



THE PARLIAMENTARY NETWORK  
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# VIRTUAL PARLIAMENTARY MEETING ON TACKLING Fragility, Conflict & Violence Strategy *in the time of* COVID-19

## BIOGRAPHIES

*World Bank Speakers (In order of appearance)*

### ANUGRAHA PALAN



**Lead, External Affairs Officer for Fragility, Conflict and Violence, World Bank Group**

Anugraha Palan is the Lead External Affairs Officer for FCV at the World Bank Group since July 2019. Previously, she was communications Lead, for the Health, Nutrition and Population Global Practice at the World Bank Group.

She comes from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, where she was Senior Communications Officer and then Program Officer, working on a number of cross cutting communications initiatives. Most recently she drove the Foundation's communications strategy around the Sustainable Development Goals, a role which combined communications and media work, partner engagement and grant-making. Before going to the Foundation, she was Vice President of Communications and Partnerships at Women Thrive Worldwide, a Washington, DC based organizations advocating with the US government to integrate gender and the concerns of women and girls across US foreign assistance and foreign policy. She oversaw all external communications and public mobilizing and also maintained relationships with women's organizations in developing countries. Prior to this, Anu was a journalist for about a decade: first in New Delhi and then in Phnom Penh, before moving to the United States and working as a producer for The World, the daily global news program on public radio.

### FRANCK BOUSQUET



**Senior Director, Fragility, Conflict and Violence**

Franck Bousquet has been the Senior Director of the World Bank's Fragility, Conflict, & Violence (FCV) Group since July 1, 2017, and has led the development of the first Strategy for FCV. As Senior Director, Bousquet is mobilizing expertise and supporting operational teams across the World Bank to deliver on the ground in close collaboration with humanitarian-development-peace partners.

Bousquet was director on the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region and led the Bank's engagement with international partners to create the Global Concessional Financing Facility, an international effort to bridge the gap in humanitarian and development assistance by providing concessional financing to middle-income countries facing refugee crises. Bousquet has also served as MENA's senior regional advisor and has held several roles in MENA focused on resilience to shocks and broader fragility challenges, including as Sector Manager of the Urban and Social Development Sectors and as Regional Coordinator for Disaster Risk Management (2011-2014). Before joining MENA, Bousquet worked for seven years across a range of sectors and fragile and conflict-affected states in Africa.

Prior to joining the Bank, Bousquet held roles in the public and private sectors focused on water utilities, transport, and finance and capital markets. He holds an MBA from Columbia Business School and a graduate diploma in engineering from the National Engineering School of Public Works in Lyon.

## SOUKEYNA KANE



### Country Director for the Sahel Countries, World Bank Group

Soukeyna Kane, a Senegalese national, is the Country Director for the Sahel Countries for the World Bank Group. Prior to this position, she was Country Director for Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger and Chad.

Kane joined the Bank in March 2003 as a Senior Financial Management Specialist and has held several positions in the Africa Region, Operations Policy and Country Services (OPCS) and Middle East and North Africa (MENA).

Prior to joining the World Bank, she was the Principal Internal Auditor at the African Development Bank. Her extensive experience in the private sector includes the position of Administrative and Financial Director in Assurances Generales Senegalaises (AGS), as well as manager and senior auditor with ERA Audit et Expertise, AEG Paris and Ernst & Young. Ms. Kane is a Certified Public Accountant and has a Master in Accounting and Finance. She graduated from Institut Commercial Supérieur in Paris.

Soukeyna Kane was most recently the Practice Manager, Governance – Europe and Central Asia (ECA) for the Bank.

## NAYÉ ANNA BATHILY



### Head, Global Parliamentary Engagement, World Bank Group

Nayé A. Bathily is a senior international affairs expert and Head of the World Bank Parliamentary Engagement at the World Bank Group, and is of Senegalese and British nationality. She has served as the Bank's first full-time parliamentary staff member, and currently leads advocacy, and high-level outreach activities to parliamentarians for the institution at the global level. Bathily has actively contributed to the creation of the Parliamentary Network in the World Bank, and IMF, a unique platform for policy dialogue on key development issues. She also led partnership efforts on behalf of the World Bank, providing strategic input to heads of states for major development roundtables in Africa.

She earned a master's degree in public administration, at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government in 2009, and was a Mason Fellow.

In 2015, Nayé A. Bathily was nominated in the Choiseul 100 of the Young African Leaders of Tomorrow. She currently sits on the Advisory Board of the Women in Africa Initiative (WIA), the Women Investment Club and the Siècle des Femmes, as well as being a founding member of a network of African professionals from the diaspora Espace Jappo. She recently launched Shine to Lead/ Jiggen Jang Tekki, an NGO dedicated to mentoring and supporting marginalized high school girls in the poorest suburbs of Dakar.

