

Agriculture and Nutrition Global Learning and Evidence Exchange (AgN-GLEE)

Strengthened and Sustainable Linkages among Agriculture, Economic Growth, and Nutrition

Speaker Biographies

(Listed alphabetically by last name)

Pascalie Adedze, Nutrition Advisor

USAID Bureau for Food Security

Pascalie Adedze is the nutrition advisor at USAID Washington, in the Bureau of Food Security providing technical assistance to Feed the Future mission programs. Her expertise focuses on food security and nutrition, public health nutrition, nutritional science and extension. Her previous work focused on public health nutrition research, program design, planning and evaluation for low income populations including agriculture and nutrition extension assessment and promoting collaboration and capacity building to strengthen nutrition curricula for high school level educational institutions.

Zachary Baquet, Knowledge Management Specialist

USAID Bureau for Food Security

Zachary Baquet is the Knowledge Management Specialist for USAID's Bureau for Food Security (BFS) and worked on finding effective ways to connect those in the agriculture and food security development community with the technical knowledge they need to succeed. Prior to joining BFS, Baquet held an American Association for the Advancement of Science: Science & Technology Policy Fellowship in USAID's former Office of Agriculture. In the Office of Agriculture, Baquet worked on food security, how to integrate climate change and natural resource management into agriculture programming, training and knowledge management issues. Baquet has a B.A. in Physics and Astronomy and gained experience in aerospace engineering before pursuing a Ph.D. in developmental molecular biology.

Gilles Bergeron, Deputy Director - Country Programs

The Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance Project III (FANTA III), FHI 360

Dr. Gilles Bergeron has worked in international health and nutrition for more than 25 years, and has experience in M&E, food security, sustainable agriculture, agriculture/nutrition linkages, and in early warning and response. In his current position as the Deputy Director – Country Programs for the FANTA III Project, he oversees the Project's work in Emergency Nutrition; Nutrition and Infectious Diseases; Maternal/Child Health and Nutrition; and Agriculture/Nutrition Linkages. Prior to joining FANTA, Gilles spent six years with IFPRI, and three years with the Institute of Nutrition for Central America and Panama in Guatemala. Gilles has worked in Africa, Latin America and Asia; and his work has been published in leading scientific journals, such as The Lancet, Advances in Nutrition, World Development, the Journal of Development Studies and Food and Nutrition Bulletin. Gilles received his PhD in Development Sociology from Cornell University in 1994 and is fluent in French and Spanish.

Peter Berti, Nutrition Advisor

HealthBridge

Peter Berti joined HealthBridge (formerly PATH Canada) in 1998 at the head office in Ottawa. As Nutrition Advisor, he is responsible for ensuring the technical quality of all HealthBridge's work in food

and nutrition research and programming. Much of his work has been in the Americas (Ecuador, Bolivia, Brazil and Canada) where he has conducted research and managed programs in food fortification, nutritional assessment, and risk analysis and management. Now his work emphasizes food system research, especially the integration of food and nutrition interventions with agriculture interventions. The review that he co-authored (Berti et al. (2004), *Public Health Nutrition* 7:599–609) is a review of the effectiveness of agriculture interventions in improving nutrition outcomes. This work has been widely cited and become central to various similar reviews published between 2004 and 2012. He currently works on agriculture-nutrition research projects in Bolivia (focused on small animal husbandry), Ecuador (Andean grains) and the Vietnam and Thailand highlands.

