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## COUNCIL

### Hundred and Thirty-eighth Session

Rome, 25 November 2009

### ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

- Under the revised Rule XXVI of the General Rules of the Organization, the Programme Committee will consist of a Chairperson and twelve Members (two Members from each of the following regions: Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean and Near East and one Member from North America and from Southwest Pacific). Each Member Nation seeking election to the Committee communicates to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council the name of the representative they would appoint if elected and details of his or her qualifications and experience (Rule XXVI-2 GRO).
- The procedures for election of Members of the Committee require that Member Nations stand for election for a specific region as determined by the Conference for the purpose of Council elections, and that the Council first elect a Chairperson from among the nominated representatives of Member Nations of the Organization. The Chairperson shall be elected on the basis of individual qualifications and shall not represent a region or a country.
- The nominations received are listed below and the information on the qualifications and experience of the designated representatives of the prospective Members of the Committee is given in Appendix A.

4. The following nomination has been received for the post of Chairperson of the Programme Committee:

FINLAND (Ms Riikka Laatu)	EUROPE
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5. The following nominations have been received for election to the Programme Committee:

EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Crisantos Obama Ondo)	AFRICA
ANGOLA (Carlos Alberto Amaral)	
BANGLADESH (Ms Sultana Afroz)	ASIA AND THE PACIFIC
JAPAN (Kazumasa Shioya)	
MALAYSIA (Azman Mohd Saad)	
BELGIUM (Ms Martine Van Dooren)	EUROPE
GERMANY (Ms Swantje Helbing)	
SWITZERLAND (Hans-Jörg Lehmann)	
ARGENTINA (Ms Maria Del Carmen Squeff)	LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN
PARAGUAY (Ms Liz Haydee Coronel Correa)	
AFGHANISTAN (Abdul Razak Ayazi)	NEAR EAST
EGYPT (Abdel Aziz Mohamed Hosni)	
CANADA (Marco Valicenti)	NORTH AMERICA
AUSTRALIA (Travis Power)	SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

6. The elections are governed by the provisions of Rule XII of the General Rules of the Organization. In accordance with paragraph 9 of this Rule, the Chairperson may submit to the Council that appointment be decided by clear general consent without recourse to a secret ballot when there are not more candidates than vacancies.

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**APPENDIX A**

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**AFGHANISTAN**

Name: **ABDUL RAZAK AYAZI**

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Present functions: Agriculture Attaché of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Rome and Alternate Permanent Representative of Afghanistan to FAO, WFP and IFAD

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Main previous functions: Member of the FAO Programme Committee since 2004  
Chief of the Evaluation Service of FAO

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Member of FAO Programme Committee  
Council, Conference of FAO  
Technical Committees of the FAO Council  
Executive Board of WFP  
Governing Council of IFAD  
Participation in IFAD's Replenishment meetings  
Participation in the majority of Seminars held in FAO and WFP  
Participation in meetings of other UN organizations

**ANGOLA**

Name: **CARLOS ALBERTO AMARAL**

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Present functions: Counsellor and Alternate Permanent Representative

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Main previous functions:

1972 – 1974	Teacher of Mathematics and Accounting
1975 – 1976	Secretary of the Department of National Reconstruction
1976 – 1977	Head of Department, National Office of Geology and Mines, Ministry of Geology and Mines
1978 – 1979	Head of Department of Planning and Statistics, Ministry of Fisheries
1980 – 1996	National Director of the Office of Analysis and Planning, Ministry of Fisheries
1992	Economic Counsellor, Angolan Embassy in Belgium
1992 – 1996	Member of the Administrative Council of the Angola Fisheries Development Fund
1996 – 1998	Economic Adviser to the Minister for Fisheries
Since 1998	Counsellor at the Angolan Embassy in Italy and Alternate Permanent Representative of Angola to the UN Agencies in Rome (FAO, WFP and IFAD)

