

FSIN-AUC Technical Consultation on Food and Nutrition Security and Resilience Analysis: Are we effectively using the right data?

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Bios: Speakers

	<p>Tumusiime Rhoda Peace, African Union Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture</p> <p>Her Excellency Tumusiime Rhoda Peace is the Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture at the African Union. Prior to assuming this portfolio, H.E Tumusiime held various senior positions in the Government of the Republic of Uganda, including Commissioner for Agriculture Planning and Commissioner for Women and Development. Her efforts have yielded increased responses in the framework of the Comprehensive African Agriculture Programme (CAADP). She spearheaded the coordination of Africa’s preparations for global climate change negotiations and the formulation of a continent-wide climate change strategy in addition to steering Africa’s preparation of the Disaster Risk Reduction Action Plan in line with the global Hyogo Framework. She is a member of the High-level Advisory Panel of UNISDR, Advisory Board of Expo 2015 dedicated to the Theme: Feeding the Planet, Energy For Life, Governing Board of the International Fertiliser Development Centre (IFDC), Chair of the African Fertiliser Financing Mechanism (AFFM), Chair of the ALive Platform for livestock development in Africa, among others.</p>
	<p>Amadou Diallo Allahoury, FAO Representative in Ethiopia</p> <p>Amadou Diallo Allahoury is currently FAO Representative in Ethiopia. Previously, he has served in Niger as high commissioner (minister), reporting directly to the President, for the national strategy for Food Security and Agriculture development—called the 3N Initiative, “Nigeriens feeding Nigeriens.” At the global level, he has been appointed for two years by the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) as member of the steering committee of CFS’s High Level Panel of Experts (HLPE) for food security and nutrition. He has been involved as peer reviewer to the World Bank Agricultural Water Investment sourcebook and evaluator of FAO’s work related to water.</p>
	<p>John Aylieff, World Food Programme Country Representative for Ethiopia</p> <p>John Aylieff is the World Food Programme Country Representative for Ethiopia and has held this position since June 2015. Prior to this, he was the Deputy Regional Director for Asia. John has 20 years humanitarian and development experience and has held a number of senior management positions in WFP in both operations and donor relations. He has served WFP in Rome, Brussels, Bangkok, Ethiopia, Burundi and Bangladesh. John was directly involved in WFP’s response to a number of large-scale high-profile emergencies - the Great Lakes Regional Crisis (1994-2001), Afghanistan (2001), Iraq (2003), the Indian Ocean Tsunami (2004-5), Lebanon (2006) and the Horn of Africa Crisis (2011). Before joining WFP, John was an investment banker in London.</p>

	<p>Michele McNabb, FEWS NET Program Manager at USAID</p> <p>Michele McNabb is an international development specialist with more than 20 years of experience in food security, agriculture, and strategic communications in developing countries, including 14 years living in other countries and working in multi-cultural environments. She has worked directly for public and private sector organizations in Africa, Europe and the U.S. including international organizations (WFP, OCHA and the World Bank), governmental organizations (USAID and the Government of Mozambique), non-governmental organizations, private sector firms and universities (Tulane, Oxford, Cornell). She is the author of several reports and book chapters on disaster response, risk management, and early warning systems.</p>
	<p>Thierry Negre, Head of the Food Security Group in the Monitoring Agricultural Resources Unit of the European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC)</p> <p>Thierry Negre is Head of the Food Security Group in the Monitoring Agricultural Resources Unit of the European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC). A French national, Thierry NEGRE was born in Limoges in 1963. After graduating from the <i>Institut National Agronomique Paris-Grignon</i> in 1987, he worked for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the development of national food security information systems in Africa and Asia. He joined the European Commission in 1997 and was the initiator of food security information activities in JRC in 2001. Subsequently, Thierry NEGRE served as scientific counsellor in the European Union Delegation to the Holy See, the Order and Malta and the United Nations Organisations in Rome.</p>
	<p>Kostas G. Stamoulis, Director, Strategic Programme Leader, Food Security and Nutrition in FAO</p> <p>Kostas Stamoulis leads the design and provides strategic guidance of FAO's Strategic Programme on Food Security and Nutrition which cuts across several disciplines and geographical regions. Between 2008 and 2015 he was the Director of the Agricultural Development Economics Division of FAO. Since 2007 he has been the Secretary of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and played a key role in the reform of the committee. Before joining FAO in 1989, he was Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics at the University of Illinois in Urbana Champaign. His work includes issues related to the role of agriculture in rural development and rural poverty reduction in developing countries; the impact of changes in food systems on smallholder farmers and on rural poverty; the linkages between the agricultural sector and the rural non-farm economy and the integration of food security and nutrition in sectorial policies and programs. He has also carried out work on the assessment of the role of macroeconomic and exchange-rate policies on agriculture and the rural sector and the interdependence between exchange rate, financial and commodity markets.</p>

