




Presentation of the speakers

<p>Lars-Erik Liljelund <i>The Prime Minister's special envoy on climate Change</i></p>	
<p>Kristie L Ebi <i>Executive Director of the Technical Support Unit for Working Group II (Impacts, Adaptation, and Vulnerability) of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).</i></p> <p>Dr Ebi has been conducting research on the impacts of and adaptation to climate change for more than a dozen years, including on extreme events, thermal stress, foodborne safety and security, and vectorborne diseases. She has worked with the WHO, the UNDP, USAID, and also facilitated adaptation assessments for the health sector for the states of Maryland and Alaska. She is lead author on the "Human Health" chapter of the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report, and the "Human Health" chapter for the U.S. Synthesis and Assessment Product "Analyses of the Effects of Global Change on Human Health and Welfare and Human Systems."</p> <p>She has edited four books on aspects of climate change and has more than 80 publications. Dr. Ebi's scientific training includes an M.S. in toxicology and a Ph.D. and a Masters of Public Health in epidemiology, and two years of postgraduate research at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine</p>	
<p>Jan-Olof Lind Director General for the Swedish Defence Research Agency (FOI). Prior to this assignment he has been the Deputy Director General since October 1, 2007. Mr Lind is also Chairman for the R&T Directors in the European Defence Agency (EDA). Previous assignments are among others; the National Armaments Director of Sweden, Deputy as well as Director General for the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration (FMV) between 2003 and 2007 and Director at the Ministry of Defence, Department for Military Affairs.</p>	
<p>Helga Maria Schmid <i>Director of the Policy Planning and Early Warning Unit (Policy Unit) of the High Representative Javier Solana in the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, Brussels</i></p> <p>Deputy head as well as head of the Political Staff of the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin and Head of the Minister's Office. During 1994 – 2000 she served as political advisor to the Foreign Ministers in Germany. She studied at Munich and Paris University and also international and European law, economics and international relations at the Diplomatic Academy.</p>	
<p>Johan Schaar Dr. Schaar was the Special Representative for the Tsunami Operation of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), Geneva, in 2005-2007. In 2000-2004 he was the Head of Division for Humanitarian Assistance and Conflict Management, Sida, Stockholm. In 1987-2000 he undertook a number of assignments for the IFRC, Swedish Red Cross and the Swedish Committee for Afghanistan. He holds a PhD from the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.</p>	

Mr Pekka Haavisto

During the recent years Mr. Haavisto has been working for the Darfur Peace Process; as the first EU Special Representative for Sudan (2005-2007) and as a UN Senior Advisor for the Darfur peace process (ASG level).

1999-2005 Haavisto worked for UNEP, chairing several post-conflict assessments and identifying and addressing the problems to the human health and livelihoods in the worst humanitarian crises areas in the world. The assessments were made in the Balkans after the Kosovo conflict, in Afghanistan, in Iraq, in Liberia, in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, in Africa's Great Lakes area and in Sudan.

Mr. Haavisto is a former Finnish Minister for Environment and Development Co-operation.

**Dan Smith**

Secretary General of International Alert since 2003.



Having graduated in 1973 from Cambridge University where he read English Literature, Dan's work on peace issues started when he began research on UK defence policies in 1976. Prior to joining Alert Dan held a number of senior positions, most notably as Director of the International Peace Research Institute in Oslo from 1993 to 2001. He also held fellowships at the Norwegian Nobel Institute and Hellenic Foundation for Foreign and European Policy and was for over a decade the Chair of the Institute for War and Peace Reporting. Dan is a prolific author and since arriving at Alert he has continued to publish widely. All told he has authored, co-authored and edited sixteen books including successive editions of The Atlas of War and Peace. Responsible for over 100 journal articles and chapters in anthologies he is also regularly invited to advise governments and international organisations on policies and structures for peacebuilding, including through his membership of the Advisory Group for the UN Peacebuilding Fund. At Alert he produced the path breaking A Climate of Conflict (2007) report on the links between climate change, peace and war and continues to lead the organisation's advocacy on a range of issues critical to the reduction of conflict and building of peace. He was awarded the OBE in 2002 and blogs on international politics at www.dansmithsblog.com.

