

Achieving the Zero Waste Vision: Advancing Public-Private Partnerships for Waste Management Practices

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Jaco Cilliers assumed the role of Manager of Bangkok Regional Hub in August 2019. He was Chief, Regional Policy and Programme Support for Asia and the Pacific during September 2017 – July 2019 where he also served as Senior Advisor for Innovation and Business Development at UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub. He was the Country Director of UNDP India during July 2014 - September 2017. Prior to that, he was the Deputy Resident Representative for UNDP in Uzbekistan, where he was responsible for the management and coordination of Programmes and Operations. He also worked with UNDP Cyprus as Senior Programme Manager and Head of Office.

Before joining the United Nations, Mr. Cilliers worked for Catholic Relief Services (CRS) as Deputy Regional Director for Southern and Central Africa, and before that as senior advisor for program quality. He held senior management positions for other international development NGO's in various parts of the world. He also worked as an Adjunct Professor at the Institute for Conflict Analysis at George Mason University, and taught seminars and courses in conflict resolution and peacebuilding at Sabanci University (Turkey), Nelson Mandela University (South Africa) and University of Notre Dame (US).

Jaco Cilliers completed his Ph.D. and Master's degrees from George Mason University in the United States, and his Bachelor of Arts (cum laude) and BA Honours (cum laude) degrees from Nelson Mandela University in South Africa. He specialized in sustainable development, social and political interventions, as well as conflict management, reconstruction and transformation processes.

Ms. Xiaofang Zhou

Director of Montreal Protocol, Chemicals and Waste Unit - Nature, Climate and Energy team, UNDP



Since December 2016, Xiaofang leads the Montreal Protocol and Chemicals Unit and is responsible for spearheading UNDP work on chemicals and waste management. Xiaofang holds a bachelor's degree in Control System Science from the Beijing Institution of Technology, and a Master's in Public Administration from the Chinese Academy of Governance.

Mr. Weine Wiqvist
Senior Advisor, Avfall Sverige



Weine Wiqvist is an international and national professional and policymaker on waste management policy and management. He has extensive knowledge on technical infrastructure and legal framework in Sweden, in the European Union and the world, and possesses longstanding experience on high level management within associations and operating companies.

He is currently a part-time Senior Advisor with Avfall Sverige, The Swedish Waste Management Association, where he served as Managing Director for many years. He is also an Adjunct Lecturer (parttime) on the theme Circular Economy Policies at IIIIE (The International Institute for Industrial Environmental Economics), Lund University and a Member of The Swedish Commission on Circular Economy (Delegation for Circular Economy) appointed by the Government. Previously, he worked as the Chairman of Board (President), Municipal Waste Europe, Vice President of Cewep, The Confederation for Energy from Waste Plants in Europe and Board Member ISWA, The International Solid Waste Association.

Mr. Weine Wiqvist has a Master of Science, Civil Engineering from Chalmers University of Technology and a BA in Business Administration from Lund University.

Ms. Saloni Goel
Head Circular Economy and Plastic Waste Management, UNDP India



Saloni has a vast breadth of experience in policy, project implementation, and consultancy in Environment, Climate Change, Sanitation, and Sustainability. She heads the Circular Economy and Plastic Waste Management portfolio at UNDP in India.

She has served as Climate Change Specialist with NITI Aayog. She has led the sanitation work during Kumbh 2019, the world's largest ever mass gathering of 240 million visitors, delivering an open defecation free, garbage free, and odour free event. A Guinness Record was registered for this work.

She has worked in UNEP on marine litter and plastic pollution, and World Bank funded UP Health System Strengthening Project, pioneering a smart biomedical waste management system that has been adopted for state-wide implementation.

She has been awarded the IIT Delhi Alumni of Year Award, Kalam Award for Innovation in Governance (KIGA), and the Times Group Digital India Award. She has also served on the Board of Governors of The Doon School, Dehradun.

She graduated from IIT Delhi, and holds a master degree in Environment & Development from LSE. Her schooling is from Welham Girls' School, Dehradun.

Mr. Zhuoli (Troy) Tian**Senior Business Development Manager of China Everbright Environment**

Mr. Zhuoli Tian is a senior business development manager of China Everbright Environment (CEE). His main responsibilities include international development and investment for CEE with a focus on Central Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia region in the area of municipal solid waste management.

Prior to CEE, Mr. Tian worked with Georgia-Pacific LLC for various project development and commercialization, particularly in commercializing cellulosic ethanol production using agricultural wastes.

Mr. Tian has a Ph.D in Environmental Engineering from University of Florida and a BS in Biological Engineering from Central South University.

