

## **PRC Representation in International Organizations**

Note on methodology: This memo identifies Chinese nationals serving as the heads of key international organizations and in other top leadership positions in United Nations (UN) Principal Organs, UN Funds and Programs, UN specialized agencies, other UN Entities and Bodies, and International Trade and Financial Institutions. Top leadership positions are broadly defined as positions at the board of directors and senior management team level. This document reflects data as of July 18, 2022, and will be updated on a semi-annual basis.

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## UN Secretariat

### Department of Economic and Social Affairs



**Zhenmin LIU, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs:** Mr. Liu was appointed Under-Secretary General of the United Nations for Economic and Social Affairs in June 2017. Immediately prior to his appointment to the UN, Liu was the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of China (2013-2017). Prior to this position, he served as the Ambassador and Permanent Representative at the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva (2011-2013). Mr. Liu started his career at the Foreign Affairs Ministry in 1982.<sup>1</sup>

[Key Words: DESA, UNSG, MOFA]

## International Court of Justice (ICJ)

*The ICJ is the UN's principal judicial organization.\**



**Hanqin XUE, Judge of the International Court of Justice:** Member since June 2010; reelected in February 2012 and November 2020. Served as Vice-President of the Court from February 2018 to February 2021. Xue entered the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) in 1980 where she took up the role of Legal Counsel between 2008 and 2010. Prior to this position, she served as China's Ambassador to the Netherlands (2003-2008). Before that, she was the Director-General at the Department of Treaty and Law (1999-2003), as well as the Deputy Director-General in the Department of Treaty and Law (1994-1999). Ms. Xue was born in Shanghai in 1955. She earned a B.A. from Beijing Foreign Language

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\* The ICJ is composed of 15 judges elected to nine-year terms of office by the UN General Assembly and the Security Council. The Court may not include more than one national of the same country. According to the ICJ website, "Once elected, a Member of the Court is a delegate neither of the government of his own country nor of that of any other State. Unlike most other organs of international organizations, the Court is not composed of representatives of governments. Members of the Court are independent judges whose first task, before taking up their duties, is to make a solemn declaration in open court that they will exercise their powers impartially and conscientiously." International Court of Justice, "Members of the Court." <https://www.icj-cij.org/en/members>.

Studies University (1980), a LL.M. from Columbia University School of Law (1983), and a J.S.D. from Columbia University School of Law (1995).<sup>23</sup>

[Key words: ICJ, MOFA]

## **UN Funds and Programs**

### **United Nations Development Program (UNDP)**

*Administration/Leadership Team*



**Haoliang XU, UN Assistant Secretary-General, UNDP; UNDP Assistant Administrator and Director for the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support:** The UN Secretary General appointed Mr. Xu to his role in July 2019. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Xu served as the UN Assistant Secretary-General and UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific since 2013. Before that, he served in a variety of roles, including: Deputy Regional Director of the Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States in New York (2010-2013); UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Kazakhstan (2007-2010); Country Director in Pakistan (2005-2007); Deputy Resident Representative for Program, Pakistan (2004-2005); Country Manager and Senior Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Timor-Leste (2002-2004); Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Iran (2000-2002); Program Manager, Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific, New York (1997-1999); Program Officer/Junior Professional Officer, UNDP Kazakhstan (1997-1999). Mr. Xu was also a consultant for the UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS) working as Associate Project Management Officer in the Regional Bureau for Europe and the CIS, New York (1994-1995), as well as a Research Assistant at the UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) in New York (1994).<sup>4</sup>

[Key Words: UNDP, UNOPS, UNCDF]

## **United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)**

### *Senior Management Team*



**Jian LIU, Director of the Science Division:** Dr. Jian Liu is currently the Chief Scientist of UN Environment and Acting Director of the Science Division, UN Environment. He has worked at the national, regional, and global levels for more than 30 years in the fields of ecosystems management, agriculture, environment, and climate change, particularly in developing countries. He formerly served as founding Director of the UN Environment's International Ecosystem Management Partnership, which he established as the first global center of its kind to focus on ecosystem management in the global south. Prior to that, he was the Chief of UN Environment's Climate Change Adaptation Unit and the Deputy Secretary of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate