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Participation in various activities of FAO, WFP and IFAD  
 Member of the Programme Committee of FAO  
 Member of the CoC-IEE of FAO (Working Group II)  
 Member of the Audit Committee of the Executive Board of IFAD  
 Participation to the Executive Board of IFAD and WFP

**ARGENTINA**

Name: **Ms MARIA DEL CARMEN SQUEFF**

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Present functions: Chargé d'Affaires, a.i. Permanent Representative of Argentina to  
FAO, IFAD and WFP

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Main previous functions:

2007 – 2009	Member of the FAO Programme Committee
2008 – 2009	Chairperson of the FAO Committee on Food Security
Since 2005	Counsellor and Alternate Permanent Representative to FAO, IFAD and WFP
2003 – 2005	Chef de Cabinet of the Under-Secretariat of Economic Integration and MERCOSUR, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2000 – 2003	Coordinator of the MERCOSUR – European Union Negotiating Group
1995 – 2000	Commercial Section of the Argentine Embassy to the European Union
1991 – 1995	Under-Secretariat of Economic Integration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Since 2006	Executive Board Director IFAD
Since 2005	All FAO Conferences, Councils and Technical Committees of the Council

## AUSTRALIA

Name: **TRAVIS POWER**

Present functions:

- Minister Counsellor (Agriculture)
- Deputy Permanent Representative to FAO
- Member, Australian Delegation to the OECD
- Bureau, Committee on Agriculture
- Bureau, Committee on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
- Bureau, International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources
- Bureau, Committee of Council, Independent External Evaluation

Main previous functions:

- General Manager, Policy Development, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Australian Government
- Manager, Bilateral Trade (South East Asia and North Asia), Trade and Market Access Division, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Australian Government
- Secretariat, Agriculture and Food Policy Reference Group, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Australian Government

Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

	Australian Representative to the Open-Ended Working Group on preparations for the World Summit on Food Security
October 2009	Head of Australian Delegation, Committee on World Food Security
October 2009	Head of Australian Delegation, Committee on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
September 2009	Australian Delegation, FAO Council
August 2009	Head of Australian Delegation, Technical Consultations on a binding treaty on Port State Measures to Combat Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing
April 2009	Australian Delegation, Committee on Commodity Problems
April 2009	Australian Delegation, Joint Session of Programme and Finance Committees

**BANGLADESH**

Name: **Ms SULTANA AFROZ**

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Present functions: Economic Counsellor, Alternate Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to FAO, IFAD and WFP. In the Mission I am the Head Chief of economic affairs. I am responsible for bilateral and multilateral relations regarding programme implementation and financing.

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Main previous functions:

I worked in different Ministries as Assistant Secretary and Deputy Secretary. I was responsible for specific programmes, and I implemented the governing programme successfully. I graduated from Harvard University, USA and studied political programme management.

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Participated in the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN General Assembly

Participated in FAO Council, Conference and Reform Committee meeting (member) of Working Group III

Participated in WFP, and IFAD meetings, including the latter's Replenishment Meeting

## BELGIUM

Name: **Ms MARTINE VAN DOOREN**

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Present functions: Minister Counsellor, Embassy of Belgium and Alternate Permanent Representative to Rome-based United Nations Organizations

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Main previous functions: Director General for Development Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Counsellor General for Multilateral Cooperation, Brussels (2004-2007)

General Counsellor for Development Policy of the EU Directorate General for Development

Deputy Chef de Cabinet in the Office of the State Secretary for International Cooperation

General Counsellor for bilateral and multilateral cooperation

Deputy Chief in the Office of the Minister for Development Cooperation

Counsellor, General Administration for Development Cooperation in charge of Cooperation Programmes with West African and Latin American countries.

