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TANIA AJAM

Tania is a public finance economist (graduating from the University of Cambridge and the University of Cape Town (UCT)) with broad experience in the design, analysis and implementation of fiscal policy and sectoral public budget management. Her principle areas of interest and expertise are intergovernmental fiscal relations, fiscal decentralisation, budget and public expenditure management reform, the restructuring of fiscal institutions and processes and the role of information technology in enhancing performance orientation, accountability and oversight. She has a strong quantitative background in statistics and econometrics, as well as information systems.

Currently, Tania lectures in the School of Economics, University of Cape Town and is Director of AFReC (UCT), the academic partner organisation of Applied Fiscal Research Centre (Pty) Ltd where she holds the position of Senior Specialist. She set up AFReC (Pty) Ltd in 1999 and was its CEO for the first three years of its existence. She served as a technical advisor to the Presidential Review Commission in 1997, and since then has been involved in several policy and implementation processes around both the Public Finance Management Act of 1999, as well as the Municipal Finance Management Act of 2003. Special

advisor the Western Cape Treasury, she has currently involved in a project for the National Treasury designing draft municipal finance unit standards for the implementation of the Municipal Finance Management Act.

She is a registered assessor and moderator with SAQA. She has also worked with National Treasury on their strategy for implementing performance budgeting in 2003. She was project leader for a project implementing a performance budgeting system National Prosecuting Authority (2002-2004). Tania serves on the Financial and Fiscal Commission as a provincial nominee and her term of office ends on 30 June 2009.

ROD ALENCE

Rod is a senior lecturer in international relations at the University of the Witwatersrand. A former Fulbright scholar in Ghana, he won the American Political Science Association's 2002 award for best doctoral dissertation in political economy. His work has appeared in the Journal of Democracy, the Journal of Modern African Studies, the Journal of African History, Development Southern Africa, and other publications. His current research focuses on constitutional democracy and developmental governance in South Africa and sub-Saharan Africa more broadly. He has been in South Africa since 1994, and was previously based at the University of the Western Cape and the Human Sciences Research Council."

KAMALASEN CHETTY

Kamalasen is currently the CEO of the Boland District Municipality and is a member of the Finance Working Committee of SALGA. He also serves as the Vice-Chairperson of Sedibeng – a leadership institute based in Johannesburg– and is Director of Corporate Footprint, a company that evaluates the social and environmental commitment of companies listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE). He is a nominee of SALGA and serves on the Commission until 31 December 2007.

PROF AKPLAN HOGAN EKPO

Professor Ekpo is Vice Chancellor of the University of Uyo, Uyo, Nigeria and editor of the Nigerian Journal of Economic and Social studies. He obtained his MA and PhD in economics from the University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA in 1998. He has traversed all academic ranks moving from lecturer to senior lecturer, associated professor and professor. He has been a visiting scholar to both World Bank and International Monetary Fund at various times.

He advised and served different levels of the Nigerian government. Have about 150 publications and consulted for various organisations. Professor Ekpo belongs to ten professional associations including the International Institute of Public Finance, Germany.

DR HILDEGARDE FAST

Dr Fast studied history at the University of British Columbia, Canada, and then qualified for a Higher Diploma in Education. After teaching English in China and high school in Canada, she continued her studies at the University of Cape Town, completing her MA and PhD in South African history by 1986. She was research co-ordinator for three years at Surplus People Project, a land reform NGO. She joined the FFC in 1999 to head up the FFC's Parliamentary Office and co-ordinate research into local government finance issues. She is currently Intergovernmental Relations Programme Manager at the FFC.

ENOCH GODONGWANA

Enoch is currently the MEC for Finance in the Eastern Cape Provincial Government. Holds a Masters Degree in Financial Economics from the University of London (1998)

Joined the Labour Movement organisations in various capacities as shopsteward, Local Organiser (Metal and Allied Workers' Union), National Organiser, Regional Secretary and General Secretary (NUMSA) (1979-1997). Member of MAWU at Barlows Heavy Engineering: 1979-1983 in Johannesburg. Member of NUMSA at various metal industries 1983-1994 and was appointed as General Secretary of Numsa (1994-1997), Transvaal Treasurer and NEC member of MAWU from 1982-1993, COSATU – National Executive Committee and Central Committee member, Chairperson of COSATU Economic Development Task Force, Founder member of Border Kei Development forum.

