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DAY ONE

**Richard Manning**

Richard Manning is Chair of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee (DAC). He took up his duties on 16 June 2003. Mr. Manning was former Director General for Policy at the UK Department for International Development (DFID). He worked for DFID and its predecessor agencies from 1965 to 2003, including periods spent serving in West Africa and South East Asia, and as Alternate Executive Director at the World Bank. Before becoming Chair, Mr Manning worked with the DAC over many years, and was from 2001 to early 2003 Chair of the DAC Task Force on Aid Practices which produced a report on "Harmonising Donor Practices for Effective Aid Delivery" ahead of the High Level Forum in Rome in February 2003. In March 2005 he was Co-Chair at the Paris High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness.

**Alison Evans**

Alison is Director of the Poverty and Public Policy Group at ODI. Alison is an economist by training and has over 20 years experience of international development, policy and advisory work. While a staff member at the World Bank in the 1990s, Alison was a member of the Operations Evaluation Department and led on a number of corporate and programme evaluations, including the first Annual Review of Development Effectiveness and an evaluation of the Bank's poverty reduction strategy. Since leaving the Bank she has played a prominent role in shaping research and policy on PRSPs, aid modalities, harmonisation and alignment. In 2005 she led an independent evaluation of Rwanda's PRSP which included an assessment of accountability changes resulting from PRSP processes and implementation. Most recently with David Booth, Alison was involved in defining options for the evaluation of the Paris Declaration on aid effectiveness. Alison joined ODI as Director of Programmes of PPPG in August 2006.

**Claver Gatete**

H.E. Claver Gatete is currently Ambassador of Rwanda in London. Prior to this, he was Secretary General and Secretary to the Treasury in the Rwandan Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, providing him with many insights into current Rwanda experiences with aid effectiveness issues. He also worked for the Office of the President in Rwanda. His early career included stints working for the UN Development Programme(UNDP) and experience conducting academic research into agricultural economics in various Canadian universities.



### **Karin Christiansen**

Karin Christiansen works on the relationships and accountabilities around public expenditure and the delivery and impact of aid. Her specific focus is on national policy, planning and budgeting processes (including PRSPs) and aid effectiveness issues around aid modalities, donor practice, harmonisation and alignment. Most recently her work has been on the 'fragile states' and state-building agendas including the interaction between aid and other external interventions. She has also been developing with partner / aid recipient governments policy approach to establishing mechanisms and criteria for accepting external aid. She joined PPPG/CAPE having worked as an ODI Fellow at the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Agriculture in Rwanda. Prior to that Karin worked for UNHCR in Croatia.

### **Paolo de Renzio**

Paolo de Renzio joined CAPE after six years spent working as an economist and policy advisor in Papua New Guinea and as a public sector specialist, lecturer and independent consultant in Mozambique. His research focuses on the interplay between aid policies and modalities and public finance management systems in developing countries. His current work spans from issues related to aid architecture and mutual accountability, to donor conditionalities and general budget support, to assessing the quality of PFM systems and their reform.

### **Frans E. Ronsholt**

Frans E. Ronsholt is the head of secretariat for the public expenditure and financial accountability (PEFA) program. The program secretariat reports to a Board of seven international financing and donor agencies and is located at the World Bank. Prior to joining the PEFA program, Mr. Ronsholt was director of a private consulting firm, Sera Consulting, providing services in capacity building in public financial management, donor harmonization and aid management. Mr. Ronsholt has spent an extended period as adviser to governments in developing countries. This included long term assignments as adviser to the Ministry of Finance in Tanzania, advisor to the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning in the Gambia, personal adviser to the Prime Minister in the Cabinet Office of Lesotho, and adviser in the Planning Department of the Ministry of Agriculture in Malawi. Prior to that Mr. Ronsholt worked as a consultant on economic planning assignments for various central, provincial and municipal government entities in Denmark and on public investment studies in selected countries in Africa and the Middle East.