2007 – present Executive Board Director for Belgium, IFAD

Until April 2009 Member of the Evaluation Committee, IFAD

Member of the Administrative Council of BIO International (Investment Agency for Developing Countries headquartered in Brussels)

Since 2003 Member of the Jury for the International King Baudouin Prize for Development, King Baudouin Foundation, Brussels

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

In her former capacity as Director General for Cooperation and Counsellor General for Multilateral Cooperation, has participated in many United Nations and other international conferences/meetings on development. She has had extensive liaison with United Nations Agencies in New York (UNDP, UNICEF, and UNIFEM), in Geneva (UNHCR, ILO, UNAIDS, WHO), in Rome (FAO, IFAD, WFP, BIOVERSITY), in Paris (OECD, UNESCO), as well as with the development banks (World Bank, Agricultural Development Bank, International Development Bank, African Development Bank, West African Development Bank).

Missions abroad: Has performed numerous working missions in more than fifty countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

**CANADA**

Name: **MARCO VALICENTI**

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Present functions: Alternate Permanent Representative to the Food and Agriculture Agencies of the United Nations and Agriculture Counsellor (since September 2008).

Main previous functions:

September 2008 to present Alternate Permanent Representative to the Food and Agriculture Agencies of the United Nations and Agriculture Counsellor.

Provide input to Canada's positions at WFP, IFAD, and FAO in relation to their mandate, strategy, policy, programs, financing, and staffing. Prepare briefing notes for meetings of Governing Bodies, as well as informal meetings, and also preparing reports of these meetings. Assist in planning and monitoring projects and programmes where CIDA has directed funding. Maintain regular contact with a wide range of officials in at WFP, IFAD, and FAO, and diplomats in other Permanent Missions in Rome. Communicate on a regular basis with CIDA, as well as Foreign Affairs and Agriculture Canada, concerning programs and issues of priority to Canada. Prepare written correspondence to the Rome-based Agencies as required. Plan visits of Canadian officials and delegations to the Rome-based Agencies.

2007 – 2008 Director General, Strategic Management Directorate (EX02).

Directs the development, implementation, and coordinating of the Department's strategic and business planning frameworks in order to provide the Minister, senior management, and Central Agencies with the necessary information for decision-making on the investment in and stewardship of departmental resources. Directs the development and maintenance of AAFC's management information systems in order to capture relevant data to track departmental performance against plans, policy objectives and programmes deliverables. Ensure that the Department has the appropriate management frameworks and mechanisms to advance the implementation of the Department's governance structure and management architecture. Provide a single window service to the Department with respect to support and guidance in business analysis, corporate planning and linkages with Treasury Board Secretariat. Promote the Department's business, resource planning and accountability processes through a consultative approach with departmental staff (HQ and regions), OGDs, Central Agencies, etc. Effectively manage the resources (30 FTEs, \$4.0m) and activities of the Directorate within the context of the Corporate Management Branch.

- 2005 – 2007
- Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister (EX01).
- Advised the Deputy Minister on numerous sensitive and evolving policy, programme and operational matters. Imparted context, background, and linkages on specific files in order to effectively manage Departmental issues. Assessed, challenged and assisted senior Departmental managers in the development of cohesive and integrated responses to policy and programme issues. Consistently identified and prioritized issues, within the overall thrust of the Department and portfolio, in order to initiate specific requests in support of the DM/Ministerial decision-making. Maintained a strategic perspective concerning sector priorities, policy and programme directions and act as a primary link between DM's office and key ADMs. Ensured strategic positioning of key issues throughout the decision-making process. Managed communication/liaison of emerging issues with Minister's office, DM's office and ADMs. AAFC, Ottawa (Canada).
- 2003 – 2005
- Deputy Director - Europe, Africa, Middle East and Russia, Markets and Trade Team (CO03).
- Directed, led and coordinated the development and implementation of government strategies, action plans, and initiatives in Europe, Africa, Middle East and Russia with regard to growth, trade development and investment in the Canadian agri-food sector. Managed the delivery of analysis, recommendations and advice on market trends, business opportunities / investments and issues with respect to the agri-food industry which included assessments of foreign market economies, structure, constraints, competition, and performance of Canadian exporters in these markets. Promoted and organized "single window" delivery for federal government services to the agri-food industry in response to a diverse range of industry needs related to the development and growth of Canadian agri-food exports in Europe, Africa, Middle East and Russia; and provided strategic and functional direction to an autonomous work unit (6 FTEs, \$750,000 budget).
- 2002 – 2003
- Senior Programmes Advisor to the ADM (AS07), Farm Financial Programs Branch.
- Provided strategic advice to the Assistant Deputy Minister (ADM) and senior management on departmental strategic programmes and policies while managing complex and contentious issues and initiatives relating to farm financial programmes. Supported the Assistant Deputy Minister, senior managers in the development and management of farm financial programmes by conducting policy research and programming services. Presented new perspectives on emerging short, medium and long-term challenges facing the Department and the sector, including the promotion and introduction of innovative tools and approaches to support and encourage results-based management within the Branch.