Representative of Labour on Technical Committee for Job Creation of National Economic Forum, Ex-member of NEDLAC Management Committee. Ex-member of NEDLAC Executive Committee, Ex-Labour Leader for Trade and Industry Chamber, National Institute for Economic Policy (NIEP) – Board Member (1997-1998), Member of African National Congress (ANC). ANC – National Executive Committee member, ANC – Provincial Executive Committee member, Ex-Chairperson for South African Communist party in the Eastern Cape, Ex-Chairperson for Central Committee and Politburo of South African Communist Party.

JAYA JOSIE

Jaya is the Deputy Chairperson of the FFC. He is a national nominee and serves on the Commission until 31 December 2007. He has been a commissioner since 1994. Between 1996 and 1999 he was Director of Development Economics Services with Ernest and Young, South Africa. In 1991 he was appointed the first coordinator of the Macro-Economic Research Group (MERG) that was set-up to advise the Mass Democratic Movement (MDM) on macro economic policy issues prior to the first democratic elections in 1994. From 1994 to 1996 he was the Executive Director of the National Institute for Economic Policy (NIEP).

MANDLA GANTSHO

Mandla is the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of the Development Bank of Southern Africa. After obtaining his qualification as a Chartered Accountant, Mandla performed various roles at Transnet Limited during his two year tenure at the company. In 1995, he took up the position of Executive Manager at the Development Bank of South Africa. During his five years of leadership in this position, Mandla was appointed by former President Nelson Mandela to serve as a Commissioner on the Finance and Fiscal Commission in 1996 and as an interim Board member of the South African Institute of Medical Research in 1999.

Mandla spent 18 months in Washington DC, USA, where he worked as adviser to the Vice President of the International Finance Corporation and obtained a Master's degree. Upon his return to South Africa in 2001, Mandla took up the position of Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of the Development Bank of South Africa. A year later, he was appointed by President Thabo Mbeki as Commissioner on the Commission of Enquiry into the Rapid Depreciation of the Rand.

LESETJA KGANYAGO

Lesetja is currently the Director-General of the South African National Treasury. He received a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of South Africa during 1991 and a Masters degree in Economics from London University during 1994. Before being appointed as the Director-General of the South African National Treasury, Lesetja functioned as the Head of the Economic Policy & International Financial Relations Division in the National Treasury. This Division's key responsibilities were:

- Researching and advising on the implementation of appropriate macroeconomic policy for the government;
- Formulating tax policy and annual revenue proposals;
- Monitoring international economic trends and assessing their impact on the South African economy;
- Engaging with international development finance institutions and ensuring that South Africa's interests are promoted in international forums; and
- Formulating financial sector policy.

Lesetja has also held various positions in other organisations, namely Assistant Manager – Investment Dealing in the South African Reserve Bank, National Co-ordinator of the Economics Department and Regional Accountant within the African National Congress, and Accountant within the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

BONGANI KHUMALO

Bongani is currently a Manager in Fiscal Policy Analysis at the FFC. He holds a Masters in Social Sciences majoring in Economics. He first lectured at the University of Zimbabwe from 1992 to 1993. He then lectured at Rhodes University from 1993 to 1999. He lectured Public Finance and Developmental Economics. He joined the Financial and Fiscal Commission as a Researcher in Fiscal Analysis in 1999 and has moved from that to research coordinator to manager. He is involved in Fiscal Policy Intergovernmental Relations and Public Finance.

DR GARRY MACDONALD

Dr McDonald is an Associate Professor of Economics at Curtin University. He has a wide range of publications in leading academic journals. His main research interests are in the area of time series econometrics with current work focusing on the issue of modeling structural change.

VINCENT MAKINTA

Vincent is currently a Database Coordinator for the FFC, since 2000. Previously a GIS Analyst at the Human Sciences Research Council, before which, he was a GIS: Geographer at the Department of the Premier North West and a town and Regional Planner for SETPLAN in the North West. His core responsibility is to strategically translate policy research questions within the Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations system into databases and models to support the formula. Is mainly responsible for the development and management of the Data Warehouse, the Resource Centre and the overall Management Information Services of the FFC. Advanced skills in Data manipulation through Spatial Information Systems, and lately Statistics and Population Modelling. This is coupled with 10-years of working experience of working with government capital projects data.

Vincent has a Bachelor's Degree in Sciences, Honours Degree in GIS and now recently an MSc in Population and Modelling from Wits. His career goal is to Contribute to the betterment of life for all South Africans through the use of specialized Research and Information Technologies.