José Andrés Botrán Briz, President
Compañía Agrícola Industrial Santa Ana

Mr. Botrán obtained a degree in Manufacturing Engineering from Boston University in 1984. He is also a graduate from Centro Nacional de Estudios Estratégicos (ESTNA) in Guatemala City, where he shared courses with members of several sectors of Guatemalan society, hoping to develop a shared vision of the country. Currently, he is President of Compañía Agrícola Industrial Santa Ana, and has been a Board member of Financiera Guatemalteca Sociedad Anonima (FIGSA) and Industrias Licoreras de Guatemala. Parallel to his business activities, and worried about the indifference towards the hunger situation in Guatemala and its consequences, as member of the Chamber of Industry, he introduced the topic in the entrepreneurial sector in 2001. He represented the Chamber at Foro Guatemala from 2001 to 2004. Under his direction a National Public Policy of Food Security and Nutrition was developed as well as the creation of a new government office, the Secretariat of Food Security and Nutrition of the Presidency (SESAN). Mr. Botrán was nominated in 2007 for the World Food Prize, and has continued to be a spokesperson in conferences all around the world to address the issue of world hunger and malnutrition

Elizabeth Buckingham, Nutrition and Gender Advisor
U.S. Department of State Office of Global Food Security

Liz Buckingham is the Nutrition and Gender Advisor in the Office of Global Food Security at the U.S. Department of State. She is responsible for overseeing nutrition and gender integration in the U.S. government's food security policies and programs including Feed the Future, 1,000 Days Partnership and the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement. Ms. Buckingham has a background in public health and social work and before coming to the Office of Global Food Security worked in the State Department's Office of the Global Health Initiative as well as at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. She has also spent many years working in the U.S. nonprofit social services sector as a counselor for children and youth.

Carlos Cardenas, Country Director
Save the Children - Guatemala

Dr. Cardenas graduated from medical school and received his Obstetrics and Gynecology diploma in Lima, Peru. In 1984, he initiated his public health work in Peru pioneering family planning through a USAID funded project and supportive private and public sector start-ups for family planning and reproductive health services. In 1989 Dr. Cardenas was invited to join Pathfinder International headquarters in Boston and was assigned to Pathfinder's Regional office for Latin America in Mexico City. He obtained his Master's in Public Health, focusing on Policy and Administration from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill in 1994. Dr. Cardenas joined CARE in Atlanta and went on to be Country Director for CARE Peru. In 2005, Dr. Cardenas returned to the United States to lead the efforts to expand Mercy Corps' health portfolio Unit in 15 countries. In 2009, Dr. Cardenas was recruited by Save the Children as Country Director in Guatemala. From 1990 to 2002, Dr. Cardenas was adjunct

faculty at Boston University School of Public Health and The Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University, where he lectured on design and implementation of efficient family planning programs.

Paola Carrillo Hinojosa, Assistant Professor

Food Science and Technology Department at Zamorano University

Paola Carrillo works at the Food Science and Technology Department at Zamorano University, as an assistant professor of Human Nutrition. She has been the Academic Coordinator of the Department since 2009 and is in charge of the department's educational activities and their respective supervision. From 2001 to 2008 Paola, an Ecuadorian citizen, worked in agricultural and food industries, such as Nestlé Ecuador. Her experience in community nutrition projects helped her to develop a new vision to teach Human Nutrition at Zamorano. In the last two years, she has established the Human Nutrition Laboratory which helps students and Zamorano surrounding communities to develop strategies for healthy lifestyles. At the Human Nutrition Laboratory, she performs research in nutritional assessment and food consumption. In the years to come, she hopes to have strategic influence in the nutrition and food security in the region as a whole.

Heather Danton, Consultant

Strengthening Partnerships, Results and Innovations in Nutrition Globally (SPRING)

Heather Danton has over 20 years of experience in the area of food security and livelihoods and is a specialist in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of programs which integrate economic and agricultural development with nutrition. She has been working with a fabulous team to coordinate all aspects of the AgN-GLEE for the SPRING Project since September 2012. Prior to that, Heather worked for eight years as Senior Director of Food Security and Livelihoods for Save the Children Federation Inc. in Washington, DC for eight years where she oversaw and ensured quality implementation of Save the Children's entire food security portfolio, including its USAID/Food for Peace-funded Title II programs in 10 countries. Heather holds a Master of Science degree in Agriculture from Cornell University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Stanford University.