Ms. Alexandra Soezer**Global Carbon Technical Advisor, Energy Hub, UNDP**

As Global Carbon Technical Advisor – Energy, Alexandra provides targeted technical assistance for carbon project implementation and capacity building and knowledge sharing in the context of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. Her main responsibilities include sourcing, screening and due diligence of carbon projects under Article 6.2. Her knowledge of carbon accounting and monitoring of mitigation actions, and engagement of the private sector helps to set-up and roll-out carbon projects and generate the expected mitigation outcomes while contributing to the SDGs.

Alexandra is also responsible for the management of the newly launched Article 6 Transfer Readiness Assistance project and ITMO Development Service Agreement with Switzerland.

Before joining the Energy Hub, Alexandra worked in the Climate Strategies and Policy Team in New York, where she functioned, for six years, as Climate Change Technical Advisor. Alexandra first joined UNDP in April 2009 with UNDP MDG Carbon, outposted at the Bratislava Regional Hub from New York where she worked as Carbon Technical Specialist. From 2012 to December 2015, she successfully managed MDG Carbon, UNDP's corporate framework for carbon finance, based in New York. Prior to that, Alexandra worked at the Austrian JI/CDM government carbon purchasing programme, managed by Kommunalkredit, responsible for the negotiation of Emission Reduction Purchasing Agreements.

Alexandra has a Ph.D. in Environmental Sciences from the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna and the Austrian Institute of Technology.

Mr. Fei Xie**Chief Technical Advisor, China PPP Center, Ministry of Finance, China**

Mr. Fei Xie was a key person establishing China PPP Center and a key writer of a series of China PPP policies including China PPP Operation Guideline. He was in charge of developing and operating China PPP Information Platform and PPP of China PPP Center and led teams to publish a series of PPP books, delivered PPP trainings nationwide to local governments at various levels, private sectors, and finance institutions.

Mr. Xie has previously assisted UNESCAP to set up and operate the Infrastructure Financing and PPP Network of Asia and the Pacific and its web portal

(<https://www.infrappnet.org>), and was seconded to UNESCAP from 2019-2020 for enhancing its PPP capacity and is continuing this cooperation; engages in infrastructure and PPP issues of G20, BRICS, APEC and ASEAN+3.

Mr. Xie also engaged in establishing and operating China Clean Development Mechanism Fund, made its fund pool from zero to more than RMB14 billion, and facilitated CDM development in China from 2007-2014. He worked in the Ministry of Ecology and Environment from 1996 to 2007 and engaged in multilateral environmental agreements (i.e. climate change, biodiversity, ozone layer, international waters) and sustainable development.

Mr. Anton Sri Probiyantono
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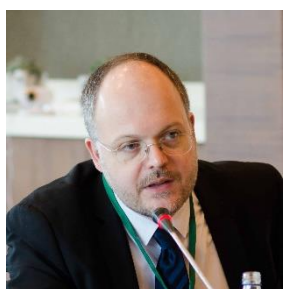


Anton Sri Probiyantono has more than 20 years of working experience with various programmes/projects supported by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Global Environment Facility (GEF), Multilateral Fund (MLF), K-Eco, CARE, World Bank, Asian Development Bank (ADB), Bi-lateral Cooperation (Canada, Norway, USA, UK, Sweden, etc.), Wetlands International, Mennonite Central Committee, private companies (PT. PERTAMINA EP (Oil and Gas Company)), etc. He has strong skills in programme/ project development and management maintaining good relationships with donors, government institutions, non-government organizations (NGOs), academicians, private sector

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From 2007 up to present, Anton has been with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) – Jakarta, Indonesia as Senior Programme Manager (Analyst). Before joining UNDP, he was Team Leader for Andrew Tani & Co. supporting PERTAMINA Drilling Services Upstream Directorate. He has Master of Management from the Faculty Economy of University of Hasanuddin, Indonesia and Doctorandus from English Philosophy and Literature, University of Sebelas Maret, Indonesia. Anton received various trainings and workshops held in Japan, Philippines, Switzerland, Thailand, China, Malaysia, India, Germany, Belgium, Singapore, Cambodia, USA, Canada, Poland, Netherlands

Mr. Etienne Gonin
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Etienne Gonin works for the Montreal Protocol, Chemicals and Waste Unit of BPPS/GPN. Based in New York, he supports development and implementation of projects and initiatives related to sustainable cooling and to achieving zero waste. Previously based in Istanbul, he was a Regional Technical Advisor for Montreal Protocol, Chemicals and Waste projects mostly in Africa, working on refrigeration and air conditioning, disposal of obsolete and toxic chemicals, reduction of emissions of dioxins and furans (particularly by focusing on better health care waste management) and on phase-out of mercury (for example in artisanal small-scale gold mining) and on

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