

Appendix 3: Profiles of Participants

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Pr. Chen Chunming graduated in 1947 as a BS in Nutritional Sciences in the Department of Agricultural Chemistry of the National Central University of China. Currently, she is the senior advisor to the Chinese Academy of Preventive Medicine and chairs several important consultative committees in nutrition and public health. She teaches Nutrition Policy courses for graduate students at the Union School of Public Health. She has been the director of ILSI's Focal Point in the PRC since its establishment in 1993.

Mr. Huang Jiansheng started working with the Ministry of Health in 1982 as a Deputy Director for the National Patriotic Health Campaign Committee. At present, he is the Director for the Division of Food and Cosmetic Inspection, Ministry of Health. His responsibilities include formulating regulations and approving foods, cosmetics, and other materials related to health. Prior to this, he worked for the Institute of Endemic Diseases Control of Hebei Province for six years.

Ms. Kong Lingzhi is the Director of Non-communicable Diseases Control of the Ministry of Health and is also an Associate Professor. She worked for the Institute of Health for three years prior to becoming the Deputy Director of the Research Management Office, Institute of Nutrition and Food Hygiene in the Chinese Academy of Preventive Medicine. She graduated from the Department of Public Health of the Shanghai Medical University.

Mr. Lin Jiahua graduated from China Southeastern University in 1968. He has experience in the technology of salt and salt-related chemical production. He was the Director of the Salt Research Institute from 1986, and was also the Project Director of a UNDP-financed Saltern Biological Technology Project that had impact at the national level. In 1992, he was promoted to Vice President of the China National Salt Industry Corporation, with major duties in nationwide salt production, distribution, research and development, and the China Universal Salt Iodization Project.

Mr. Qiu Ci Jun is currently the Vice Chairman and Deputy Managing Director of Beijing Gu Chuan Flour Milling Group. He is in charge of investment in food projects, management of joint ventures, marketing strategy, and development planning. He earned his bachelor's degree at Xinjinag Teachers College in 1968 and was employed in various food sector companies prior to his present position.

Mr. Yu Xiaodong is the Vice President of the Economic Research Institute of the State Development and Planning Commission. After he graduated from Beijing University, he was an editor for the State Education Ministry. He was engaged in research on macroeconomic policy, development strategy, and enterprise for many years with various international organizations such as the World Bank, UNICEF, United Nations Fund for Population Activities, and ADB.

Mr. Zhang Lin started working with the Zhenji Brew Plant in 1968. He was promoted to Director of the Plant in 1982 and later became the President of the Board and General Manager when the Zhenji Brew Group Co. Ltd. was established in 1996. He has extensive experience in brewing technology. His achievements in development of vinegar deep fermentation technology and the perfection of soy sauce high-salt liquid fermentation technology have had national impact, as a result of which he has received six awards.

Mr. Zhang Zhaoyang has been the Project Engineer for the China Universal Salt Iodization Project, implemented by China National Salt Industry Corporation, since 1994. He has extensive work experience in project identification, appraisal, implementation, and supervision. He is involved in competitive bidding, procurement, and monitoring contract execution. He was previously a researcher in salt farm biological utilization at the Salt Research Institute.

FIJI

Mr. Mataiasi Labati has been the Executive Secretary (Chief Executive) of the Consumer Council of Fiji, a statutory body of the Government, for the past six years. Previously he worked for the Government for 19 years, the private sector for 7 years, and in development banking for 3 years. He graduated with a BA degree in Accounting and Economics and holds a diploma in Rural Development, both from the University of the South Pacific.

Mr. Luke Rokovada is the Permanent Secretary for Health. He has had a long and distinguished civil service career with the Government. Prior to becoming Permanent Secretary for Health in March 1996, he served as Permanent Secretary for a number of ministries, including Commerce and Industry; Tourism and Civil Aviation; and Youth, Employment Opportunities and Sports. He obtained academic qualifications from the Lancashire School of Management, UK; the Australian Management College; and the World Intellectual Property Organization, Switzerland.

