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## High-Level Report of the Group of Eminent Personalities

# Who's who



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## **RT HON. HELEN CLARK - Co-Chair**

Helen Clark was Prime Minister of New Zealand for three successive terms from 1999–2008.

Throughout her tenure as Prime Minister and as a Member of Parliament over 27 years, Helen Clark engaged widely in policy development and advocacy across the international, economic, social, environmental, and cultural spheres. She advocated strongly for New Zealand's comprehensive programme on sustainability and for tackling the problems of climate change. She was an active leader of her country's foreign relations, engaging in a wide range of international issues.

In April 2009, Helen Clark became Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). She was the first woman to lead the organisation, and served two terms there. At the same time, she was also Chair of the United Nations Development Group, a committee consisting of all UN funds, programmes, agencies, and departments working on development issues. As Administrator, she led UNDP to be ranked the most transparent global development organisation. She completed her tenure in 2017.

Helen Clark came to the role of Prime Minister after an extensive parliamentary and ministerial career. Prior to being elected to the New Zealand Parliament in 1981, Helen Clark taught in the Political Studies Department of the University of Auckland, from which she earlier graduated with her BA and MA (Hons) degrees.

Helen continues to be a strong voice for sustainable development, climate action, gender equality and women's leadership, peace and justice, and action on pressing global health issues. In July 2020, she was appointed by the Director-General of the World Health Organisation as a Co-Chair of the Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response, called for by the World Health Assembly, which reported in May 2021. She chairs the boards of the Extractive Industries Transparency Organisation, the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, and other public good organisations and initiatives, and is a board member of others.



### **ENRIQUE V. IGLESIAS - Co-Chair**

Enrique V. Iglesias was the Ibero-American Summit's Secretary General based in Madrid, Spain from its foundation in 2005 until April 2014. Prior to this, Iglesias held different positions in international organizations, as well as in the Government of Uruguay, including President of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); the U.N Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); Uruguay's Minister of Foreign Relations and President of its Central Bank. He also was Secretary General of the 1981 U.N Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy

and Chairman of the Conference that in 1986 launched in Punta del Este, Uruguay the Uruguay Round and the eventual creation of the WTO.

Iglesias graduated from the Universidad de la República of Uruguay in Economics and Business Administration and pursued specialized programs of study in the United States and France. He was Professor at the Universidad de la República of Uruguay and also served as Director of its Institute of Economics. He has published extensively on Latin American and Uruguayan economic issues, capital markets, external financing and multilateralism. Iglesias has received ten honorary academic degrees from American and European universities, as well as official decorations and professional awards, among them the Príncipe de Asturias award.

Enrique V. Iglesias currently holds the Chair of Latin America at ICADE-Universidad Pontificia de Comillas (Madrid); and serves as Director of the review *Pensamiento Iberoamericano*. He is also President of the Ibero-American Council for Education and Productivity-OEI.

Mr. Iglesias has been appointed by the European Union External Action as Special Advisor for Venezuela.



### **STEFANO MANSERVISI - Rapporteur**

Stefano Manservisi is Professor at Sciences Po - Paris School for International Affairs; former Director General for Cooperation, European Commission; spokesperson for the Advisory Board “Verso Sud”. Chair of the Board of Advisers of the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) and Chair of the Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERF).

He worked for over 35 years at the European Commission, where from 2004 to 2010 he was Director General of the Department for Development and Relations with Africa, the countries of the Caribbean and Pacific areas and from 2010 to 2014 he held the same position in the Department of Migration and Internal Policy. He was also head of the European Union delegation in Turkey and Director General for International Cooperation and Development.

He held the position of deputy head of cabinet of Mario Monti (1995-2000), head of cabinet of Romano Prodi (2001-2004) and head of cabinet of the High Representative of Foreign Policy Federica Mogherini (2014-2016). He is currently a lecturer in several European universities, member of prestigious Think Tanks and political advisor for some specialized agencies of the United Nations. He was recently appointed Special Advisor to the European Commissioner for Economy, Paolo Gentiloni.



## **J. BRIAN ATWOOD**

J. Brian Atwood is a Senior Fellow for International Studies and Public Affairs at Brown University's Thomas Watson Institute for International Studies, and Professor Emeritus at the University of Minnesota's Hubert H Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

From 2010 to 2012, Atwood was the member-elected Chair of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). He was dean of the Humphrey School from 2002 to 2010, and was elected President of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs in 2009.

Atwood led the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) during the Administration of President William Clinton serving as its Administrator for six and one half years. He earlier led the Clinton-Gore transition team at the State Department, and was Under Secretary of State prior to his appointment as director of USAID. During the Carter Administration Atwood was Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations.