Bios: Panels

Panel 1



Dr Uma Lele, Independent Scholar & Development Economist, United States and India, and Chair of FSIN TWG on Measuring Food and Nutrition Security

Uma Lele, is an independent scholar and development economist. She has a Ph.D from Cornell University and four decades of experience in research, operations, policy analysis, and evaluation in the World Bank, universities and international organizations. She is a co-chair of the FSIN Technical Working Group on measuring food and nutrition security. She has several publications to her credit and has served on numerous advisory, expert and award panels in international organizations.



Dossina Yeo, Senior Statistician and Researcher, African Union Commission

Dossina Yeo has been working for the African Union Commission since 2005. As Head of the Statistics Division of the AUC, he has prepared several key policy documents such as the African Charter on Statistics, the African statistical coordination mechanism; the study on the creation of the Statistical Fund; and the Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA). He is coordinating the production of the annual Report on Assessing Progress in Africa towards the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in collaboration with UNECA, AfDB and UNDP in order to provide the latest update on Africa's progress towards the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Prior to the AUC, Mr. Yeo worked for the Ministry of Planning and Development of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire in the preparation of Poverty Reduction Strategies from 2001 to 2004.



Dr. John Ogoto Kanisio, Secretary General of the Republic of South Sudan Food Security Council (RSSFSC) at the Office of the President

John Kanisio heads the General Secretariat of RSSFSC. It provides administrative and technical support to the RSSFSC top policy decision-making forum, the Council, which is chaired by the President of the Republic. He also coordinates and monitors activities of the RSSFSC's cross-sector, multi-stakeholders platform on food and nutrition security to ensure that sector strategies and plans are adequately harmonized to alleviate and eventually eradicate hunger and malnutrition from South Sudan. Before appointment to the current position, he served as the Director General initially of Planning and later of Veterinary Services in the national Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries Industries. A veterinarian, with an MSc in animal health, he also had academic training in Agricultural Development and Rural Finance to a masters level. He has expertise in policy & project planning, M&E and facilitation of community-based development using participatory approaches.



Mawuli Sablah, Nutrition Officer, FAO Regional Office for Africa

Mawuli Sablah is specialized in International Nutrition and Food Quality Management Systems in developing economies with over 15-years professional experience. He serves currently as Chief Technical Advisor on Mainstreaming Nutrition into CAADP with UN-FAO Regional Office for Africa and focuses on improving food systems for optimal nutrition. He previously served as the International Nutrition Expert on the Hunger Free Initiative for West Africa. He had worked for 7.5 years with Helen Keller International as the Regional Food Fortification Advisor; managing the Regional Food Fortification programs on the continent

