founding President of the African Peoples Movement for Human Rights Education. Mr. Samassékou holds a Master of Arts in philology and linguistics from Lomonossov State University in Moscow, a DEA postgraduate diploma in African linguistics from the Sorbonne, and a DESS specialist postgraduate diploma in organizational science from the Université de Paris-IX (Dauphine).



I.V. SubbaRao is Principal Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh, India, and a member of the Indian Administrative Service. Dr. SubbaRao is an educationist and administrator who has occupied key leadership positions in Indian education and human resources development. Recently, Dr. SubbaRao has been a participant in policy dialogues organized by UN organizations and the World Bank on literacy, literacy assessment, lifelong learning, non-formal education, open learning, child labor, multi-lingual education, AIDS education, and use of ICT in education. Dr. SubbaRao has a Ph.D. in education policy from the University of Pennsylvania.

OVERVIEW

The Penn Global Development Initiative (GDI) is an interdisciplinary faculty-staff-student collaborative committed to international human development. The UN Millennium Development Goals serve as a guiding set of principles through which the GDI group focuses its efforts. The GDI aims to support Penn as a leading contributor to global development research, policy and practical action, and to improve communication and collaboration on global development issues across the Penn community and beyond. Current Penn GDI activities include: (1) organizing an annual GDI Forum; (2) expanding the GDI International Internship Program for service learning and applied research, now in partnership with Africare, Plan International, Save the Children, and Unicef; (3) creating a synergistic teaching and research framework for international development; and (4) establishing *Pennovation*, a program to provide multidisciplinary solutions to pressing needs in international development.

The GDI Steering Committee of Penn faculty, staff and students provides direction and support for all GDI activities, which are undertaken in collaboration with the Office of the Provost and Penn Abroad. For more information, visit the Penn GDI website at www.gdi.upenn.edu.

APPRECIATION

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Second Annual Penn Global Development Initiative Forum



HIGHER EDUCATION AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, April 10, 2008

2:45pm - 7:15pm

Steinberg-Dietrich Hall

Friday, April 11, 2008

8:00am - 5:45pm

Jon M. Huntsman Hall

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PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2008

2:45-3:15	Registration
3:15-3:30	Welcome and Special Introductory Remarks (Steinberg 350) Dan Wagner (Professor of Education, GDI Forum Chair) Helene-Marie Gosselin (UNESCO)
3:30-4:30	Keynote: Devesh Kapur (Center for the Advanced Study of India) (Steinberg 350) <i>Higher Education in Developing Countries: What Roles, What Impact?</i>
4:30-4:45	Break
4:45-6:00	WORKING PANELS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Questioning Development (Steinberg 213) Panelists: Ritty Lukose (GSE), Brian Spooner (Anthropology), Molly Roth (Opportunities Industrialization Centers International), Efe Osagie (Fels Institute of Government, moderator)• Integrating Health Training with Community Needs in Poor Countries (Steinberg 209) Panelists: Marjorie Muecke (Nursing), Nancy Biller (Medicine), John Norcini (Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research), Amy Lin (Wharton, moderator)• Going Abroad for the MDGs: A Penn Internship Perspective (Steinberg 215) Panelists: Rachel Margolis (Demography), Holly Gonzales (SP2), Sakina Zaidi (SAS), Jeongsoo Choi (Wharton), Jennifer Kobrin (GSE, moderator)
6:00-7:00	Reception (Steinberg Stock Exchange Hall) Welcome Remarks Steven Fluharty, Vice Provost for Research
7:30-9:15	Invitational Dinner* (Hilton Inn at Penn) Welcome and Introduction Kimling Lam (Meltwater, Inc.) Nancy H. Hornberger (Professor of Education and Director, Educational Linguistics) Keynote: Adama Samassékou (President, African Academy of Languages; former Minister of Education, Mali) <i>Multilingualism in the Year 2008, the UN International Year of Languages: An African Perspective</i>

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2008

8:00-9:00	Registration and Coffee (Huntsman Forum)
9:00-9:30	Welcome and Introduction (Huntsman F85) Dean Andrew Porter (Graduate School of Education)
9:30-10:30	Keynote: Cigdem Kagiticibasi (Professor and Former Dean, Koç University, Istanbul; Founding Member, Turkish Academy of Science) (Huntsman F85) <i>Reaching Out from the University to Promote Human Capacity Development: A Case Study from Turkey</i>
10:30-10:40	Break
10:40-11:55	WORKING PANELS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Globalization and Higher Education (Huntsman 240) Panelists: Alan Ruby (GSE), Claudia Frittelli (Carnegie Corporation), Robert Collins (Penn Dental), Paola Campos (Sociology, moderator)• Water Needs Assessment in Cameroon: Strengths of an Interdisciplinary Approach (Huntsman 245) Panelists: Anastasia Shown (African Studies Center), Sarah Wensley (Biological Chemistry, SAS), Renee Lambert (Social Work, SP2), Katryn Bowe (Health and Societies, SAS), Allison Glasmann (Wesleyan University, moderator)• Language, Empowerment and Development (Huntsman 250) Special Introduction: Adama Samassékou (President, African Academy of Languages; former Minister of Education, Mali) Panelists: Nancy Hornberger (GSE), Audrey Mbeje (African Studies), Martin Njoroge (Kenyatta University), Martha Wright (GSE, moderator)
11:55-12:15	Break
12:15-1:15	Working Lunch and Discussion (Huntsman Forum) Invited Speaker: I. V. SubbaRao (Principal Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh, India) <i>Relative Impacts of Higher Education and Basic Education: A View from India</i>
1:15-1:30	Welcome and Introduction (Huntsman F85) Dean Richard Gelles (School of Social Policy and Practice)
1:30-2:30	Keynote: Jorge Balán (CEDES-Buenos Aires, formerly Ford Foundation) (Huntsman F85) <i>Research Universities and Development: A View from Latin America</i>

2:30-2:45	Afternoon Welcome (Huntsman F85) Dean Michael Delli Carpini (Annenberg School for Communication)
2:45-3:00	Break
3:00-4:15	WORKING PANELS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Higher Education and Civic Engagement (Huntsman 240) Panelists: Henry Teune (Political Science), Amy Jo Dowd (Save the Children), Kimling Lam (Meltwater, Inc), Michael Delli Carpini (Annenberg), Chris Van Orden (GSE, moderator)• Law, Ethics and Human Rights in Developing Countries (Huntsman 245) Panelists: Sarah Paoletti (Law), Cynthia Eyakvze-Di Domenico (Open Society Institute), David Curry (Medicine), Heather Curl (GSE, moderator)• Technologies for Development: High Tech vs. Low Tech (Huntsman 250) Panelists: Dan Bogen (SEAS); David Gross (U.S. Department of State), Andrea Matwyshyn, (Wharton), Clark Erickson (Anthropology), Arjun Gopalratnam (SEAS, moderator)
4:15-4:30	Break
4:30-5:30	Faculty Panel: Looking Ahead (Huntsman F85) Panelists: John Keene (Design), Emily Hannum, (Sociology), Srilata Gangulee (SAS), Cigdem Kagiticibasi (Koç University, discussant), Dan Wagner (GSE, moderator)
5:30-5:45	Closing session/wrap-up (Huntsman F85)



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*Pre-registration required