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# I. Bangladesh

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Wajid Hasan Shah is a Research Fellow with the Industry and Physical Infrastructure Division at the BIDS, where he joined in 2001. His areas of research have evolved around investments, finance & banking, infrastructure, the capital market, gender, transport, labor, NGOs, health and nutrition.

Mr. Shah has over 17 years of work experience in Bangladesh. In this time he has consulted for the World Bank, the International Finance Corporation, the International Food Policy Research Institute, the International Labor Organization, the United Nations Development Program, and other international organizations and had also received a



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#### II. Brazil

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Mr. Branco also served as an Executive in the areas of organizational development and business management and worked as a consultant in



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#### III. China

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Professor Chang Jiwen's current research fields at the DRC are policy and law of resources and environmental protection, animal protection, safety production and social security. Prior to this he served as Vice-Director and later Director of the Social Law Research Office at the Institute of Law of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences from 2006 to 2010 and he was Vice-Director at the Beijing Administration of Work Safety from 2010 to 2013.

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He has also been engaged in lawmaking and national documents drafting, e.g. concerning the Laws on Addressing Climate Change, Ecology Compensation, Prevention and Control of Atmospheric Pollution as well as Prevention and Control of Environmental Noise Pollution.

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Ms. He participated in many of CIRD's important research programmes since 2006 including Policy Research on equalization of Basic Public Services during the Twelfth Five-year Plan period, Goals



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# IV. Germany

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action of energy policy and its underlying politics with technological change in the energy sector. Currently he mainly analyses innovation and diffusion of electricity generation and storage technologies. His research covers both developed and developing countries.

#### V. India

#### Rajni BAKSHI

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#### Shubh SONI

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#### VI. Mexico

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Ms. Fernández majored in Architecture and holds an MBA from the IPADE Business School in Mexico City. After working in ICA for 18 years, she is widely considered a leader in corporate responsibility.

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## **Jorge RAMIREZ**

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# VII. Singapore

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#### VIII. South Africa

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### IX. Switzerland

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Prior to joining IISD, Ms. Silva worked in the banking sector as an emerging market economist and interned as a financial data analyst for CNN Hong Kong and for the Central Bank of Mexico, working on inclusive finance for indigenous communities.

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# X. Turkey

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Dr. Görmez came back to the Markets Department in 2001 and moved to the Research Department to take part in launching the inflation targeting regime in Turkey. He headed the Financial Analysis Division until 2009 when he was assigned as Senior Economist. From 2010 to 2012, he was representing the Central Bank of Turkey in Tokyo. Since 2013, he is in Beijing as the Economic Counsellor for the CBRT with a responsibility to understand the Chinese macro economy. He came



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#### XI. USA

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Mr. Christopher Behr has a background in economics, statistics and engineering from the University of Wisconsin and the Madison and Cornell University. For the past 20 years, he has evaluated the economic, social and environmental aspects of infrastructure investments in the U.S. and abroad. His work spans the transportation, water, energy, and building sectors. Mr. Behr has applied a variety of analytical techniques including financial analysis, cost-benefit analyses, cost-risk analyses, environmental valuation, and statistics. His projects also often include workshops in which he facilitates discussions on topics such as technical engineering solutions and economic forecasts.



Since joining HDR, Mr. Behr has established himself as an expert in evaluating risks to capital projects and assets – some valued in the billions of dollars. He has been a technical and marketing leader in HDR's Sustainable Return on Investment process since its inception.

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Prior to this, Mr. Bhattacharya had a long-standing career in the World Bank. His last position was as Senior Advisor and Head of the International Policy and Partnership Group, serving as the focal point for the Bank's engagement with key international groupings and institutions such as the G7/G8, G20, IMF, OECD and the Commonwealth Secretariat.



Mr. Bhattacharya's current focus areas are the global economy, development finance, global governance, and the links between climate and development. He has had a long standing engagement in research and policy discussions on the global economy and spillovers, international financial architecture, development financing and the global governance agenda including on the role and reform of the international financial institutions.

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Before coming to Harvard, Ms. Contreras worked in a large-scale infrastructure construction project with Dragados S.A. in Spain, as an independent professional, and she has presented her work on assessing sustainable infrastructure at several international conferences. Ms



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Prior to joining RAP, Mr. James was director of air planning and manager of climate change and energy programs for the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, where he served as staff lead for the state's participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.

#### XII. GIZ

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During the restructuring process of the GIZ from the GTZ, Oliver Auge

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Daniel holds a B.Sc. in Economics from the London School of Economics, an M.Sc. in Development Finance from the School of Oriental and

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