2001 – 2002

A/Director, Evaluation Division (ES06), Audit and Evaluation Branch.

Developed and implemented a risk-based internal evaluation strategy and multi-year plan for the conduct of multiple, concurrent evaluations of effectiveness and impacts of policies and programmes. Directed and initiated a results-based management tool set for departmental managers in order to assist in instilling a management shift towards a more outcome-based assessment of programs and policies. Oversaw the conduct of evaluations and other performance studies, prepared and approved final reports, ensured that quality standards had been met, and negotiated with departmental managers the establishment of action plans and time lines for implementation of recommendations. Managed the activities of an autonomous Evaluation Division (7 Full Time Equivalents, \$800,000 budget) consisting of multiple evaluation teams, with authority to set deadlines and to allocate human and financial resources.

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Please see under *Present Position*.

**EGYPT**

Name: **ABDELAZIZ MOHAMED HOSNI**

Present functions: Counsellor (Agriculture), Embassy of Egypt and Deputy Permanent Representative of Egypt to FAO (April 2007)

Main previous functions:

2007 – 2009	Member of the Programme Committee
1987 – 2006	Professor, Department of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Ain Shams University
1998 – 2002	Member of the Cut Flowers Group in the Agricultural Technology Utilization and Transfer Project (ATUT), Agricultural Research Centre, Cairo
1987 – 1991	Member of the National Technical Committees for Protected Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture

Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

2009 – present	All meetings and activities involving UN Agencies based in Rome Chairperson of Evaluation Committee, IFAD Executive Board Director of Egypt, IFAD
2008 – 2009	Member of the Programme Committee
2007	131 <sup>st</sup> FAO Council, 132 <sup>nd</sup> FAO Council, 34 <sup>th</sup> FAO Conference

**EQUATORIAL GUINEA**

Name: **CRISANTOS OBAMA ONDO**

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Present functions: Ambassador and Permanent Representative to FAO

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Main previous functions:

2007 – 2009	National Coordinator, Central Africa Forestry Commission, Malabo
2002 – 2007	Director-General, National Institute for Forestry Development and Management of Protected Areas, Malabo
1998 – 2002	National Director for the project, sponsored by the European Union, on Conservation and Rational Utilization of Forestry Eco-systems, Malabo
1997	Officer Responsible for the Management of Protected Areas and Conservation of Biodiversity, Ministry of Forestry and Environment, Malabo

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

## FINLAND

Name: **Ms RIIKKA LAATU**

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Present functions: Permanent Representative of Finland to the Rome-based United Nations Food and Agriculture Agencies (since 2007)

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Main previous functions:

