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**Mr. Taimur Islam**  
**Team Leader**  
**Urban Study Group**  
**Dhaka, BANGLADESH**

Taimur Islam, a practicing architect-turned-heritage activist, leads an intense campaign based on community participation and networking with NGOs for the protection of Dhaka city's historic communities and neighborhoods. While looking at the role of cultural identity in the overall urban development process and in heritage management, his focus was on experience and best practices in legislation, community participation, financing conservation, and developments in technology.



**Mr. Mohamed IQBAL HABIB**  
**Architect**  
**VITTI Sthapati Brindo Ltd**  
**Dhaka, BANGLADESH**

Iqbal Habib is managing director of the architectural firm VITTI Sthapati Brindo Ltd, where he is responsible for master planning projects, urban lakefront developments, and building construction projects. During his fellowship, he focused on meeting leaders, architects and urban planners to learn about sustainable solutions to urban development, the role of environmental advocacy organizations in urban development, and the contributions that architects can make to encourage sustainable development practices.



**Ms. Sonia Dias**  
**Researcher and Consultant**  
**CETEC Foundation & Federal Ministry of Cities**  
**Belo Horizonte, BRAZIL**

Sociologist Sonia Dias is one of Brazil's leading specialists on waste-related management. Her role is to help integrate social aspects into the technical planning of waste collection and recycling projects. During her fellowship, she focused on the links among poverty alleviation, the environment, and participatory institutions, and on public policy design, private-public partnerships, and community recycling.



**Ms. Liliana Hermont**  
**Advisor, Office of Project Development & Implementation**  
**Belo Horizonte Transportation Authority**  
**Belo Horizonte, BRAZIL**

Liliana Hermont is advisor in the Director's Office of Project Development and Implementation for Empresa de Transportes e Trânsito de Belo Horizonte, where she oversees a wide variety of transportation projects. During her fellowship, she focused on the impact of public transportation and urban spaces on the quality of life in city centers, with an emphasis on improving urban mobility and non-motorized modes of transportation.

**Mr. Wang Haichen**  
**Vice Chief Executive**  
**Shunyi District Government of Beijing**  
**Beijing, CHINA**



Wang Haichen is responsible for industrial development of the Shunyi District of Beijing, where he maintains and operates economic zones and manages the relationship between the district government and Beijing International Airport. He also oversees arrangements for the 2008 Olympics water sports events. During his fellowship, he explored social development in large cities, learn how U.S. cities cope with changing populations resulting from urban-rural migration and with major sporting events, and understand how major airports support and/or hinder expansion of local economies.

**Dr. Tarek El-Sheikh**  
**Associate Professor, National Housing and Building Research Centre**  
**Cairo, EGYPT**  
**Currently also serving as Housing Policy Advisor, UN-HABITAT**  
**Amman, Jordan**



Tarek El-Sheikh is an international housing policy expert specializing in housing and land development in Egypt and other Arab states. During his fellowship, he investigated housing and land development within the U.S., explore private real estate companies' operations, and learn about housing policy formulation as well as housing finance and investment.

**Dr. Amr Abdalla A. Attia**  
**Associate Professor of Urban Planning**  
**Ain Shams University**  
**Cairo, EGYPT**



Amr Attia is an associate professor at Ain Shams University where he teaches urban planning, urban design, and sustainable development, and is also vice president of a planning and urban development consulting firm. During his fellowship, he focused on City Development Strategies (city visions & competitiveness), especially in cities where tourism is the main economic mainstay. He will also focus on urban & regional planning, urban design in coastal areas, and sustainable development methods and practices.

**Mr. Arbind Singh**  
**Coordinator, National Association of Street Vendors of India**  
**Patna, Bihar, INDIA**



Arbind Singh is a social activist serving as coordinator of the National Association of Street Vendors of India to protect and promote vendor rights by bringing them together with policy-makers, local authorities, and police; sharing information; advocating better policies and laws; and building the capacity of street vendor organizations. As executive director of NIDAN, he promotes access to microfinance and social security, collective enterprises, and advocates on behalf of education and health of informal workers' children. During his fellowship he focused on issues pertaining to marginalized communities, poverty alleviation, and economic, social, and political inclusion.

