

Speakers

Keynote Speaker



Pär Larshans, Director of Sustainability & Public Affairs, Ragn-Sells

Mr. Pär Larshans is the Head of Sustainability and Public Affairs at Ragn-Sells. Over the years, Mr. Larshans has delivered more than 1000 speeches on sustainability-related topics. He counts more than 25 years of professional experience in the field of sustainability management. Mr. Larshans supports the Government Offices of Sweden as an expert on environmental goal-setting. He previously held appointments at the Ministry of Industry and Ministry of Environment of Sweden. The Ragn-Sells Group is a Swedish privately held corporate group involved in waste management, environmental services and recycling, operating companies in four countries (Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Estonia) since 1966. The company

has the potential to expand operations to the world market with reversed chemical engineering patents for recycling sludge. With over 25 years of experience working with sustainability management in different positions, Mr. Larshans has received several recognitions for being an outstanding sustainability leader. He was listed by Trust Across America in the TOP 100 Global Trust Thought Leaders in January 2013, 2014 and 2020; he received the Swedish award - Entrepreneur of the year in February 2013; and in September the same year, he was awarded the "Visa vägen" prize from Samhall.

Opening: The Future is Green and Inclusive



Salome Zurabishvili, Executive Director of the Global Compact Network Georgia and Chair for the Regional Network Council for Eastern Europe

Salome Zurabishvili founded and has been heading the Global Compact Network Georgia since February 2016. She assumed the position of Executive Director of the host organization of the GCNG platform, non-governmental organization CIDA, in April 2018. Salome assumed the position of the Chair for the Regional Network Council for Eastern Europe in 2021 and became a member of the UNGC Global Network Council. Salome is a Human Rights Lawyer with substantive academic knowledge and experience in the field of corporate responsibility. Her professional experience counts eleven

years in the NGO, INGO, Public and Academic Sectors. Salome is a Swedish Institute Visby Programme Alumnus and holds a Master's Degree from Lund University, Sweden in International Human Rights Law and Labour Rights. She is also the European Parliament's Sakharov Fellow.



Sanda Ojiambo, CEO and Executive Director, UN Global Compact

Sanda Ojiambo has assumed the position of CEO and Executive Director of the UN Global Compact in May 2020. In her previous capacity, she has served as Head of Sustainable Business and Social Impact at Safaricom PIc in Kenya, and later became the Senior Manager of Safaricom and MPESA Foundations from 2008 to 2010. During her tenure, she led the implementation of several public-private partnership initiatives between Safaricom and UN organizations. Throughout her career, she has cultivated and managed relationships with key business entities and civil society organizations, including the capacity development work in Somalia with UNDP and CARE International. Ms. Ojiambo holds a Master of

Arts in Public Policy from the University of Minnesota, the USA, and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and International Development from McGill University, Canada.



Levan Akhvlediani, Chair of the Board, Global Compact Network Georgia

Mr. Levan Akhvlediani is the CEO of Orient Logic, a leading technology company in Georgia. During his eight years of tenure, he also served as Sales Director for three years and Executive Director for two years until 2019. He has a proven track record of over 16 years of executive management experience in diverse industries and was elected as the Supervisory Board's Chairman at Global Compact Network Georgia in July 2020. Before joining the current company, Mr. Akhvlediani occupied several senior management positions in leading Georgian legal entities and multinational corporations. More specifically, he was the Branch Director at Société Générale Group

from 2007-2009 and the Country Director at SAP from 2015-2017. Mr. Akhvlediani holds a BBA and MBA from Tbilisi State University and studied the Certified Master Program in Project Management at George Washington University School of Business. He has become involved in academic activities since 2016.



H.E. Ulrik Tideström, Ambassador of Sweden to Georgia

H.E. Mr. Ulrik Tideström is the Ambassador of Sweden to Georgia since September 2018, and from 2018-2020, he was appointed as Ambassador to Armenia. He was previously the Deputy Head of Mission of the Swedish Embassies in Finland (2009-2013) and then in Poland (2013-2018). Earlier in his career, Mr. Tideström was posted to Moscow, St. Petersburg and Kyiv, and served as Head of Section for International Law at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden. He has also been a McKinsey&Co consultant and lectured at Uppsala University's Faculty of Law.

