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Amar Bhattacharya is Senior Fellow at the Global Economy and Development Program at Brookings Institution. His focus areas are the global economy, development finance, global governance, and the links between climate and development.

From April 2007 until September 2014 he was Director of the Group of 24, an intergovernmental group of developing country Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors. In that capacity he led the work program of the Group, supported the deliberations of the Ministers, and was the principal point of interface with other organizations including the G20. He has therefore been an active participant in the global economic discussions and a key representative of the views of developing countries.

Prior to taking up his position with the G24, 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. In this capacity, he was 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.

Through these different positions Mr. Bhattacharya 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. He completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Delhi and Brandeis University and his graduate education at Princeton University.



Andriano Jose Timossi

Mr. Andriano Jose Timossi is a Senior Programme Officer at the South Centre. He has a Bachelor degree in Agricultural Science in Brazil and a Master's Degree in European Studies, in Italy. He works on UN multilateral agenda, in particular, on development and human rights issues, South-South Cooperation and outreach, communications, strategic planning and partnership activities of the South Centre. Previously, he worked for UN agencies on socio-economic and development issues including the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights (OHCHR) at the Right to Development Section, including on unilateral coercive measures and as assistant to the Human Rights Council mandate holder on International Solidarity. He also worked for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on different divisions, including the Unit on Economic Cooperation and Integration among Developing Countries at the Office of the Secretary General of UNCTAD. Previously to the UN he also worked and trained in several organizations including Oxfam, European Commission, Scottish Parliament and Swiss Development Cooperation Agency. Most recent academic experiences includes London School of Economics (LSE) and Political Science and Peking University course China's foreign relations with East Asia in Beijing, China; LSE-Cape Town University course on Africa in Cape Town, South Africa; Research Information System for Developing Countries (RIS) course on Global Transformation: The rise of emerging powers and a new international order and International Economic Issues and Development Policy (IEIDP) in New Delhi, India and Contemporary Issues on International Relations at the Universidade de São Paulo (USP) in Brazil. His areas of interest include BRICS, G20, South-South Cooperation, Regional Integration, UN Development and Human Rights pillar, and Sustainable Development agenda.



Ambassador Andrés Rozental

Andrés Rozental was a career Mexican diplomat for more than 35 years, having served his country as Deputy Foreign Minister (1988-1994), Ambassador to Sweden (1983-88), Permanent Representative of México to the United Nations in Geneva (1982-83) and Ambassador to the United Kingdom, (1995-1997) as well as in various responsibilities within the Mexican Foreign Ministry and abroad. Since 1994, he holds the lifetime rank of Eminent Ambassador of México.

Currently retired from public service, Ambassador Rozental holds non-executive Board positions in several important multinational companies in Brazil and México. He chairs the Board of ArcelorMittal Mexico and is an independent Board member of ArcelorMittal Brazil, Ocean Wilson Holdings and Wilson Sons (Brazil) and HSBC Bank in Mexico. He has held advisory positions with Airbus, Toyota and Kansas City Southern de México.

He is President of his own consulting firm, Rozental & Asociados, which specializes in advising multinational companies on their corporate strategies in Latin America. He is also active in a number of non-governmental organizations and projects relating to global governance, migration policy, climate change, Latin American politics and the promotion of democracy. He is a Senior Nonresident Fellow at the Brookings Institution, a Senior Policy Advisor at Chatham House in London, a Trustee of the Migration Policy Institute in Washington and sits on the Operating Board of Canada's Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) in Waterloo.

Ambassador Rozental was the Founding President of the Mexican Council on Foreign Relations (Comexi) and is currently a member ex officio of its governing body.

Ambassador Rozental obtained his professional degree in international relations from the Universidad de las Américas in México, and his Master's in International Economics from the University of Pennsylvania. He is the author of four books on Mexican foreign policy and of numerous chapters and articles in edited volumes on international affairs, diplomacy, US-Mexico relations, among others. He is a regular contributor to print, radio and television media in Mexico, the United States and Europe.



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In 2011, he took part in the “International Visitor Leadership Program” of the US State Department. He has extensively published on EU policies and European/global economic governance.



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She has in-depth knowledge of and experience in global-governance issues and long-term experience in Asia, mainly the P.R. China, where she served as the GIZ's chief resident representative from 2005 to 2011.

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She has more than 30 years of business experience in ICT industry at both local and global levels carrying both business and technical management roles in the fast pace MNCs (like Oracle Corp, Intel Corp.) and local giant system integrators and enterprises. During her 12 years of tenure with Oracle Corporation, she held various executive management roles both at regional levels (Europe, Middle East & Africa) covering 35 countries, and global levels (US, EMEA, APAC). She was recognized as the ‘Best Country Support Services Director’ among 35 countries of Oracle EMEA Support Services Division, received the prestigious ‘Best Country’ of the year awards under the categories of ‘Customer Satisfaction’, ‘Employee Satisfaction’, ‘Business Performance’ for many years. In year 2000, she was recognized by the Turkish IT media as the first international woman executive of Turkey-appointed by e-Europe Middle East Africa Region in IT Business Industry.

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Cengiz Cihan

Cengiz graduated at the Middle East Technical University Statistics Department in 1997 and obtained double major in Economics. He has M.Sc. in Economics from the same university in 2002. He received Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Sydney in 2006. He also teaches “Science, Technology and Innovation Economics” lecture in Economics Department of Bařkent University.