Sten Tolgfors

Swedish Minister for Defence since 2007

**Education**

B.Sc. in Political Science, Örebro University, Sweden
Social Science Programme, Karlberg Upper Secondary School, Åmål
Diploma, Oakcrest High School, USA

Positions and assignments

2006- Minister for Foreign Trade
2006 Member of the Riksdag
2006 Member of the Advisory Council on Foreign Affairs
2003-2006 Member of the Riksdag Committee on Education
2003-2006 Party Spokesman on education
2002-2003 Member of the Riksdag Committee on Social Insurance
2002-2003 Party Spokesman on social insurance
2002-2006 Member of the Riksdag
2002 Member of the Moderate Party National Board
1998-2002 Member of the Riksdag Committee on Foreign Affairs
1998-2002 Member of the Swedish Delegation to the Nordic Council
1998-2002 Alternate Member of the Riksdag Delegation to the OSCE parliamentary assembly (Organisation for

<p style="text-align: center;">Security and Cooperation)</p> <p>1998-2002 Alternate Member of the Riksdag Committee on Education 1998 - 2002 Member of the Riksdag 1994-2002 Alternate Member of the Riksdag Committee on Industry and Trade 1995-1996 EU 96 Committee 1994-1998 Member of the Riksdag 1994-1998 Alternate Member of the Riksdag Committee on Foreign Affairs 1994-1998 Alternate Member of the Riksdag Committee on Education 1990-1995 Member of the National Board of the Moderate Party Youth Organisation 1993-1994 Political Adviser, Ministry of Industry and Commerce 1992-1993 Special Adviser, Ministry of Industry and Commerce 1992-1993 Special Adviser, Ministry of Defence 1991-1994 Member of Örebro City Assembly 1988-1989 Swedish Red Cross Society, adviser on international information and understanding</p> <p>Other Author of Upgrade Baltic Sea Policy (1998) Memberships: Moderate Party, Swedish Red Cross Society, Rotary International</p>	
<p>Genoveva Ruiz Calavera <i>Head of Unit for “Crisis Response and Peace Building” in the External Relations Directorate-General since January 2009.</i></p>	
<p>Mrs Ruiz Calavera joined the European Commission in 1992 working in the International Affairs Unit of the Directorate-General for Customs Union and Taxation, involved in the implementation of the European Economic Area (EEA), the establishment of the Customs Union with Turkey, the negotiations for accession of Sweden, Finland and Austria and the accession preparation of the Eastern European countries which become new EU Member States in 2004.</p> <p>She served in the European Commission Taskforce for the Reconstruction of Kosovo, deployed to Pristina immediately after the military conflict in 1999. She was appointed Deputy Head of Unit of DG Enlargement with responsibility for Serbia and Montenegro in 2002 and Head of the “Kosovo issues unit” in 2006. In these positions, she has contributed to the implementation of the European Union policy of Stabilisation and Association, helping the Western Balkan region’s progress towards the EU.</p> <p>She followed the ESDP high level Course of the European Security and Defence College in 2007/2008.</p>	
<p>Dr. Ania Grobicki <i>GWP Executive Secretary from 11 March 2009</i></p>	
	
<p>Dr. Ania Grobicki holds a BA in Economics, a BSc in Chemical Engineering and a PhD in Biotechnology from Imperial College, London. Before joining GWP, Dr. Grobicki was the Head of Secretariat for the multistakeholder platform aiming to strengthen research for health, development and equity worldwide, which was established to prepare for the 2008 Global Ministerial Forum on Research for Health. Her experience in the water field includes the implementation of integrated catchment management in South Africa, and she has worked on the water needs of various sectors namely industry, agriculture, energy, health and the environment. She was a Coordinator for the African National Congress’s Science and Technology Group, a Coordinator for the CGIAR’s Challenge Program for Water and Food, a university lecturer and researcher, and has held positions both with NGOs and with the UN.</p>	

