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Panelists' Bios

Opening and Welcoming Remarks......10:00 am - 10:05 am



H.E. Ms. Anna Karin Eneström Prior to her appointment as Permanent Representative and a short stint as Deputy Permanent Representative, Ms. Anna Karin Eneström was the Director-General for Political Affairs at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA) in Stockholm (2015-2019). From 2014-2015, as Head of Secretariat at the Swedish MFA, Ms. Eneström led Sweden's candidacy to the Security Council. At the Swedish MFA, Ms. Eneström was the Ambassador and Senior Arctic Official (2014).

Ms. Eneström served as the Representative to the Political and Security Committee at the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the European Union in Brussels (2010-2014). Prior to that, she was the Special Envoy to Afghanistan and Pakistan (2009-2010), and the Swedish Ambassador to Pakistan and Afghanistan (2007-2009).

In addition to her current position as PR, Ms. Eneström's experience from United Nations affairs includes serving as Deputy Chef de Cabinet of the Office of the President of the General Assembly (2005-2007), as Minister Counsellor and Head of the Political Section at the Swedish Mission to the United Nations (2003-2005), and as Counsellor and Legal Adviser, also at the Swedish Mission (2003). At the

Swedish MFA in Stockholm, Ms. Eneström held the position as Deputy Director and Head of Humanitarian Division at the Department for Global Cooperation (2000-2002), followed by that of Deputy Director at the Department for International Law and Human Rights (2002-2003).

Ms. Eneström has represented Sweden as First Secretary at the Embassy of Sweden in Nairobi (1995-2000), and as Second Secretary at the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg (1992-1995). Ms. Eneström holds a Master of Law from Uppsala University in Sweden.



Kevin Casas-Zamora, PhD is the Secretary-General of International IDEA since 1 August 2019.

Casas-Zamora brings more than 25 years of experience in democratic governance as a researcher, analyst, educator, consultant and public official. He embodies the rare combination of a distinguished academic career—strongly focused on electoral systems and democratic institutions—with practical experience as a high-level public official in his home country as well as multilateral organizations. Casas-Zamora is Senior Fellow at the Inter-American Dialogue, a Washington, DCbased policy research centre. Until recently, he was member of Costa Rica's Presidential Commission for State Reform, and managing director at Analitica Consulting (Analitica Consultores). Previously, he



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was Costa Rica's Second Vice President and Minister of National Planning; Secretary for Political Affairs at the Organization of American States; Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution; and National Coordinator of the United Nations Development Program's Human Development Report. He has taught at Georgetown University, George Washington University, and the University of Texas at Dallas, among many higher education institutions. He holds a Law degree from the University of Costa Rica, a Masters in Government from the University of Essex, and a PhD in Political Science from the University of Oxford. He has authored several studies on campaign finance, elections, democratization, citizen security and civil-military relations in Latin America. His doctoral thesis, entitled "Paying for Democracy in Latin America: Political Finance and State Subsidies for Parties in Costa Rica and Uruguay", won the 2004 Jean Blondel PhD Prize of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) and was published in 2005 by the ECPR. He was selected as Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2007. In 2013, he became a member of the Bretton Woods Committee.



Nicole Goodman presently serves as Director of the Centre for e-Democracy in Toronto, Canada, and as Assistant Professor of political science at the Brock University. Dr Goodman brings extensive experience in the field of elections and ICTs, international networking and fundraising. Her current research largely focuses on the impacts of digital technology on Canadian political behaviour and public policy. She has also explored such impacts on governance, Indigenous self-determination and innovation.

Dr Goodman recently led a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) funded-study of the 2014 Ontario municipal elections to assess the effects of internet voting on voters and election administration in 47 municipalities. She is a co-investigator on the SSHRC-funded research project "The Impact of Digital Technology on First Nations Participation and Governance," examining the impact of electronic voting and e-democracy software on participation in elections and referendums, and the role of digital technology in promoting self-government.

She has authored multiple academic papers and government reports and is regularly called upon by governments and organizations in

Canada and internationally for her expertise related to voting technologies and electoral modernization. Her research has been published in international studies series and journals, and its findings have been presented in testimony to the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly (Ontario) and the Special Committee on Electoral Reform and have been featured in The Globe and Mail, Ottawa Citizen, Toronto Star, CBC and on TVO as well as other outlets.

Dr Goodman has worked with the US government and hosted and provided guidance to the Catalonian electoral delegation. She recently served as co-chair for the EVOTE-ID meeting—the largest international conference on electronic voting in Bregenz, Austria.







Dr Adebayo Olukoshi has more than 35 years of experience in the area of international relations, governance and human rights, both in the academic sector and in intergovernmental institutions.

Olukoshi was a member of the African Union Assessment Panel and Chair of the Board of several Think Tanks, including European Centre for Development Policy Management and Open Society Initiative for West Africa. He also previously served as Director of the UN African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, as Executive Director of the Africa Governance Institute, as Executive Secretary of the Council for Development of Social Science Research in Africa, as Director of Research at the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs; Senior Research Fellow/Research Programme Coordinator of the Nordic Africa Institute in Uppsala, and Senior Programme Staff at the South Centre in Geneva.

Moderator



Massimo Tommasoli is Permanent Observer for International IDEA to the United Nations in New York. He holds a PhD (doctorat) in social anthropology from the École des hautes études en sciences sociales in Paris. He worked in the field of aid and development at the OECD/Development Assistance Committee in Paris; at the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Directorate General for Development Cooperation in Rome; and at UNESCO in Addis Ababa. He is a visiting scholar at the LUISS University in Rome and at the City College of New York. He has lectured at various Universities in Italy and Spain, the UN System Staff College in Turin, and at UNITAR in New York. He has fieldwork experience in Colombia, the Horn of Africa, and the Russian Federation. His publications include: *Nel nome dello sviluppo (In the Name of Development); Politiche di cooperazione internazionale (International Aid Policies); Democracy and the Pillars of UN Work;* and *El desarrollo participativo: Análisis sociales y lógicas de planificación.*