PROF ANTONY MELCK

Prof Melck was educated in law and economics at the Universities of Stellenbosch and Cambridge (UK). At the same time he studied music and has been admitted as a fellow of the Trinity College of Music (London). He received a doctorate in the economics of education from the University of Stellenbosch in 1983 and an honorary doctorate from Thomas Edison State College (New Jersey, USA) in 1999. As visiting professor and fellow of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation he spent two periods at the

University of Cologne in Germany.

Prof Melck was professor of economics at the University of Stellenbosch before being appointed to various senior management positions at the University of South Africa (Unisa), culminating in the position of Principal and Vice-Chancellor. In addition to membership of various public bodies, he served as the first deputy chairman of the Financial and Fiscal Commission.

Prof Melck is currently advisor to the Rector of the University of Pretoria. He has also been appointed, as a national nominee, for a second term as member of the Financial and Fiscal Commission. His current term of office will end on 31 December 2007.

DR RENOSI MOKATE

Dr Mokate is the Chairperson of the Financial and Fiscal Commission. She was also Executive Director (Group Economic and Social Analysis) at the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC). Her areas of specialization are Development Economics, Urban Economics and Policy Analysis. She held various posts including those of Associate Professor of Economics at Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, USA. Senior Policy Analyst, Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA); Director: Centre for Reconstruction and Development, University of Pretoria; CEO, Central Energy Fund. She is currently Executive Director of her own company, Mandisis Consulting cc and Honorary Professor at the University of Pretoria. She is a national nominee and her current term of office ends on 30 June 2009.

RONALD H. NEUMANN

Ronald has served as the Director of Intergovernmental Finance in the Province of Manitoba Canada for the past two decades. For the past six years, he has also been an advisor on intergovernmental finance to governments of several countries.

He has worked with the Financial and Fiscal Commission in South Africa since 1998. The first year was spent on site with the FFC in South Africa.

Mr. Neumann has also participated in projects in the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Malawi and elsewhere. He has written and has had published a number of articles on the issues and on the conduct of intergovernmental fiscal relations in Canada and elsewhere.

RATHIPE NTHITE

Rathipe is a Research Coordinator for Infrastructure and Capital Expenditure projects at the FFC. His past positions include Business Analyst at Knowledge Factory where he was involved in, amongst other things, building of market segmentation models and Statistical Analyst at Eskom Generation Group where he was responsible for development, performance monitoring and forecasting of plant performance indicators. He joined the Financial and Fiscal Commission in 2002, initially on a consulting basis for the development of the Capital Grants Model and later on full time basis.

Rathipe's academic training is in mathematics and operations research but he also has studied investment management.

MICHAEL O'DONOVAN

Michael holds a Masters Degree in Sociology from the University of the Witwatersrand. He, however, specialises in the quantitative analysis of socio-economic conditions. In this role he has conducted extensive research for S.A. state agencies including, the Human Sciences Research Council, The Water

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DR JEFF PETCHEY

Jeff is an Associate Professor of Economics at Curtin University. He has a wide range of publications in leading academic journals. His main research interests are in the area of fiscal federalism and fiscal equalization.

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At the Centre for Political and Economic Studies (CPES), he was a programme co-ordinator undertake research and governance activities relating to Historical Disadvantage Universities and local councillors. He also was the Director of Municipal Finance Policy in the Department of Provincial and Local Government (DPLG) contributing to various policy legislative initiatives such as the Property Rates Bill, the Municipal Systems Act, and the local government Indigents Policy. In 2000 he undertook further studies at Harvard specializing in Fiscal Decentralization and Local Government.

DR GOVINDA RAO

Govinda is the Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India. His past positions include Director, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore and Fellow, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia. He has also served in various advisory capacities and these include Economic Adviser, The Ninth Finance Commission (1987-90), Chairman, Expert Group on Taxation of Services (2000-01) and Adviser, Financial and Fiscal Commission, Republic of South Africa.

Dr. Rao's research interests include public finance and fiscal policy, fiscal federalism and State and Local finance. He has been a consultant to the World Bank, Asian Development Bank and the UNDP on Public Expenditure Management and Fiscal Decentralisation in Cambodia, China, Laos, Pakistan and Vietnam. He has published technical articles extensively in a number of reputed journals and 8 books on various aspects of public Finance. His recent books include *Poverty, Development and Fiscal Policy* (edited, Oxford University Press, 2002), and *Political Economy of Indian Federalism* (co-authored, Oxford University Press, Forthcoming).