Welcome Panel: From 2030 Vision to 2020 Reality – Achieving the Agenda 2030 in the region



Khatia Tsilosani, Member of the Parliament of Georgia, First Deputy Chairperson, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Ms. Khatia Tsilosani is a member of the Parliament of Georgia and the European Commission of Agriculture's Executive Committee. She has professional experience working for the National Democratic Institute (NDI), FAO and the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture. Holding a Master of Politics and International Relations from the University of Georgia, Ms. Tsilosani's main areas of focus are international relations, trade negotiations, Donor's coordination and EU integration.



Levan Davitashvili, Minister of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia

After serving as the Minister of Agriculture and being the Deputy Minister for two years, Mr. Levan Davitashvili was appointed as the Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia in December 2017. He was nominated by the Prime-Minister of Georgia and endorsed by the Parliament of Georgia and other Government members. Under his administration, Georgia implemented key initiatives within the environmental and agriculture policy formation, namely the upgrade of relevant infrastructures such as irrigation schemes and agriculture machinery; support of farmers' cooperation; introduction to crop insurance; and elaboration of the Forestry Code.

Furthermore, actions have been taken towards developing the agriculture land market; protection mechanisms for water, air, climate and soil through capacity improvement and food safety harmonization; as well as sanitary and phytosanitary standards aligned with the EU regulations. Mr. Davitashvili played a leading role in intensifying production by strengthening scientific-research and extension services and fulfilling the requirements and obligations outlined in the Association Agreement with the EU on Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area. He received a Bachelor's degree in Economy and a Master's degree in International Business Management from Tbilisi State University and held an EMBA from Milan Polytechnic University.



Olha Stefanishyna, Deputy Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine

Olha Stefanishyna graduated from the Institute of International Relations of the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv. Since 2017, Ms. Stefanishyna has worked as the Director of the Government Office for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of the Cabinet of Ministers Secretariat. In December, she was appointed Director-General of the Government Office to coordinate European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of the Secretariat. In June 2020, she became the Deputy Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration.



Ruhsar Pekcan, Minister of Trade of Republic of Turkey

Ruhsar Pekcan completed her graduate studies from the Faculty of Electrical Engineering at Istanbul Technical University (ITU). Ms. Pekcan started her professional career at the Industrial Development Bank of Turkey (TSKB) in 1981 and served as General Manager and Board Member in several different companies, notably the CEO of Karon Engineering Ltd. She was chairperson of the Turkey-Syria business councils of the Turkish Foreign Economic Relations Corporation on three occasions. She served as the chairperson of the Turkey-Jordan business council. She was also appointed as vice-chairperson of the women entrepreneurs committee at the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (TOBB). Ms. Pekcan became the Minister of Trade of Turkey in 2018.

Panel Discussion: Green Economy – a Driver of Zero-Carbon Economic Growth and Job Creation



Nikoloz Khundzakishvili, Corporate Affairs Director, Efes Georgia

Mr. Nikoloz Khundzakishvili has been actively involved in the business sector since 2010. He previously served in the Georgian military and diplomatic service as the Georgian Defense Attaché in Greece and the Georgian Military Representative to NATO. He holds an MBA degree from the Athens Laboratory of Business Administration (ALBA).



Maia Bitadze, Chairperson of the Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Committee, Parliament of Georgia

Maia Bitadze is the Chairperson of the Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Committee of Georgia's Parliament. She is the author of more than 12 scientific articles on Environmental and Human Rights Law and works on Environmental Law issues for more than 25 years. Ms. Bitadze is the Associate Professor of Environmental Law at Tbilisi State University and the Caucasus School of Law. She is also an invited lecturer at Georgian University and Grigol Robakidze University. She had worked as a legal expert for various international organizations, such as UNDP, OSCE and FAO, focusing on environmental topics. Currently, she chairs the

Bureau of the Meeting of the Parties and the Working Group of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention. Between 2014 and 2017, Ms. Bitadze was appointed Deputy Minister of the Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia, and from 2017 until 2020, she was the Deputy Mayor of Tbilisi. Adam Guibourgé-Czetwertyński, Deputy Minister of Climate and Environment of Poland

