

KEYNOTE SPEAKER BIOSKETCHES



Timothy Unwin is Professor of Geography and the UNESCO Chair in ICT4D at Royal Holloway, University of London. From 2001-2004 he led the UK Prime Minister's Imfundo: Partnership for IT in Education initiative based within the UK Department for International Development. In 2006, he was elected as a High Level Advisor for the UN's Global Alliance for ICT and Development. Alongside his academic research and teaching, he is Director of the World Economic Forum's Partnerships for Education programme with UNESCO.



Wadi D. Haddad is President of Knowledge Enterprise, LLC. He served previously as Director and Corporate Deputy Secretary of the World Bank, Special Advisor to the Director-General of UNESCO, Executive Secretary of the EFA World Conference (Jomtien, Thailand), Chairman of the International Advisory Board of the International Literacy Institute at the University of Pennsylvania, Founding President of the Lebanese Center for Educational Research and Development (at the Cabinet level), and Professor at the American University of Beirut.



Vanessa Tobin is the Deputy Director, Program Division of UNICEF in New York Headquarters since July 2006. A national of the United Kingdom, Ms. Tobin earned a M.Sc. in Public Health from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and a Masters of Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. Ms. Tobin has worked for UNICEF for more than seventeen years stationed in Nepal, Pakistan, Egypt and New York. Prior to joining UNICEF, Ms. Tobin worked in Lesotho and Sudan.

OVERVIEW

The Penn Global Development Initiative (GDI) is an interdisciplinary faculty-student collaborative committed to international human development. The UN Millennium Development Goals serve as a guiding set of principles through which the GDI's efforts focus. 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) Developing opportunities for student service learning and applied research internships with international NGOs in developing countries; and (3) creating a Global Development Concourse designed to chart new dimensions of global development teaching, learning and research.

A GDI Steering Committee of Penn faculty, staff and students provides direction and support for all GDI activities, which are undertaken in close partnership with Penn's Office of International Programs. For more information, visit the Penn GDI website at www.gdi.upenn.edu.

First Annual
Penn Global Development Initiative Forum



THE UNIVERSITY AS AN AGENT OF GLOBAL CHANGE

Thursday, April 19, 2007
5:30pm - 8:15pm

Friday, April 20, 2007
9:00am - 5:15pm

Jon M. Huntsman Hall
University of Pennsylvania



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PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2007

- 5:30-6:00** Welcome and Introduction (Room G06)
Stanton Wortham (Dean, Graduate School of Education)
Dan Wagner and Emily Hannum (co-Chairs, Penn GDI)
- 6:00-7:00** **Keynote Speaker:** Timothy Unwin (University of London, UNESCO Chair in ICT4D)
The Role of Research Universities in International Development
- 7:15-8:15** Reception (MBA Lounge)

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007

- 8:00-8:45** Registration/coffee
- 9:00-9:15** Welcome
Richard Gelles (Dean, School of Social Policy and Practice)
- 9:15-9:30** Introduction
Afaf Meleis (Dean, School of Nursing)
- 9:30-10:30** **Keynote Speaker:** Wadi Haddad (World Bank, former Deputy Secretary) (Room F85)
Education for All: Looking Back, Moving Forward
- 10:45-11:50** Working Panels
- TOPICS:**
- *Economic Development for Poverty Reduction* (Room F55)
Panelists: Nancy Barry (Women's World Banking), Devesh Kapur (Political Science), Emily Hannum (Sociology), Maria Cecilia Calderon (Graduate student, Demography)
 - *University Partnerships: Building Capacity* (Room F60)
Panelists: Suzanne Grant Lewis (Partnership for Higher Education in Africa), Ira Harkavy (Center for Community Partnerships), JoAnn McCarthy (Office of International Programs), Lusine Poghosyan (Graduate student, Nursing)
 - *Human Rights and Democracy* (Room F65)
Panelists: William Burke-White (Law), James Lawrence (US Department of State), Nuwan Jayawickreme (Graduate student, Psychology)
 - *Environment, Planning, and Development* (Room F90)
Panelists: Robert Giegengack (Environment), Muscoe Martin (M2 Architecture), John Keene (Design), Erin Shipley (Undergraduate, Wharton)

- 12:00-1:00** Lunch (Room F85)
- 12:15-12:30** Welcome and remarks by President Amy Gutmann (Room F85)
- 1:00-2:00** Introduction: JoAnn McCarthy (Assistant Provost, Office of International Programs)
Keynote Speaker: Vanessa Tobin (UNICEF, Deputy Director, Program Division) (Room F85)
Integrating Health into the Millennium Development Goals
- 2:00-3:15** Working Panels
- TOPICS:**
- *Technology for Development* (Room F55)
Panelists: Joe Sun (Engineering), Michael Trucano (World Bank/infoDev), Naeem Ahmed (Graduate student, Engineering)
 - *Achieving Quality Basic Education, with a Special Focus on Gender* (Room F60)
Panelists: Chloe O'Gara (Save the Children), Ritty Lukose (Education), Mary Joy Pigozzi (Academy for Educational Development), Melissa Hunter (Graduate student, Education)
 - *Improving Health for the Poorest of the Poor* (Room F65)
Panelists: Jennifer Pinto (Nursing), Gourisankar Ghosh (former Executive Director, WASH/World Health Organization), Carol McLaughlin (Medicine), Nancy Ejuma (Undergraduate, Global Health)
 - *Social Entrepreneurship and Corporate Social Responsibility* (Room F90)
Panelists: Robert Rosenbloom (JPMorgan Chase, former Vice President), Ken Foster (Engineering), Rosalie Cohen (Wharton Entrepreneurial Program), Rajiv Lajmi (Graduate student, Social Policy and Practice)
- 3:15-3:30** Coffee break
- 3:30-4:45** *How Can Penn Become an Agent of Global Change?* (Room F85)
Panelists: Brian Strom (Medicine), Mohamed Maamouri (Linguistics), Afaf Meleis (Nursing), Roger Allen (Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations), Kimberly Hoover (Graduate student, Education)
- 4:45-5:15** Closing session/wrap-up (Room F85)
Timothy Unwin (University of London, UNESCO Chair in ICT4D)
Dan Wagner (Education)

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