Change. Other posts earlier on include: Deputy Director General of the Bureau of Resources and Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Director of the Chinese Ecosystem Research Network, and Manager of Environment Program of the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development.<sup>5</sup>

[Key Words: UNEP, Chinese Academy of Sciences, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)]

## **United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at the UNFPA.<sup>6</sup>*

## **United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-Habitat)**

### *Senior Management*



**Rong YANG, Officer-in-Charge, Regional Programmes Division:** <sup>7</sup> Rong Yang has been involved in the UN-Habitat Programme Division since 2016, including a post as Inter-Regional Advisor at the Nairobi, Kenya. He is also one of four current Vice Presidents of the International Conference on Canadian, Chinese and African Sustainable Development (ICCCASU), a joint initiative between UN-Habitat and the University of Ottawa. Prior to this, Mr. Yang served as Director-General of the Department of Building Energy Efficiency and Science & Technology in the PRC Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (MOHURD) (2008-2016),

and as Deputy Permanent Representative of the PRC Mission to UN-Habitat (2001-2003).<sup>8</sup>

[Key words: UN-Habitat, ICCCASU, MOHURD]

## **United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at UNICEF.*<sup>9</sup>

## **World Food Program (WFP)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at the WFP.*

## **UN Specialized Agencies**

### **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)**

*Director General*



**Dongyu QU, Director-General:** Dr. Qu took office as Director-General of FAO in August 2019. Before coming to FAO, Dr. Qu served as PRC Vice Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs.<sup>10</sup> Prior to this, he served as Vice Governor of Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region (2008-2011); Vice President of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) (2001-2008); and Deputy Director General in the Human Resources Department for the China Three Gorges Project Development Corporation (2005-2006). Between 1986 and 2002 he served in a series of research and leadership positions at the CAAS Institute of Vegetables and Flowers.<sup>11</sup> Dr. Qu studied horticultural science at Hunan Agricultural University and then plant breeding and genetics at the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences. He later added environmental science to his knowledge portfolio

while earning a PhD at Wageningen University, in the Netherlands.<sup>12</sup>

[Key Words: FAO, MARA, NHAR, CAAS]



## **International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)**

*Senior Management* <sup>13</sup>



**Guoqi WU, Associate Vice-President, Corporate Services**

**Department:** Dr. Wu oversees human resources, administrative services, safety and security and information technology resources for IFAD.

For over 20 years, Dr. Wu has worked with international financial institutions to promote global development cooperation. He was previously the Alternate Director for China at the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the New Development Bank (NDB), where he was involved in a number of strategies, operational policies, business plans and budget, investment projects, in addition to working on membership expansion and partnership agreements. Before serving in these positions, he worked as the Alternate Executive Director for China at the Asian

Development Bank (ADB). Prior to that, he served in the Chinese Ministry of Finance in various positions, including Chief of the G20/BRICS Division. Dr. Wu earned his PhD in Economics from the Research Institute for Fiscal Science at China's Ministry of Finance and a MSc in Development Finance from the University of Manchester. <sup>14</sup>

[Key words: IFAD, AIIB, NDB, ADB, MOF]

## **International Labor Organization (ILO)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals hold positions on the ILO global management team.* <sup>15</sup>

## **International Monetary Fund (IMF)**

[Listed on page 12 under “International Trade and Financial Institutions.”](#)

## International Maritime Organization (IMO)

*Senior Management Committee*<sup>16</sup>



**Xiaojie ZHANG, Director, Technical Cooperation Division:** Mr. Zhang was appointed Director of the International Maritime Organization Technical Cooperation Division in 2020. He previously worked as Deputy Director-General for the Department of International Cooperation within the PRC Ministry of Transport. Mr. Zhang has also worked as a Director of International Organizations and Multilateral Affairs and a Director of Bilateral and Regional Cooperation, both in the Department of International Cooperation.<sup>17</sup> He has also served as Chair of the IMO Council since 2017.<sup>18</sup> Mr. Zhang graduated from World Maritime University in 1999 with an MSc in Maritime Affairs.<sup>19</sup>

[Key words: IMO]