Adam Guibourgé-Czetwertyński is a graduate of HEC Paris, history faculties of the Paris IV-Sorbonne University and the University of Warsaw. In 2013, he began working at the Ministry of Environment as part of the Climate Negotiators Team at the United Nations COP19 Climate Summit in Warsaw. He previously gained experience in the field of private sector finance. From 2015–2018, he led the Environmental Department at the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Poland to the European Union in Brussels, where he negotiated draft legislation on environment and climate change in Council working groups. In 2018, he served as the chief negotiator of the Polish Presidency of COP24 in Katowice, preparing a package of decisions implementing the Paris Agreement, the so-called Katowice Rulebook. In 2019, he once again became the head of the Environmental Department at the Permanent Representation of the Republic of polaret at the Permanent Representation of the Environmental Department at the Permanent Representation of the Environment and climate change in Council working groups. In 2018, he served as the chief negotiator of the Polish Presidency of COP24 in Katowice, preparing a package of decisions implementing the Paris Agreement, the so-called Katowice Rulebook. In 2019, he once again became the head of the Environmental Department at the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Poland to the EU.



Marika Olson, Economic Growth Office Director, USAID/Georgia

Marika A. Olson joined USAID/Georgia in September 2019 as the Director for the Office of Economic Growth. Before her assignment to Georgia, Ms. Olson served as Team Lead for Markets and Trade in the Office of Agriculture in USAID/Afghanistan, where she focused on building the capacity of economically crucial agricultural value chains to meet international export standards. She has also worked in several destinations, including Indonesia and Mali. Prior to joining USAID in 2010, Ms. Olson served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Niger. She received a B.S. in Plant Breeding and Genetics from Cornell University with distinction in research. She pursued further with a Master's degree in Crop Science from North Carolina State University, again focusing on

plant breeding. Ms. Olson speaks French and has a smattering of Hausa and Indonesian.



Simone Kaslowski, President, Turkish Industry and Business Association

Simone Kaslowski graduated from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. He began working in the sales department at Organik Kimya, a family business, in 1985. Kaslowski significantly expanded exports of Organik Kimya products and was appointed head of sales in 1993. After actively working on various investment projects for the firm, Kaslowski was appointed CEO and became a member of the board of directors in 1995. His leadership was instrumental in the growth and expansion of Organik Kimya, which now operates 80 countries and has around 250-thousand-ton production capacity in Kemerburgaz and Tuzla's facilities in Istanbul; Rotterdam, Netherlands; and Lugano, Switzerland. Kaslowski was Chairman of the Chemical Industry Task

Force of TÜSİAD. He has been on the Board of Directors since 2013 and has chaired the EU Affairs Committee and the Global Relations and EU Roundtable, which significantly contributed to the international efforts of the association. Kaslowski has been Vice President of TÜSİAD since 2017 and was elected President in February 2019.



Dmytro Sakharuk, Executive Director, DTEK

In 2000, Dmytro Sakharuk graduated with honours from the Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs (Ukraine), majoring in Law. The following year, he received a master's degree in Law Enforcement with honours from the same university. He continued his education at Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he pursued a master's degree (LLM) in International and Comparative Law in 2002. While working at DTEK, Mr. Sakharuk completed the Energy leadership program, jointly organized by the London Business School and Academy DTEK, as well as the Transfer to General Management program offered by INSEAD. He joined the DTEK team as the Deputy Head of the Legal Support Directorate in March 2010, and he headed the

Directorate in 2011. Mr. Sakharuk was appointed as the Executive Director of DTEK Energy in August 2014, the Acting CEO of DTEK Energy in October 2016, and the DTEK Energy CEO in September 2017. He has been appointed as the Executive Director of DTEK since January 12, 2021.



Ekaterina Rudjak, Vice-Director, Group of Companies ProLiv

Ekaterina Rudjak is the Head of the law department and deputy director at ProLiv. She holds a Master of Laws from the Belarusian State Economic University and acquired working experience as an internal auditor for GMP+B4 Transport and ISO 22000 Food Safety Management Standards She pursued further education at the IPM Business School in Effective Sales. She is a three-time winner of the Republican competition "The Best Legal Departments in Belarus". She is a member of the UN Global Compact Network Belarus Board and a participant in the SDG Ambition accelerator.