PROF ANDREW RESCHOVSKY

Prof Reschovsky is a Professor of Public Affairs and Applied Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he teaches courses on public finance and public policy analysis. He earned a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Pennsylvania in 1974. Professor Reschovsky has written numerous articles on topics related to intergovernmental fiscal relations and tax policy. Since 1999, he has served as a technical advisor to Financial and Fiscal Commission.

His work in South Africa has also included service as an advisor to the Department of Provincial and Local Government Affairs. Professor Reschovsky has also worked for the Office of Tax Analysis of the U.S. Treasury and served as a technical advisor to the Organization of Economic Cooperation and

Development in Paris. He is currently organizing an international cooperative project designed to evaluate alternative strategies for dealing with fiscal problems facing large central cities. His projects in the U.S. include a study of the costs of providing high quality primary and secondary education, research on tax policies to increase the rate of homeownership for low-income and minority households, and a study of the fiscal conditions of state governments and their responses to recent budgetary shortfalls.

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Prof Singh is currently Director of the Business Management Economics Program at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where he is Professor of Economics. He was a founding co-director of the Santa Cruz Center for International Economics (SCCIE), which sponsors research and seminars on key policy issues in international economics. He served as coordinator (lead co-director) of SCCIE in 2001-03.

Professor Singh served as Chair of the Department of Economics from 1992 to 1995, and Director of Economics Graduate Programs from 1990 to 1992. His visiting research appointments have been at Stanford University; Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University; National Institute for Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi; Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi; Centre for Development Economics, Delhi; and Erasmus University, Rotterdam. He has consulted for high-tech start-ups in Silicon Valley, and currently serves as an academic advisor to several companies.

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- Director General del Instituto Para el Desarrollo Técnico de las Haciendas Públicas, INDETEC. Órgano técnico del Sistema Nacional de Coordinación Fiscal entre los tres ámbitos de gobierno en México.
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- Ponente en diversos foros y seminarios sobre la Hacienda Pública y sus relaciones intergubernamentales en el Federalismo.

Algunos Trabajos Publicados:

- ***La Descentralización Fiscal en México.*** Estudio realizado para la Comisión Económica para la América Latina y el Caribe, CEPAL, ONU. Santiago de Chile, 1998
- ***El Federalismo Fiscal Mexicano.*** Ensayo realizado para el Coloquio Sobre Federalismo, Experiencias de México, Bélgica y Unión Europea. 2003, Bruselas y Brujas, Bélgica
- ***Federalismo Hacendario Mexicano.*** presentado en el "Taller de Dialogo sobre los Orígenes, Estructura y Cambios Constitucionales en las Democracias Federales: Caso México". México, 2003
- ***Diagnóstico sobre el Sistema Hacendario Mexicano.*** presentado en Mesa de Trabajo con Gobernadores. México, 2003
- ***Las Finanzas Estatales y la Corresponsabilidad Fiscal en una Estructura Federal.*** Para la Edición Conmemorativa de los 30 años de la Comisión Permanente de Funcionarios Fiscales de México, 2003

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MR ISMAIL MOMONIAT

Deputy Director-General: Intergovernmental Relations, National Treasury a mathematician by training and began work career lecturing in the mathematics department at Wits University. Awarded an undergraduate and Honours degree with distinction from Wits University and also obtained his first MSc in Mathematics, reading for a second (in Economics) from the University of London.

He has been with National Treasury since 1995. Deputy Director-General of Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations at the National Treasury, in charge of the fiscal relations between the national, provincial and local spheres of government. This covers the design of the fiscal system for provincial and local governments, including the framework for their taxation and borrowing powers, and the grant system and the annual Division of Revenue Bill. He has also driven the legislative process for the intergovernmental fiscal system, including the Public Finance Management Act, the Municipal Finance Management Act, the Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations Act, and the Provincial Tax Regulation Process Act. He is also responsible for the National Treasury's monitoring of provincial and local government budgets, and the preparation and publication of the Intergovernmental Fiscal Review.

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Currently the Corporate Affairs Officer of the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities and responsible for legal, research and education services.

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Dr Abedian is the founder and Chief Executive of Pan-African Group. He was professor of economics at the University of Cape Town before joining Standard Bank Group in 2000. He obtained his BA (Honours) and MA in Economics from UCT. He received his PhD in Economics from Simon Fraser University in Canada in 1993. He was founder of AfreC at UCT and has been consultant on economics policy issues to public and private sector organisations in South Africa as well as internationally. His recent involvement in policy development in South Africa includes: The Transformation of the Development and Redistribution (Gear 1996). Medium Term Expenditure Framework and the Presidential Review Commission in 1997. He is a prolific researcher and has written numerous articles and co-authored several books.