Jos van Alphen MSc

*Senior Advisor Flood Risk Management,
Centre for Water Management,
Directorate General Rijkswaterstaat,
Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management,
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- Graduated from Utrecht University, The Netherlands, in Physical Geography in 1983.
- Since 1984 employed at different positions in the Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management / Rijkswaterstaat.
- Since May 2006 involved in implementation of EU Directive on Flood Risk Management: project-leader for the preparation of flood risk maps in the Netherlands and presently project-leader for the preparation of flood risk management plans. Dutch member in European expert group on flood risk maps.
- Between September 2007 and September 2008 working for secretariat of Committee on Sustainable Coastal Protection (2nd Delta Committee), advising on the long term adaptation of the Netherlands to climate change (sea level rise, river floods, drought).
- Presently involved in development of new standards for flood risk management, based on loss of life, economic damage and societal disruption.

Mr. Abdoulie Janneh

*United Nations Under-Secretary-General and
Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*



Mr. Abdoulie Janneh (Gambia) is Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA). ECA has a dual role as the regional arm of the United Nations in Africa and as a key pan-African institution. Since Mr. Janneh joined ECA, he has taken steps to strategically reposition the organization to better support Africa's development agenda. He has also overseen the articulation of the ECA Business Plan 2007 – 2009 to operationalize the new strategic vision.

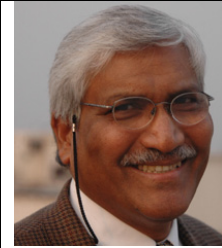
Before joining ECA, Mr. Janneh served as Assistant Secretary-General and UNDP Regional Director for Africa from June 2000 to October 2005. In that capacity, he managed United Nations Development Programme's (UNDP) largest Regional Bureau, covering 45 countries in sub-Saharan Africa with a complement of over 1,500 staff. Prior to that, he held a number of senior positions in UNDP and its affiliated funds, including Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative in Ghana (1996-1999) and Niger (1993-1996), as well as Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (1990-1993).

As a senior UN manager, Mr. Janneh has been a strong advocate for development efforts that respond effectively to Africa's national and regional priorities. Under his leadership, ECA has taken significant steps to support African countries in the area of regional integration, poverty eradication, trade, financing for development, ICTs, governance, statistics, climate change, the fight against HIV/AIDS, and natural resources management. Mr. Janneh remains particularly interested in the institutional transformation of the African Union and the successful implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), including the Africa Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), as critical initiatives for achieving the Millennium Development Goals.

Mr. Janneh has been striving to enhance partnership-building for Africa, as a necessary vehicle to mobilize support and build inclusiveness for shared development objectives. In this regard, he has been able to cultivate strong partnerships at the highest levels between ECA and governments, the private sector, civil society, as well as national, regional and international organizations. He also serves on the advisory panels of a number of organizations involved in Africa's development and has delivered over the years a number of keynote addresses, policy statements and written articles on issues germane to Africa's development.

Dr A. Atiq Rahman

Dr A. Atiq Rahman is the Executive Director of Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS) and a Lead Author of Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fourth Assessment Report (AR4) Chapter-19 on “Assessing Key Vulnerabilities and the Risk from Climate Change”. He played a leading role in UNCED, Rio, 1992, Intergovernmental Negotiations on Climate Change (INC) session and all the Conferences of Parties and Climate Summits in Kyoto, 1997 leading to Kyoto Protocol. He was also a lead author of the IPCC Third Assessment Report and IPCC Special Report on Technology Transfer and cross cutting paper on “Development, Equity and Sustainability”.



He was a lead author of the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report, which received Nobel Peace Prize and the Award has been endorsed by the IPCC to lead authors to share the magnitude of the award with them.

For his “outstanding and inspirational leadership in the field of environment” The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has honoured Dr A. Atiq Rahman with “Champion of the Earth,” the highest UN award on environment for the Asia Pacific region.

He was also conferred the ‘**Environment Award 2008**’ from Department of Environment, Government of Bangladesh for his extensive research work at local national and global level; scientific and technological innovation.