	<p>and coordinated the public and private sector multi-sectoral partners engaged in fortifying staple foods with vitamin and minerals across Africa. He has worked extensively with Teams in supporting countries in Africa to develop their multi-sectoral food security and nutrition policies and implementation plans under the SUN and Post ICN-2 Frameworks for Action.</p>
	<p>Namukolo Covic, Research Coordinator, IFPRI</p> <p>Namukolo Covic joined IFPRI as Research Coordinator in the Poverty, Health and Nutrition Division based in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. She leads A4NH support to efforts by ReSAKSS to promote evidence-based policy planning and implementation in nutrition, including the promotion of best practices, mutual learning, and policy review and dialogue processes. Her other responsibilities include coordinating the Transform Nutrition Consortium research efforts in East Africa, working closely with other development partners and African Union structures on nutrition and supporting the IFPRI Africa team on policy related nutrition research.</p> <p>Before joining IFPRI she was a Senior Lecturer at North-West University (South Africa) and led the Food and Nutrition Security Research Programme there within the Centre of Excellence for Nutrition. She is the current General Secretary of The World Public Health Nutrition Association, and a council member of the Federation of African Nutrition Societies. Her research has focused on community based micronutrient interventions related to cognitive function in children, infant and young child feeding and broader food and nutrition security aspects of sustainable diets.</p>
	<p>Michelle Lacey, Associate Professors of Mathematics & Biostatistics, Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine</p> <p>Michelle Lacey is a PhD Statistician (Yale, 2003) with appointments as Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics and Adjunct Associate Professor in the Department of Biostatistics at Tulane University. In addition to regularly teaching graduate courses in statistical modeling and data analysis, she maintains an active research program that has produced over 45 peer-reviewed publications with collaborators in the School of Science and Engineering, the Tulane Cancer Center, and the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. Her primary research focus is on the development of statistical methodology to support interdisciplinary research.</p>

Panel 2

	<p>Mark Constas, Associate Professor in the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management at Cornell University.</p> <p>Mark Constas specializes in impact evaluation and measurement. His research seeks to develop and test assessment tools to measure the ways in which households and communities achieve and maintain well-being in shock-prone contexts. His research is presently focused in sub-Saharan Africa, most recently in Somalia and Kenya where droughts, environmental stresses, and political conflict undermine the livelihoods and threaten the well-being of vulnerable populations. Mark is also a Fellow in the Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future and a Faculty Affiliate of the Center for Global Sustainable Enterprise in the Johnson School of Management. Mark is Chair of the FSIN Resilience Measurement Technical Working Group.</p>
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Tesfaye Beshah Asfaw, Technical Coordinator of the Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU), IGAD

Tesfaye Beshah Asfaw is a specialist in Agricultural Innovation Systems and holds a PhD in Social Sciences (Communication and Innovation in Rural Development) from Wageningen University, The Netherlands. Dr. Asfaw has also obtained an M.Sc from Wageningen University in Management of Agricultural Knowledge Systems in 1990. In addition, he obtained a B.Sc degree in Agricultural Economics from the Haramaya University (Ethiopia) in 1986. Tesfaye has a total of 29 years of work experience, including 21 years of university teaching, and senior management positions in regional and international organizations (ILRI, GRM International and FAO). He has extensive experience in the Horn of Africa and has worked in India and Papua New Guinea. Tesfaye is currently working with IGAD as a Technical Coordinator of the Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU). Prior to this position, he has served IGAD as Knowledge Management Coordinator.



Laura Mattioli, Impact Director, Global Resilience Partnership at KPMG

Laura Mattioli is currently Impact Director of the Global Resilience Partnership at KPMG. Previously, Laura served as Head of Analysis and Knowledge Management Unit, of the Kenya office of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, where she designed and implemented impact evaluations and led the setup of the IGAD Resilience Analysis Unit in Horn of Africa. For the past 10 years, Laura has worked as a food security analyst and economist for FAO in Africa and Middle East and for private sector companies.



Nigusie Tefera, Scientific Officer, European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC)

Nigusie is an economist and statistician with extensive field experience in East African countries. His main areas of expertise are resilience for food and nutrition security assessment, poverty and risk reduction strategies, welfare analysis, M&E and markets value chain analysis. Currently, at JRC, he is extensively working on contributing to a deeper understanding of household resilience for food and nutrition security assessment, dynamic food demand pattern analysis and welfare impact of higher food prices, among others. Before joining JRC he worked as a consultant for Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and researcher at International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and Ethiopian Development Research Institute (EDRI). He has also served as lecturer at Addis Ababa University (AAU) and MicroLink Information Technology College.