2002-2007	Director, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department for Africa and the Middle East. Responsible for all bilateral relations between Finland and Southern Africa, as well as all pan-African issues and relations with AU.
2000-2002	Desk Officer, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Development Cooperation. Responsible for EC development policy and OECD Development Assistance Committee
1996-2000	Counsellor, Embassy of Finland in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Deputy to the Ambassador and Head of Aid.
1995-1996	Desk Officer, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Development Cooperation. Responsible for the development programme of Finland in Tanzania.
1992-1994	Desk Officer, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Development Cooperation. Responsible for the Concessional Credit Programme of Finland, and the Development Cooperation Programme in Bangladesh.
1991	Desk Officer, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Development Cooperation. Responsible for compiling the Development Cooperation Budget of Finland.
1989-1990	Associate Programme Officer, ILO Regional Office for the South-West Pacific, Suva, Fiji. Responsible for coordinating the LO Development Programme in the South-West Pacific.
1987-1989	Associate Programme Officer, ILO Office in Manila, Philippines. Responsible for coordinating the ILO Development Programme in the Philippines.
1985-1987	Programme Officer, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department of Development Cooperation. Responsible for environmental issues and research related to Finnish development cooperation.
1983-1985	Lecturer, Department of Geography, University of Helsinki

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

2007-2008	FAO All major meetings since assuming present duties WFP Executive Board Member IFAD Executive Board Alternate Director
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**GERMANY**

Name: **Ms SWANTJE HELBING**

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Present functions: Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to FAO and other International Organizations

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Main previous functions:

2005 – 2008	Head of Division “International Food and Agriculture Organizations, World Food Security and Sustainable Development”, Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection, Germany
2002 – 2005	Head of Division “Strategic Communication”, Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection
2001 - 2002	Private Secretary to the Minister of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection
1998 – 2001	Research Assistant for “Youth, Employment, Education” and “Enquete-Commission for Civil Society Engagement”, German Federal Parliament

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

2008 – 2009	CoC-IEE (Spokesperson for European Regional Group in Working Group I)
2006 – 2008	SCN-meetings Geneva, Rome, Hanoi
2006	European Regional Conference, Riga
2005 – 2009	All FAO Conferences, Meetings of FAO Council, COAG, CFS
2001	FAO Conference

**JAPAN**

**Name: KAZUMASA SHIOYA**

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**Present functions:** Minister-Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Italy, Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan to the Food and Agriculture UN Agencies in Rome (July 2008 to present)

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**Main previous functions:**

April 2007 – June 2008 Director, International Affairs Division, Agricultural Production Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)  
Responsible mainly for trade-related issues, including negotiations for WTO and FTA.

April 2006 – March 2007 Director, Policy Coordination and International Affairs Division  
Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF

April 2003 – March 2005 Director, Regional Crop Production Office, Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF

April 2001 – March 2003 Deputy Director, Vegetable Production and Marketing Division,  
Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF

April 1998 – March 2001 Deputy Director, International Cooperation Division, International Affairs Department, MAFF  
Dealing with FAO and WTO issues including administration of FAO Regional Conference held in Yohohama as host.

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**Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:**

**MALAYSIA**

Name: **AZMAN MOHD SAAD**

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Present functions: Agriculture Attaché, Alternate Permanent Representative to FAO,  
Embassy of Malaysia in Italy, Rome

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Main previous functions:

2004 – 2008	Deputy Director, Station Development and Maintenance, Management Center, Malaysian Agriculture Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia
2004 – 2008	Station Manager, Malaysian Agriculture Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia
1991 - 2004	Research Officer, Malaysian Agriculture Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Participated in FAO meetings including 2009 FAO Council meetings, meetings of major FAO  
Committees: COAG, CCP, CODEX, COFI, COFO and CFS

Member of CFS Bureau 2009

## PARAGUAY

Name: **Ms LIZ HAYDEE CORONEL CORREA**

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Present functions: Counsellor, Embassy of Paraguay and Alternate Permanent Representative to Rome-based United Nations Agencies

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Main previous functions:

2003 – 2005	Deputy Chief of Cabinet of Minister for Foreign Affairs, Asunción
2000 – 2003	First Secretary, Embassy of Paraguay, Washington, D.C.
1999 – 2000	First Secretary, Embassy of Paraguay, Buenos Aires
1998 – 1999	Officer, Division of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Asunción
1997 – 1998	Chief of Cabinet of Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Asunción
1996 – 1997	Assistant to Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Asunción
1995 – 1996	Officer, Internal Audit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Asunción