Mr. Dirk Schulz is Senior Nutritionist at the National Food and Nutrition Centre. His present responsibilities include project design and management, research, and national advisory roles in the fields of micronutrient deficiencies, obesity, food security, and national plans of action for nutrition. Previously he was a health officer with UNICEF Niger, and advisor to the GTZ Integrated Food Security Programme Eastern Province in Kenya. Dirk holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Giessen, Germany, and has conducted postgraduate studies on development cooperation at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology.

Dr. Lepani Waqatakirewa is presently the Acting Director of Primary and Preventive Health, Ministry of Health. He has a medical degree from the Fiji School of Medicine (1982) and a Master of Public Health at Hebrew University, Israel (1991). He is responsible for initiating the process of iron fortification of flour in Fiji. He is currently the Chair of the task force that legislated on the importation of iodized salt in Fiji.

INDIA

Mr. Kushal K. Gupta has had very wide experience during nearly three decades of government service, especially in commercial and marketing management, food processing industries, agriculture, and rural development. He is now the Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Food Processing. He underwent various training programs locally and internationally. He graduated in science and did postgraduate studies in Public Administration at Punjab University, Chandigarh.

Mr. Vinod Kapoor graduated in commerce from Punjab University, Chandigarh. He started his career with the Reserve Bank of India and completed requirements to become a Certified Associate of the Indian Institute of Bankers. He set up a roller flourmill in 1982. He attended a short-term program on flour milling at Central Food Technology Research Institute, Mysore, India, and Kansas State University, USA. He was the President of Haryana Roller Flourmills Association for 10 years and President of the Roller Flour Millers Association of India during 1997-1999. Presently, he is the Vice Chair of the Wheat Product Promotion Society in New Delhi.

Ms. Shoba Koshy is the Director of Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of the Government of India, at New Delhi. She has also worked in other administrative areas of the Government, such as the Department of Chemicals and Petro Chemicals and the Ministry of Communications.

Mr. Mohan S. Marathe started his career with the Reserve Bank of India, after which he worked for the Federation of Cooperative of Sugar Manufacturers for 17 years. He then moved on to work for the National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories and has now 30 years experience in the industry.

Mrs. Veena S. Rao joined the Department of Women and Child Development of the Government of India in January 1999. Since then, she has been instrumental in developing the National Nutrition Mission with a view to achieving the national nutrition goals enshrined in the National Nutrition Policy (1993) and the National Plan of Action on Nutrition (1995). She acquired a postgraduate diploma in Development Studies from the University of Cambridge (1985).

Mr. Krishan P. Sharma has a postgraduate degree in chemistry. He was a research fellow in the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and has authored many scientific papers. He is the President of the Oil Technologists Association of India, North Zone, and Vice President of the American Oil Chemists Society [AOCS], India Chapter, among others. He also has a diploma in Industrial Management.

INDONESIA

Mr. Thomas Dharmawan (a.k.a. Dharmawan Tjokronegoro) is the Executive Director of the Indonesian Food and Beverage Association of the Indonesian Chamber of Commerce. The Association represents nearly 5,000 companies. His responsibilities include representation of the small companies' point of view.

Mr. Djumarman is the Secretary to the Directorate General of Chemicals, Agro and Forest-Based Industry. Programs that are related to food fortification are under this department.

Dr. Dini Latief is a medical doctor and specializes in community nutrition. She is the Director of Community Nutrition in the Ministry of Health where she has been Micronutrient Malnutrition Program Manager for the past 10 years.

Dr. Drajat Martianto is the Executive Secretary of the Food and Nutrition Policy Studies Center. He is also a faculty member of the Department of Community Nutrition and Family Resources, Faculty of Agriculture, Bogor Agricultural University of Indonesia. He holds a doctorate degree in Human Nutrition at the University of the Philippines at Los Baños (UPLB), and Master of Science in Community Nutrition from Bogor Agricultural University.