Omar Dary, Nutrition Advisor

Abt Associates

Omar Dary works at the International Economic Growth Division of Abt Associates in Bethesda, Maryland, where he is the nutrition advisor linking agriculture and economic growth activities with nutrition and health. Dr. Dary worked for 10 years as the Food Fortification and Micronutrient Specialist of the USAID global projects of micronutrients, MOST and A2Z. Before that, at the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama (INCAP) in Guatemala City, he led the micronutrient group, and the food composition and nutritional biochemistry laboratories for 12 years. Omar has supported food fortification programs, and design, implementation, enforcement, monitoring and evaluation of combined nutrient interventions in more than 37 countries in Latin America, Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. He has served as advisor in public health nutrition to WHO, PAHO/WHO, UNICEF, FAO, WFP, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), the Micronutrient Initiative (MI), the International Life Science Institute (ILSI), SUSTAIN, and other organizations. He was a member of the steering committees of the International Consultative Group of vitamin A (IVACG), the Micronutrient Forum, and the Central American branch of the International Council for the Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders (ICC-IDD) and, presently, he participates in the International Zinc Nutrition Consultative Group (IZiNCG), and the PAHO/WHO Expert Group for promoting salt intake reduction.

**David Delgado, Senior Food Security Advisor
USAID - Guatemala**

Mr. Delgado is a retired USAID Foreign Service Officer with more than 40 years of international development experience in agricultural production, food security, watershed management, integrated rural development, export promotion, private sector development, economic growth and conflict mitigation. Mr. Delgado held senior management positions with USAID in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America. He is the senior Food Security Advisor to USAID/Guatemala. Mr. Delgado holds degrees from the University of Tennessee and Cornell University.

**Lidan Du, Landscape Analysis Research Lead
Strengthening Partnerships, Results and Innovations in Nutrition Globally (SPRING)**

Lidan Du leads the Landscape Analysis effort for N-GLIEE. Lidan has over ten years of experience in nutrition and public health research and programs. She was the Nutrition Specialist on the USAID funded A2Z project and a Research Associate at Rutgers University where she taught graduate courses and designed, delivered and evaluated community nutrition education curricula and projects targeting low-income immigrant population. Prior to that, she worked as a consultant for UNICEF and the World Bank. Earlier in her career, she also worked in malaria research and ventured the private sector. Lidan holds a PhD in International Nutrition from Cornell University, a Master of Science degree in Food Policy and Applied Nutrition from Tufts University and a Bachelor of Science in Preventive Medicine from her native country, China.

**Beth Dunford, Deputy Assistant Administrator
USAID Bureau for Food Security**

Beth Dunford is the Deputy Assistant Administrator in the Bureau for Food Security, where she also supervises the Office of Country Strategies and Implementation. A Foreign Service Officer, Dunford has been with USAID for nearly 10 years, serving both in Washington, D.C. and in two overseas posts. From 2009 to 2010 Dunford served as the Senior Development Advisor to Ambassador Richard Holbrooke, the Secretary of State's Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan. Prior to this assignment she was the team leader for Afghanistan on the U.S. Central Command Assessment established by U.S. Army General David Petraeus. She also served on the ground in Afghanistan from 2005 to 2007 as the USAID/Afghanistan Alternative Livelihoods program director. Other past positions held by Dunford include Regional Development Advisor for USAID's Office of East African Affairs (2007-2008), and chief of the Assets and Livelihoods Transition Office for USAID/Ethiopia (2002 – 2005). A New York City native, Dunford earned her bachelor's degree from Northwestern University and her Ph.D. in Sociology from Michigan State University.

