Virtual Launch of the 2020 Global Deal Flagship Report

'Social Dialogue, Skills and COVID-19'



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SPEAKER PROFILES



Opening Remarks

Angel Gurría

Secretary-General, OECD

Mr Angel Gurría has been the Secretary-General of the OECD since 2006. Under his leadership, the Organisation has established itself as a pillar of the global economic governance architecture including its active engagement with the G20, G7, APEC and other international fora. Mr Gurría has advanced the OECD's impact and relevance in several policy areas, focusing on the promotion of better lives through inclusive growth and new approaches to economic challenges. He has also made the OECD more inclusive through new memberships, strengthening the link with key emerging economies and fostering its global outreach. Mr Gurría came to the OECD following a distinguished career in public service in his native Mexico, including positions as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Finance and Public Credit in the 1990s.



Guy Ryder

Director-General, ILO

Guy Ryder is the Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO). Guy Ryder studied Social and Political Sciences at the University of Cambridge and Latin American Studies at the University of Liverpool. Guy Ryder first joined the ILO in 1998 as Director of the Bureau for Workers' Activities and, from 1999, as Director of the Office of the Director-General. It was during this time that the ILO's Decent Work Agenda was launched and won support from the international community. In 2002, he was appointed General Secretary of the ICFTU, leading the process of global unification of the democratic international trade union movement. He was elected as first General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) when it was created in 2006. He headed international trade union delegations to high level talks with the UN, IMF, World Bank and WTO and to the G20 Leaders' Summits. In September 2010, Guy Ryder came back to the ILO in Geneva as Executive Director, responsible for international labour standards and fundamental principles and rights at work. Among other activities, he supervised the application of ILO Conventions and Recommendations. Guy Ryder was elected as ILO Director-General and took office on 1 October 2012. He pledged to position the Organization as a determined actor translating principle into action and ensuring that it had the capacity to make a major difference to the working lives of people on all of the continents. To support this he launched a major reform process I geared to assuring the ILO's authority on matters falling within its mandate. Guy Ryder was re-elected as ILO Director-General by the ILO's Governing Body in 2016 with overwhelming support across the ILO's tripartite constituency.



Anna Hallberg

Minister for Foreign Trade and Nordic Affairs, Sweden

Anna Hallberg is a Swedish politician and member of the Swedish Social Democratic Party. She has served as Minister for Foreign Trade and Nordic Affairs in Stefan Löfven's Government since September 2019.

Her appointment as minister was also her first public assignment as a politician. Ms Hallberg comes from a successful professional career in the business sector, with a number of management positions. With more than 30 years business experience, Ms Hallberg has extensive experience of business development and knows what is needed for companies to grow from local to international markets.

Before her appointment as Minister for Foreign Trade and Nordic Affairs, Ms Hallberg was Deputy CEO of the state-owned enterprise Almi Företagspartner AB, which is Sweden's largest actor in business development and public financing for start-ups and small and medium-sized enterprises. Ms Hallberg also has many years of experience from leadership positions in the banking and finance industry (primarily in the SEB bank), including in corporate finance, investment banking, capital markets and wealth management.



Panel Discussion on the findings of the Flagship Report

Sharan Burrow

General Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Sharan Burrow is the General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation, representing 200 million workers in 163 countries and territories with 332 national affiliates.

A passionate advocate and campaigner for social justice, women's rights, the environment and labour law reforms, Sharan has led union negotiations on major economic reforms and labour rights campaigns in her home country of Australia and globally.

Sharan's global roles include being a Board Member of the UN Global Compact, Panel Member of UN Secretary General's High Level Panel on Women's Economic Empowerment, Vice Chair of the B Team, Commissioner for the New Climate Economy, Ambassador for the Food and Land Use Coalition, Chair of the Just Transition Centre and Member of the WEF Global Future Council on the Future of Production. In both 2016 and 2018 Sharan was co-chair of the WEF Annual Meetings in Davos.



Sanna Lindgren

Director of Culture and Communications at Lindex

Sanna Lindgren is an experienced transformational leader and a true people person. She is driven by leading change and driving cultural transformation and has over the years successfully developed people and companies to fulfil their potential. After several years within the IT sector she decided to join Lindex to lead the cultural development and sustainability agenda to fulfil Lindex's higher purpose. Combining Sustainability, HR and Communications in the same department, headed by Sanna, enables Lindex to have a holistic approach to people in the value chain where most employees and workers are women.



In her background within Human resources, Sanna has a deep knowledge and extensive experience of social dialogue in various European markets.

José María Vera

Interim Executive Director, Oxfam International

José María ("Chema") Vera is Interim Executive Director of Oxfam International, a confederation of 20 organizations working in more than 90 countries empowering people to create a future that is secure, just and free from poverty. Mr Vera is a passionate advocate on tackling economic inequality and shaping a "dignified" future of work, and leads Oxfam's global advocacy to tackle inequality and poverty.

He was until recently Executive Director of Oxfam Intermón, Oxfam's Spanish affiliate, having served at the Ibero-American General Secretariat. Prior to this he joined Intermón as its Campaigns and Policy Director, having studied industrial engineering and volunteered in Peru. He also jointly founded

Ingeniería sin Fronteras (Engineers Without Borders) in Spain. Mr Vera has overseen Oxfam's influencing work over the last half decade as chair of its global influencing committee, and has been closely involved with Oxfam's transformation process that has seen the confederation become more aligned and globally balanced.



Alex Taylor

Moderator

Freelance Journalist and Author

Alex Taylor has produced and presented programmes about European current affairs for 30 years, mainly in France but also on international broadcasters such as Euronews, BBC, ARTE and TV5 Monde. He was Programme Director of Radio France Internationale in charge of creating the current 24h news format. He has hosted over 1 500 international conferences and conventions around the world. He has also written a few books, including a best-seller on his passion, languages, of which he speaks seven.



