



SESIÓN 2. Conversatorio sobre desarrollo infantil temprano

MODERADOR

GORDON JONATHAN LEWIS



Sr. Gordon Jonathan Lewis, El 1 de octubre de 2015 asumió el cargo de Representante de UNICEF en Costa Rica.

El Sr. Lewis es Master en Historia y Economía de la Universidad Johns Hopkins de EE.UU. Posee la nacionalidad estadounidense y británica. Nació y se crió en Puerto Rico. Habla con fluidez español, portugués, inglés y francés.

En su carrera profesional en UNICEF ha desarrollado una amplia experiencia en las áreas de: negociación política y económica, diseño y ejecución de políticas públicas, gerencia y gestión social, investigación, movilización de recursos, construcción de alianzas, planificación estratégica y coordinación y evaluación de una amplia gama de programas dirigidos a la niñez y adolescencia.

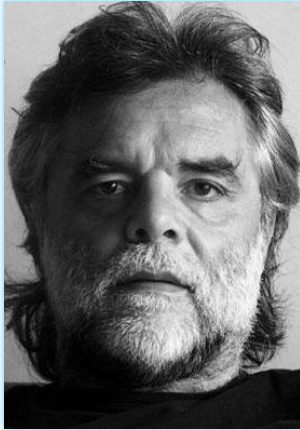
Del año 2010 a octubre del 2015 fungió como Representante de UNICEF en El Salvador. Antes de esta asignación, sirvió como representante de UNICEF en Bolivia y Botswana.

De 1998 a diciembre de 2001 se desempeñó como Oficial de Programas, Política Social y Planificación y Representante Adjunto en Kingston, Jamaica.

El Sr. Lewis se incorporó a UNICEF en marzo de 1991 en Luanda, Angola, donde ocupó diversos cargos hasta marzo de 1998, incluyendo Oficial de Proyecto de Planificación, Emergencia y Monitoreo y Evaluación

PANELISTAS

NESTOR LÓPEZ



Sociólogo, egresado de la Universidad de Buenos Aires; se desempeña actualmente en el IIPE-UNESCO Buenos Aires como Coordinador de Proyectos de Educación y Equidad, y coordinador del SITEAL (Sistema de Informaciones sobre Tendencias Educativas en América Latina), iniciativa que el Instituto comparte con la Organización de Estados Iberoamericanos.

Previamente se desempeñó como coordinador de proyectos en UNICEF Argentina, y como consultor de diversos organismos nacionales e internacionales en temas relacionados con análisis de mercado de trabajo, condiciones de vida y educación.

Es docente de posgrado en la Universidad de Buenos Aires, Universidad de Cuyo, FLACSO Argentina y docente invitado en la

Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona. En esos ámbitos, su actividad se centra en el estudio de la estructura social en la región latinoamericana.

Ha publicado diversos trabajos sobre dinámica social y educación. Entre los más recientes, editados por el IIPE-UNESCO, pueden mencionarse los siguientes:

- Equidad educativa y desigualdad social. Desafíos de la educación en el nuevo escenario latinoamericano (2007)
- De relaciones, actores y territorios. Hacia nuevas políticas para la educación en América Latina. (2009)
- Escuela, identidad y discriminación (2011)
- Equidad educativa y diversidad cultural en América Latina (2012)

MAUREEN SAMMS-VAUGHAN



Profesora de salud infantil, desarrollo infantil y comportamiento. Departamento de obstetricia, ginecología y salud infantil. Facultad de ciencias médicas en Jamaica.

Maureen Samms-Vaughan se distinguió en la escuela secundaria, donde fue reconocida por su rendimiento académico sobresaliente y fue elegida como la mejor estudiante de la clase. Realizó la carrera en pediatría en UWI, Jamaica. La Asociación de Pediatría de Jamaica la reconoció como la graduada en pediatría más destacada (1988). Se unió al equipo de investigación del Estudio perinatal jamaicano y recibió una beca de

investigación de la Carnegie Corporation para leer un doctorado en epidemiología en la Universidad de Bristol, Reino Unido. También realizó una capacitación clínica en pediatría del desarrollo y del comportamiento. En 1993, la profesora Samms-Vaughn fue nombrada profesora de salud infantil, UWI y consultora de desarrollo y comportamiento pediátrico, Hospital Universitario de West Indies (UHWI). Fue ascendida a profesora principal y fue nombrada Jefa del Departamento de Salud Infantil en 2001, en 2007 fue nombrada la primera Profesora de Salud Infantil y Desarrollo Infantil de la UWI. Estableció la Clínica infantil y familiar para trastornos del desarrollo y del comportamiento, dirigiendo este servicio desde su inicio. La profesora Samms-Vaughn se convirtió en la primera presidenta de la Comisión de la Primera Infancia (ECC) del Gobierno de Jamaica en 2003 y fue adscrita al ECC durante tres años. Recibió un premio de investigación (Mejor publicación) de The UWI en 2004. Fue distinguida Grace Kennedy Lecturer en 2006. En reconocimiento a su contribución al desarrollo nacional, fue galardonada con el Comandante de la Orden de Distinción por sus servicios al desarrollo de la primera infancia y la salud infantil en 2007.