## International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

*General Secretariat*<sup>20</sup>



**Houlin ZHAO, Secretary-General:** Mr. Zhao was elected Secretary-General of the ITU in October 2014 with a four-year mandate starting in January 2015. He was reelected in November 2018 and began his second four-year term in January 2019. Mr. Zhao is the first Chinese national to lead the ITU. Previously, he served as ITU Deputy Secretary-General (2007-2014), where he supported the Secretary-General with managing the implementation of the ITU Strategic Plan and the operations of the ITU Secretariat. Mr. Zhao has held other senior positions with the ITU, including Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (1999-2006). Before joining the ITU, Mr. Zhao served as an engineer in the Design Institute of the former Chinese Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications.\* Born in 1950 in Jiangsu, Mr. Zhao graduated from Nanjing University of Posts and Telecommunications and holds an MSc in Telematics from the University of Essex.<sup>21</sup>

[Key words: ITU, MIIT]

## United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in UNESCO's Secretariat.*<sup>22</sup>

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\* The Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications was absorbed into the Ministry of Information Industry in 1998, which was superseded by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology in 2008.



## **United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in UNIDO's leadership.*

## **Universal Postal Union (UPU)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in top leadership positions at UPU.<sup>23</sup>*

## **World Health Organization (WHO)**

*Headquarters Leadership Team<sup>24</sup>*



**Minghui REN, Assistant Director-General, Universal Health Coverage / Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases:** Dr. Ren has served as WHO Assistant Director-General for HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases since January 2016 and is continuing this work under his new title Assistant Director General, Universal Health Coverage / Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases. Prior to this role, he was Director-General for International Cooperation at China's National Health and Family Planning Commission. He has nearly 30 years of public health experience at the PRC Ministry of Health, where he focused on health systems research and health insurance reform. In addition, he has served as Vice-chair of WHO's Executive Board, a member of the UNAIDS Program Coordinating Board, and a representative of the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria.<sup>25</sup>

[Key Words: WHO, China's National Health and Family Planning Commission, MOH, UNAIDS]

## **World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)**

*Senior Management Team*



**Binying WANG, Deputy Director General – Brands and Designs Sector:** Ms. Wang has held a series of leadership positions at the WIPO. In early 2020, Ms. Wang ran as China's nominee in a high-profile race for WIPO Director General, where she was ultimately defeated by Daren Tang of Singapore.<sup>26</sup> She currently administers three other programs under WIPO: the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks, the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs, as well as the Lisbon

System for the International Registration of Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications.<sup>27</sup>

Prior to taking over as Deputy Director General for the Brands and Designs Sector in 2009, she worked in a number of other roles at the organization, including: Assistant Director General of Administrative Support Services and General Assembly Affairs (2006-2009); Executive Director of Administrative Support Services and General Assembly Affairs (2003-2006); Director of Inter-office and General Assembly Affairs in the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Development (1999-2003); Senior Counselor in the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Development (1997-1999); Counselor and later Senior Counselor in the Office of the Director General (1994-1997); and Senior Program Officer in the Bureau for Development Cooperation for Asia and the Pacific (1992-1994).<sup>28</sup> Before transitioning her career to WIPO, Ms. Wang served in a number of positions at China's State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) including Managing Director, China Trademark Service and Acting Director General, Department for Registration of Enterprises and Foreign Companies.<sup>29</sup>

[Key Words: WIPO, SAIC]

## **World Meteorological Organization**

### *Secretariat*



**Wenjian ZHANG, Assistant Secretary-General:** Prior to his appointment as Assistant Secretary-General in September 2016, Dr. Zhang was Director of the WMO Observing and Information Systems Department and the WMO Space Program. Dr. Zhang served as Deputy Administrator of China Meteorological Administration (CMA) from 2006 to 2008; Director-General of Observing and Information Systems Department of CMA from 2004 to 2006; and Director-General of National Satellite Meteorological Centre of China from 1998 to 2004. In his role at CMA, he supported strategic studies and plans for the modernization of the meteorological field in China. He also oversaw the development and implementation of the 10-year (2000-2010) Plan of the Chinese Meteorological Satellite Program, as well as development and operations of the FY-2 (geostationary) and FY-3 (polar-orbiting) series of satellites. Dr. Zhang obtained a MSc from the Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences in 1989 and a PhD from Peking University in 1993.<sup>30</sup>

