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## CONFIRMED SPEAKERS AND PANELS

### *The Governance Dimension of the MDGs in Africa*

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#### **Panel 1: Governance at the Regional and Sub-Regional Levels**

**Emmanuel Fanta**, Project Researcher, United Nations University Programme on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)

**Negatu Gabriel**, Director, Governance, Economic and Financial Management Department, African Development Bank

#### **Panel 2: Challenges of Increased Aid to Africa**

**Ferid Belhaj**, Special Representative to the UN, World Bank

**Zahra Nuru**, Director / Senior Advisor to the USG/HR Former High Official of Tanzanian Government, UN Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS)

**Benu Schneider**, Chief, International Finance, Debt and Systemic Issues Unit Financing for Development Office UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

**Shamsuddin Tareq**, Deputy Division Chief, International Monetary Fund, Expenditure Policy Division, Fiscal Affairs Department

**Arthur Goldsmith**, Professor, University of Massachusetts at Boston

#### **Panel 3: Capacities and the Governance of the African State**

**Sakiko Fukuda-Parr**, Professor of international affairs, New School University

**Mamoudou Gazibo**, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Montreal

**E. Gyimah-Boadi**, Executive Director, Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana)

**Penda Mbow**, Professor, Department of History, Université Cheick Anta Diop de Dakar, Sénégal

**Russel Botman**, Rector and Vice-Chancellor, Stellenbosch University, South Africa

**Panel 4: Public Finance, Accountability and Governance**

**Norbert Mao**, Chairman, Gulu District Local Government, Uganda

**K. Kwasi Prempeh**, Associate Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School

**Abbia Effiong Udofia**, Chief Legal Officer, Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission, Central Area, Abuja, Nigeria

**Concluding panel: The Way Forward**

**Jean-Marc Coicaud**, Director, United Nations University Office in New York

**Muna Ndulo**, Director, Institute for African Development, Cornell University

**Nic van de Walle**, Director, Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University