Mr. Suroso Natakusuma is the Deputy Chairman of the Indonesia Food Forum.

Mr. Philip Purnama is currently Division Head and Assistant Director of Corporate Marketing and Strategy at Indofood-Bogasari Flour Mills. His responsibilities include business and marketing strategy, sales distribution, alliance development, and wheat procurement. He was the Project Coordinator for the Indonesian flour milling industry in the iron fortification initiatives pioneered by UNICEF and USAID. Prior to Bogasari, he served for several years as General Manager of Pacific Flour and Food (Hong Kong, China; and PRC) and as a corporate banking credit analyst for the Chase Manhattan Bank (Indonesia). He holds an MBA from Harvard University.

Mr. Andy Setiadi has been the General Manager of PT. Gizindo Primanusantara, Baby Food Division, of the Indofood Group since 1985. Prior to joining the Indofood Group, he worked for the Kalbe Farma Group of Companies (1982-1985), Nicholas Park Davis (1978-1982) and Glassal Eternit Company Jakarta (Belgian company, 1975-1978). He graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Atmajaya, Jakarta, and the Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia.

Professor Soekirman is presently Professor of Nutrition and Director of the Center for Food and Nutrition Policy Studies, Bogor Agricultural University. He is also a Board member for ILSI, Southeast Asia. He is former deputy for Human Resources Development, BAPPENAS. Prior to this, he was a Senior Fellow of the Human Development Department in the World Bank, Washington (1996). He holds a doctorate degree in International Nutrition from Cornell University (1983), Master of Professional Studies in International Development, Cornell University (1974), and Master of Public Health, University of Indonesia (1969).

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

Dr. Liudmila Davidova worked in the Ministry of Health Protection from 1992 to 1997. She is presently the Chief of the State Sanitary Control Department of that Ministry. She is also the coordinator of the national program on nutrition.

Dr. Sabyrbek Moldokulov presently serves as a First Deputy Chairman for the State Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic on Foreign Investments and Economic Development. In the early 1990s, he started working as head of the economic division of various state offices. He was Deputy Minister of Finance during 1997-1999. He majored in Economic Science in Kyrgyz State University, then undertook postgraduate studies in the Economic Institute of the USSR Academy of Science.

Mr. Jenish Saparbaev is the owner and director of the Trade and Production Company, which is manufacturing iodized salt and trades both iodized and noniodized salt. Prior to this, he was the Deputy Director for Meder Limited Co. for three years. He graduated from Frunze Polytechnic Institute.

PHILIPPINES

Ms. Pilar H. Batac is the Vice President for Corporate Affairs of the California Manufacturing Company, Inc., an affiliate of Bestfoods. Before moving to corporate affairs, she was the food service director of the company for seven years. Ms. Batac graduated with a bachelor's degree in Nutrition from Philippine Women's University and is a registered nutritionist-dietitian. She completed her administrative dietetic internship program and her academic requirements for graduate work in nutrition at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Mr. Leo H. Damm graduated from Copenhagen Business School in 1984 and started working for Roche as a Sales Manager for vitamins. At present, he is their Regional Manager for Southeast Asia.

Mr. Edwin A. Domingo is presently the Global Director and franchise owner of nutritional beverages for Proctor and Gamble Philippines. He has been working for the company for 18 years, starting as a brand assistant.

Dr. Elias E. Escueta is presently the Director of Scientific Regulatory Affairs of Coca-Cola Inc. He has led and supervised the development and launching of new products. He started his career as a professor at the University of the Philippines, Los Baños, where he was responsible for formulating and implementing research in food science and food chemistry. He has authored a number of scientific papers. He graduated from Cornell University in 1979 with a PhD in Food Science, with minors in Environmental Engineering and International Nutrition.