**Mr. Sanjeev Sanyal**  
**Chief Economist, Deutsche Bank (Singapore)**  
**INDIA**



As Chief Economist at Deutsche Bank Asia, Mr. Sanjeev Sanyal is a leading expert on the region's fast growing economies. He has worked extensively on financial markets, monetary policy, demographics, micro-finance and environmental accounting. He focused his Eisenhower Fellowship on the various dynamics that will drive twenty-first century Asian mega-cities. In particular, he made detailed investigations and comparisons into human capital clustering (i.e. tertiary education), financial hubs, and urban re-engineering.

**Dr. Suahasil Nazara**  
**Director, Demographic Institute**  
**Economics Faculty, University of Indonesia**  
**Depok, INDONESIA**



Suahasil Nazara has a special interest in population issues related to regional economic development. In addition to directing the University of Indonesia's Demographic Institute, he is a steering committee member of Indonesian Vision 2030, the goal of which is to catapult Indonesia into the top five largest economies in the world. During his fellowship, Mr. Nazara gained an understanding of the impacts of urbanization on the development of large cities, the relationship between smaller cities and the larger system of cities, and the American perception of the particular role of the capital city, with a view to seeing what can be learned for Jakarta.

**Mr. Wahyu Setyawan**  
**Architect and Lecturer, Architecture Department**  
**Sepuluh Nopember Institute of Technology**  
**Surabaya, INDONESIA**



Along with his Institute of Technology role, Wahyu has been involved in the development of housing and human settlements for poor people in Surabaya and other cities in East Java Province and in low-cost housing through the Earthquake and Tsunami Emergency Supporting Program in Aceh, Sumatra. In his fellowship, he focused on how schools of architecture and urban planning relate to formulation of government policies, as well as on urban heritage and housing for low- income people.

**Ms. Alicia Guajardo Alatorre**  
**CEO and Associate, Neocity Real Estate Group**  
**Professor of Architecture, University of Monterrey**  
**Monterrey, MEXICO**



Alicia Guajardo is CEO and Associate of Neocity Real Estate Group, urban development advisor to central infrastructure firms and state governments in Mexico, and professor at the University of Monterrey and Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM). During her fellowship, she focused on successful urban development projects, capital investment, urban regeneration, sustainable development companies and projects, transportation and infrastructure, sustainable housing, and mixed-used development.

**Mr. Ramiro Barrios Castrejon**  
**Project Director**  
**Mario Molina Center for Strategic Studies on Energy and Environment**  
**Mexico City, MEXICO**



Ramiro Barrios develops air quality and greenhouse gases scenarios and assesses alternatives to reduce emissions, prepares emission estimates, and communicates findings to decision-makers and the public. During his fellowship, he visited federal, state, and local government representatives, as well as non-profit organizations and industry representatives, to discuss air quality problems and solutions, particularly those that result from transportation-related pollution.

**Dr. Olanike Adeyemo**  
**Lecturer and Aquatic Pathobiologist, University of Ibadan**  
**Ibadan, NIGERIA**



Pathobiologist Olanike Adeyemo specializes in the effects of environmental contaminants on aquatic systems and the resultant public health implications. A university teacher since 1999, she also founded an NGO to address environmental linkages to breast cancer, spread awareness about environmental pollution and associated health risks, and persuade the government to enact and enforce protective laws, including banning the use of certain chemicals and other contaminants. During her fellowship, she focused on sustainable management of solid wastes and effluents from domestic and industrial sources and assess government enforcement of environmental laws, public-private partnerships involving waste management, successful ecosystem remediation/restoration efforts, and the influence of academic research on environmental regulatory laws and policies.

**Ms. Lorelei Anastacio Ng**  
**Assistant Project Architect, Ayala Land Inc.**  
**Project Architect, Avida Land Inc.**  
**Quezon City, Metro Manila, PHILIPPINES**



Lorelei Ng is an advocate of sustainable development and green architecture design principles who has managed high-end and affordable residential projects, as well as commercial projects, for the leading land developer involved in new town planning and large-scale, mixed-use developments in the Philippines. During her fellowship, she learned about sustainable environmental development practices in urban design and green architecture.

