



BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Thomas McInerney

Director of Research, Policy & Strategic Initiatives International Development Law Organization (IDLO)

A regular presenter in IDLO courses, Thomas F. McInerney's specialty areas are corporate, securities, and international financial law, organizational ethics and compliance, and regulatory law and policy. He holds a Juris Doctorate from DePaul University School of Law, a Masters in Philosophy from Loyola University, and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with Honors from the College of William and Mary. Prior to joining IDLO, Mr. McInerney was an adjunct professor in Ethics and Law at Fordham University in New York. He is a member of the New York and Illinois bars and practiced corporate and securities law as an associate with the New York law firms of Dorsey & Whitney LLP and Ross & Hardies. His recent publications have concerned legal reform in developing countries, corporate social responsibility, and corporate governance.

Hamid Rashid

Senior Adviser and Coordinator, Legal Empowerment of the Poor, Bureau for Development Policy United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Hamid Rashid joined UNDP in November 2008 to serve as the new Senior Policy Advisor and Coordinator of the Legal Empowerment for the Poor (LEP) Programme. In discharging his new responsibilities, Dr. Rashid will lead UNDP's global programme for legal empowerment of the poor, focusing on issues of property rights, labor rights and entrepreneurial rights in the contexts of poverty eradication and human development.

Prior to joining UNDP, Dr. Rashid served as the Director General for United Nations and Multilateral Economic Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bangladesh. He was responsible for conceptualizing, coordinating and representing Bangladesh's positions on various economic and social issues at the UN and other international forums. He also coordinated Bangladesh's involvement in UN Peacekeeping Operations and in Peace Building Commission. He has also been a catalyst in Bangladesh's accession to the UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) and in setting up the National Human Rights Commission. Dr. Rashid brings to UNDP nearly seventeen years of experience, working for the Government of Bangladesh and also for the World Bank and UNICEF in Dhaka, Washington D.C. and New York.

Dr. Rashid earned his Ph.D. in Finance and Economics from Columbia University in New York, working under his advisor and mentor, Professor Joseph Stiglitz - the winner of the 2001 Nobel Prize in Economics. In 2007, he co-authored, "Travesty of Free Trade" with Prof. Stiglitz. He obtained his MPA from Columbia University and Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Texas. His research interests include financial disintermediation in the low-income countries, international migration, trade and international finance, public sector reforms and governance. He has taught graduate level courses in economics and public policy at the Columbia University and the London Business School.

Lucie White

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Dr. Lucie White specializes in domestic Poverty Law and International Economic and Social Rights, particularly in Africa. For a decade she has collaborated with Harvard University students as well as faculty at the University of Ghana and Harvard students on an interdisciplinary Right to Health project that focuses on the human rights dimensions of Ghana's health finance system, particularly as it contributes to extreme geographic inequality. Since 2005 she has been a Working Group coordinator for the University Africa Initiative. She has also been a Fulbright Senior Africa Scholar and was a Fulbright grant to encourage teaching innovation. She has also been a Carnegie Scholar on Teaching and Learning, a scholar in residence at the Harvard Divinity School and a Bunting Scholar at Radcliffe College. In 2006, with support from the Rockefeller Foundation's Bellagio Center, she initiated "Stones of Hope," a collaboration among African human rights activists and distinguished human rights scholars to examine innovations in Economic and Social Rights advocacy. This project culminate in a collection of case studies, L. White and J. Perelman eds., *Stones of Hope: African Lawyers Use Human Rights to Challenge Global Poverty* (Stanford University Press, forthcoming 2010).