Dr. Rodolfo F. Florentino is currently the President of the Philippine Association, Scientific Director of ILSI Southeast Asia, and food fortification consultant for Project IDEA of ILSI. He has been in the nutrition field since 1958. From 1983 to 1997, he served as Director of the Food and Nutrition Research Institute, Philippines. Since then, he has served as a consultant to WHO Western Pacific Regional Office, UNICEF Philippines; Helen Keller International, Philippines; and the Food and Nutrition Research Institute. He is the editor of the Philippine Journal of Nutrition.

Dr. Kenneth Hartigan-Go graduated from the University of the Philippines with a BS degree in Psychology (cum laude) in 1981 and in Medicine in 1985. He was an associate professor of Pharmacology and Internal Medicine, and worked as a consultant toxicologist for the National Poisons Control and Information Service. After two years of fellowship at the Wolfson Unit of Clinical Pharmacology in the UK, he obtained his doctorate degree (Doctor of Medicine) in Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology from the University of Newcastle upon Tyne, in 1998. Presently, he is the Program Manager of the Philippine National Drug Policy Program.

Mr. Florentino Policarpio is the Vice President of the flour division of Purefoods Corporation and is currently the President of the Philippines Chamber of Flour Millers.

Mrs. Adelisa Cifra-Ramos has been the Director of the Nutrition Service, Department of Health, since 1987 and has received the "Most Outstanding Nutritionist-Dietitian for Public Health" award, which is given by the Nutritionist-Dietitian Association of the Philippines every five years. She received her master's degree in Public Health (Nutrition) from Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina. She is a registered nutritionist-dietitian.

Dr. Florentino S. Solon is the President and Executive Director of the Nutrition Center of the Philippines. A medical doctor, he is a public health and nutrition specialist. As the first Director of the National Nutrition Council (NNC), he pioneered the implementation of the nationwide nutrition program in the Philippines as well as the vitamin A fortification of various foods, and has been a long-time proponent of nutrition education. Dr. Solon is a member of the Governing Board of the NNC and of the Nutrition Advisory panel of WHO. He is also a former Deputy Minister of Health and Presidential Adviser on Health and Nutrition.

THAILAND

Mr. Charin Charoenpong serves as the expert in Food Standards in the Food and Drug Administration of Thailand.

Ms. Sumonrut Kamalchote is currently Deputy Manager, Research, Thai President Foods Ltd. and Thai Myojo Foods. She is responsible for launching triple-fortified instant noodles to the Thai market.

Mr. Pisuth Lertvilai is a pharmacist with extensive experience in the pharmaceutical, food, and cosmetic industries. At present, he is working for a Hoffmann-La Roche affiliate in Thailand (Rovithai Limited) as Regional Marketing Manager, Human Nutrition and Health Department, in Thailand and the Indochina region. He works closely with the public, private, and academic sectors on the project to fortify staple foods.

Ms. Sangsom Sinawat graduated as a Master of Community Nutrition from the University of Queensland, Australia. She is currently working for the Ministry of Public Health, Thailand, as Director of the Nutrition Division. Her responsibilities include control and prevention programs in micronutrient deficiency, food fortification with triple micronutrient additives

(vitamin A, iodine, and iron), fortification of instant noodles, and the ongoing iron fortification in fish sauce.

Mr. Kawin Yonsawasdigul is the General Manager of the Rayong Fish Sauce Industry Company Ltd. He is also the Secretary General of Fish Sauce Factory Association, and Director, TMD International Corporation. He holds an MBA from the National Institution of Development Administration in Thammasat University.

VIET NAM

Dr. Cao Thi Thu Huong is a researcher in the National Institute of Nutrition (NIN). She took up her master's degree in Tropical Medicine in Jakarta. Presently, she is working with the international relations section of NIN.

Mr. Chu Quoc Lap is Deputy Director of Food Administration, Ministry of Health, Viet Nam.