**Rebecca Egan, Nutrition Technical Advisor
USAID Bureau for Global Health**

Rebecca Egan is a nutrition technical advisor for USAID in the Bureau for Global Health. She provides broad expertise in food security and nutrition programming as well as monitoring and evaluation of USAID programs to support the achievement of objectives put forth under the US Government's Feed the Future and the Global Health Initiatives. Rebecca also leads the technical assistance for 2 of USAID's nutrition projects: the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) and the Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance Project (FANTA). Prior to coming to USAID, Rebecca worked for the William J Clinton Health Access Initiative as a Nutrition Program Manager supporting nutrition programs in over 15 countries. Rebecca holds an MS from the Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy.

Jorge Escoto, Chief of Party
TetraTech

Mr. Jorge Escoto is an accomplished economist with more than 22 years' experience in high-level positions within the public sector in Central America, including over eight years in decentralization, local governance, and local economic development programs and over five years managing USAID projects. Mr. Escoto served as the Chief of Party for the USAID/Guatemala Decentralization and Local Governance Program, after a distinguished tenure as Guatemalan Ambassador to Mexico. He is currently Chief of Party of the USAID/Guatemala Local Governance Project. LGP works to achieve municipal strengthening in Eastern Guatemala as well as in the Western Highlands, where it emphasizes improving food and nutritional security, as part of USAID's Feed the Future Initiative. His technical expertise in municipal strengthening spans multiple technical areas, from strategic municipal service delivery planning to municipal association strengthening. Mr. Escoto brings numerous years of experience in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) and, as Deputy Chief of Party for the Local Government and Decentralization Program, was responsible for M&E design and reporting. Mr. Escoto's previous experience includes high-level positions with the Government of Guatemala where he led the design, implementation, and evaluation of public policies to reduce poverty at the national and local levels, and public investment, decentralization, citizen participation, participative budget, and social audit programs.

Ashley Frost, Health Officer
USAID - Guatemala

Ashley Frost is a Health Officer at USAID/Guatemala. She holds a Ph.D. in Sociology and Demography and has extensive research experience in reproductive health, gender inequality, and children and youth issues in developing countries. Prior to joining USAID, Ashley served as a co-principal investigator for a 5-year NIH study of adolescent sexual behavior and HIV/AIDS in Ghana, where she managed a qualitative data collection effort in two peri-urban communities. Her dissertation examined men's gender attitudes—specifically how men develop gender equitable attitudes—using both quantitative and qualitative methods. Ashley served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Benin, West Africa.

Anna Herforth, Consultant
Independent

Anna Herforth is a consultant specializing in nutrition and food security, and is a member of the team coordinating the AgN-GLEE workshops. She consults for USAID's SPRING project, the World Bank, and the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO); she is also a Visiting Fellow at Cornell University. She has worked with universities, nonprofit organizations, agencies of the United Nations, and the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) on food and nutrition in Africa, South Asia, and Latin America. In each region she has spent considerable time working with agricultural and indigenous communities. She holds a Ph.D. from Cornell University in International Nutrition with a minor in International Agriculture, an M.S. in Food Policy from Tufts Friedman School, and a B.S. in Plant Science from Cornell University. She founded the Food, Agriculture, and Nutrition Group (FANG) at Cornell University, and is a founding member of the Agriculture-Nutrition Community of Practice, a professional group that started with 5 people in 2010 and now has over 500 members globally.

Elena Hurtado, Senior Technical Advisor
URC - CHS

Elena Hurtado is an applied anthropologist and public health specialist who has dedicated her career to serving the health needs of Guatemala's indigenous populations. Elena joined the USAID/Calidad en Salud Project in 2000, where she led the design of the Integrated Health Care for Women and Children at the Community Level program in Guatemala. As Senior Technical Advisor and Behavior Change

Expert, she has led the design of several key national strategies for maternal and child health, nutrition, family planning, and HIV/AIDS and managed community mobilization activities and behavior change interventions in support of the Guatemalan Ministry of Health (MOH). Hurtado graduated from Tulane University with a degree in anthropology and psychology, and pursued a graduate degree in public health at the University of California in Los Angeles. Elena also consulted with programs throughout Latin America as well as in Kenya and India, has served as an adviser to the National Public Health Institute in Mexico, and been a mentor to countless public health students in Guatemala and abroad.