In 2001, Atwood served on UN Secretary General Kofi Annan's Panel on Peace Operations. Atwood was the first President of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI) (1986 to 1993). He received the Secretary of State's Distinguished Service Award in 1999.



## **MICHELLE BACHELET**

On September 1, 2018 Michelle Bachelet assumed her functions as the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights was established in 1993 and Ms. Bachelet was the seventh Commissioner.

Ms. Bachelet was elected President of Chile on two occasions (2006 – 2010 and 2014 – 2018). She was the first female president of Chile. She served as Health Minister (2000-2002) as well as Chile's and Latin America's first female Defense Minister (2002 – 2004).

During her presidential tenures, she promoted the rights of all but particularly those of the most vulnerable. Among her many achievements, education and tax reforms, as well as the creation of the National Institute for Human Rights and the Museum of Memory and Human Rights stand out, as do the establishment of the Ministry of Women and Gender Equality, the adoption of quotas to increase women's political participation, and the approval of Civil Union Act legislation, granting rights to same sex couples and thus, advancing LGBT rights.

Since the early 1990s, Ms. Bachelet has worked closely with many international organizations. In 2010 she chaired the Social Protection Floor Advisory Group, a joint International Labor Organization (ILO) and World Health Organization (WHO) initiative, which sought to promote social policies to stimulate economic growth and social cohesion.

In 2011, she was named the first Director of UN Women, an organization dedicated to fighting for the rights of women and girls internationally. Economic empowerment and ending violence against women were two of her priorities during her tenure. She has recently pledged to be a Gender Champion, committing to advance gender equality in OHCHR and in international fora.

After finishing her second term in March 2018, she was named Chair of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, an alliance of more than 1000 organizations in 192 countries from the sexual, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health communities. As Co-Chair of the [High-Level Steering Group for Every Woman Every Child](#), Ms. Bachelet launched [Every Woman Every Child Latin America and the Caribbean](#), the first platform for tailored, regional implementation of the EWEC Global Strategy.

Michelle Bachelet has a Medical Degree in Surgery, with a specialization in Pediatrics and Public Health. She also studied military strategy at Chile's National Academy of Strategy and Policy and at the Inter-American Defense College in the United States.



## **ALICIA BÁRCENA**

Ms. Bárcena assumed office as the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) on 1 July 2008. She had previously served as the Under-Secretary-General for Management at United Nations Headquarters in New York, Chef de Cabinet and Deputy Chef de Cabinet to the former Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan.

Alicia Bárcena held the post of Deputy Executive Secretary and Director of ECLAC's Environment and Human Settlements Division. Prior to her time at ECLAC, Ms. Bárcena served as Co-ordinator of the Latin American and Caribbean Sustainable Development Programme of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), responsible for the Environmental Citizenship Project at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Alicia Bárcena was the Founding Director of the Earth Council in Costa Rica, a non-governmental organization in charge of follow-up to the agreements reached at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1992.

Ms. Bárcena has published numerous articles on sustainable development, public policy, environmental issues, and public participation. Alicia Bárcena holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM, in Spanish), as well as a Master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University. She has completed the courses for a degree of Master in Ecology, and has initiated studies for a PhD degree in Economics at the UNAM.

She has been awarded honoris causa doctorates from the University of Oslo, Norway, in September 2014, the University of Havana, Cuba, in March 2016, and the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) in September 2019. In July 2015, she was appointed by the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) as extraordinary teacher to collaborate at the Economics School and other entities. On 1 October 2014 she received the medal 2013 in International Relations of the University of Anáhuac.

Alicia Bárcena has completed her mandate as Executive Secretary of ECLAC on March 31, 2022.



### **DR. MUHAMAD CHATIB BASRI**

Muhamad Chatib Basri, is a former Minister of Finance of Indonesia. Previously he was the Chairman of the Indonesian Investment Coordinating Board.

Dr Basri is now the Chairman of the PT Bank Mandiri tbk. and Chairman of the PT XL-Axiata tbk.

He is a member of various International Advisory councils including the High-Level Advisory Group on Sustainable and Inclusive Recovery and Growth formed by the World Bank and the IMF in the face of dual crisis posed by COVID-19 pandemic and climate change; the World Bank Advisory Council on Gender and Development; Group Eminent Personalities of the OECD Development Centre and the Advisory Board, Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis, the Australian National University.

He is also member of the Governing Board of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore.

His expertise is International Trade, Macroeconomics and Political Economy.