Panel Discussion: Green Innovations – Adoption of Innovative Green Technologies for Sustainable Development



Bettina Heller, Programme Officer, UN Environment Programme

Bettina is the Programme Officer of the United Nations Environment Programme's Consumption and Production unit. She coordinates the work on eco-innovation and sustainable business and leads the portfolio on sustainability and circularity in the textile value chain. Before joining UNEP, Bettina worked in the area of the green industry at UNIDO and completed an M.A. in Global Studies.



Ekaterina Miroshnik, Director, Head of Infrastructure, EBRD Eurasia

Ekaterina Miroshnik leads the EBRD Infrastructure Euroasia team. She joined EBRD London in 2000 as an analyst and has been on assignments in the field for almost 12 years, first in Moscow and then in Almaty. She covered infrastructure projects in several countries, including Eastern Europe, Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkey and the areas of the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean. In March 2013, she became Director, Head of Infrastructure in Russia, Central Asia and Mongolia. As her team expanded geographical coverage in 2018 to include regions of the Caucasus, Moldova and Belarus, its name has changed to Infrastructure-Eurasia. Her team provides financing in various forms, including sovereign and non-sovereign public sector

loans, limited and non-recourse project funding involving private companies or public-private partnerships, and equity. Ekaterina holds a Master of Science in International Economic Relations from the Moscow State Institute for International Relations (MGIMO) and a Ph.D. from the same Institute.



Avtandil Kasradze, Chairman, Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency

Avtandil Kasradze is currently the chairman of GITA. Having more than eight years of experience in the legal field, he has been committed to formalizing the agency's legal framework in parallel with other professional activities. He was Senior Advisor of the Legal Department at the Chancellery of Georgia's Government in 2014. For two years, Avtandil served as Senior Advisor of the Department of Legal Drafting at the Ministry of Justice. In addition to his governmental entities' experiences, Avtandil has hands-on experience with international organizations and NGOs. At the beginning of his career, he ran an NGO Association for Democracy

Development. Besides, he was a Senior Legal Analyst Assistant at OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Mission. He also occupied the Legal Analyst position at Transparency International Georgia, where he later became Election and Legal Expert. Avtandil holds a Bachelor's Degree in Law from Tbilisi State University and a Master's Degree in International Human Rights Law at Lund University.



Kamuran Uçar, General Manager, Unilever Central Asia, Caucasus & Iran

Kamuran Uçar was appointed as General Manager of Unilever Central Asia and Iran in March 2019. She joined Unilever Turkey in 1999, where she held various roles in marketing, particularly as the brand manager for Omo for five years. In 2007, she became the Director of Household Cleaning and Fabric Conditioner Category for Turkey, Africa and the Middle East. In 2016, Ms. Uçar was the board member of Unilever Turkey, Central Asia and Iran. From 2016 to 2018, she headed as the Vice President of Home Care Category for Unilever Turkey, Russia, Middle East, North Africa, Central Asia, Iran and the Caucasus, while also being the VP of Home and Personal Care Category for Turkey. She graduated from Middle East Technical University, department of chemical engineering, with a master's degree.



Radoslaw Kaskiewicz, Managing Director, 3M East Europe Region

Radek Kaskiewicz is the Managing Director at 3M and primarily responsible for managing and building the reputation of 3M in the East Europe region (Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Ukraine and Georgia) within the Corporate Affairs department. He has 25 years of marketing and international team management experience. He prioritizes sustainability, diversity, equity, and inclusion in terms of management and creates an ethical organizational culture. Radek was previously the Transportation and Electronics Business Group director, one of the four 3M business segments in the South-East Europe Region (Italy, Greece, Israel, Turkey, Romania and Balkan countries). He is a graduate of the

Electronics Faculty at Warsaw University of Technology and the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota. He is fluent in Polish, English and Russian.



Elena Bolsun, Head of the Foreign Trade Financing Department, Belinvestbank

Elena Bolsun has 23 years of working experience in the banking sector. She is experienced in international trade, the structure of trade finance transactions, compliance issues in trade finance and coordination of interbank loan agreements. Ms. Bolsun is a certified specialist in Trade-Based Money Laundering – Certificate with Distinction from the International Compliance Association and holds a diploma from Joint Vienna Institute in Austria on Trade Facilitation Programme.