Dr Rahman is a Visiting Professor of International Diplomacy and Sustainable Development at Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston, USA. He is the Chairman of Climate Action Network South Asia (CANSA). He is also the Chairperson of Coalition of Environmental NGOs in Bangladesh. Presently, he is engaged in exploring the global-local linkages and mega-processes such as global equity and poverty issue, climate change, bio-diversity, institutions and capacity building and global scenarios. He was the Team Leader of National Adaptation Plan of Action (NAPA) Synthesis Group, Government of Bangladesh.

He was born in Bangladesh in 1950. He was trained as a chemist with early education in B.Sc Hons. and M.Sc from Dhaka University. He was awarded the Commonwealth Scholarship 1974 and completed his Ph.D on solid state chemistry and low energy processes from Brunel University, London, UK in 1977. For fourteen years (1974 - 1988) he taught and researched in the Universities of Oxford and Aberdeen in UK and Haute Alsace in France. During his scientific career in Europe he was awarded (a) the “Thermal Methods Group Award” in 1984 by the Royal Society of Chemistry and (b) “Sir Eric Rideal Award” in 1985 by the Society of Chemical Industries, London (c) Royal Society, London gave the award for lecturing on Advanced Ceramics in several Universities in Japan during 1986. He designed, developed and taught a multi-disciplinary postgraduate course on “Sustainable Development Challenges and North South Dialogue” at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, USA.

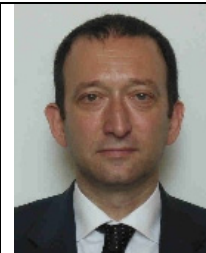
Tom Risdahl Jensen

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1959 Born in Karachi (Pakistan) as child of German diplomat
1978 Bachelor’s degree German School Bilbao (Spain)
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 Joins Federal Foreign Office
 1990 – 1993 1st Secretary, German Embassy in Seoul (Korea)
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 1999 – 2003 Head of Economic Department, German Embassy in Madrid (Spain)
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Niklas Granholm

Senior Analyst at the Swedish Defence Research Agency, FOI. A graduate of Stockholm University, he holds a BA in Political Science and History.



Mr. Granholm currently heads the Arctic studies project at FOI. During 2007 he was seconded to the Swedish Ministry of Defence. He is a member of the R&D group for security policy and strategic analysis at FOI, which he chaired 2007-2008. During 2006 he was Visiting Fellow to the Royal United Services Institute, London. Between 1999 and 2006, he was project leader for an International Peace-support/crisis management operations project on behalf of the Swedish Ministry of Defence. Between 1997 and 1999 Mr. Granholm was seconded to the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Granholm is a Fellow of the Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences (*KkrVA*) since 2009 and Corresponding Fellow of the Royal Swedish Society for Naval Sciences (*KÖMS*) since 2002. He is a Member of the International Institute of Strategic Studies, IISS, since 1999. Since 2005 he is member of the board of the Swedish Commission of Military History, (*Commission Suédoise d’Histoire Militaire, CSHM*). He is a member of the editorial board of the Swedish quarterly *Vårt Försvar* (Our Defence) since 2001.

Mr. Granholm’s main fields of interest are Nordic, Baltic and Arctic security issues, future threat developments, international crisis management, nuclear issues, maritime strategy and military history.

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Education

1988 MA, Department of Economics, Harvard University
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Positions

2004-2006 Chief Economist and Head of Strategy and Economics, Kaupthing Bank Sweden, Stockholm
 2004 Executive Officer, Swedish Free Enterprise Foundation, Stockholm
 2003 Editor, Initierat magazine, Stockholm
 1995-2003 Chief Economist and Head of Strategy and Economics, Alfred Berg Fondkommission, Stockholm
 1992-1994 Adviser to the Prime Minister, Prime Minister's Office
 1991-1992 Adviser on economic reform, Jeffrey D. Sachs and Associates, Warsaw
 1991 Principal Secretary, Commission on Development Credits, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Stockholm

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Consultant/Summer intern, World Bank/International Monetary Fund, Washington DC, USA
 Research assistant, National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge, MA, USA
 Teaching assistant, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA
 Research assistant, Sida and Department of Geography, Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm, Sweden and Lusaka, Zambia

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