Joan M. Jennings, Senior Specialist Nutrition

Technical and Operational Performance Support (TOPS) Project, Save the Children

An expert in maternal and child health and nutrition, Joan leads the nutrition and food technology activities within the TOPS Program. She has 15 years of experience providing consulting services for many USAID-funded food security and child survival programs and has extensive experience working with state-of-the-art nutrition protection and behavior change strategies for improved infant and young child feeding practices. Her skill set also includes quantitative and qualitative evaluation, formative investigation, proposal development and strategic planning. She has worked in 15 countries throughout all development program regions. In between periods of consulting, she was the team leader for children's health with CARE USA. She initiated her work in development as a Health and Nutrition Manager for Save the Children in Nicaragua. She holds a Master of Public Health degree from Tulane University and received an internship with the United Nations ACC/Sub-Committee on Nutrition, editing a review of the elements of success among large-scale nutrition programs in 10 countries.

Peggy Koniz-Booher, Senior Advisor for Nutrition and SBCC

Strengthening Partnerships, Results and Innovations in Nutrition Globally (SPRING)

Peggy Koniz-Booher is an international public health nutritionist and social and behavior change communication (SBCC) specialist with more than 25 years of technical and program management experience. She has lived and/or worked in more than 25 countries. Areas of expertise include maternal, infant and young child nutrition (MIYCN), postpartum family planning and reproductive health, prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT), nutrition and HIV/AIDS care and support, and the development of state-of-the-art print and other communication tools and materials. Prior to joining SPRING, she served as Senior Technical Advisor for both centrally funded and multilateral projects for URC, and COP for their NuLife Project in Uganda. She most recently worked with PATH on their EGPAF PMTCT Program and the IYCN Project. She currently serves as SPRING's Senior Advisor for Nutrition and SBCC.

Janet Lawson, Agriculture Development Officer

USAID - Guatemala's Economic Growth Office

Janet Lawson is an Agriculture Development Officer currently posted to USAID/Guatemala's Economic Growth Office, and previously served at USAID/Cambodia. She has experience in agroforestry, agriculture extension, and environmental management. Before joining USAID, Janet was a Renewable Energy Project Manager with the Bureau of Land Management in California. She managed an environmental education program at the Chicago Botanic Garden and served as an agriculture extension volunteer with the Peace Corps in Paraguay. She earned a Master of Environmental Science from Yale's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and a B.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University.

**Jeffrey Lehrer, Office Director
USAID - Guatemala**

Jeffrey has worked with USAID in different capacities for more than 10 years and currently is the Office Director of USAID/Guatemala. From 2009 to 2012, he served as the Tajikistan Country Office Director. Prior to his experience in Tajikistan, Jeffrey held the position of Economic Growth Deputy Office Director, USAID/El Salvador, Central America & Mexico Regional Program. Additionally, he was the Economic Growth Office Director, for USAID/Caucasus from 2002 – 2005. Jeffrey received his Master's degree in International Affairs from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

**Mike Manske, Food Security Advisor
USAID Office of Health, Infectious Disease and Nutrition**

Mike Manske is a Nutrition and Food Security Advisor in the Nutrition Division of the Office of Health, Infectious Disease and Nutrition. In that role, Michael provides broad expertise in food security, nutrition programming, nutrition in emergencies, food/nutrition interactions with HIV and other infectious diseases, and monitoring and evaluation of these programs toward achieving the overall operational objectives of USAID. Prior to this he was Deputy Country Director, Programs for Save the Children in Bamako, Mali and performed various nutrition, food security and child health technical roles for Action Against Hunger, Save the Children and Counterpart International in Africa and Washington, DC. He has a Master's of Public Health Degree from Tulane University.