[Key Words: WMO, CMA]

## **World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in UNWTO's leadership.*<sup>31</sup>

## **World Bank**

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## **Other UN Entities and Bodies**

### **Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve on UNAIDS’ leadership team.*<sup>32</sup>

### **United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at UNCTAD.*<sup>33</sup>

### **United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees (UNHCR)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve on UNHCR’s Senior Executive Team.*<sup>34</sup>

### **United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve on UNOPS’ leadership team.*<sup>35</sup>

### **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at UNRWA.*<sup>36</sup>

### **United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions at UN Women.*<sup>37</sup>

## International Trade and Financial Institutions

### International Monetary Fund (IMF)

*Senior Officials* <sup>38</sup>



**Bo LI, Deputy Managing Director:** Mr. Li assumed the role of Deputy Managing Director at the IMF in August 2021. He previously he served as the Deputy Governor of the PBOC and as the Vice Mayor of Chongqing. Mr. Li also served as the Vice Chairman of the All-China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese (ACFROC). \* Mr. Li holds a Ph.D. from Stanford University, a J.D. from Harvard Law School, an MA from Boston University, and an undergraduate degree from Renmin University of China.<sup>39</sup>

[Key words: IMF, PBOC]

*Executive Board*<sup>†</sup>



**Zhongxia JIN, Executive Director for China:** Mr. Jin joined the IMF in February 2015. Prior to joining the fund, Mr. Jin held various positions in the People's Bank of China (PBOC) in Beijing, including as director-general of the PBOC Research Institute, deputy director-general of PBOC's monetary policy department, and as deputy director-general of PBOC's international department. Mr. Jin holds a PhD in International Finance from the University of Hawaii and a MA in Macroeconomic Management and BA in International Economics from Peking University.<sup>40</sup>

[Key words: IMF, PBOC]

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\* The All-China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese (ACFROC) is a United Front work organization in the People's Republic of China for returned overseas Chinese and their relatives, serving as a "point of contact and coordination between overseas Chinese, the Chinese government, and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP)." All-China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese, "About Us," <http://www.chinaql.org/GB/index.html>

<sup>†</sup> The IMF's 24-member Executive Board conducts the daily business of the IMF. The directors are elected by member countries or by groups of countries. International Monetary Fund, "IMF Executive Directors and Voting Power," October 16, 2018. <https://www.imf.org/external/np/sec/memdir/eds.aspx>.

## World Bank\*

### *Leadership - World Bank (IBRD & IDA)*



**Shaolin YANG, Managing Director and World Bank Group Chief Administrative Officer:** As Managing Director and World Bank Group Chief Administrative Officer since February 2016, Mr. Yang is responsible for organizational strategy; budget and strategic planning; information technology; corporate procurement; general services and corporate security; the sanctions system; and the conflict resolution and internal justice system. Mr. Yang also leads the development and review of the World Bank Group's strategic agenda through 2030 and oversees the alignment of resources with corporate strategies. Previously, he served as Director General for International Economic and Financial Cooperation at China's Ministry of Finance. Mr. Yang also served

as the Executive Director for China at the World Bank from 2009-2013, the Alternate Governor for China at the IFAD, and the Alternate Executive Director for China at the Asian Development Bank.<sup>41</sup>

[Key words: World Bank, IFAD, ADB, MOF]

### *Board of Directors†*

- **Concurrently a Chinese government official**



**Kun LIU, Governor:** Mr. Liu represents the PRC on the World Bank's Board of Governors.<sup>42</sup> He concurrently serves as the PRC Minister of Finance, a position that he has held since March 2018. Prior to becoming Minister of Finance, he served as the Vice Chair on the Financial and Economic Affairs Committee of the NPC between 2016 and 2018, PRC Vice Minister of Finance (2013-2016), and Vice Governor of Guangdong Province (2010-2013). He graduated with a degree in finance and banking from Xiamen

\* The World Bank Group consists of five distinct but complementary organizations: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), International Development Association (IDA), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA), and International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). Together, IBRD and IDA make up the World Bank. Although part of the World Bank Group, IFC is a separate legal entity with separate Article of Agreement, share capital, financial structure, management, and staff. MIGA and ICSID are not included here because there are no Chinese nationals at the senior management level. World Bank, "World Bank Group Leadership."