Before joining UNDP Turkey, he had worked in State Planning Organization as a planning assistant expert and planning expert between 1997 and 2006. In 2006, he moved to the Research Department of Central Bank of Turkey as an Economist. In 2009, he joined to the OECD Statistics Directorate for an international project for one year. During 2011-2013 periods, he worked as an Advisor to the Economy Minister. He was responsible from the Monetary Policy issues as well as real sector developments and long term development strategies for the Turkish manufacturing industry sectors. He can speak English and has lower intermediate French level beside his native language Turkish. He is married and has two children.



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Dr. Cengizhan ÖZTÜRK

Dr. Ozturk received his M.D. from Marmara School of Medicine, Istanbul, in 1990. He proceeded with a Specialization in Physiology from Cerrahpasa Medical Faculty, Istanbul University, in 1994 and finally with a Ph.D. at the School of Biomedical Engineering, Science and Health Systems, Drexel University, Philadelphia, in 1997. During 1997-2000, he worked as a postdoctoral research fellow at Medical Imaging Lab, Department of Biomedical Engineering, Johns Hopkins University, supervised by Dr. Elliot McVeigh. At JHU, his research focus switched to MRI. Since September 2000, he is working as a faculty member at the Institute of Biomedical Engineering (BME), Bogazici University, Istanbul. He established Bogazici University Medical Imaging Laboratory (BU-MIL), where on average 15-20 graduate-level BME students at any given time perform their research on a wide-gamut of medical imaging topics. Dr. Ozturk managed to hold a parallel visiting research scientist position at Cardiac Interventions Program, NHLBI, NIH, for five years (2002-2008). His research at NHLBI focused on real-time MRI, XMR fusion and MR-guided medical interventions.

Between 2008-2013, Dr. Ozturk coordinated a university-wide effort to establish a multidisciplinary research center focused on life sciences and health technologies, funded by the Turkish Ministry of Development. The Center for Life Sciences and Technologies of Bogaziçi University is now supported by over 60 faculty members distributed among 11 academic departments/institutes. It is currently in its rollout phase of several important national research infrastructures: 1) Microsystem Based in vivo Device Development Laboratory with a dual-purpose clean room that combines MEMS capability with medical plastic/metal processing for development of novel interventional devices and sensors, 2) Small Animal Research Center (Vivarium) with transgenic capabilities, 3) Smart Drugs Laboratory with a focus on nanoparticles and implantable medical device surface preparations.

Since 2011, Dr. Ozturk is also coordinating the Istanbul Cooperation Platform for Life Sciences and Technologies (Inovita), funded by Istanbul Development Agency. Main focus of Inovita is to create an environment to foster translational research and entrepreneurial activities in health technologies. Currently, Inovita is establishing a small model incubator/accelerator with a strong mentorship focus for early health tech startups at Bogazici University. It is also contributing to many other incubator efforts on life sciences and to other biotechnological infrastructure development projects regionally. Dr. Ozturk coordinates the establishment of reference labs and common production facilities at Teknopark Istanbul for a larger health technology industrial cluster. ISEK (Istanbul Health Industry Cluster, Istanbul Sağlık Endüstrisi Kümelenmesi) formally established at the beginning of 2014 with over 90 members.

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In 2011, he served as the rapporteur for the High-Level Panel on the Governance of the Financial Stability Board. A year earlier, he was appointed by the World Bank Group's Board of Directors as the External Reviewer to conduct the first independent review of the Group's Oversight and Accountability Units. In 2009, Mr. Lombardi authored the report to the IMF Managing Director on IMF Governance Reform ("Fourth Pillar Report"). Prior to that, Mr. Lombardi's distinguished career includes positions on the executive boards of major international financial institutions such as the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

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She has also published, in cooperation with the Turkish think-tank EDAM, two important reports on Franco-Turkish relations (The Franco-Turkish Relationship in turmoil, 2007, and Les élites françaises et la Turquie : une relation dans l'attente, 2010) and she was head of the work La Turquie au Moyen-Orient : le retour d'une puissance régionale ? (Presses du CNRS, 2011). She is currently preparing a book titled La nouvelle dynamique kurde, in collaboration with the Institut du Monde arabe.



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Among his Working Papers we can mention:

“La Regulación Bancaria en Argentina durante la década del 90” (“The Banking Regulation in Argentina during the 90s”) co-authored with Jorge Golla.

“Nuevas Arquitecturas Financieras Regionales. Su institucionalidad y características” (“New Regional Financial Architectures. Their institutionalidad and features”).

“La regulación financiera Basilea II. La crisis y los desafíos para un cambio de paradigma” (“Financial regulation, Basel II. The crisis and the challenges facing a shift of paradigm”) coauthored with Estela del Pino, Romina Kupelian and Rodrigo Lopez.

“América Latina: expansión, crisis y después. Un estudio de caso sobre la política contracíclica en Argentina” (“Latin America: expansion, crisis and after. A case study on countercyclical policy in Argentina”) co-authored with Pablo Mareso.

“La regulación de la Banca en Argentina (1810-2010). Debates, lecciones y propuestas” (“Regulation of Banking in Argentina (1810-2010). Debates, lessons and proposals”) coauthored with Rodrigo Lopez.

“La Unidad y la Integración en América Latina: su historia, el presente y un enfoque sobre una oportunidad inédita” (“Unity and Integration in Latin America: its history, present and focus on an unprecedented opportunity”). Co-authored with Jorge Marchini, Romina Kupelian and María Andrea Urturi.



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