### **Stefan Koeberle**

Stefan Koeberle is the Director of Operations Services for the Latin America and the Caribbean Region. His Department is responsible for fiduciary services (financial management, procurement), quality control, knowledge management and information technology. He has authored several publications on budget support and conditionality. Before joining the Latin American Region, Dr. Koeberle managed the country economics unit in OPCS (Operations Policy and Country Services) which reviewed and provided advice on policy-based lending and Country Assistance Strategies. He was previously country economist in various Bank regions, most recently in East Asia, where he worked in the Thailand office for a number of years. He joined the Bank in 1993 as Young Professional and has a PhD in Economics from the University of Cambridge, UK.



**Andrew Lawson**

Andrew heads the Centre for Aid & Public Expenditure (CAPE) at the Overseas Development Institute. He is a public finance specialist with extensive experience of the design, management & evaluation of budgetary aid. With David Booth, he was responsible for the design of the evaluation framework for General Budget Support, which has been adopted by the OECD-DAC and also led the first comprehensive evaluation of the impact of GBS, examining the experience of Tanzania over 1995 – 2004.



DAY TWO

### Jeremy Gould

Jeremy Gould holds an associate professorship in Development Studies at the University of Helsinki. His Ph.D. in Social Anthropology was based on fieldwork in Zambia where he has been conducting research since 1983. His research interests revolve around the dynamics of post-colonial state formation. A recent project scrutinizing the impact of development aid modalities on state-society relations produced the volume *The New Conditionality. The Politics of Poverty Reduction Strategies* (Zed 2005). He is currently working on an ethnography of the legal profession in Lusaka and a related manuscript about a Zambian coalition of civic activists (the Oasis Forum)."

### Mar Sophal

MAR Sophal is a Monitoring Program Coordinator of COMFREL (Committee for Free and Fair Elections in Cambodia) in charge of elections monitoring activities, parliamentary watch project and monitoring the fulfillment of government platform. Previously, he served as media and external relations assistant and media monitoring supervisor at COMFREL. From 2000 to 2001 he was the assistant director for the Cambodian Centre for the Protection of Children's Rights (CCPCR). Mr. Mar Sophal currently is a master candidate in management at Pannasastra University of Cambodia. He received his Bachelor's Degree in business administration from the National Institute of Management in Phnom Penh. He experiences in joining international election observation missions with ANFREL (Asian Network for Free Elections) in Asia nations including Indonesia, The Philippines (NAMFREL), Sri Lanka (PAFFREL), Thailand, and Taiwan (TANFREL).

### Sue Graves

Prior to joining ODI Sue designed and managed a range of bilateral transitional initiatives for the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID). This included programs in East Timor, Solomon Islands and Aceh. She has trained in international relations, development studies and history. Current research projects include implementation of the Good Humanitarian Donorship initiative and the privatization/corporatisation of humanitarian assistance. Future work will be focused on the humanitarian architecture including operational implications of reform initiatives and the role of affected states in humanitarian action.

### Jesse Griffiths

Jesse Griffiths works in the Aid and Accountability policy group in ActionAid International. The group focuses on supporting greater accountability within aid relationships, particularly accountability to citizens in southern countries. A current focus is on the role of Technical Assistance – ActionAid's recommendations for reform were set out in 'Real Aid 2: Making Technical Assistance Work.' Previous jobs have included Deputy Programme Manager in DFID Nigeria, responsible for the governance and economics portfolio; working in DFID's Policy Division on environmental integration into strategic planning processes, and as policy officer at the RSPB focussing on environment and development issues.



### **David Booth**

David Booth is a sociologist and was formerly Professor of Development Studies at the University of Wales, Swansea. He has published on social development theory, including *Rethinking Social Development* (1994) and on political and social issues in Latin America and sub-Saharan Africa.

His current research projects are on state responsiveness to poverty and the politics of PRSPs, with fieldwork in Uganda, Ghana and Bolivia. Other work is concerned with PRS monitoring, Poverty and Social Impact Analysis and assessing the evaluability of general budget support as a modality of poverty-focused aid.

### **Lindsay Whitfield**

Dr. Whitfield graduated from University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (USA) with a BA in Political Science (honors) and a BA in Economics.

