



Roberto Lenton to Head World Bank's Inspection Panel

The Inspection Panel is pleased to announce that Roberto Lenton will be the new Chairperson of the Inspection Panel, effective November 1, 2009. He succeeds Werner Kiene, whose term as Chair of the Panel and Member of the Panel expires on October 31, 2009.

Dr. Roberto Lenton was appointed to the Panel in September 2007. He is a citizen of Argentina with a Civil Engineering degree from the University of Buenos Aires and a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). A specialist in water resources and sustainable development with over 35 years of international experience in the field, he serves as Chair of the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council and Member of the Board of Directors of WaterAid America, and served until July 2009 as Chair of the Technical Committee of the Global Water Partnership.

Dr. Lenton is a co-author of *Applied Water Resources Systems*, a co-editor of "Integrated Water Resources Management in Practice," and a lead author of *Health, Dignity and Development: What will it take?*, the final report of the United Nations Millennium Project Task Force on Water and Sanitation, which he co-chaired. Dr. Lenton was earlier Director of the Sustainable Energy and Environment Division of the United Nations Development Programme in New York, Director General of the International Water Management Institute in Sri Lanka and Program Officer in the Rural Poverty and Resources program of the Ford Foundation in New Delhi and New York. He has served as Adjunct Professor in the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University and Assistant Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at MIT.