

Biographies of Moderator and Panellists

HLD5: Pursuing Coherence Between the Sendai Framework, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement

Moderator

Ms. Audrey Aumua

Deputy Director-General of the Pacific Community



Dr Audrey Aumua has led the SPC Suva office as Deputy Director-General since March 2016. During this time, she has been responsible for the executive leadership and management of all SPC Suva Operations including over 400 staff and technical divisions whose primary focus is on Small Islands and Developing states sustainable development challenges. SPC is the principle scientific and technical organisation in the Pacific region. It is an international development organisation owned and governed by the 26 country and territory members.

Prior to her appointment, she served as the WHO Country Representative Solomon Islands United Nations office and was responsible for shaping the public health development dimensions of UN partnerships with the Government of the Solomon Islands.

Prior to Dr Aumua's appointment to WHO she held positions with the University of Queensland, and Curtin University, Western Australia. She served as Chief Advisor for the Pacific, within the Ministry of Health of the Government of New Zealand from 1999 – 2004 and was responsible for public policy advice on improving the social economic outcomes for Pacific people in New Zealand.

She holds a PhD in Public Policy from Curtin University in Perth Western Australia as well as a Master's in Public Policy from Massey University, New Zealand. She holds a Post Graduate Diploma in International health with Distinction from Curtin University, a Graduate Diploma in Business from Auckland University and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Auckland.

Panelists (in order of speaking)

Mr. Norbert Barthle

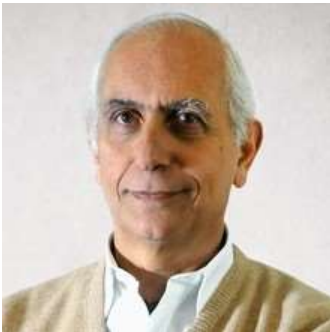
Deputy Minister for Economic Cooperation & Development, Germany



Mr. Norbert Barthle spent two years as Senior Policy Officer for public relations followed by six years as Press Secretary at the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of Baden-Württemberg. He has been the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group spokesperson for budgetary policy for ten years and the vice-chair of the CDU group of the federal state Baden-Württemberg Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Transport and Digital Infrastructure. Mr. Norbert Barthle became the Deputy Minister for Economic Cooperation & Development in 2018.

Mr. Javier Abugattas Fatule

Head, National Center for Strategic Planning - CEPLAN, Government of Peru



Mr. Abugattas is currently President of the Directive Council of the National Center for Strategic Planning of Perú. Previously he held the following positions: - President of the Round Table for the Fight against Poverty; - Three times Vice Minister of Economy; - Technical Secretary of the Interministerial Commission for Social Affairs; - General Director of Public Credit

Areas of interest include: - Integrated economic-social-environmental development; - Design, implementation and evaluation of public policies and programs. With skills acquired during more than 30 years of work with public and private institutions; - Coordination of people and institutions in multicultural environments; - Promotion of agreements with participatory procedures; - Information for decisions and citizen follow-up. Conceptual design of complex systems.

H.E. Minata Samate Cessouma

Commissioner for Political Affairs, African Union Commission



H. E. Amb. Minata SAMATE CESSOUMA is the Commissioner for Political Affairs of the African Union Commission (AUC) since January 2017. She is a native of Burkina Faso and brings to the AUC, over thirty (30) years of experience in Law, Diplomacy, Governance and International relations. At the international level, Her Excellency has served as Director of the United Nations and African Union Hybrid Mission in Darfur, where she contributed to strengthening humanitarian affairs, peacekeeping operations, and preventive diplomacy. At the continental level, Ambassador Samate was

Minister in charge of Regional Cooperation of Burkina Faso, Chair of the Council of Ministers, Mediation and Security of the Economic Community of West African States, and co-chaired the ECOWAS - European Union Troika Meetings. After her ministerial post, Her Excellency was appointed Ambassador of Burkina Faso to Ethiopia, Permanent Representative to the African Union Commission (AUC) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN-ECA).

Her Excellency Ambassador Samate is a fervent diplomat who is passionate about public service and the fight against the scourges of our continent. Her ardent will for a better continent and her strong commitment for good governance, promotion and protection of human rights and the rule of law, as well as her strong advocacy for youth participation in governance processes in Africa, are some of her core values. As one of the few women leaders in Africa, she inspires more than few young women and girls to aspire to better and more in life.

Ms. Koko Warner

Manager, Adaptation Programme, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change – UNFCCC



Dr. Koko Warner (United Nations Climate Secretariat, UNFCCC) helps countries find ways to avert, minimize and address risks to human wellbeing from climate change. At the UNFCCC, she oversees the work on climate impacts, risks and vulnerabilities, including the Fiji clearinghouse for risk transfer, the Task Force on Displacement, and the technical expert group on comprehensive risk management all under loss and damage. Warner also supervises the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform which were created by the Paris Agreement. Warner also manages the climate science-policy-practice hub on adaptation, which is helping scale up adaptation action.

Ms. Warner provides technical leadership on assessing, developing & implementing policies & actions aimed at reducing vulnerability & building resilience in communities across the world. She is a lead author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report on Climate Change and Land, and previously of the Fifth Assessment Report. In 2014 the International Council of Science named Koko one of the top 20 women making waves in the

climate change debate (<http://roadtoparis.info/top-list/20-women-making-waves-climate-change-debate/>).

Prior to joining UNFCCC, Koko was the Executive Director and founding member of the Munich Climate Insurance Initiative (www.climateinsurance.org) and head of research on environmental migration and social resilience at United Nations University Institute for Human Security in Bonn.