During September to December 1999, Dr Abedian was based at the IMF, Washington D.C. working on issues related to fiscal vulnerability assessment.

JOHN DOUW

John is a councillor at Klerksdorp City Council and Chairperson of the Council's Audit Committee. He serves as Deputy-Chairperson and member of the Norweloga and SALGA Finance Working Committee respectively. He was a nominee of SALGA and serves on the FFC Local Government task group and the Audit Committee of the FFC until his term expired on 31 December 2003.

DOROTHY MAHLANGU

Dorothy is a qualified teacher and has an advanced diploma in Economics from the University of the Western Cape. She was active in the anti-apartheid South African Youth Congress (SAYCO) and later in the ANC Youth League. From 1997 to 1998 she served as a member of the Gauteng Legislature, including as a member of the Public Accounts and Finance Committee.

In 1998 she became a member of parliament, where she served as a Gauteng whip in the National Council of Provinces (NCOP). From 1999 to 2004 she was served as the Chairperson of the Select Committee on Finance in the NCOP. She was also a member of the Audit Commission and was instrumental in establishing the Joint Budget Committee in which she served.

She has served in ANC structures in various capacities, including as currently serving member of the ANC's Provincial Executive Committee in Gauteng. From 2003 until April 2004 she was deployed as part of the election machinery of the ANC.

JABU MOLEKETI

Jabu is currently the Deputy Minister of Finance since April 2004 after being the MEC of Finance and Economic Affairs since 1994. He joined the African National Congress and left the country in 1976. Received military training in both the USSR and Cuba in the 1980's.

He completed his post-graduate diploma in Economic Principles in 1996 and his Masters of Science in Financial Economics in 2001 and graduated in 2002 through the University of London. He was appointed as MEC for Finance and Economic Affairs in the Gauteng Provincial Government in 1994. He was elected to the National Executive Committee of the ANC at its 50th Conference in 1997 and re-elected again to

the National Executive Committee in 2002 ANC's 51st conference.

His responsibilities ranges from formulating the province's economic policy and its contribution to the nation's overall growth and development strategy, promotion of trade and investment in the province, developing business and leisure tourism in the province, developing and monitoring a safe and ethical environment for consumers in Gauteng and the granting of liquor licenses.

MURPHY MOROBE

First Chairperson of the FFC and a national nominee from 1994, until 30 June 2004. He left the FFC and joined the Presidency on 01 July 2004.

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He chaired in the AERC and the department of Economics boards. He published a number of papers amongst others being Economic Analysis of the Draft Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community, Fiscal Policy and Practices in Tanzania before and after Nyerere in Mbelle, Fiscal and Monetary Policies and inflation and Asymmetric Casualty between government pending and Tax Changes.

Prof also consulted for amongst other, the government of Zanzibar, Imani Corporation, Save the Children Fund (UK), on needs and assessment study to establish a tax policy unit, mid-term review of the East African Community, estimation of tax gap for Tanzania, and analysis of Tanzania budget, respectively.

VIVIAN TAYLOR

Vivian returned in January 2004 to teach social policy, development planning and social and economic development in the Department of Social Development at the University of Cape Town. She was granted leave of absence from UCT and was appointed in December 2001 by the UN to serve as the Deputy Executive Director in the Secretariat of the Global Commission on Human Security. In that capacity she worked in close collaboration with the Co-Chair of the Commission, Professor Amartya Sen to research and develop the concept of human security as an operational tool for policymakers in the context of ongoing conflicts, crises and poverty.

She has researched and written widely on development and related issues. She is also the author of "*Social Mobilisation: Lessons from the Mass Democratic Movement*" (1997), "*Marketisation of Governance: Critical Feminist Perspectives from the South*" (2000) and was principal author of South Africa's first 2 Human Development Reports sponsored by the United Nations Development Programme, viz. *Human Development and HIV/AIDS* in 1998 and *Transformation for Human Development* in 2000. She was appointed a Commissioner on the Commission for Gender Equality during 1996-1999 and also served as the Adviser to South Africa's Minister of Social Development in the latter half of 1999 up to 2001.

She chaired and led the work of a Cabinet Committee of Inquiry into Comprehensive Social Security in South Africa and submitted the findings in the report "*Transforming the Present, Protecting the Future*" in 2002. The report makes comprehensive recommendations on restructuring public and private social security schemes to address people's needs, especially that of the poor majority. Her research interests bring together her recent work on human security, social policy and development with an emphasis on

poverty and gender inequalities.