**Amy Margolies, Research Assistant
International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)**

Amy Margolies is a Research Analyst in the Poverty, Health and Nutrition Division at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). She holds a master's degree in Human Security and International Conflict Resolution from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University and a BA from Macalester College. Margolies has previously worked in government, the UN and non-governmental organizations on food security, social protection and peace building. Additionally, she worked for the National School Meals Program with the Brazilian Ministry of Education. She is a recipient of the Project on Negotiation Summer Fellowship at Harvard Law School, as well as the Mickey Leland Fellowship, a two-year program funded by the U.S. Congress for field and policy work on issues of hunger. She has worked in Brazil, Peru, Ecuador, Guatemala, Bolivia, Guinea-Bissau, Uganda and East Timor.

**Bonnie McClafferty, Director of Agriculture and Nutrition
Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN)**

Bonnie McClafferty has over 20 years of experience working in agricultural research and development within the institutes that make up the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) under the World Bank. Bonnie joined GAIN from HarvestPlus where for 12 years she headed up their office on Development and Communications. As a founding leader of HarvestPlus she managed a portfolio of activities that brought together agriculture and nutrition scientists and development specialists to breed and test nutrient-rich varieties of staple crops. Prior to joining HarvestPlus Bonnie headed up the communications work for the Food Consumption and Nutrition Division of the International Food Policy Research Institute where she was responsible for programmatic and communication and advocacy work that linked food security research with nutrition outcomes. Bonnie serves on the Technical Advisory Committee of Helen Keller International, is a member of the Executive Steering Committee of the Sweetpotato for Profit and Health Initiative (SASHA) and is a current board member of the NGO StepUp (Sao Tome and Principe Union for Promotion).

**Andrew Medlicott, Director
Fintrac, ACCESO Project**

Dr. Medlicott is Director of Operations in Latin America for Fintrac and project director for the ACCESO Project, a USAID/Honduras Feed the Future investment. With over 25 years of experience in the evaluation, design and implementation of production, postharvest and marketing programs for a wide range of fresh and processed produce, Andy also holds a Ph.D. in postharvest technology. Andy served as director of the Farmer Training and Development Program (MCA-H/EDA) in Honduras, a four-year effort to help farmers increase incomes, diversify and access markets. He was the Chief of Party for Fintrac in the SBED project, funded by USAID/ Jamaica, which increased productivity, sales and employment in SMEs in three years as well as for the TROPRO project in the Eastern Caribbean. A postharvest physiologist by profession, Dr. Medlicott has worked with commercial fresh produce operations in Latin America and the Caribbean as well as North America and Europe. His experience includes production, postharvest and marketing of tree crops, ethnic vegetables, organic produce, flowers, and a range of high value fresh and processed foods. He also designs and offers business and management training courses in agriculture to rural producers, entrepreneurs and Business Development Service providers.

**Luis Enrique Monterroso De León, Secretary
Secretariat for Food Security and Nutrition (SESAN), Guatemala**

Monterroso de León is an expert economist in Food Security and Nutrition, and has studied at the University of Francisco Marroquín and the University of Mesoamericana. Monterroso served as a fundamental contributor to the National Policy of Food Security and Nutrition, as well as the Law on National Food and Nutritional Security System in the country. Monterroso's experience includes serving as Project Director of the Promotion and Training in Nutritional Rights for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in the headquarters in Guatemala. Additionally, Monterroso advised on the establishment of the strategic guidelines for the design and implementation of the Central American Policy of Food Security and Nutrition with the Central American Parliament, in San Salvador in 2006. Monterroso has consulted for different international authorities, including those providing support for the production of the Food Security and Nutrition Law of Honduras, Food Security and Nutrition Law of Nicaragua, and the productions of Best Analysis. In 2004 he held the role of Executive Secretary and Specific Advisor of the Commission of Food Security of the Republican Congress. Monterroso has received several recognitions for his work, one being the Medal of Merit awarded by the Honduras National Alliance Against Hunger in 2004. Additionally, he was awarded the Medal of Recognition of the Central American Parliament at the 4th Regional Nutritional Health and Rights Forum in 2007.

