



## SPEAKERS



**Commissioner Ephyro Luis B. Amatong** was appointed a commissioner of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in 2014, and is currently the supervising commissioner for the Markets and Securities Regulation Department and the Economic Research and Training Department.

Before joining the SEC, Mr. Amatong was an Assistant Secretary of the Department of Finance (DOF) where he had an active role in the privatization of 74 hectares of the Food Terminal, Inc. (P24 billion). He was also involved in a number of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects such as the PPP for School Infrastructure Project Phase I (US\$397 million), the NAIA Expressway Project (US\$345 million), and the Automated Fare Collection System (US\$38 million).

He also served in various capacities in the government, namely as Vice President of the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (2012-2013), Corporate Staff Officer of the National Power Corporation (2010-2012), Acting Chairman of the Local Water Utilities Administration (2011), Corporate Legal Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary of PNO Exploration Corporation (2008-2010), Adviser to Amb. Hilario G. Davide, Jr. of the Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations (2007-2008), and Senior Law Clerk to then Justice Conchita Carpio Morales of the Supreme Court of the Philippines (2003-2005).



**Michael Sheren** is Senior Advisor within the Prudential Regulation Authority division of the Bank of England. In his role, he provides counsel and independent challenge to senior management on matters concerning policy, governance, supervision and research relating to the financial markets. Michael is one of the leaders within the green finance space within the Bank of England. On behalf of the BoE, Mr Sheren co-chaired the G20 Sustainable Finance Study Group with China from 2016 to 2018 and is currently a delegate to the G20 Infrastructure Working Group and the NGFS. Additionally, he is actively involved in the Banks work in the areas of fintech and digital finance. Prior to Joining the Bank, Mr Sheren spent over 25 years in the debt capital markets where he specialized in the structuring, distribution and trading of commercial debt for major global financial institutions in New York and London.



**Udetanshu** is an energy finance specialist, with a focus on using data and financial, policy and regulatory analysis to help drive just transition to clean energy. She is working with the Global transition team at RMI, helping shape its direction and technical tools and models, with a near-term focus on Southeast Asia.

She brings a strong track record across M&A, financing, project development and investment, policy consulting and innovative solutions for the energy, power and infrastructure sectors working in diverse geographies. Her experience spans 10 years in Investment Banking working with financial institutions and corporates and 6 years consulting with governments, financiers and regulators. She also developed an investment and development platform for utility scale solar and wind in Vietnam.



**Francis Pigeon** joined Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) in May 2018 as the Director, Climate Finance and Partnerships. Central to his role is delivering on Canada's climate finance commitments, including to provide \$2.65 billion CAD over 2015-2020 in support of developing countries' transition to low-carbon economies. In his role, he also advances Canada's engagement in strategic international partnerships such as the Powering Past Coal Alliance and the Climate and Clean Air Coalition.

Prior to joining ECCC, he oversaw the management of Canada's International Assistance Envelope, a dedicated fund used to support Canadian international assistance activities valued at approximately \$6 billion CAD annually. In that function, he supported the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and International Development in their function as co-managers of the Envelope as well as to lead the Department's efforts through the federal budget process.

Over the years, he played various functions in a number of federal organizations that allowed him to develop a unique specialization in policy development and financial management in both domestic and international contexts.

Francis holds a Masters in International Relations and a Baccalaureate in Political Sciences and International Development.



**Michael Stanley** is Lead – Extractives for the World Bank Group, based in Singapore. He has worked in resource development for more than thirty years within the commercial and public sectors across Latin America, Europe & Central Asia, Africa, South Asia, and East Asia / Pacific regions. Michael specializes in policy and lending operations, aligned with the challenges of climate change within the energy sector. Michael is the Global Leader for the World Bank’s “Support to Energy Transition in Coal Regions” assisting a diverse group of stakeholders to establish the good-governance frameworks necessary to manage social impacts to workers and communities, while ensuring environmental mine reclamation and repurposing of land and assets.

Michael has degrees in Geoscience (BSc. Western University), Geoscience (MSc. McGill University), and Mineral Resource Economics / Mining (Ph.D. University of Arizona). Michael is co-editor of the Extractive Industries Source Book, both the online, open-source platform and first-edition print version (2018).



**David Elzinga**, Senior Energy Specialist

David is part of the Southeast Asia Energy Department and is working on projects in Cambodia, Vietnam and Timor Leste. David has engaged across a range of countries and energy system technologies to support ADB’s investments in the energy sector. Previously at the UN Economic Commission for Europe David’s focus was on the role of fossil fuels in sustainable energy systems and at the International Energy Agency (IEA) was lead author for Energy Technology Perspectives publication. He also led the IEA’s work on electricity system technologies, such as Smart Grids.

Over the course of his career David has worked in the energy and climate fields for over 20 years, with focus areas of technology, policy and analysis in both private and public sectors. In these roles he developed markets, deployed renewable and energy efficiency technologies and has advised various governments at the local and national levels on energy policy.



**Michael Williamson** is Section Chief of the Energy Division in the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP). He works on regional cooperation for sustainable energy and energy connectivity across ESCAP’s 53 member countries, spearheading the Division’s intergovernmental, technical assistance and knowledge building efforts. Prior to this, Michael was the acting Director of UNESCAP’s Subregional Office for South and South West Asia overseeing 10 countries of South and South West Asia. From 2015 to 2017 he was Chief of Staff and Senior Adviser to the Executive Secretary of UNESCAP in Bangkok. He began his UN career in India in 2013 as the Head of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology, a regional institution of UNESCAP.

Michael's experience over the last 20 years covers the private sector, government and international organisations with a focus on sustainable development, energy, technology and climate change.



**Dr Cristina Martinez** is the Senior Specialist on Environment & Decent Work and Asia-Pacific Coordinator for Green Jobs, Just Transition and the Climate Action 4 Jobs Initiative. Working at the ILO Regional office for Asia-Pacific in Bangkok she is part of the ILO Green Jobs Global Team. Previously Cristina has worked at the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Manila, at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris, at the Western Sydney University in Sydney, and in the energy sector in Barcelona. Dr Martinez has a PhD in Economic Planning and Urban Development from the University of New South Wales, Australia.



**Mr. Joscha Rosenbusch** is a manager and program director at GIZ, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, currently responsible for preparing the program “Innovation Regions for a Just Energy Transition”. In previous assignments, he headed GIZ's energy programs in Mexico and was seconded to the German Federal Ministry for the Environment (BMU) on the establishment of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA). Mr. Rosenbusch is a political scientist, and an expert in energy regulation as well as in climate and renewable energy financing.



**Fiza Farhan** is a global advisor and expert on climate change, women empowerment, SDGs and other development agendas working in collaboration with Governments, UN Agencies, Development Sector and the Private Sector organizations in Pakistan and globally. In addition to her advisory work, Fiza holds prestigious global titles including being a member of the UN Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Women's Economic Empowerment and being the first Future Energy Leader from Pakistan in addition to other important roles of global advocacy. Previously Fiza was the CEO of two social enterprises and was recognized in her practitioner career by US Forbes Magazine twice as a “30 Under 30 Social Entrepreneur”.