Panel Discussion: Sustainable Finance – the new frontiers of the EU Regulatory Framework



Isabella Neuweg, Green Finance and Investment Policy Analyst, Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development (OECD)

Isabella is a Policy Analyst at the OECD's Environment Directorate where she manages an extensive portfolio of activities to analyze, design and help implement financing strategies for low carbon and resilient development in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia. At the OECD, she has led the analysis to calculate climate investment until 2030, to assess household behaviour and attitudes towards green finance and to improve efficiency and effectiveness of climate and environmental funds. She works with central banks and policy-makers to strengthen the financial and political frameworks to

mobilize finance for cleaner projects. Previously, Isabella was a Policy Analyst at the Grantham Research

Institute on Climate Change and the Environment at the London School of Economics and Political Science. She conducted research on Chinese overseas energy infrastructure investments, how to overcome political economy constraints to rapid emission deceleration particularly in developing and emerging economies, and how to combine environmental and socio-economic objectives into a clean and adequate energy transition. She has also worked for a consultancy where she evaluated UK and EU climate and energy policies. She has spent the past 11 years of her professional life searching for pragmatic and applicable policy insights to accelerate green growth and investment. Isabella is a political scientist, holding an M.Sc. in Environmental Policy and Regulation from the London School of Economics and Political Science.



Koba Gvenetadze is the chair of the Board and Governor of the National Bank of Georgia since 2016. He worked at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington DC as Senior Economist of the Middle East and Central Asia Department. He was also serving as the IMF representative in Azerbaijan and the Kyrgyz Republic. Mr. Gvenetadze was formerly Deputy Minister of Finance and a Deputy State Minister before working at the IMF between 2002 and 2015. Throughout his career, he worked for the National Bank of Georgia as a Senior Economist. Mr. Gvenetadze was educated at Tbilisi State University and graduated with a master's in economics from the American University in Washington, DC. Global Finance ranked him

amongst the Best Central Bankers in 2018, 2019 and 2020.





Alex Matua, General Director, ProCredit Bank

Mr. Alex Matua joined ProCredit Bank as a credit manager in 2003 and was appointed as a General Director in March 2019. He is currently responsible for medium business development, documentary operations and business support, finance, IT, procurement, environmental management and legal department. Prior to his current appointment, Mr. Matua has occupied several positions across the company, namely member of extended management, head of business clients department, branch support manager, regional manager, head of retail credit department and microloans coordinator. He graduated from Georgian State University with a bachelor's in finance and banking.

Caroline H. Bright, Regional ESG Advisory Lead for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Latin America, International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Caroline Bright is a British national, fluent Russian speaker and based in Belgrade, Serbia. She is the current IFC's Regional ESG Advisory Lead for Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Latin America. She is responsible for introducing IFC's integrated ESG advisory program, supported by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs. This program focuses on building local capacity to promote

better sustainability practices in financial institutions, financial sector regulators and intermediaries, as well as business partners. In the financial sector, this program fosters ESG integration into decision-making to support sustainable finance. Caroline has over 20 years of experience working with firms and financial institutions in emerging markets. She worked in several roles related to governance, risk and sustainability. She was the formal corporate governance advisory lead for IFC, where she played a key role in the conceptual development of ESG advisory. Before joining IFC, Caroline collaborated with a variety of businesses and financial institutions in transition economies, with a focus on strategic development, MSMEs banking, and risk management of banks and microfinance institutions located in Eastern Europe. She has also served on several supervisory boards of microfinance organizations in Eastern Europe. She has a B.A. from the University of London and an MBA from Henley Management College, where she specialized in corporate responsibility, project management and corporate governance.



Roman Zinchenko, Co-founder and Chairman of the Board, Greencubator

Roman Zinchenko is Ukrainian cleantech and smart energy advocate. He is the co-founder of Greencubator and head of the Ukrainian Venture Capital Association's energy committee while being a sustainable entrepreneurship and communication trainer. Since January 2017, Roman has been the team leader for EBRD's Climate Innovation Vouchers project managed by Greencubator. As a mentor, Roman contributed to numerous entrepreneurship initiatives, including Center for Entrepreneurship, Garage 48, circular economy Hackaton, etc. He holds a MA in international information from the Institute of International Relations of Kyiv.



