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BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS

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Gian Luca Burci was named Adjunct Professor at the Graduate Institute in 2012. He served in the Legal Office of the World Health Organization between 1998 and 2016, and was appointed Legal Counsel in 2005. He previously served as Legal Officer at the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna and in the UN Secretariat in New York for nearly a decade. At the Institute, he has taught in the joint LLM in Global Health Law and International Institutions programme in partnership with Georgetown University. He holds a post graduate degree in law from the Università degli Studi di Genova, Italy. His areas of expertise are in

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STEVEN SOLOMON

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Steven Solomon is Principal Legal Officer at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, where he focuses on WHO governance and international health law matters. He served as the WHO legal adviser to the negotiations which led to the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework. Prior to joining WHO, Steven served as Deputy Legal Counselor at the United States Mission to United Nations Organizations in Geneva, negotiating a variety of human rights and humanitarian law instruments. He was an attorney with the State Department for several years before that handling multilateral negotiations related to the control

of conventional weapons as well as international humanitarian law. After law school, before joining the State Department, Steven was a lawyer in private practice at the Washington, D.C. law firm of Williams & Connolly. He also worked on Capitol Hill. Steven has written widely on matters pertaining to international law, including global health and humanitarian law matters.

MODERATOR

SUERIE MOON

Co-Director, Global Health Centre, the Graduate Institute, Geneva



Suerie Moon, MPA, PhD, is Co-Director of the Global Health Centre and Visiting Lecturer at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva. She also teaches and advises doctoral students at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health as adjunct Lecturer on Global Health. Her research and teaching focus on global governance, the political economy of global health (focusing on innovation and access to medicines; outbreak preparedness and response; trade, investment and intellectual property rules; and development assistance for health), the evolution of international regimes, and innovative policies for addressing global problems. She is the author, with Wolfgang Hein, of *Informal Norms in Global Governance: Human Rights, Intellectual Property Rules, and Access to Medicines* (Routledge, 2013). She has conducted research on the policies and politics shaping innovation and access to medicines for twenty years, starting at Médecins Sans Frontières in 1999. She has served on a number of expert advisory bodies, including most recently the Board of Directors of the Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative, WHO Fair Pricing Forum Advisory Group, Expert Advisory Group to the UN Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines, Proposal Review Committee of UNITAID, and US National Academies of Medicine Forum on Antimicrobial Threats. Prior to joining the Graduate Institute, she was Study Director of the Harvard-LSHTM Independent Panel on the Global Response to Ebola, and co-founded and led the Forum on Global Governance for Health, a focal point at Harvard University for research, debate and strategic convening on issues at the intersection of global governance and health. She received a BA from Yale, an MPA from Princeton, and PhD from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.