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/about/leadership/managers>; World Bank, "About the World Bank."

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/about>; International Finance Corporation, "Our Governance."

[https://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/CORP\\_EXT\\_Content/IFC\\_External\\_Corporate\\_Site/About+IFC\\_New/IFC+Governance/](https://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/CORP_EXT_Content/IFC_External_Corporate_Site/About+IFC_New/IFC+Governance/).

† The World Bank Group Boards of Directors refers to four separate Boards of Directors for the IBRD, IDA, IFC, and MIGA. Each Board is responsible for the general operations of their respective organization. However, the Bank's 25 Executive

University in 1982 and spent most of his career in the government of Guangdong Province.<sup>43</sup>

[Key words: NDB, MOF, NPC, Guangdong]

## **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**

### *Management*<sup>\*</sup>



**Shixin CHEN, Vice-President Operations 1:** As Vice-President (Operations 1) since December 2018, Mr. Chen is responsible for operations in the South Asia Department and the Central and West Asia Department. Prior to joining ADB, Mr. Chen headed the Department of International Economic and Financial Cooperation at the PRC Ministry of Finance (2016-2018). From 1998, Mr. Chen held senior positions in the Ministry of Finance, overseeing areas of public finance and partnerships with multilateral development banks. From 2012 to 2014, he was a Board Director in the Credit Guarantee and Investment Facility, an organization established by

ADB and the members of ASEAN+3 to promote financial stability in the ASEAN+3 region.<sup>44</sup> Mr. Chen was the World Bank's Executive Director for the PRC from 2013 to 2016 and a Board Director for the PRC in the New Development Bank and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank from 2016 to 2018. Mr. Chen holds a doctorate in Economics from the Graduate School of the Research Institute for Fiscal Science, and a master's degree in Public Policy Management of the Mason Program of the John F. Kennedy School of Government in Harvard University.<sup>45</sup>

[Key words: ADB, AIIB, NDB, World Bank, MOF]

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Directors concurrently serve on the IBRD, IDA, IFC, and MIGA Boards. World Bank, "Board of Directors." <http://www.worldbank.org/en/about/leadership/directors>.

<sup>\*</sup> ADB's President heads a management team of six Vice-Presidents. The team supervises the work of ADB's operational, administrative, and knowledge departments. Asian Development Bank, "About ADB – Management." <https://www.adb.org/about/management>.



*Board of Directors* \*



**Weihua LIU, Executive Director for China:** Mr. Liu was appointed by the Chinese State Council to serve as the Executive Director for China at the Asian Development Bank in December 2020.<sup>46</sup> He previously served as the deputy director general of the Department of International Economics and Financial Cooperation at the PRC Ministry of Finance and the executive director for China at the International Fund for Agricultural Development.<sup>47</sup>

[Key words: ADB, World Bank, MOF]

## **Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)**

*Senior Management*



**Liqun JIN, President and Chair of the Board of Directors:** Mr. Jin is the inaugural President and Chairman of the Board of Directors at the AIIB. In May 2020, he was nominated to serve a second term in the role.<sup>48</sup> Before being elected as the Bank's first president, Mr. Jin served as Secretary-General of the AIIB Multilateral Interim Secretariat tasked with establishing the Bank. He has served as Chairman of China International Capital Corporation, Limited, China's first joint-venture investment bank, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of China Investment Corporation, and as Chairman of the International Forum of Sovereign Wealth Funds. Mr. Jin previously served as Vice President, and then Ranking Vice President, of the Asian

Development Bank, and as Alternate Executive Director for China at the World Bank and at the Global Environment Facility. He spent nearly two decades at the Chinese Ministry of Finance, reaching the rank of Vice Minister. Mr. Jin holds an M. A. degree in English Literature from Beijing Institute of Foreign Languages (now Beijing Foreign Studies University). He was also a

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\* The 12 Directors of the ADB Board of Directors are responsible for the direction of the Bank's general operations. The Board (i) makes decisions concerning Bank policies, and loans, guarantees, investments and technical assistance by the Bank, (ii) approves borrowing by the Bank, (iii) clears the financial accounts of the Bank for approval by the Board of Governors, and (iv) approve the Bank's budget. Asian Development Bank, "Board of Directors." <https://www.adb.org/about/board-directors>.