Tiffany Griffin, Monitoring and Evaluation Advisor, Center for Resilience, USAID

Tiffany Griffin is currently the Monitoring and Evaluation Lead for the Center for Resilience at USAID. Previously, she was Manager for Impact and Learning for the Democracy Fund, a private foundation in Washington DC, as well as a Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist at USAID supporting the Feed the Future initiative. In this latter role, Tiffany provided leadership on food security resilience measurement, particularly with respect to impact evaluation. She also provided technical leadership on all phases of the evaluation process, including project management, design, implementation, dissemination, and results translation. Using mixed-methods approaches and systems modeling, Tiffany has applied research techniques typically confined to the lab to complex real-world contexts. Prior to her food security work at USAID, Tiffany worked in the US Senate on domestic health policy, as well as on domestic food and nutrition policy. Tiffany Griffin received her doctorate in Social Psychology from the University of Michigan, and has Bachelors of Arts degrees in both Psychology and Communications from Boston College.



Luca Russo, Senior Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Luca Russo is an agricultural economist with extensive field experience, particularly in Africa. His main areas of expertise are food security and resilience in protracted crises, and related policy and analytical frameworks. Luca currently works at FAO as Senior Economist, where he leads major food security and resilience related analytical works such as the Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) and Cadre Harmonisé and the Resilience Index for Measurement and analysis (RIMA) which are particularly relevant to evidence based resilience and food security programming. Luca is also a member of the small Management Team tasked with overall implementation FAO Strategic Objective on Resilience.



Elliot Vuhurumuku, Regional VAM Adviser, WFP

Elliot Vuhurumuku is Senior Regional Programme Advisor for Food Security Analysis with the World Food Programme Regional Bureau for East and Central Africa based in Nairobi, where he has been involved in vulnerability, food security and resilience methodology development and analysis. He has almost 30 years of experience in rural development; capacity development; food security assessments and analysis; markets analysis; farm business economics; extension; project appraisal and management. He has worked as the WFP focal point with other agencies to establish the IGAD Resilience Analysis Unit and institutionalization of the Regional Food Security Nutrition Working Group. He was instrumental in the development of the Resilience Context Analysis methodology in the East African region.

Panel 3



Naman Keita, Independent Consultant, Former Head of the Global Agricultural Statistics Initiative

Naman Keita is an independent senior consultant statistician with extensive field experience, particularly in Africa and the Middle East. His main areas of expertise are agricultural statistics methods, censuses and surveys, capacity building, and related field projects development, implementation and country support. Naman is a retiree from FAO Statistics Division (ESS) after more than 25 years of service in the field, at the regional Office for Africa in Accra and at Rome HQ. He retired as Principal Officer and CountrySTAT Manager and has since led several Teams at ESS including Census and Survey Team, National Statistics Systems Team, CountrySTAT Team and Global Strategy Team. In his capacity as Team Leader he was helped the initial developments of FSIN initiative as ESS focal point. He also led the FAO Team that developed and implemented the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics. Since retiring, he has been coordinating the implementation of the Research programme of the Global Strategy to Improve Agriculture and Rural Statistics.



Issa Martin Bikienga, Coordonnateur de la Cellule technique régionale AGIR, CILSS

Issa Martin Bikienga is an agricultural economist and currently the coordinator of the regional Technical Unit of the Global Alliance for Resilience (AGIR) – Sahel and West Africa based at the CILSS executive Secretariat in Ouagadougou. He previously served as Deputy Executive Secretary at CILSS. Over the course of his career he has worked on a number of agricultural and agro-industrial development projects such as director of Phosphate Project, director of the Société sucrière de la Comoé (SOSUCO), director of Studies and Planning of the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources and as Secretary General of the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources. He has also held governmental posts serving as Minister of Agriculture in Burkina Faso.