**Ms. Vineela Pillay**  
**Senior Policy Advisor, International Sustainable Development Co-operation**  
**National Department of Environmental Affairs & Tourism**  
**Pretoria, SOUTH AFRICA**



Vinny Pillay is senior policy advisor for international sustainable development co-operation at the National Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, responsible for the co-ordination of her country's participation in the U.N. Commission on Sustainable Development. During her fellowship, she examined environmental sustainability planning and reporting, at both government and private sector levels, and examples of urban re-generation through development of green spaces, property development, and sustainable human settlements.

**Mr. Obakeng Mooketsi**  
**Deputy Director General, Department of Health**  
**Gauteng Provincial Government**  
**Johannesburg, SOUTH AFRICA**



Obakeng Mooketsi heads the planning, construction management, and public-private partnership efforts of the Gauteng Department of Health, preparing to build the first integrated health planning framework in South Africa. Seeking to provide sustainable and equitable healthcare access to the most underprivileged people, he sought to obtain a stronger understanding of the U.S. healthcare system, including the provision of health technologies to curtail hospital costs; how the private sector can contribute to the health service delivery; and health planning in the context of a globally competitive city region like Gauteng.

**Mr. Dithabe Oupa Nkoane**  
**Executive Manager, Urban Renewal Program**  
**Department of Provincial and Local Government**  
**Pretoria, SOUTH AFRICA**



Oupa Nkoane is a town and regional planner working with the Department of Provincial and Local Government as Executive Manager for the National Urban Renewal Program, where he is charged with revitalizing local communities through enhanced urban planning and design, improved land use, economic development packages, housing, and other initiatives. During his fellowship, he sought insight into the historic and economic development of several U.S. cities, investigate regional political and administrative management, and learn about the role that both private and public finance play in urban development, particularly in inner city regeneration and declining residential neighborhoods.

**Mr. Iñaki Urdangarín**  
**Advisory Board Member**  
**Telefonica Internacional & Motorpress Iberica**  
**Barcelona, SPAIN**



Inaki Urdangarín is an Advisory Board Member and a consultant specializing in human resources for a variety of organizations and businesses in Spain, having previously lectured in the Department of Business Policy at the ESADE Business School, led various high level sports associations, and been an Olympic bronze medalist handball player. On his fellowship he examined programs to promote culture and sport among the young, the use of sport and culture as tools of social integration, and issues of sponsorship, patronage, and corporate social responsibility. He is a member of the Spanish Royal Family and Duke of Palma de Mallorca.

**Mr. Martín Fernández-Prado**  
**Professor of Urban Design and Planning**  
**School of Architecture, University of A Coruña**  
**A Coruña, SPAIN**



Martín Fernández-Prado is professor of urban design and planning at the University of A Coruña and principal of the architecture firm Hermanos Fernández Prado, in addition to having recently served as Director General of Urban Planning for the autonomous government of Galicia. During his fellowship, he visited sustainable waterfront developments, explore conservation and restoration of national parks, look at public transportation and housing policies, visit schools of architecture and urban design, and learn about public-private partnerships and nonprofit organizations focused on urban planning.

**Dr. Methee Payomyong**  
**Team Leader, Office of National Economic & Social Development Board**  
**Chiang Mai, THAILAND**



Methee Payomyong is a regional planner whose primary focus is on national resource management and environmental planning, primarily in urban settings. During his fellowship, he identified recent best practices from leading U.S. government and private organizations on: 1) How urbanization impacts on poverty, social problems, lack of shelter, and environmental degradation; 2) How decentralized policies and implementation of urban development can promote public participation and quality of life; and 3) How urban governance, environmental management, private sector involvement, community participation, and local government finance systems may be applied appropriately to the Thai context.

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**Andrea Cabral**  
**Sheriff**  
**Suffolk County Sheriff's Department**  
**Boston, MASSACHUSETTS**



As sheriff of Suffolk County, Andrea Cabral manages the largest sheriff's department in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, responsible for a \$102 million budget, 1800 inmates, 900 pretrial detainees, and 1100 security, civilian, and management staff. On her fellowship Ms. Cabral examined the social, economic, and cultural motivations for crime, and the political impact of criminal laws and policies in Australia. She also examined how the challenges of crime prevention are met without incarcerating vast numbers of citizens.