Hubert Humphrey Fellow in the Economics Graduate Program at Boston University from 1987 to 1988.<sup>49</sup>

[Key words: AIIB, ADB, World Bank, MOF]



**Huan CHEN, Ombudsperson:** Chen's mandate encompasses any staff-related issues. His principal functions involve conflict management and resolution, where he provides assistance that is both impartial and confidential. He also monitors trends and a wide range of emerging issues and provides guidance on methods to improve workplace environment. Prior to his appointment in September 2021, he served as Chief Officer of AIIB since its founding in 2016. He started at China's Ministry of Finance in 1989, where he was involved in a number of positions at the Ministry's World Bank Department and International Department. Between 1999 and 2002, he worked as Advisor and

Alternate Executive Director at the Office of the Executive Director for China in the World Bank. In August 2007, Chen joined the China Clean Development Mechanism Fund Management Center in August 2007 as Deputy Director General and served as Director General. He has a bachelor's degree in English literature in addition to a master's degree in economics from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.



**Yong ZHOU, Chief Officer:** In his capacity, Zhou serves as the Chief Advisor to the President in the management and oversight of the AIIB's key operations and activities while ensuring that cross-department operations and decision-making are aligned with the AIIB's overall vision, goals, and Corporate Strategy. He also manages the Office of the President. Zhou came to the AIIB in February 2016 in the role of Senior Advisor to the President. Prior to that, he held various leadership roles within the Ministry of Finance of China and also served on the Board of Executive Directors of the World

Bank. He has an M.S. in Finance from the PBC School of Finance at Tsinghua University.



**Ke FANG, Director General, Implementation Monitoring Department (IMD):** In his current capacity, Fang monitors AIIB's investment portfolio, including sovereign-backed and non-sovereign-backed financings in addition to managing reporting on the project implementation performance. He also serves as the investment committee's secretariat, and coordinates the implementation of investment systems, data analysis, and knowledge management operations. Prior to joining AIIB in July 2016, Fang spent over 15 years working for the World Bank in various capacities, including Global Lead for Urban Mobility, Lead Transport Specialist and head of the India transport team. Fang also worked in a number of projects that cover various investment activities throughout Asia and Africa. Fang has a Ph.D. in Urban Planning from Tsinghua University, where he was a lecturer and research staff from 1997 to 2000. He was also a SPURS Fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) between 2000 and 2001.



**Jianping HUANG, Director General, Information Technology Department:** Huang oversees the AIIB's information technology strategies in addition to the design, implementation, and operations of IT systems. As Director General, she manages a wide range of issues, including technology planning, enterprise architecture, service management, security and risk management, and data governance and management. Huang has more than 20 years of experience working for both private and public organizations, including IBM and the World Bank. She holds a master's degree from George Washington University.



**Yanning WANG, Director General - Operational Services**

**Department:** Wang is in charge of managing the Bank's Operational Services Department (OSD). These responsibilities include ensuring AIIB operations have the appropriate resources and qualified specialists to cover projects related to the environment, social, procurement and financial management aspects. He also ensures that AIIB policies and standards are maintained in all of these operations.

Before leading OSD, Wang served as the Assistant Corporate Secretary of AIIB. He also has a wealth of experience in managing the environmental, social and other fiduciary risk and impact from his previous tenure as Director in the Government of China, where he oversaw a large portfolio of multilateral development banks financing activities in China. He has also served in position at the World Bank and Asian Development Bank. At the World Bank, Wang worked as Operations Advisor for the East Asia and Pacific Region, where he managed quality assurance for operational deliveries and implementation support for the investment activities. He also sat on the Board of Executive Directors of the Asian Development Bank. During his tenure working for the Chinese government, he managed the development of a number of East Asia regional financial integration initiatives in the aftermath of the 1997 and 2008 financial crises. Wang holds a MA degree in economics from McGill University and a BA degree in English literature from Nanjing University.



