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Speaker Biographies

Huw Irranca-Davies MP

Huw Irranca-Davies is the UK Minister for Marine and Natural Environment. He joined Defra from the Wales Office where he was Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Wales since June 2007. He has sat on the Procedures Select Committee, Standing Committee for the Police Reform Bill, Fireworks Bill and Communications Bill amongst others. He has also served as a Government Whip (June 2006-June 2007) and was previously a Parliamentary Private Secretary in the Department of Work and Pensions, Department for Culture, Media and Sport and the Northern Ireland Office.

He has sat on the Welsh Grand Committee and the Northern Ireland Grand Committee. In his early career Huw Irranca-Davies worked for local authorities in leisure management and he later worked in private sector management and as a lecturer at Swansea Institute of Higher Education.

Dr. Abraham Iyambo

Dr. Iyambo is the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Namibia. He joined Namibia's Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources as Deputy Minister in 1995 and became the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources in 1997. Dr Iyambo is also a member of the Central Committee and Political Bureau of SWAPO Party (the ruling Party in Namibia) and the Chair of SWAPO's think tank. He has been a Member of Parliament since 1995.

Dr. Iyambo received the 2008-2009 Margarita Lizárraga Medal of the FAO, the first individual to win the medal (the previous five winners were organisations). Dr. Abraham Iyambo was educated first in Namibia and Cuba before moving to the UK where he obtained a B.Sc. in Food Science in 1990, and a Ph.D in Food Science at the University of Surrey in 1994. Dr. Iyambo was a Commissioner General for Expo 1998 held in Portugal, Lisbon. Dr. Iyambo was the Chairman of SADC Ministers responsible for fisheries from 1997-1999 and a member of the High Seas Task Force on IUU fishing.

Amb. Stephen Willoughby

Ambassador Willoughby is the Deputy CEO of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD). He was formally bestowed with the Ambassadorial title and was appointed Deputy CEO (international Relations) at the NEPAD Secretariat in July 2005. Ambassador Willoughby has served in the Foreign Service of Nigeria for the last thirty years, gaining involvement on many facets of African political, social-economic and development issues.

He was part of the political process that led to the creation of the African Union, right from the Experts' level Meeting up to the adoption of the AU Constitutive Act in Lome in July 2000. As a senior career diplomat, Ambassador Willoughby has been involved in policy formation, execution and evaluation as well as advocacy and ambassadorship in promoting Nigeria's Foreign policy objectives in Africa and on a global scale.

C. A. Roy Bross

C. A. R. Bross began a fisheries career as Principal Economist of the Fisheries Development Corporation of South Africa in 1973 where he was responsible for developmental aspects of commercial fisheries. He specialised in offshore trawling and was a Member of the Commission of Inquiry into the Offshore Trawling Industry – 1976.

Roy Bross has been Secretary of the South African Deep-Sea Trawling Industry Association (SADSTIA) for the last 26 years. The Association is a private sector industry representative organisation serving the common interests of operators of ocean going class trawlers in the hake fishery. SADSTIA is the leading fishing industry grouping recognised in terms of South Africa's Living Marine Resources Act and its Members account for half South Africa's national fish product.

Shelley Clarke

Dr. Shelley Clarke is a Visiting Researcher at Imperial College London and holds master's and doctoral degrees in fisheries science from the University of Washington in Seattle and Imperial College London. She has a longstanding interest in the use of trade data to complement fisheries statistics and she specialises in using Asian trade statistics to inform fisheries management stock assessments. She recently produced a report on the role of China in the global fish processing industry and described how China's existing traceability systems compare with the requirements under the new EC regulation to prevent, deter and eliminate IUU fishing. In February 2009 she helped to lead United Kingdom-China bilateral discussions on implementing this regulation in China. Her current project involves a study of best practice in catch documentation schemes applied by regional fisheries management organizations for tuna and toothfish.

Sandy Davies

Sandy Davies began her fisheries work as a biologist onboard fishing vessels in the South Atlantic within the Falkland Island fishery. Some years later, after obtaining an MSc in Marine and Fisheries Science she started her professional work in African fisheries. Initially Sandy worked with Nigerian freshwater fisheries before moving to Namibia to work within fisheries information systems, monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) and the Namibian observer programme. It was in Namibia, that Sandy started working within regional fisheries policy as the Fisheries Adviser for the Southern African Development Community. Since then she has worked extensively across the African continent, with many donor agencies, regional fisheries management organisations, national governments, the industry and NGOs. She is now based in Botswana working as the Technical Director of NFDS Africa. She holds various advisory and professional roles focusing on African regional and continental integration, African and international linkages, fishery policy and stopping illegal fishing.