**Timothy Cahill**  
**State Treasurer & Receiver General**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Boston, MASSACHUSETTS**



Tim Cahill currently serves as the chief financial officer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as the state's banker. On his fellowship, he focused on how both Ireland and India have developed their economies over the past half-decade, and what policies they used to reverse migration into their urban areas and emigration from the country as a whole. He also examined how they managed the challenges that come from increasing urbanization, such as transportation infrastructure, increased crime, and housing shortages.

**Daniel Douglas**  
**Director**  
**Raleigh Urban Design Center**  
**Raleigh, NORTH CAROLINA**



Dan Douglas is director of the Raleigh Urban Design Center, where he advises the city manager, planning director, commissions and city council on urban design matters. On his fellowship to Germany and Spain he explored innovative strategies of sustainability and urban design, as well as successful examples of transportation infrastructure and economic development.

**Joseph Guthrie**  
**Owner/Operator**  
**Guthrie Farms, LLC**  
**Dublin, VA**  
[guthrie@i-plus.net](mailto:guthrie@i-plus.net)



As the owner and operator of a farm business of more than 400 brood cows on nearly 1500 owned and rented acres, Mr. Joseph Guthrie is directly responsible for all aspects of management, personnel, herd health, financing, taxes, risk management, equipment maintenance and repair. Along with his work on the farm, Mr. Guthrie has been involved with agriculture policy and agricultural research since the start of his career. He has recently been invited to serve on the faculty at Virginia Tech to teach agriculture and advise students. On his fellowship, he examined research and extension work in Australia and New Zealand to incorporate innovative ideas and policies into his work in the U.S.

**J. Donald Hobart, Jr.**  
**Director of Governmental & Legal Affairs**  
**North Carolina Department of Commerce**  
**State of North Carolina**  
**Raleigh, NORTH CAROLINA**



As director of governmental and legal affairs for the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Don Hobart has designed and assisted in the implementation of numerous economic development policies for his state. He has worked with the secretary of commerce to bring major industries to the state and to develop international trade and investment relationships. In Thailand, Malaysia, and Singapore, he explored how government has used infrastructure, education, workforce training, and business incentives to stimulate economic development and invigorate depressed urban areas and outlying regions.

**Jenni Owen**  
**Director of Policy Initiatives**  
**Center for Child & Family Policy**  
**Duke University**  
**Durham, NORTH CAROLINA**



In her capacity at the Duke University Center for Child & Family Policy, Jenni Owen works with policymakers and practitioners to make research more relevant to policy on issues ranging from child abuse and neglect to youth substance abuse to professional development for teachers. On her fellowship in South Africa, she examined the strategies used in public-private partnerships to alleviate poverty in urban areas.

**Loree D. Jones**  
**Managing Director**  
**City of Philadelphia**  
**Philadelphia, PENNSYLVANIA**



Loree Jones is managing director of the City of Philadelphia and is responsible for all city operations and providing oversight to approximately 20,000 employees in 16 operating departments and offices. She traveled to South Africa to examine the methods other cities use to provide social services to their underserved populations. She also investigated views of social service delivery through the perspectives of the provider, urban stakeholder, and city official.

**Maitreyi Roy**  
**Director, Philadelphia Green**  
**The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society**  
**Philadelphia, PENNSYLVANIA**



Maitreyi Roy currently serves as director of Philadelphia Green at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Her responsibilities include conceptualization and development of new programs and initiatives. On her fellowship to Germany, Spain, and the European Union headquarters, she examined sustainable development strategies and successful models of creating green open space in urban areas.

**Rick Sauer**  
**Executive Director**  
**Philadelphia Association of**  
**Community Development Corporations (PACDC)**  
**Philadelphia, PENNSYLVANIA**



As executive director of the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations, a citywide membership organization of non-profit community development corporations, Rick Sauer's key task is to recognize common issues facing members' individual neighborhoods, and then to propose systematic solutions fostering tangible change. On his fellowship, he gained a comprehensive view of how different sectors in New Zealand and Australia are addressing their affordable housing and community development needs, while also advancing sustainable neighborhood revitalization.