A recognized opinion leader in the development and social field, Nayé A. Bathily has been named one of the 100 most influential Africans in the world in 2018.

### Parliamentary Speakers (In alphabetical order by country or organization)

## BURKINA FASO



### Dissan GNOUMOU, Member of Parliament

Hon. Gnoumou is a Member of the National Assembly of Burkina Faso since November 2015. He contributed to the creation of the Parliamentary Network for Nutritional Security. He is also Mayor of the urban Houndé municipality. Previously, he was an employee of the Ministry of Health. Hon. Gnoumou is an Engineer of nutrition and food technologies.

## CHAD



### Haroun KABADI, Speaker of Parliament

Hon. Kabadi has been President of the National Assembly of Chad since June 2011. He is a member of the Patriotic Salvation Movement (MPS), the ruling party in Chad, and was Minister of Communications and Government Spokesman from Jan–Jul 1998. From 1998 to 2002, he was managing director of the Parastatal Cotton Company in Chad, before serving as Prime Minister in 2002. He was Prime Minister of Chad from June 2002 – 2003. Kabadi has also served as Minister of State for Agriculture, from March 2007 to April 2008. He was then elected as MP in February 2011 and sworn in as President of the National Assembly in June 2011.

## DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO



### Patrick MUYAYA, Member of Parliament

Hon. Muyaya has been a Member of Parliament since 2012 and is currently serving his second term. He is the President of the Network of Young Parliamentarians in the DRC. He holds a Master's in Journalism and also studied democratic management of fragile states.

## EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT



### **Assita KANKO, Member of the European Parliament**

Hon. Kanko was elected to the European Parliament representing Belgium in July 2019. She is a Vice Chair of the European Conservatives and Reformists Group and a Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs; and the Subcommittee on Human Rights. A native of Burkina Faso, she is a champion of human rights and gender equality, particularly increased women's participation in politics. She has authored several books on women's rights.

## FRANCE



### **Jacques MAIRE, Member of Parliament; Founder of the G5 Sahel Interparliamentary Alliance**

Hon. Maire is an MP for the Hauts-de-Seine department since 2017 and Vice President of the Foreign Affairs Committee. Before he was a Thematic Ambassador at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in charge of the reconstruction and development of countries in crisis (January-June 2017). He has worked as a political advisor to the French Ambassador in Algeria and a diplomatic advisor in charge of European Affairs to Prime Minister Pierre Bérégovoy (1992-1993). He also has 10 years of experience in the private sector working for an insurance company. He leads the Sahel parliamentary initiative and has invited World Bank experts to contribute to meetings of the Sahel Alliance on several occasions.

## LEBANON



### **Fadi ALAME, Member of Parliament**

Hon. Fadi Alame has been a Member of the Lebanese Parliament since May 2018 (Al Tanmiya Wal Tahrir bloc). He is also a member of the Health, Labor and Social Affairs Committee, the Parliamentary Youth and Sports Committee, and the Economic and Social Council. Hon. Alame is the Chair of Sahel General Hospital, a private hospital established by his late father Dr. Fakhry Alame. He is also the Vice President of the Lebanese Syndicate of Hospitals and President of the Arab Hospitals Federation since February. Hon. Alame holds a Master's in Public Health and Hospital Institutions Management.

*On March 15, MP Alame announced in a tweet that he will be donating all his monthly allocations as a member of the parliament to the employees of Rafik Hariri Hospital (Governmental hospital) from now until the end of the coronavirus outbreak in the country.*

## PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE MEDITERRANEAN (PAM)



### **Lhou LMARBOUH, Senator, Morocco; President Emeritus and Rapporteur on Political and Security Matters, PAM**

Senator Lmarbough has been a Senator in the Moroccan House of Counselors since 2003 where he served as Vice-President of the Commission on Finance, Infrastructures and Regional Development of the House of Representatives from 2003 to 2006. He has been a member of the Moroccan delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of Mediterranean (PAM) since 2008. He has previously served as PAM President, PAM Vice-President, and President of the PAM 2nd Standing Committee on Economic, Social and Environmental Cooperation, as well as Rapporteur of PAM for the energy issues. He currently serves as the PAM Rapporteur on Political and Security developments in the MENA region.

## SOMALIA



### **Hodan OSMAN, Senator, Treasurer of the Parliamentary Network**

Senator Osman has been in the Senate since 2017, representing the Sool Region in the Somalia Federal Parliament. Ms. Osman serves as the Secretariat of the Senate Finance Committee, the committee with the largest jurisdiction within the Senate, overseeing 60 percent of the federal budget. Ms. Osman also has direct oversight of Commerce, Industry, Communication, and Tourism. She was elected to the Board of the Parliamentary Network in 2019 and has actively participated in World Bank events and activities since.

*Somalia recently reestablished financial relations with the World Bank Group after 30 years.*