Mr. Philip Kuek received his BSc in Chemistry from the University of Canterbury, New Zealand. He started with Hoffmann-La Roche as Human Nutrition and Health Manager in Australia in 1994. He was involved with marketing/sales and nutrition communications. He was transferred by Roche in late 1997 to manage their vitamins organization in Viet Nam. There, he formed close working relationships with NIN, CNC, UNICEF, and GRET among others. He actively worked with these organizations in forming strategies and initiatives on vitamin A fortification.

Mr. Le Quang Hai is the Chief of the Technical Department of the Bien Hoa Sugar Company.

Mr. Nguyen Thi Lam is the Vice Director of the National Institute of Nutrition (NIN). Prior to her current position, she served as the Vice Dean of the Nutrition Information and Training Department of NIN. She has a doctorate degree in Community Nutrition from the SEAMEO-TROPED Regional Center, Indonesia.

Dr. Nguyen Van Huu is a medical doctor by profession and is connected with ROCHE Vitamins in Viet Nam. He is the Technical and Marketing Manager for Health Nutrition. His responsibilities are technical and marketing aspects of the pharmaceutical and food industries, especially in vitamins and fine chemicals.

AGENCY PARTICIPANTS

Mr. Mauricio Adade joined Hoffmann-La Roche, Brazil, in May 1988 as Technical/Marketing Manager in the Vitamins Division; from 1989 to 1993 he was the Human Nutrition Technical/Marketing Manager for Latin America, working with micronutrient food fortification projects in the countries of the region. He is currently the Area Manager for Human Nutrition and Health, Asia-Pacific.

Mr. Jack Bagriansky is a consultant to MI and has been an international health consultant to other organizations such as WHO, USAID, UNICEF, and PAMM. From 1972 to 1994, he was a writer, director, and a producer of multimedia productions. He earned his bachelor's (East Asia Studies) and master's (International Relations) degrees at Yale University.

Mr. Robert J. Baldwin currently serves as the Associate Director for External Relations in CDC's Office of Global Health. Among other responsibilities, he is the focal point for CDC's activities in the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union, and since 1995 he has been the agency's Coordinator for the Gore-Primakov Health Committee activities in the Russian Federation. In addition, he has performed numerous short-term consultancies for WHO, UNICEF, PAHO, and USAID. In addition, Mr. Baldwin is an adjunct Assistant Professor of International Health at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University.

Ms. Teresa Beemans is the Director of the South Asia Regional Office of MI in New Delhi. From 1982 to 1999, she worked with the Canadian International Development Agency as Senior Program Manager in charge of planning and managing a broad range of institutional capacity-building projects in Asia, Africa, and Latin America in the education, health, population, microenterprise, economics, and community development sectors. Previously, she was Dean of the Nursing Faculty at the University of Santander in Colombia and a professor of nursing at San Andres University in Bolivia. She holds a master's degree in Public Health Administration.

Dr. Tomasso Cavalli-Sforza is a medical doctor who did his postdoctoral studies in nutrition and dietetics in Italy and at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. In the 1980s, he worked for five years as nutrition adviser to the Italian Development Cooperation Agency in several countries, including the PRC. From 1991 to 1995, he was a medical officer/clinical nutritionist with WHO, Malaysia. Since 1996, he has worked for the WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific, Manila, as Regional Adviser in Nutrition, with the responsibility for technical advice and support in the areas of nutrition and food safety.

Ms. Jenny Cervinskas is Director, Programs (Acting) at MI in Ottawa. She has 17 years' experience working in international development, with a focus on health and nutrition. She has also worked with NGOs, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, and the International Development Research Centre. She holds a BSc (Food Sciences) and a MEd (Adult Education). She has edited or authored numerous publications related to improving nutrition in developing countries, and monitoring and evaluation of nutrition programs.

Dr. Michael Chai is the Acting Regional Director of Consumers International Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (CI ROAP). He studied for his masters in Development Studies at the Institute for Social Studies in The Hague and his PhD at the University of Amsterdam. He is part of CI's global team of officers working on international campaigns to ensure that adequate consumer policy is integrated into regional and multilateral trade and finance agreements. He also oversees CI ROAP's trade and food security projects.