**Dan YANG, Director General, Facilities and Administration**

**Services Department:** Yang is lead of a team that focuses on a wide range of responsibilities, which include: corporate procurement, facilities management, administrative services, records management, as well as security and emergency protocols. She is also in charge of the AIIB's business continuity framework. Before joining the AIIB in 2016, Yang worked in a number of senior positions at the Asian Development Bank, including director of procurement as well as deputy country director for the People's Republic of China Resident Mission. She has a bachelor's degree in English Linguistics and a diploma in

Development Economics from the Inner Mongolian Normal University and Beijing Normal University. She also earned an MPA degree from Washington University.





**Quan Zheng, Director General, Strategy, Policy and Budget Department:** Zheng oversees the development and implementation of the AIIB's strategies and operational policies in a wide spectrum of issues, including the environment, social sciences, and procurement. She also leads coordination screening investment projects in addition to their programming components. She has held various roles at China's Ministry of Finance and also served as Chair of the G20 Infrastructure and Investment Working Group in 2016. She earned a master's degree in economics from the Graduate School of the People's

Bank of China as well as the University of Manchester.

*Board of Directors*

- **Concurrently a Chinese government official**



**Zhijun CHENG, Director for China:** Mr. Cheng has been a member of the Board of Directors for both the AIIB and New Development Bank since 2021.<sup>50</sup> He has also served as Acting Deputy Director General of the Department of International Economic and Financial Cooperation at China's Ministry of Finance since September 2021 and represents China as Alternate Governor at the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), a specialized agency of the UN. Mr. Cheng previously served as the Executive Director for China at the Asian Development Bank and worked as the Deputy Director General of the Department of International and Financial Cooperation at the

PRC Ministry of Finance from 2014 to 2017. He has a master's degree in accounting from Dongbei University of Finance and Economics in China.<sup>51</sup>

[Key words: ADB, AIIB, NDB, MOF]

#### *Board of Governors*

- **Concurrently a Chinese government official**



**Kun LIU, Governor:** Mr. Liu represents the PRC on the AIIB Board of Governors.<sup>52</sup> He concurrently serves as the PRC Minister of Finance, a position that he has held since March 2018. Prior to becoming Minister of Finance, he served as the Vice Chair on the Financial and Economic Affairs Committee of the NPC between 2016 and 2018, PRC Vice Minister of Finance (2013-2016), and Vice Governor of Guangdong Province (2010-2013). He graduated with a degree in finance and banking from Xiamen University in 1982 and spent most of his career in the government of Guangdong Province.<sup>53</sup>

[Key words: World Bank, NDB, MOF, NPC, Guangdong]

### **European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)**

- **Concurrently a Chinese government official**



**Gang YI, Governor, China:** Dr. Yi serves as a Governor for China in the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and represents China on the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) Board of Governors.<sup>54</sup> He concurrently serves as the Governor of the People's Bank of China (PBOC), a position that he has held since March 2018. Prior to becoming PBOC Governor, he was the PBOC Vice Governor since 2007 as well as Director of the State Administration of Foreign Exchange (SAFE) since 2009. Earlier on in his career, he held a variety of other monetary policy-related positions at PBOC, Deputy Director of Peking University's Center for Economic Research, as well as economics teaching positions at both Peking University and

Indiana University. He earned a doctorate in Economics from the University of Illinois.<sup>55</sup>

[Key words: IDB, PBOC, SAFE, EBRD].<sup>56</sup>



## **Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)\***

[See Gang YI's bio above for his position at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.](#)<sup>57</sup>

## **New Development Bank (NDB)**

*Senior Management*<sup>58</sup>



**Qiangwu ZHOU, Vice-President and Chief Administrative Officer:** Mr. Zhou was appointed as the Vice-President and Chief Administrative Officer for the New Development Bank in 2021.<sup>59</sup> Immediately prior, Mr. Zhou was a Director General in the bank's Department of International Economic and Financial Cooperation in China's Ministry of Finance. He has also served in a handful of other position in his career, such as Deputy for the World Bank's International Development Association (IDA), as well as the Director General for the International Economic and Finance Institute (IEFI), a think tank that is affiliated with China's Ministry of Finance.<sup>60</sup> Between 2008 and 2011, Mr. Zhou was a Senior Advisor to the Executive Director for China at the World Bank Group. Mr. Zhou earned his MA from Peking University.<sup>61</sup>

