

**ANNEX 2.**  
**BIOGRAPHIES OF PANEL MEMBERS AND EVALUATORS**

**Evaluation Panel**

**Angus Deaton** is a British citizen who is Dwight D. Eisenhower Professor of International Affairs and Professor of Economics and International Affairs at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and the Economics Department at Princeton University. Prof. Deaton is a fellow of the British Academy, of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of the Econometric Society and was the first recipient of the Society's Frisch Medal for Applied Econometrics. He was Vice-President of the American Economic Association. He earned his international reputation through his work on demand theory and empirics and on household surveys. His research interests include poverty and inequality in developing countries, and the determinants of health, particularly the relationship between income and health, both domestically and internationally. *Ph.D. Cambridge University.*

**Kenneth Rogoff** is a US citizen who is Thomas D. Cabot Professor of Public Policy and Professor of Economics at Harvard University. Prof. Rogoff served as Economic Counselor and Director of the Research Department of the International Monetary Fund from 2001 to 2003. Before teaching at Harvard, he was the Charles and Marie Robertson Professor of International Affairs at Princeton University. He also served on the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system. He is an elected member of the American Academy of Arts and Science as well as the Econometric Society, and a former Guggenheim Fellow. Mr. Rogoff has earned his international reputation through his publications on international finance policy, including exchange rates, international debt issues, and international monetary policy. Mr. Rogoff is also an international grandmaster in chess. *Ph.D. Massachusetts Institute of Technology.*

**Abhijit Banerjee** is an Indian citizen who is Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Prof. Banerjee is also the Director of the Poverty Action Lab and the past President of the Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis and Development (BREAD). He was educated at the University of Calcutta and at Jawaharlal Nehru University in Delhi. He has taught at Princeton and Harvard before joining the MIT faculty in 1996. In 2001, he was the recipient of the Malcolm Adeshesiah Award, and was awarded the Mahalanobis Memorial Medal in 2000. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and has been a Guggenheim Fellow and Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow. His main areas of research are development economics and the economics of financial markets, both areas on which he has published extensively. *Ph.D. Harvard University.*

**Nora Lustig** is a citizen of Argentina and Mexico. She is Director of the Poverty Group at the United Nations Development Programme in New York since April 2006. She was

previously Director of the Center for Studies on Globalization and Development, Tecnologico de Monterrey, Mexico; President of the Universidad de las Americas, in Puebla, Mexico; Chief of the Poverty and Inequality Unit at the Inter-American Development Bank; Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution; and Professor at the Colegio de Mexico. She was co-director of the World Bank's 2000/01 World Development Report. She is a founder and former President of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA). Dr. Lustig has published on the determinants of poverty and inequality and on public policies for poverty reduction in Latin America, and on economic integration and the implications of NAFTA. *Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley*

## EVALUATORS

**Daron Acemoglu** is a Turkish and US citizen who is Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has been awarded in 2005 the John Bates Clark Medal given by the AEA to the best economist under 40. His areas of interest include labor economics, political economy and institutions.

**Joshua Angrist** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has published extensively on education, human development and labor markets and has done pioneering work on impact evaluation.

**Marianne Bertrand** is a Belgian citizen who is Professor of Economics, University of Chicago. She teaches at the Graduate School of Business and specializes in finance, microcredit and development.

**Tim Besley** is a British citizen who is Professor of Economics, London School of Economics. He is also Director of the Suntory Toyota International Centers for Economics and Related Disciplines (STICERD) at LSE. His research focuses mainly on issues in Development Economics, Public Economics and Political Economy.

**Nancy Birdsall** is a US citizen who is President of the Center for Global Development, Washington, DC. She was the executive vice president of the Inter-American Development Bank (1993-98) and, prior to that, director of the Policy Research Department at the World Bank. She has published extensively on demography, human development and other development issues.

**Francesco Caselli** is an Italian citizen who is Professor of Economics, London School of Economics. Prof. Caselli taught at Chicago and Harvard. His areas of interest include public economics, public debt and economic growth.

**Peter Diamond** is a US citizen who is Institute Professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His research focuses on public economics, microeconomics and uncertainty. He has published extensively on social security and pension reform.

**Esther Duflo** is a French citizen who is Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Visiting Professor at the Paris School of Economics. She is a cofounder of

the Poverty Action Laboratory and publishes extensively on poverty, education, health and finance.

**Sebastian Edwards** is a US citizen but was born and educated in Chile. He is Professor of Economics, University of California, Los Angeles. He teaches at UCLA's Anderson Graduate School of Management and was the World Bank's Chief Economist for Latin America from 1993-96. His area of specialization is international economics.

**Marcel Fafchamps** is a Belgian citizen who is Reader in Development Economics, University of Oxford. He is Deputy Director of the Center for Study of African Economies and has written extensively on Africa. He specializes in rural development.

**Andrew Foster** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics and Community Health, Brown University. His research interests include development, and household and family economics.

**Sebastian Galiani** is an Argentine citizen who is Associate Professor of Economics, Universidad de San Andrés, Argentina (and in 2007, at Washington University in St. Louis). His areas of research interest are development economics, microeconomics and public policy.

**Edward Glaeser** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics, Harvard University. He is Director of the Taubman Center for State and Local Government and Director of the Rappaport Institute of Greater Boston, and specializes in urban issues. His work focuses on cities and urbanization.

**Gordon Hanson** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics, University of California, San Diego. He is also Director at UCSD's Center for US-Mexican Studies and has written extensively on international trade, globalization and migration

**Geoffrey Heal** was born and raised in the UK and is a US citizen. He is Paul Garrett Professor of Public Policy and Business at the Business School, Columbia University. His research interests include modeling the pricing of derivatives; controlling the impact of economic activity on the environment; and valuing the economic services provided by environmental assets.

**Michael Kremer** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics, Harvard University. He has written extensively on education, health and development. He recently received the Kenneth Arrow award for best paper in Health Economics in 2004, and the Association of American Publishers award for the Best Scholarly Book in Medical Science in 2004.

**Murray Leibbrandt** is a citizen of South Africa who is Professor of Economics, University of Cape Town, South Africa, and specializes in income inequality and the labor market.

**Justin Lin (Yi Fu Lin)** is a Chinese citizen who is Professor of Economics, Beijing University and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. He is Director of the China Center for Economic Research. He has published extensively on agriculture and agricultural policy.

**Jonathan Morduch** is a US citizen who is Associate Professor of Public Policy and Economics, New York University. He teaches at NYU's Graduate School of Public Policy and Department of Economics, and specializes in microcredit and finance.

**Nina Pavcnik** was born and raised in Slovenia and is now a US citizen. She is Associate Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, Dartmouth College. Her research interests are International Trade and International Economics.

**Antoinette Schoar** is a citizen of Germany who is Michael Koerner Associate Professor of Entrepreneurial Finance at the Sloan School of Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Jan Svejnar** is a Czech and US citizen who is the Everett E. Berg Professor of Business Administration and Director of the International Policy Center, and Professor of Economics and Public Policy at the University of Michigan. His main areas of interest are transition, labor economics and firm behavior.

**Christopher Udry** is a US citizen who is Professor of Economics, Yale University. He has written extensively on microeconomics and development policy, in particular on credit and savings in rural households in Africa.

**Martin Wittenberg** is a citizen of South Africa who is Senior Lecturer, University of Cape Town, South Africa. He has published mostly on income distribution.