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Ms. Nancy J. Haselow took her Masters in Public Health from the University of California. She worked with Helen Keller International (HKI) for more than 10 years. She managed the Vitamin A Technical Assistance Program (VITAP) in HKI, New York. She also served as Country Director in the Philippines for two years. She is presently the Country Director of HKI Cameroon.

Mr. David P. Haxton attended Washington University where he majored in history and economics. He was employed by Anheuser Busch as Production Planner; then Executive Director of the St. Louis Council on World Affairs; then as Secretary General of Junior Chamber International before joining UNICEF in 1959. He was instrumental in designing the primary health care approach now extensive in Indonesia; the national nutrition interventions now an integral part of ICDS in India; the use of television and radio for social development in Brazil; and the foundation of ICCIDD in 1986. He is retired and works principally as Advisor to the Executive Director of MI, Senior Advisor to the Director of PAMM, and Board Member of ICCIDD.

Dr. Terrel M. Hill has been serving as UNICEF Representative to the Philippines since 1996. He is responsible for all activities of UNICEF in the Philippines, including advocacy for children, planning and implementation of programs, and resource mobilization. He served as Principal Adviser for Child Survival at UNICEF's New York headquarters from 1987 to 1995. From 1973 to 1976, he worked as a Research Physiologist and Nutritionist in medical research at Letterman Army Institute of Research in San Francisco. He attended the University of Illinois and received his MS and PhD in Nutrition and Animal Science during 1968 to 1973.

Dr. Joseph M. Hunt, the Manila Forum coordinator, is the Asian Development Bank's Senior Health and Nutrition Economist and the focal point for nutrition. His postgraduate training was in International Public Administration and Finance at Syracuse University's Maxwell School for Citizenship and Public Affairs; his doctorate in Food and Agricultural Economics was taken at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Hunt is preparing a nutrition policy for ADB based on regional assessments he has led covering child nutrition, public nutrition, food fortification policy, and nutrition-focused agricultural research.

Dr. Kenny Koh joined Roche Hong Kong, China as Regional Technical Manager in 1989. He was relocated to Roche Singapore as Area Technical Manager for Asia-Pacific six years later and joined ILSI Southeast Asia as a board director. In 1997, he moved to Shanghai with Roche as Technical Manager for Food/Pharmaceuticals Industries and has been active in the areas of food fortification, nutrition sciences, and supporting scientific exchanges with the Chinese Nutrition Society. He completed his PhD in pharmaceuticals in 1984 under the Commonwealth Scholarship scheme with the School of Pharmacy, University of London.

Dr. Glen Maberly is Professor of International Health in Emory University, Atlanta, where he is the Director of the Program Against Micronutrient Malnutrition. He is an endocrinologist widely recognized as a key member of the successful campaign in the 1990s to reduce the burden of iodine deficiency throughout the world through universal salt iodization. He has worked in 60 countries around the world training the people concerned in this campaign. He is also a consultant to MI.

Dr. Alex Malaspina is President of ILSI and of its North American branch. He was instrumental in the founding of ILSI and has played an important role in its growth and development over the past 20 years. He was an executive of the Coca-Cola Company for 37 years. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he obtained both his BS in Chemical Engineering in 1952 and his PhD in Food Technology in 1955. In 1996 he received an honorary doctorate degree from the University of Salvador in Buenos Aires. He was a founding member and former treasurer of the International Food Information Council, a nonprofit organization that communicates scientific information on nutrition and food safety. Also, he was President of the International Technical Caramel Association, Vice President of the British Industrial Biological Research Association, and Vice President of the Toxicology Forum.

Mr. M. G. Venkatesh Mannar is the Executive Director of MI. He is a food technologist with an MS in Chemical Engineering from Northwestern University, USA. He started his career with a salt company in Madras, India. In the early 1970s, he began working with UNICEF in developing salt iodization programs in Asia and later in Africa and Latin America. He moved to Ottawa in 1990 for UNICEF and joined MI in 1994. In his current position he oversees the promotion and expansion of interventions such as food fortification, supplementation, and dietary change to eliminate micronutrient deficiencies.