La investigación de la profesora Samms-Vaughan se ha centrado en la identificación exhaustiva de los factores que influyen en el desarrollo de los niños durante la infancia. Ha dirigido uno de los estudios longitudinales más tempranos y completos sobre desarrollo infantil en un país en desarrollo. Los estudios de la cohorte de nacimiento de Jamaica han seguido a unos 1.700 niños desde el nacimiento en 1986 hasta los 20 años. El Proyecto de Perfiles, que se centra en el desarrollo de la primera infancia, ha seguido a los niños a los seis años, con un seguimiento de hasta 11 años. La naturaleza integral de los estudios ha llevado a intervenciones políticas y programáticas en el desarrollo de la Política Nacional de Crianza de Jamaica, a la mejora del desarrollo infantil temprano, a intervenciones para reducir conductas violentas y agresivas y a directrices sobre el visionado televisivo por parte de la Comisión de Radiodifusión. La investigación sobre el impacto de la paternidad en las hormonas se presentó recientemente en el programa televisivo National Geographic.

KIM SIMPLIS BARROW



MRS. KIM SIMPLIS BARROW

Mrs. Kim Simplis Barrow is the wife of the Prime Minister of Belize, Rt. Honorable Dean Oliver Barrow and mother to her only child, Salima Barrow. She is Belize's Special Envoy for Women and Children and President of Spouses of CARICOM Leaders Action Network (SCLAN), which is dedicated to addressing Caribbean priorities including the reduction of teenage pregnancy, cervical cancer, HIV, including mother to child transmission, and violence against women and children, including human trafficking. She is also the Founder and Director of the Lifeline Foundation, which raises thousands of dollars to aid disenfranchised children, and founder and director of the SHE for BELIZE Foundation, which aims to highlight the need for women's economic health, the need for family life education in schools and in the media, the need for information on sexual and reproductive health, the need for educational campaigns around HIV/AIDS prevention, as well as the need for universal health coverage and access to integrated health and social services.

Her two major projects as Special Envoy for Women and Children are a Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit constructed at the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital and The Inspiration Centre which offers healthcare and therapy services for children with disabilities. Her efforts to raise public awareness on the commercial sexual exploitation of children includes successfully advocating for the passage of two pieces of legislation to strengthen protection for victims of sexual violence and human trafficking as well as an amendment to the Criminal Code for harsher penalties for perpetrators of sexual offences. She has co-written two booklets on sexual abuse prevention and produced multi-lingual videos. Furthermore, she has hosted national and international conferences on ending violence against women and children and improving the situation of women entrepreneurs in Belize. Under her 20,000 STRONG Women's Empowerment Banner, she has hosted three national rallies to uplift women and girls.

Mrs. Simplis Barrow holds a Master's Degree in International Business from Florida International University and a second Master's in Hospitality Management from the same University. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Hospitality with a minor in Spanish from the Instituto Tecnológico de Morelia in Mexico City.

SERGIO RADEMACHER



Gerente General de Microsoft Chile. El título de su presentación es “Cultura: el motor de la revolución tecnológica”.

Sergio Rademacher es Ingeniero Civil Industrial de la Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, con más de 23 años de experiencia en la industria de la tecnología. Actualmente se desempeña como Gerente General de Microsoft Chile, empresa en la cual se encuentra liderando la transformación digital, acciones de filantropía e impulsando el uso de la Inteligencia Artificial y Cloud en las operaciones empresariales y usuarios finales. Es parte del Comité de Compliance de la compañía, puesto desde el cual asegura el cumplimiento de los estándares de calidad políticas internas de Microsoft. Además, ha realizado

mentoring en la aceleradora de negocios UDD Ventures y clases de Procesos y Transformación Digital en la Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez. Anteriormente trabajó en SONDA como Gerente Corporativo de Servicios de Datacenter y Cloud, y previo a eso fue CIO de la Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez. Sergio es casado y padre de dos niños.



SESSION 2. Discussion on early childhood development

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Mr. Gordon Jonathan Lewis, on October 1, 2015 assumed the position of Representative of UNICEF in Costa Rica.

Mr. Lewis holds a Master's Degree in History and Economics from Johns Hopkins University in the United States. He has American and British nationality. He was born and raised in Puerto Rico. He speaks fluent Spanish, Portuguese, English and French.