[Key words: NDB, World Bank, MOF]

*Board of Governors*<sup>62</sup>

[See Kun LIU's bio on page 20, listed under his position at the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank.](#)

*Board of Directors*<sup>63</sup>

[See Zhijun CHENG's bio on page 19, listed under his position at the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank.](#)

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## World Trade Organization (WTO)

*Secretariat* <sup>64</sup>

- Concurrently a Chinese government official



**Xiangchen ZHANG, Deputy Director-General:** Ambassador Zhang's appointment as a Deputy Director-General of the WTO was announced on May 4, 2021.<sup>65</sup> Ambassador Zhang is also the Vice Minister in the PRC Ministry of Commerce. Until recently, Ambassador Zhang served as China's Permanent Representative to the WTO as well as Deputy Permanent Representative to the WTO. He has held various other positions, such as Director of the Department of International Trade and Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation, Director-General of the Department of WTO Affairs of the Ministry of Commerce, and Director General of the Department of Policy Research of the Ministry of Commerce.<sup>66</sup> Ambassador Zhang received both a Master's degree in International Relations and a PhD in International Politics from

Peking University.<sup>67</sup>

[Key words: WTO]

*Appellate Body*

The Appellate Body currently has no members.<sup>68</sup>

## Other International Organizations

### International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

*Secretariat*



**Hua LIU, Deputy Director General and Head of the Department of Technical Cooperation:** Mr. Liu was appointed Deputy Director General and Head of the Department of Technical Cooperation in February 2021. Mr. Liu has held various senior positions in China, including Vice Foreign Minister of Ecology and Environment from 2018 to 2021 and Vice

Minister of Environmental Protection from 2016 to 2018.<sup>\*</sup> He has also worked at the PRC National Nuclear Safety Administration (NNSA) as the Administrator, an engineer, and a project manager. Mr. Liu has a Doctorate in Radiation Protection and Environment Protection and a Master's degree in Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety from the China Institute of Atomic Energy, in addition to an Executive Master's Degree in Business Administration from Tsinghua University.<sup>69</sup>

[Key words: IAEA, China Atomic Energy Authority]

## **International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)**

### *Executive Committee*



**Binchen HU, Delegate for Asia:** Hu was formerly the Deputy Director General of the International Coordination Department in the Chinese Ministry of Public Security. In November 2021, he won one of two seats representing Asia (3-yr term) on the Interpol's executive committee. Hu's election to the position was met with international backlash from human rights activists, and a group of legislators from around the world who feared China might abuse its powers and databases through Hu's position.<sup>†70</sup>

## **International Olympic Committee (IOC)**

*Currently, no PRC nationals serve in senior leadership positions on the IOC Executive Board*<sup>71</sup>

## **International Organization for Migration (IOM)**

*While China is a member of IOM, currently no PRC nationals hold senior leadership positions.*

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<sup>\*</sup> In 2018, the Ministry of Ecology and Environment replaced the Ministry of Environmental Protection.

<sup>†</sup> Hu's election replaces former Interpol delegate and compatriot, Meng Hongwei, a former Chinese politician and police officer who was the president of Interpol from 2016 to 2018. Meng reportedly went missing on September 25, 2018 when returning to China from France with a layover in Stockholm, Sweden. According to reporting from the *South China Morning Post*, Meng was arrested for questioning by "discipline authorities" upon his arrival in China. French newspaper *Le Parisien* added that he was under investigation in China, suspected of favoring a company in a cybersecurity procurement. The former Interpol chief was accused of bribery was sentenced to 13-and-a-half years in jail by a Chinese court on January 21, 2020.

## **Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)**

*Technical Secretariat* <sup>72</sup>



**Hong LI, Director, External Relations:** <sup>73</sup> Mr. Li is a career diplomat and foreign policy expert on disarmament and nonproliferation. Prior to joining the OPCW, Mr. Li held posts in the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was China's Deputy Permanent Representative to the OPCW as well as the Secretary-General of the China Arms Control and Disarmament Association (CACDA).

[Key words: OPCW, MOFA]

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