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

October 2009	35 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on World Food Security
July 2009	33 <sup>th</sup> (Extraordinary) Session of ITSO Assembly
June 2009	32 <sup>nd</sup> Session of the FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission
March 2009	41 <sup>st</sup> Session of the FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission, Shanghai
February 2009	32 <sup>nd</sup> Session of the IFAD Board of Governors – Alternate Governor
December 2008	Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 9) to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)
November 2008	35 <sup>th</sup> (Extraordinary) Session of the FAO Conference, Rome
October 2008	34 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Food Security
October 2008	Fourth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade
June 2008	136 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Council
June 2008	FAO High-Level Conference on World Food Security: the Challenges of Climate Change and Bio-energy
April 2008	67 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Commodity Problems
April 2008	21 <sup>st</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Agriculture
April 2008	Rapporteur, Technical Committee, 30 <sup>th</sup> Regional Conference for Latin America and Caribbean, Brasilia
March 2008	28 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Fisheries

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February 2008	31 <sup>st</sup> Session of the IFAD Board of Governors
November 2007	134 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Council
November 2007	34 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Conference
November 2007	133 <sup>rd</sup> Session of the FAO Council
July 2007	30 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission
June 2007	132 <sup>nd</sup> Session of the FAO Council
May 2007	33 <sup>rd</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Food Security
April 2007	20 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Agriculture
April 2007	66 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Commodity Problems
April 2007	90 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IFAD Executive Board
March 2007	27 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Fisheries
February 2007	30 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IFAD Board of Governors
November 2006	21 <sup>st</sup> Session of the FAO CCP Intergovernmental Group on Meat and Dairy Products
November 2006	131 <sup>st</sup> Session of the FAO Council
October 2006	32 <sup>nd</sup> Session of the FAO Committee on Food Security
February 2006	29 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IFAD Board of Governors
November 2005	130 <sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Council
November 2005	33 <sup>rd</sup> Session of the FAO Conference
November 1996	Internship at the 51 <sup>st</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly, New York

## SWITZERLAND

Name: **HANS-JÖRG LEHMANN**

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Present functions: Permanent Representative of Switzerland to FAO, IFAD and WFP  
(since April 2007)

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Main previous functions:

1989 – 2007	Swiss Federal Office for Agriculture (FOAG), Berne, Switzerland Head of the Ecological Unit to the Executive Board of FOAG. Main tasks: Policy development; Programs and Measures for the support to family farming on their way to sustainable farming systems and rural development; leading the elaboration and implementation of the national plan on plant genetic resources; leading the monitoring and evaluation of the agro-environmental policy
1981 – 1989	Swiss Association for the Development of Agriculture and Rural Areas (Agridea), Lindau, Switzerland Member of the Executive Board, Head of Crop, Grassland, Livestock and Horticulture Unit. Main tasks: Knowledge generation (tool boxes) and training of farmers, their associations and local authorities
1979 - 1980	Steffen-Ris AG, Utzentorf, Switzerland, Commercial Enterprise for fruits and vegetables. Advisor to farmers
1978 – 1989	Part time Farmer on the own family farm and several internships

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

2008 – 2009	FAO Reform: Spokesperson Working Group I Strategic Framework, MTP and PWB  Member of the International Academy of Rural Advisors in Europe (IALB)  Member of the Swiss Delegations to meetings of FAO (Conference, Council and Technical Committees)  Member of the Swiss Delegation to Conferences of the Parties on the Conventions Biodiversity and the Convention on Climate Change  International Conference on Agrarian Reform, Porto Alegre, Brazil
Since 2004	Secretary of the Adelboden Group on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development in Mountain Regions (SARD-M)
2002	International Conference on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development in Mountain Regions (SARD-M).
2000	Commission on Sustainable Development 2000 (CSD VIII), Presentation of the Swiss agriculture on its way to sustainability
1997, 2000, 2001, 2004	Head of the Swiss Delegations to the negotiations of the Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
1996	Head of the Swiss Delegations to the International Technical Conference on Plant Genetic Resources, Leipzig