Mr. Ibrahim Parvanta is the Chief, International Activities, Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity (DNPA) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the USA. He leads the development of CDC's international agenda on nutrition and coordinates CDC's International Micronutrient Malnutrition Prevention and Control (IMMPaCt) Program. Within DNPA, he establishes priority areas in population-based nutrition assessment, monitoring, and research. Mr. Parvanta also provides direct technical assistance and consultation to national ministries of health, multinational and nongovernment organizations, and others in the planning, implementation, and analysis of nutrition surveys, surveillance, and research.

Mr. Peter Ranum is a consultant in the fortification/enrichment of cereal grain products. He has worked on flour fortification projects throughout the world for MI, USAID/SUSTAIN, ILSI, and UNICEF. He is currently working on projects in Bangladesh, Brazil, and South Africa. He ran a three-year study on the stability and uniformity of micronutrients added to cereal foods used in the US Food for Peace Program, and worked on fortifying vegoil, provided in that program, with vitamin A.

Dr. Meera Shekar is currently Chief, Health and Nutrition, UNICEF, Philippines, and is responsible for coordinating all UNICEF's health and nutrition programs in the Philippines. She completed a PhD in International Nutrition and Epidemiology from Cornell University,

and has previously worked in India, Viet Nam, and Bangladesh as a consultant for the World Bank, USAID, and Johns Hopkins University/PCS among others. Dr. Shekar has also worked with UNICEF in Ethiopia.

Mr. Bill Staples is a professional conference facilitator and trainer for the Canadian Institute of Cultural Affairs (ICA) and a member of ICA International. He was a Director of the New Village Movement in Maharashtra, India, from 1976 to 1979, and since then, publisher of Edges magazine, and a producer, director, and writer for several videos and books on facilitation and its use in business and civil society.

Mr. Takashi Togami started his career with Coca-Cola (Japan) in 1966. He climbed the corporate ladder to become Director and Senior Vice President for External Scientific Affairs of Coca-Cola in 1999. Presently, he is a senior consultant to the same company and at the same time Vice President of ILSI, Japan. He graduated with a BS and MS degree in Applied Chemistry, in the Science and Engineering Faculty of Waseda University.

Dr. Herbert Wienstein is a consultant working on nutritional projects in Latin America after more than 30 years with multinational food companies. He has a wealth of experience in packaged food products involving all technical aspects, from quality control and product development, to manufacturing, engineering, and logistics. He earned his doctorate diploma and masters in Food Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Ms. Christiane Wolff is a senior official in the Agriculture and Commodities Division of the World Trade Organization.

Mrs. Yeong Boon Yee is the Executive Director of ILSI, Southeast Asia. A qualified nutritionist, she coordinates and oversees the organizational and scientific programs of the branch.

Dr. Ray Yip is Senior Advisor of Health in UNICEF, currently serving as the Chief of the Health and Nutrition Section for the China Programme. He is a public health specialist with special interest in the control of micronutrient deficiency and maternal and child health.

Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADB	Asian Development Bank
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CWS	cold-water soluble
DALY	disability-adjusted life years
IDA	iron deficiency anemia
IDD	iodine deficiency disorders
IFTF	Iron Fortification Task Force (Fiji)
ILSI	International Life Sciences Institute
INFH	Institute of Food and Hygiene (PRC)
IU	international units
MI	Micronutrient Initiative
NGO	nongovernment organization
NIN	National Institute of Nutrition (Viet Nam)
PAMM	Program Against Micronutrient Malnutrition
PEM	protein energy malnutrition
RDA	recommended daily allowance
RDI	recommended daily intake
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USI	universal salt iodization
VAD	vitamin A deficiency
VAT	value-added tax
WTO	World Trade Organization
WWW	World Wide Web