Juan de Porras Aguirre graduated from Universidad de Granada and received a diploma in Business Administration from Escuela Superior de Administración y Dirección de Empresas en Barcelona. He also completed the Investment Banking Executive Program at Northwestern University in Chicago. Since 1989, he has been professionally active in the banking sector, where he started at Commerzbank and Lloyds Bank as a credit risk analyst. From 1997 until 2004, he was the relationship manager of telecommunication and energy companies at Société Générale, from where he later served as the deputy head of the Corporate & Investment Banking

team in Madrid. In June 2004, he became responsible for building Rabobank's Spanish energy and telecom sector portfolio in Madrid. Between 2005 and 2007, he worked with the Royal Bank of Scotland in Madrid as the Chief Director, responsible for the energy, petroleum and gas sector. From January 2007, he became the Managing Director of Global Banking & Markets at Banco Santander. He contributed to 25% income growth, despite operating in Spain and Latin America's already matured markets. He joined Santander Bank Polska S.A. in 2011 when he was appointed the Management Board Member in charge of the Corporate & Investment Banking Division. In 2017, he was appointed Vice President.



Panel Discussion: Partnerships for the Goals: The Ambition Loop in Focus



Beverly Hoover, Private Sector Engagement Coordinator, USAID/Georgia

Beverly Hoover is the Private Sector Engagement (PSE) Coordinator at USAID Georgia, where she leads aligned partnerships within the private sector to achieve greater development outcomes across industries. Before joining the organization, she served as PSE Policy Team Lead for USAID Washington's PSE Hub. She supervised agency efforts to expand and deepen collaboration with the private sector, including developing and implementing the agency's first-ever PSE Policy launched in 2018. She has 20 years of designing and directing high-impact development programs and spearheading private sector partnerships in Asia, the Middle East, Eurasia, and

Africa. She developed extensive knowledge, particularly in Eurasia, as she worked three years in Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Armenia. She holds an MSc in Development Management from the London School of Economics and speaks Russian and Spanish.



Kakha Kuchava, Vice-Speaker, Parliament of Georgia

Mr. Kakha Kuchava is a member of the 10th convocation of the Georgian Parliament, serving as Deputy Speaker. He was previously a member of the 9th convocation of the Parliament, chairing the Committee of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources. Under his chairmanship, for the first time in the Georgian Parliament's history, the parliamentary Environment Committee initiated and successfully carried out the Committee Inquiry and Post-Legislative Scrutiny practices, later reflected in Rules of Procedure of the Parliament. Mr. Kuchava has a background in corporate law and possesses more than 20 years of experience in the field. He completed his Master's Degree (LL.M. in Corporate Law) at

Nottingham Law School in 2004 and started his career at the Georgian law firm. He then acquired extensive experience by working for numerous international organizations, such as the IFC, International Chamber of Commerce and Chemonics International.



Nino Antadze, Environment & Energy Team Leader, UNDP Georgia

Nino Antadze oversees UNDP's diverse portfolio in Georgia in the area of environment protection, climate change, disaster risk reduction, energy efficiency and renewable energy. Having a background in biology, she has over 22 years of professional experience in disaster risk management, preparedness and response, contingency planning, disaster risk assessment and issues reduction. She has over 10 years of experience in a wide range of

environmental protection topics, such as biodiversity conservation, hazardous chemical management, reforestation, climate change adaptation and mitigation and renewable energy/energy efficiency issues. She specializes in climate change issues and provides policy advice to meet the country's international obligations, including but not limited to the UNFCCC, Paris Agreement and other UN Conventions.



Archil Bakuradze, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Financial Inclusion Organization "Crystal"

Archil Bakuradze is a financier and technology entrepreneur who advocates responsible business practices to empower marginalized groups. He chairs the Supervisory Board for JSC MFO Crystal – Georgia's leading non-banking financial institution. Being a Chevening Scholar and MBA graduate from the University of Lancaster, Archil was the Chairman of the Georgian Microfinance Association and led the Coalition for Financial Literacy. He is the founder and former Executive Director of CHCA, a leading Georgian aid agency supporting Internally Displaced Persons.He is a proud fellow of the John Smith Trust (2000) and remains committed to

promoting youth entrepreneurship, women's economic empowerment and robust parliamentary democracy. He was listed amongst the 35 Global Chevening Changemakers in 2019.