**John Nicholson, Knowledge Management/Communities Manager
Strengthening Partnerships, Results and Innovations in Nutrition Globally (SPRING)**

John Nicholson has served as a communications and knowledge management specialist with John Snow, Inc. (JSI) for over six years. For the past three years, John has been an integral member of USAID's flagship HIV knowledge management project, AIDSTAR-One, overseeing the initial development of the project's knowledge management strategy and online platform. Prior to joining AIDSTAR-One, he supported 11 field offices working to improve injection safety and health care waste management practices in Africa and the Caribbean. He holds a MA in Health Communication from Johns Hopkins University, with a focus on behavior change communication theory and evaluation. John also served as an agriculture extension volunteer in Bolivia, working with small scale farmers and a women's group to improve household food production and nutrition in a rural indigenous community.

Claire Nicklin, Regional Representative
Collaborative Crop Research Program (CCRP), McKnight Foundation

Claire Nicklin has been the regional representative in the Andes for the Collaborative Crop Research Program (CCRP) of the McKnight Foundation since 2005. The CCRP funds over 15 projects in the Andes that are connected through a community of practice model with an emphasis on collaboration, cross-sectoral learning and capacity strengthening. The projects are based in Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador and work in high-Andean cropping systems. Claire has been based in Ecuador since 1999 and has also worked in the sustainable tourism, cacao and native agrobiodiversity projects funded by GTZ, USAID, the World Bank, IDRC and Bioversity.

Kim Peacock, Technical Advisor
John Snow, Inc.

Kim Peacock, Technical Advisor with JSI, has worked in international development for more than 18 years, with assignments in Asia, LAC and Africa. Peacock's experience and expertise include organizational development, capacity building, technical curriculum development, training of trainers, and design of supply chain systems. Peacock frequently participates in and facilitates multi-organizational workshops on key development topics.

Rahul Rawat, Research Fellow
International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

Rahul Rawat is a Research Fellow in the Poverty, Health, and Nutrition (PHN) Division at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), based in Washington DC. At IFPRI, Rahul conducts program evaluations of maternal and child health and nutrition programs. He co-leads the global evaluation team of the infant and young child feeding initiative, Alive and Thrive (A&T), being implemented with partners in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, and Vietnam. The A&T evaluation portfolio includes a set of impact and process evaluations and cost studies of A&T's interventions to scale-up and improve community and health system based behavior change communications interventions to reduce child undernutrition. Rahul also conducts research on how different delivery platforms have the potential to deliver micronutrients to at risk populations through a market based approach of sales of micronutrient powders (MNPs) by frontline health workers in Bangladesh, and through a dairy value chain approach in Senegal. Additionally, he has conducted research on the interactions between HIV and food and nutrition security within the Regional Network on AIDS, Livelihoods and Food Security (RENEWAL) program in eastern and southern Africa.

Kelly Saldana, Deputy Director
USAID Office of Health Infectious Diseases and Nutrition

Kelly Saldana is currently the Deputy Director of USAID's Office of Health, Infectious Diseases and Nutrition. Saldana has over 12 years experience in public health administration and international development, and previously served as a Senior Technical Advisor for the Maternal and Child Health Division of the Bureau for Global Health. From 2003 to 2010 Saldana served as Senior Public Health Advisor for the Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean. Prior to joining USAID, Saldana worked as a Public Health Epidemiologist for the NC Department of Health and Human Services. She received her MPH from the University of Pittsburg and holds a BA in International Affairs from George Washington University.

