

Financing Green Growth

Roundtable Speakers' biographies

	<p>Dr. Fernando Aportela Rodriguez Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit</p> <p>Fernando Aportela holds a degree in Economics from the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico and a Ph.D. in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has been a Professor of Finance at the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico.</p> <p>Dr. Aportela served as General Director of Economic Research at the Bank of Mexico, Area Director of the Economic Cabinet for the President of Mexico, and as a member of the advisory team of the Secretary of Finance and Public Credit. He also held the position of Undersecretary of Revenue for the Government of the State of Veracruz.</p> <p>In 2004 he joined Protego, where he was Director of Public Finance and Infrastructure, and prior to his current appointment, he was a managing partner at the investment bank Evercore Partners.</p> <p>Dr. Fernando Aportela was appointed Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit on December 6th, 2012.</p>
	<p>Mr. LI Yong, Director General, UNIDO</p> <p>2003-2013, Vice-Minister of Finance of the People's Republic of China. Was involved in setting and harmonizing fiscal, monetary and industrial policies, and in supporting sound economic growth in China. Pushed forward financial sector reform, and prompted major financial institutions to establish corporate governance, deal with toxic assets and strengthen risk management. Played a key role in China's cooperation with multilateral development organizations, such as the World Bank Group and the Asian Development Bank. 1985-1989, Second Secretary and then First Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations.</p>



Mr. Peter Seligman, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, Co-Founder, Conservation International

B.S. in Wildlife Ecology from Rutgers University and M.S. in Forestry and Environmental Science from Yale University. Honorary PhD from Michigan State University and Rutgers University.

Began his career in 1976 at The Nature Conservancy, serving as the organization's western region land steward and later as Director of the California Nature Conservancy.

Founded Conservation International (CI) in 1987. Serves on the advisory councils of the Jackson Hole Land Trust, Ecotrust and other not-for-profit organizations. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations and of the Environment Committee of the International

Public Policy Advisory Board for The Coca Cola Company. President Clinton named him a member of the Enterprise for the Americas Board in 2000



Mr. Mohale Rakgate, General Manager, Development Bank of Southern Africa

Mr. Mohale Rakgate is the General Manager- Project Preparation at the Development Bank of Southern Africa. This role involves leading a team of experts and professionals -in partnership with Regional Organizations, Government Departments, State Owned Companies, DFI, Donors and Private Sector - to prepare projects from conceptual stages to implementation. This function is key to unblocking the region and continent's full socio-economic potential. Mr Rakgate has oversight responsibilities for the Green Fund, a fund created through a partnership between South Africa's Department of Environmental Affairs and the DBSA.

Prior to his current position, Mr Rakgate was a manager and senior project finance professional at the DBSA responsible for financing projects in sectors such as energy, water, mining and transport. Before joining DBSA in late 2007, Mr Rakgate was an investment officer with the International Finance Corporation based in Washington DC, working on projects in various regions of the developing world. He holds qualifications in Finance and Management.



Mr. Daniel Servitje, CEO, Grupo Bimbo

Joined Grupo Bimbo in 1978; bachelor's degree in business administration from Universidad Iberoamericana, MBA from Stanford University. Member of the Board of Directors of Grupo Financiero Banamex, Coca-Cola Femsa, Mexican Institute for Competitiveness A.C., Walmart Mexico Advisory Board of Suppliers, The Consumer Goods Forum, Latin America Conservation Council (The Nature Conservancy).



Mr. Joachim von Amsberg, Vice President, Development Finance, World Bank

M.B.A. in Finance from the University of British Columbia, Canada; M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering from the Technische Universität, Germany; Ph.D. in Finance and Economic Policy from the University of British Columbia. Held various positions in Washington and in the World Bank's country offices since 1993. 2010- 2013, Vice President for the World Bank's Operations Policy and Country Services. Prior, World Bank Country Director for the Philippines and Indonesia. 2001-2004, World Bank Lead Economist in Washington. 1997-2001, country economist in Brazil. Since 2013, responsible for the replenishment and stewardship of the International Development Association (IDA - the World Bank's fund for the poorest), Global Partnership and Trust Fund Operations, trusteeship of financial intermediary funds and innovative financing, and financial management of the concessional finance portfolio. A member of the steering committee that oversaw the preparation of the World Bank's Governance and Anti-Corruption Strategy