She completed the MPhil in Development Studies (with distinction) at the University of Oxford, UK, and then continued at Oxford to complete a DPhil in Politics in October 2005. The doctorate was on the political economy of development in Ghana with a focus on the interaction between democracy and development. She is now a Junior Research Fellow at the Global Economic Governance Programme, University of Oxford.

She has published numerous articles, book sections and working papers:

'Civil society as idea and civil society as process: the case of Ghana', *Oxford Development Studies*, September 2003; 'Trustees of development from conditionality to governance: poverty reduction strategy papers in Ghana', *Journal of Modern African Studies*, December 2005; 'The politics of urban water reform in Ghana', *Review of African Political Economy*, September 2006; 'Identity construction in development practices: the government of Ghana, civil society, private sector and development partners' in *Professional Identities:*

*Policy and Practice at Work in Business and Bureaucracy*, (edited) F. Moore,

Oxford: Berghahn, forthcoming 2007; and 'Aid's political consequences: the embedded aid system in Ghana', *Global Economic Governance Programme Working Paper*, available at [www.globaleconomicgovernance.org](http://www.globaleconomicgovernance.org).

### **Marta Foresti**

Marta Foresti has a background in development policy, human rights and social research methodology. Before joining ODI in January 2006, she worked as a senior policy advisor in the Department of Development Policy of the Italian Treasury and was the former Head of the Learning and Impact Assessment team at Save the Children UK.

Her current research interest include: the implementation and feasibility of economic, social and cultural rights; accountability and governance of development and human rights agencies; social exclusion and inequality. Marta has a particular interest in the methodological dimensions of development and human rights research. She was responsible for developing impact assessment frameworks for Save the Children UK and Amnesty International and has undertaken research and evaluation studies of several UK and European social policies and programmes.

Marta manages ODI's Rights in Action Programme, a multi-disciplinary team working on human rights, poverty reduction and humanitarian assistance.



### Sujai Shivakumar

A policy advisor with the National Academy of Sciences' Board on Science, Technology, and Economic Policy since 2001, Sujai Shivakumar helps develop and disseminate the Academy's research on innovation and entrepreneurship. This portfolio includes a major review of high technology public-private partnerships in the United States, an analysis of the drivers of productivity growth in the new information-based economy, and a comparative assessment of national innovation policies in a world where advanced research and development of key technologies is increasingly global.

A political economist by training, Dr. Shivakumar received his doctorate in economics from George Mason University. His dissertation examined how constitutions—the rules governing how we choose among public policies—themselves emerge and adapt within constraints. Post doctoral research at Indiana University's Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis applied this institutional approach to understanding the political economy of development and development cooperation.

Dr. Shivakumar has served as a consultant to the United Nations Development Programme, Sida, and Action Aid. His recent publications include *The Constitution of Development, Crafting Capabilities for Self-Governance*, published by Macmillan, and *The Samaritans' Dilemma, The Political Economy of Development Aid*, coauthored with Elinor Ostrom, Clark Gibson, and Krister Andersson, and published by Oxford University Press.

### Simon Burall

Simon Burall is a Research Fellow with the Overseas Development Institute. His research interests include: aid architecture reform; aid effectiveness; harmonisation and alignment; UN reform; role of civil society and parliaments in aid architecture reform.

He was the Executive Director of the One World Trust for seven years. The Trust undertakes research into the accountability of global organisations and bringing representatives from intergovernmental organisations, transnational corporations and international NGOs together to share best practice and learning. The Trust supports the work of an All-Party Parliamentary Group with over 160 members. Before this, he worked for AFS, a voluntary organisation co-ordinating intercultural exchange visits. He re-established the organisation's UK wide volunteer network. He completed Development Studies MSc at the School of Oriental and African Studies in 1996. He taught science in Zimbabwe for two years and English in Namibia for one. He was an election monitor in Bosnia-Herzegovina after the Dayton Agreement.

He is the co-author of the *First Global Accountability Report; power without accountability* and of a study into Parliamentary oversight of foreign affairs, *Not in Our Name; Democracy and Foreign Policy*. He is a trustee of Voluntary Services Overseas (VSO) and a President of WWF (UK).