**Hope Sukin-Klauber, Chief of Health Team
US Agency for International Development**

Hope Sukin-Klauber has been a long time employee of USAID, most recently as Chief of Health Team in the Africa Bureau's Office of Sustainable Development. In this position, she provided strategic and technical leadership and guidance to USAID's Africa Bureau and 25 USAID Africa Missions regarding, among other things, the USG Global Health Initiative and the Nutrition Component of Feed the Future. Prior to holding this position, Hope served as a Child Survival and Nutrition Advisor in several USAID Offices including the Africa Bureau's Office of Sustainable Development, the Office of Voluntary and Food Assistance and the Office of Nutrition. Hope also has experience working in the Latin America Bureau and recently completed a draft Nutrition Policy concept note for the Bureau of Food Security.

**Anne Swindale, Senior Program Advisor - M&E
US Agency for International Development - Bureau for Food Security**

Anne Swindale, Senior Program Advisor – Monitoring and Evaluation in USAID's Bureau for Food Security, is an economist with 25 years of experience in project management, research, and technical assistance in agriculture, food security, and nutrition strategy and program assessment, design, monitoring, and evaluation. For 13 years, she was Deputy then Director of the USAID-funded Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance Project (FANTA). She worked for the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) International Potato Center in Peru and the Dominican Republic. She has a PhD from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University with a specialization in development economics and food, nutrition, and agricultural policies. She is fluent in Spanish.

**Jim Yazman, Livestock Sciences Specialist
US Agency for International Development - Bureau of Food Security**

Dr. Jim Yazman joined the US Agency for International Development in 2004 after 25 years at Winrock International, an Arkansas-based private voluntary organization. While at Winrock he served as livestock specialist providing support to livestock and dairy research and development projects in some 45 countries. From 1985 through 1989, as a member of the team implementing the USAID-funded Nepal Agricultural Research and Production Project he assisted the development of the Dairy and Livestock Research Center at the Nepal Agricultural Research Center, training staff and assisting Center scientists and counterparts from the Ministry of Livestock Services with on-farm research and extension demonstration program design in Nepal's Midhill and Terai regions. From 1992 through 1995 he led the Bolivia Highlands Research Program, a component of the USAID Small Ruminant Collaborative Research Support Program (SR-CRSP), heading a team of US and Bolivian researchers working at two Altiplano research sites. At USAID he serves as livestock sciences specialist in the Bureau of Food Security, Office of Country Support and Implementation. His duties include design of new livestock and dairy development investments in Feed the Future countries and technical backstopping on USAID Bureau- and Mission-level implementation teams.

**Alcido Elenor Wander, Senior Agricultural Economist
Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (EMBRAPA), HarvestPlus**

Dr. Wander holds a Ph.D. and a M.Sc. in Agricultural Sciences (Agricultural Economics) from the Georg-August University of Göttingen (Germany), and a BSc degree in Agriculture from the University of Kassel (Germany). He worked at the University of Santa Cruz do Sul (UNISC) from 1999 to 2000. Since 2001, he has been a Senior Agricultural Economist at the Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (EMBRAPA), acting as a university professor at the Federal University of Goiás (UFG - M.Sc.-Program in Agribusiness) and Faculdade Alves Faria (ALFA - M.Sc.-Programs in Regional Development and Business

Administration). His research lines include economic impact assessment with special focus on biofortification, economic viability of projects, governance of agri-food chains and policy analysis.

Christian Winger, Project Director

Strengthening Partnerships, Results and Innovations in Nutrition Globally (SPRING)

Mr. Winger has over 20 years of experience in managing private and public organizations and implementing projects in nutrition, maternal/child health, HIV & AIDS prevention, and reproductive health. He has served as both Project Director and Chief of Party for a variety of programs and brings to SPRING a demonstrated command of strategic planning, advocacy, operations, logistics, capacity building, monitoring, evaluation, marketing, sales, distribution, accounting, audit, legal and administrative oversight, human resources, and compliance with USAID and other donor regulations. Mr. Winger offers solid experience in creating innovative partnerships between private sector, public sector, and civil society, building upon existing resources for low cost and sustainable interventions.