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#### ILONA KICKBUSCH Director, Global Health Centre, the Graduate Institute



Ilona Kickbusch is the Director of the Global Health Centre and Adjunct Professor at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. She has been deeply involved in the development of the Health 2020 European health policy framework. She was a member of the independent Ebola interim assessment panel of WHO and now serves on the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Health Crises Task Force. She has recently been awarded the Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany (Bundesverdienstkreuz) in recognition of her invaluable

contributions to innovation in governance for global health and global health diplomacy. She is a senior advisor to the Regional Directors of the WHO Regional Offices for Europe and the Eastern Mediterranean and has advised many countries on their global health strategies. She has been involved in the German G7 and G20 presidencies, and currently advices the development of the first ever meeting of G20-members' Health Ministers. In Switzerland she serves on the executive board of the Careum Foundation and on the expert panel advising the Federal Councillor responsible for health. She has contributed to innovation in health in many ways throughout her career and has a strong commitment to the empowerment of women. She has published widely and has received many prizes for her work. Her key areas of work relate to Global Health Governance, Health Security, Public Health, Health Promotion, Health Literacy and Health in All Policies. Details and updates can be found on her Website: www.ilonakickbusch.com and on Wikipedia. You can follow her on Twitter @IlonaKickbusch.

#### **OPENING REMARKS**

#### **TERHI HAKALA**

### Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva



Ambassador Hakala was appointed Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations Office, WTO and other international organizations in Geneva in September 2016. Prior to that she served as Director-General of the Department of Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland since 2012. From 2009 to 2011, she served as Ambassador of Finland to India, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Nepal. From 2007 to 2009, she was Head of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) Mission to Georgia, Tbilisi, and from 2004 to 2007, she was the roving

Ambassador to Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. A career diplomat, Ms. Hakala, has also served as Director of the Unit for Eastern Europe and Central Asia at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs from 2001 to 2004; Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy of Finland in Moscow from 1998 to 2000; Deputy Consul General at the Consulate General of Finland in St. Petersburg from 1996 to 1998; and Finnish Co-Chairmanship of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Minsk Conference on Nagorno-Karabakh from 1995 to 1996, among others. She holds a Master of Arts from Åbo Akademi, Finland.





#### PANEL DISCUSSION

#### MPOKI ULISUBISYA

#### Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Tanzania



Mpoki M. Ulisubisya, MD, MBA, is an anaesthesiologist and critical care physician currently serving as the Permanent Secretary of Health in the Tanzanian Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children. Throughout his medical career, Dr. Mpoki has held leadership positions at many prestigious Tanzanian hospitals, universities and medical societies, focusing primarily on anaesthesiology, critical care, cardiology, infection prevention and control. He received an

MD from Muhimbili University College of Health Sciences, an MBA from Mzumbe University and postgraduate training from universities in Australia, India and Tanzania. He has been instrumental in ensuring that the country develops core capacities for surveillance and response to public health threats and he is an avid campaigner for antimicrobial sterwardship, while embracing the one health approach. Under his leadership, the country has developed the National AMR Plan 2016-2021 and the National Action Plan for Health Security 2017-2021.

#### **BJÖRN KÜMMEL**

#### Deputy Head of Division Global Health, Federal Ministry of Health, Germany



Björn Kümmel is the Deputy Head of Unit Global Health in the German Federal Ministry of Health. He covers WHO in general and in particular WHO reform, WHO's emergency reform as well as WHO's administrative, budgetary and staff issues. Part of his work is attending the governing body meetings of WHO such as the World Health Assembly, the Executive Board and representing Germany in WHO's Programme, Budget and

Administrative Committee. He is also responsible for increasing policy coherence among relevant German actors in the field of global health. In this regard, he coordinated the Federal Government's concept paper on global health. From 2007-2010 he worked on the General European Health Policy Planning and from 2005-2007 he was part of the Task Force for the German EU Presidency. A lawyer by training, he completed his studies in Berlin, Padova and Sydney, and holds an LLM in International Law from the University of Cape Town.





#### PETER GRAFF Director of Global Initiatives, World Health Organization



A graduate (MSc Pharmacy) of Leiden University in the Netherlands with an MBA, Peter has spent over 25 years working for the World Health Organisation and the UN Secretariat. His first posting with WHO was in the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMRO), Egypt. This was followed by postings as the Essential Drugs Programme Coordinator in Malawi and Kenya, and as the Regional Advisor for Essential Medicines in EMRO. He subsequently worked in Geneva as team leader of the Aids

Medicines and Diagnostics Service, and as WHO Representative in Afghanistan, Haiti and Liberia. Before his move to Liberia in August 2014 as WHO Representative, Peter was Director for Civil Affairs and Development of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) where he was responsible for the 13 field offices as well as the Civil Affairs, Rule of Law, Gender and Police Advisory Units. In October 2014 Peter was appointed as the Ebola Crisis Manager for the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER) in Liberia before taking up the position of Acting Special Representative of the Secretary General for UNMEER in April 2015. Following the closure of UNMEER, he served as WHO's Regional Interagency Ebola Crisis Lead. Since January 2016, Peter has been working in the Office of the Deputy Director General, WHO Health Emergencies Programme, as Director of Global Initiatives, managing a portfolio of high priority initiatives to underpin the successful implementation of the new Programme. Peter is also currently Acting Director of the Country Health Emergency Preparedness & International Health Regulations (IHR) Department.

#### **CATHERINE MACHALABA**

#### Policy Advisor, EcoHealth Alliance



Catherine Machalaba is a policy advisor at EcoHealth Alliance. She supports the organisation's efforts to operationalise One Health approaches for more coordinated and preventive systems that promote human, animal, and environmental health given their integral links. She is currently analysing the effectiveness of One Health policies and practices under the USAID Emerging Pandemic Threats PREDICT-2 project. She works closely on One Health initiatives with the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), WHO, and the World Bank, serving as a

lead author on the World Bank Operational Framework for Strengthening Human, Animal and Environmental Public Health Systems at their Interface. Catherine is the Program Officer for the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Species Survival Commission (SSC) Wildlife Health Specialist Group. She also serves as Chair of the American Public Health Association Veterinary Public Health Special Primary Interest Group. Prior to joining EcoHealth Alliance, Catherine conducted a fellowship in healthcare systems engineering, interned with the Vermont Attorney General on tobacco control policy, and worked in a public health department on West Nile virus and Lyme disease surveillance and outreach. She holds a degree in biology from Wake Forest University, a Master's in Public Health from Dartmouth, and is currently a doctoral student in environmental and occupational health.





#### **CLOSING REMARKS**

#### ELIZABETH WILDE

## Deputy Head of Mission, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva



Elizabeth Wilde commenced her post as Deputy Head of Mission of the Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva in November 2017. She is a senior officer of the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Ms Wilde was most recently the Assistant Secretary to the Human Rights Branch. Prior to that she held a range of positions in DFAT including Assistant Secretary to the Pacific Regional and Pacific Bilateral Branches. Before joining DFAT, she held

other senior positions in the Australian Government including in the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet and leading a 2011–12 taskforce on Constitutional reform. She holds degrees from the Saïd Business School at the University of Oxford and from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.