Ian Dickie

Ian Dickie is a senior consultant at EFTEC (Economics for the Environment Consultancy limited), the UK's leading specialists in environmental economics. His current and recent work includes impact assessments for the designation of marine conservation sites in the UK, research into the potential use of habitat banking in the EU and quantifying the benefits to SMEs of environmental regulation compliance advice. Prior to working at EFTEC, Ian was involved a wide variety of economics issues affecting UK and EU environmental policies as head of economics at the RSPB for 5 years. Ian is a Director of the Aldersgate Group, which champions the role that strong environmental regulation can play in economic growth.

David J Doulman

Dr. David J. Doulman joined FAO in 1991. He is currently Senior Fishery Liaison Officer in the Fisheries and Aquaculture Department. His responsibilities include the coordination of the 1995 FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, international fisheries reporting including the United Nations, liaison with non-FAO fishery bodies, policy relating to IUU fishing, port State measures and flag State performance. Between 1992 and 1995 Dr Doulman served as the FAO Technical Secretary to the UN Fish Stocks Conference. Immediately prior to joining FAO he was Deputy Director of the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency. Dr Doulman was Technical Secretary of the Expert and Technical Consultations on Port State Measures and the Expert Consultation on Flag State Performance.

Andrew J Dyck

Andrew Dyck is a Fisheries Economist with the Fisheries Economics Research Unit at the University of British Columbia. By considering issues surrounding fisheries within a global framework, he is able to produce interesting new research with implications for the world economy.

Kristín Gunnarsdóttir von Kistowski

Kristín Gunnarsdóttir von Kistowski is a population geneticist by training and works as science and policy advisor. She studied biology at the University of Frankfurt and the University of Kiel, Germany, and was awarded Ph.D. in zoology by the University of Kiel in 2000. From 1999 to 2002, she worked for the Federal State of Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, evaluating the regional potential for biotechnology and later as head of the Biotechnology Unit. Subsequently she worked as a consultant for technology management and science communication, mainly for German Ministries and research institutions, and managed international projects in the fields of biosafety, innovation policy, and sustainable marine technologies in Poland and Indonesia. In 2005 she joined the Max-Planck-Institute for Demographic Research in Rostock, Germany, as research scientist in the fields of biodemography and aging, and was appointed to head the outreach division of the institute's initiative to communicate policy-relevant research findings on demographic change to policy and decision makers. Since June 2009 she has returned to her applied population biology and works as Advisor to the Pew Environment Group in the Stop Illegal Fishing Project with a special emphasis on port State performance research.

Adam Jarrett

Adam has worked in UK fisheries since 1991 and manages the London UK Fishery Monitoring Centre. Adam and his team(s) have designed and delivered all the key fisheries data management systems in use in the UK today including the specification and procurement of two incarnations of UK VMS systems. Adam's current projects are the electronic submission of logbooks from fishing vessels, and electronic sales note submissions from fish markets and merchants.

Aquina Kango

In her current role as Team Leader of the Audit and Certification Unit, within the Papua New Guinea National Fisheries Authority (PNG NFA), Ms Kango engages in bilateral market access arrangements pertaining to export of fish and fishery products. A successful market access certification programme has been established with the European Market, allowing Papua New Guinea (PNG) exports to enter the European Union. Similar certification arrangements are currently being established with Australia to enable PNG market access of live lobster to Australia.

Ms Kango has 9 years of experience in a Food Safety and Auditing and has been lead auditor for over 10 audits in the last 5 – 6 years. Her notable achievements include the development of systems and processes for the PNG market's access to the European Union; assistance in the making of the PNG Regulations for Fish and Fishery Products 2009; and leading and managing the team of food safety auditors, whose services are now being recognised in the Pacific Island Region as a leading competent authority. She has recently been involved in addressing the EU Regulation 1005/2008 on IUU fishing in PNG.

Kieran Kelleher

Kieran Kelleher is the Fisheries Team Leader in the World Bank. He is also the manager of the World Bank's Global Partnership on Fisheries - PROFISH. The partnership includes developing countries, leading bilateral donors to the fisheries sector, and technical institutions such as FAO. With a background in biology and business management, he has worked as a fisherman, fish farmer, manager of a fisher cooperative and as a fisheries scientist. He has spent most of his career as economic advisor on fisheries to governments in developing countries. He is the author of global studies on discards, on aquaculture and on fisheries enforcement and co-author of a recent study: *"The Sunken Billions. The Economic Justification for Fisheries Reform"*. He also helped create a new fishing industry partnership - the Alliance for Responsible Fisheries (ALLFISH) which will support creation and the activities of responsible fishing industry associations and sustainable value chains in developing countries.