### **NANCY BIRDSALL**

Nancy Birdsall is president emeritus and a senior fellow at the Center for Global Development, which she co-founded in 2001. Prior to launching the Center, Dr. Birdsall served for three years as senior associate and director of the Economic Reform Project at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

From 1993 to 1998, Dr. Birdsall was executive vice-president of the Inter-American Development Bank, the largest of the regional development banks. Before joining the IDB, she spent 14 years in research, policy, and management positions at the World Bank, including as director of the Policy Research Department.

Dr. Birdsall has authored over 100 published papers, and is the author, co-author, or editor of more than a dozen books. She holds a PhD in economics from Yale University and an MA in international relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.





## **LAURA CHINCHILLA**

Former President Laura Chinchilla is a political scientist with a master's degree in Public Policy from Georgetown University.

She was the first woman to be elected president of Costa Rica (2010-2014). Previously, she served as minister of public security

(1996-1998), congresswoman (2002-2006), minister of justice (2006-2008), and vice president (2006-2008). During her political career, Mrs. Chinchilla prompted police and justice reform measures to tackle crime and violence, digital and open government, the promotion of women's rights, and early childhood protection. She also promoted environmental sustainability policies, especially on preserving marine biodiversity, for which she was distinguished with international awards.

Mrs. Chinchilla has worked as a consultant with various international organizations, such as: the Interamerican Development Bank (IDB), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). She has been part of the advisory boards of the UNDP's Human Development Report and the Global Happiness Report and is a board member of the International Olympic Committee, the World Leadership Alliance - Club de Madrid, the Inter-American Dialogue, the Concordia Summit, and the Euro-America Foundation.

Mrs. Chinchilla has headed various Electoral Observation Missions in the Americas and chaired the Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age. She has taught at the Institute of Politics and Public Policy of Georgetown University (USA), the Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey (México), and the Universidade de Sao Paulo (Brazil).



## **DR. IBRAHIM ASSANE MAYAKI**

Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki of the Republic of Niger, served from 2009 to 2022 as the CEO of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Agency, which became the African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD) in 2018.

He was professor of Public Administration and Management in Niger and Venezuela in 1978-1982 and 1985-1987. He was a Visiting Professor at the University of Paris XI from 2000 to 2004.

He has a long experience of the mining sector in Niger. In January 1997, under the presidency of Ibrahim Bare Mainassara, he joined the cabinet as Minister in charge for African Integration and Cooperation, before holding the position of Foreign Minister. He was appointed Prime Minister of the country in November 1997 until 2000 where he played a catalyst role in enhancing the social dialogue in the country.

In 1998, with the collaboration of the International Confederation of Free Trade Union, he organized a national forum on social dialogue, which resulted in the creation of Africa's first 'National Commission for social dialogue' (Commission Nationale sur le Dialogue Social) in 2000.

In August 2000, he created the Public Policy Analysis Circle (Cercle d'analyse des politiques publiques), a think-tank focusing on health and education policy. In 2004, he became Executive Director of The Platform supporting rural development stakeholders in Western and Central Africa (The Rural Hub), based in Dakar in Senegal.

He was appointed by UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, as a member of the Lead Group of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement. He was also selected as a member of the Independent Team of Advisors (ITA) at the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Bureau.

He has received many honorary decorations for his commitment to agriculture, from the Government of France and the Indian Council of Food and Agriculture, and received, among others, the 2017 Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation "Water" Award. He is "Commandeur de l'Ordre National du Mérite" of Niger, "Commandeur de l'Ordre National du Mérite Agricole" of France as well as the "Encomienda de Número de la Orden Isabel la Católica" of Spain. He also received an award from the President of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for his exceptional contribution to Africa's development. In November 2019 he was awarded the title of "Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun" by Japanese Emperor Naruhito, the highest distinction of the State of Japan, for his contribution to the promotion of friendly relations between Japan, Niger and, more broadly, the African Union.

In 2020, he became the co-chair of the UN High-Level Panel on Financial Accountability, Transparency and Integrity (FACTI)



## **JAVIER SOLANA**

Javier Solana is the President of EsadeGeo - Center for Global Economy and Geopolitics (Barcelona-Madrid).

Chairman of the Royal Board of Trustees of the Prado Museum.  
Chairman of the Scientific Committee of the La Caixa Foundation.

He is a Distinguished Fellow in Foreign Policy at the Brookings Institution and President of the Aspen Institute, Spain.

In addition, he is a member of the Board of Directors of the European Council on Foreign Relations (London, Berlin), the International Advisory Council of the Council on Foreign Relations (New York) and the Munich Security Conference.

He was Secretary General of NATO from 1995 to 1999 and High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) of the European Union from 1999 to 2009. Previously, he held several ministerial positions in the Spanish government, including Minister of Foreign Affairs.