In his professional career at UNICEF we have developed extensive experience in the areas of: political and economic negotiation, design and execution of public policies, management and social

management, research, mobilization of resources, alliance building, strategic planning and coordination and evaluation of a wide range of programs aimed at children and adolescents.

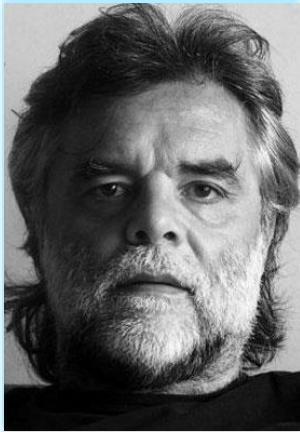
From 2010 to October 2015 he served as Representative of UNICEF in El Salvador. Prior to this assignment, he served as UNICEF representative in Bolivia and Botswana.

From 1998 to December 2001 he served as Program Officer, Social Policy and Planning and Deputy Representative in Kingston, Jamaica.

Mr. Lewis joined UNICEF in March 1991 in Luanda, Angola, where he held various positions until March 1998, including Planning, Emergency and Monitoring and Evaluation Project Officer.

PARTICIPANTS

NESTOR LÓPEZ



Sociologist, graduated from the University of Buenos Aires; He is currently working at IIEP-UNESCO Buenos Aires as Coordinator of Education and Equity Projects, and coordinator of SITEAL (Information System on Educational Trends in Latin America), initiative that the Institute shares with the Organization of Ibero-American States.

Previously he served as project coordinator at UNICEF Argentina, and as a consultant to various national and international organizations on issues related to labor market analysis, living conditions and education.

He is a graduate professor at the University of Buenos Aires, University of Cuyo, FLACSO Argentina and guest professor at the

Autonomous University of Barcelona. In these areas, his activity focuses on the study of the social structure in the Latin American region.

He has published several works on social dynamics and education. Among the most recent, edited by the IIEP-UNESCO, the following can be mentioned:

- Educational equity and social inequality. Challenges of education in the new Latin American scenario (2007)
- Relations, actors and territories. Towards new policies for education in Latin America. (2009)
- School, identity and discrimination (2011)
- Educational equity and cultural diversity in Latin America (2012)

MAUREEN SAMMS-VAUGHAN



Professor of child health, child development and behaviour. Department of obstetrics, gynaecology and child health. Faculty of medical sciences in Jamaica.

Maureen Samms-Vaughan distinguished herself at high school where she was recognised for outstanding academic performance and voted class valedictorian. She pursued a career in paediatrics at UWI, Jamaica where the Paediatric Association of Jamaica recognised her as the most outstanding paediatric graduate (1988). She joined the research team of the Jamaican Perinatal Study, and was awarded a Carnegie Corporation Research Fellowship to read for a PhD in Epidemiology

at the University of Bristol, UK. She also pursued clinical training in developmental and behavioural paediatrics there. In 1993, Professor Samms-Vaughn was appointed Lecturer in Child Health, UWI and Consultant Developmental and Behavioural Paediatrician, University Hospital of the West Indies (UHWI). She was promoted to Senior Lecturer and was appointed Head, Department of Child Health in 2001, and in 2007 was appointed the UWI's first Professor of Child Health and Child Development. She established the Child and Family Clinic for developmental and behavioural disorders, directing this service since its inception. Professor Samms-Vaughn became the first Chairman of the Early Childhood Commission (ECC), Government of Jamaica in 2003 and was seconded to the ECC for three years. She received a research award (Best Publication) from The UWI in 2004. She was the Distinguished Grace Kennedy Lecturer in 2006 and has been recognized by her preparatory and high school alma maters (Vaz Prep, Excelsior High, Jamaica) as an outstanding past student. In recognition of her contribution to national development, she was awarded the Commander of the Order of Distinction for services to early childhood development and child health in 2007.

Professor Samms-Vaughan research has focused on the comprehensive identification of factors influencing children's development through childhood. She has led one of the earliest and most comprehensive longitudinal studies of child development in a developing country. The Jamaican Birth Cohort studies have followed some 1,700 children from birth in 1986 to age 20 years. The Profiles Project, focusing on early childhood development, has followed children at age six, with follow-up to 11 years. The comprehensive nature of the studies has led to policy and programmatic interventions in the development of Jamaica's National Parenting Policy, the improvement of early childhood development, interventions to reduce violent and aggressive behaviours and guidelines on television viewing by the Broadcasting Commission. Research on the impact of fatherhood on hormones was recently featured on National Geographic television.

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General Manager of Microsoft Chile. The title of his presentation is "Culture: the engine of the technological revolution".

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classes in Processes and Digital Transformation at the Adolfo Ibáñez University. Previously, he worked at SONDA as Corporate Datacenter and Cloud Services Manager, and prior to that he was a CIO at Adolfo Ibáñez University. Sergio is married and father of two children.