Andrii Korol, Commercial Director, Caparol Ukraine

Andrii Korol is the Commercial Director at Caparol Ukraine, a leading company in thermal insulation systems, decorative materials and architectural coatings. He has completed his engineering and energy efficiency education at the Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and acquired more than ten years of commercial construction experience. Andrii strongly promotes the implementation of sustainability and environmental protection values in any business type and the importance of raising awareness about the lack of resources. Being the commercial team leader at Caparol Ukraine, he manages the business based on transparency, trust and mutual profitability principles. The collective goal is to improve people's lives, by

producing sustainable, ecological and environmentally safe products. Andrii holds a vision that implies companies should focus on delivering high-quality services and products that consider customers' well-being rather than emphasizing revenue and sales growth.



Honorata Fijalka, Green Bond Technical Facility Lead for Europe and Central Asia at IFC

Honorata Fijalka comes from a hybrid background of business consulting, international development advisory and academia. She was previously a Senior Manager at PricewaterhouseCoopers Austria and the Operations Officer for sustainable energy finance with the International Finance Corporation (The World Bank Group) based in Moscow, Russia. She holds a Masters in Commerce from the Vienna University of Economics and Business/HEC Paris, a postgraduate degree in International Affairs from the Diplomatic Academy Vienna and a Ph.D. from the University of Vienna.

Panel Discussion: Scaling Ambition for Decade of Action in Post-COVID Era



Alexandra Tarazi, Senior Manager, Global Operations, United Nations Global Compact

Alexandra Tarazi works for the United Nations Global Compact as a Senior Manager on the Global Operations Team. She manages the development and growth of Global Compact Local Networks across the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Her main responsibilities include supporting Local Network programs and providing expertise and input into Local Network strategic and operational planning. She holds a Masters in Human Rights from the University of York, UK and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Nottingham, the UK with an emphasis on corporate sustainability.

Maksim Padbiarozkin, Executive Director, Global Compact Network Belarus

Maksim Padbiarozkin has been heading the Global Compact Network Belarus since April 2020. Maksim has a Master's degree in Psychology and Economy. He has accumulated in-depth experiences in academies, NGOs and international organizations for almost 20 years. As a lecturer and coach, he conducted 100+ pieces of training on such topics as CSR, corporate responsibility, corporate volunteering, social entrepreneurs, project management, participatory community appraisal, impact management etc. During his journey in sustainability, Maksim visited many countries and many organizations. He is always ready to learn from others and share his own experiences.

Kamil Wyszkowski, President of the Board, Global Compact Network Poland

Mr. Kamil Wyszkowski is a UN and EU policy expert, mainly implementing the UN development goals and standards in business and administration cooperation and the private sector's mobilization. As a United Nations employee since 2002, he has been involved in economic diplomacy, social innovation, technological innovation, social economy, development research and measurement, through the use of the Human Development Index (HDI) and UN statistics. Since 2004, Mr. Wyszkowski has been developing programs and recommendations in the United Nations Global Compact as the Global Compact Network Poland representative. Between 2009 and

2012, he was a member of the Strategic Advisory Board of the Prime Minister in Poland. On behalf of the Team of Advisors to the Prime Minister, he co-authored the Long-term National Development Strategy 2030 and coordinated the Human Capital Development Strategy 2020. Following 2014, Mr. Wyszkowski





joined the Expert Council of the National Centre for Research and Development, focusing on economic and social innovation matters. He also became a member of the innovation team, collaborating with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Development.



Melda Çele, Executive Director, Global Compact Network Turkey

Melda Çele has been the Executive Director of Global Compact Network Turkey since 2013. She is also the Deputy Secretary General of Turkish Business and Industry Association. She specializes in corporate sustainability practices and is responsible for the investment environment and entrepreneurship. She is a strong believer in the power of multi-stakeholder partnerships that she has initiated and led several projects with key private sector and civil society organizations. Melda holds a MA in European Integration from University of Essex and a BA in Sociology from Koç University, Turkey.



Tatiana Sakharuk, Executive Director, Global Compact Network Ukraine