Sebastian Losada

Sebastian Losada holds a degree in sea sciences from the University of Vigo. From 2002 to 2008 he was in charge of the Greenpeace Oceans campaign in Spain. Since January 2009 he has been policy adviser to Greenpeace International. As part of its work in Greenpeace, he has documented IUU fishing activities at-sea in the North East Atlantic (2005), in West Africa (2006) and in the Mediterranean Sea (2006, 2007 and 2008) as well as conducted research on the involvement of Spanish nationals in IUU fishing activities over the last eight years.

Peter Manning

Peter Manning is a South African born Namibian, with a PhD from the London School of Economics on the management of Namibia's marine fisheries. He has worked in fisheries mainly in Africa but also in Asia, the Caribbean and the Pacific regions. During the last decade he has worked extensively for the Fisheries and Aquaculture Department of the Food and Agriculture Organization both as a member of staff and as a consultant. He has recently worked as a consultant with the Stop Illegal Fishing initiative.

Frank Meere

Frank Meere has extensive fisheries management and policy expertise underpinned by qualifications in applied economics and has worked in domestic and international fisheries management and policy for more than 20 years. Frank worked for more than ten years in key senior positions of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority and left the organisation in 2003 after five years as its Managing Director. He then worked on the High Seas Task Force for two years where he took prime responsibility for the economics and trade and management/enforcement aspects of the HSTF work and subsequent report. Frank runs his own consulting company and is active in international fisheries governance (including IUU fishing) and management issues. Frank has particular expertise in analysing and developing practical policy and administrative approaches to complex fisheries management issues and is particularly interested in seeking market based approaches to management challenges.

Ben Milligan

Ben Milligan is a Researcher at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, University of Wollongong and is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge. Ben is a co-author of a study commissioned by the Commonwealth Secretariat on the development impact of the European Community Regulation on Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing.

Cliff Morrison

Cliff Morrison joined Ross foods, part of the Ross Group in 1967 as a food technologist. Ross Group had the biggest deep water fishing fleet in the world at that time operating out of the largest fishing ports of Grimsby and Hull. Through a series mergers and acquisitions with Young's, the company integrated into the Findus Group of today via Imperial and United Biscuits. Cliff took early retirement from his role of technical director UB Frozen and Chill Foods 9 years ago to work part time as group technical advisor to Young's Bluecrest, now the Findus group and to do voluntary conservation work. He prefers the ever-changing seafood industry to other less exciting parts of the food industry; has worked on many government and industry committees in the sector and is currently vice president AIPCE, Chair FDF Seafood Group and technical board member of the MSC. He is a fellow of the Institute of Food Science and Technology and a Chartered Scientist.

Munesh Munbodh

Munesh Munbodh is the Director of Fisheries in the Fisheries Division of the Ministry of Agro-Industry, Food Production and Security, Mauritius. He obtained a BSc Joint Honours in Botany and Zoology at the University of Nottingham before completing a Masters degree in Marine Resources Management, Oregon State University, USA.

He joined the then Fisheries Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources as Scientific Officer in 1974, becoming Divisional Scientific Officer in 1986. He was appointed Director of Fisheries in 2008 after nearly a decade as the Chief Fisheries Officer of Mauritius.

Arthur E. Neiland

Arthur E. Neiland is a specialist in fisheries policy and economics. He is a Director of IDDRA – an independent research and consultancy organisation specialising in the economics of fisheries and fisheries management systems, with offices in Portsmouth, UK and Montpellier, France. He has twenty-five years fisheries work experience in Europe, Africa and Asia, and is currently engaged on a number of project assignments concerning fisheries management policy with the World Bank, the UN FAO and the UK Department for International Development (DFID).

Richard Parsons

Richard Parsons is Head of the International Sustainable Marine and Fisheries Team in the UK Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). He joined the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food in 1993 and has since worked at the European Commission, HM Treasury and at the British Embassy in Paris covering a range of agriculture, fisheries and food issues.

John Pearce

John Pearce is a Senior Consultant at MRAG Ltd with fifteen years of professional experience in fisheries management and assessment. He has considerable experience of the development and implementation of fishery management systems, with a particular emphasis on monitoring, control and surveillance and information management including the assessment of the risks of IUU fishing and the assessment of the costs and benefits of surveillance systems.

Chris Rowland

Chris is the data support manager in the Fishery Monitoring Centre and is also heavily involved in the electronic reporting systems implementation and training processes. Chris is responsible for the UK systems which integrate and cross check fishing vessel logbook records, licensing and registration data, all MCS data and all satellite monitoring data. Chris also provides downstream VMS solutions to a wide variety of maritime enforcement authorities such as the Royal Navy, Inshore fishery patrol vessels, Crown Dependencies (Isle of Man), as well as for voluntary VMS agreements between central government, fishermen

and scientists. Chris's team also provide data and reports from all these systems to managers, scientists, policy makers, auditors and enforcement authorities as required.