Erdgin Mane, Statistician, FAO

Erdgin Mane is a Statistician at the Statistics Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). He holds a PhD in Econometrics and Empirical Economics from the University of Rome - "Tor Vergata" and a BSc cum Laude in Economics and Commerce from the University of Pescara - "G. D'Annunzio". Erdgin has ten years of experience on quantitative methods and statistics related to food security, development economics, impact evaluation and social protection. He was one of the co-authors that initiated FAO's work on Resilience Index for Measurement and analysis (RIMA), in 2007. He has been providing technical assistance through trainings, seminars or workshops to national statisticians and economists in Palestine, South Sudan, Sudan and Kenya. More recently, he has focused on building and improving statistics on agricultural investments, food and nutrition security, rural livelihoods and social protection.



Alberto Zezza, Senior Economist, Development Research Group

Alberto Zezza is a Senior Economist in the Development Research Group of the World Bank. His research interests are in the areas of agricultural and rural development, rural poverty reduction, food security and migration. He is part of the Living Standards Measurement Study (LSMS) team, where he focuses specifically on improving the availability and quality of food consumption and livestock data in LSMS-type household surveys. Prior to joining the World Bank, he was with the Agricultural Development Economics Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO). He holds a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Development Economics from the University of Rome, and a M.A. in Development Economics from the University of Sussex.



Arif Husain, Chief Economist and Deputy Director, Policy and Programme Division - Analysis & Trends Service

Arif Hussein is Chief Economist and Deputy Director of the Policy, Programme and Innovation Division – Analysis and Nutrition Service at WFP. Arif's work focuses on analysing how external economic shocks affect food security and welfare conditions in developing countries as well as WFP's capacities to deliver food assistance. Arif has substantial field experience in working on food security and humanitarian issues in conflict and post conflict recovery countries. His research interests include studying linkages between economic growth and equity, poverty, hunger and conflict; and analysing how global economic shocks impact localised food security, social protection, agricultural trade, and emergency and development assistance.

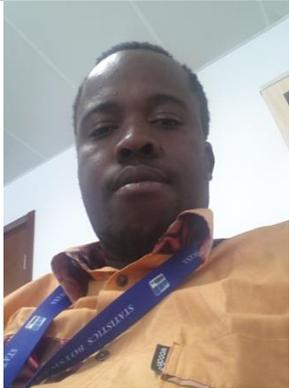


Laila Lokosang, CAADP Pillar III Adviser Rural Economy and Agriculture Department, African Union Commission

Laila Lokosang is a Food and Nutrition Security and Health Informatics expert. His major work and research interests are food security, nutrition, agriculture and health measurement, monitoring and evaluation. His distinguished area of competence is database and systems design. For the last three years he has been serving as Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Programme (CAADP) Advisor in Food and Nutrition Security at the Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture of the African Union Commission. Prior to this he served as a Health Management Information Systems Expert with over 20 years of international experience. He has also extensively served in several international organisations (UNDP, WHO, UNICEF, EU, World Bank, Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), USAID, UNAIDS and World Vision International) and over 25 short- and fixed-term consultancies. From 2005 to 2011, he served as an associate of four international consultancy firms specializing in health, food security, nutrition, poverty and livelihoods information systems and M&E. A native of South

	<p>Sudan, Laila Lokosang has served in responsible civil service positions one of which was the position of Director for Monitoring and Evaluation at the former South Sudan Commission for Census, Statistics and Evaluation.</p>
	<p>Bruce Isaacson, Chief of Party, Famine Early Warning System Network (FEWSNET)</p> <p>Bruce Isaacson is a food and resource economist with 25 years of international experience analyzing livelihoods, influencing government policy, and planning for food security contingencies. He is an accomplished technical expert in agricultural, food, resource, and development economics with a focus on research, strategic planning, policy analysis and formulation, food security planning, information, technical analysis, and reporting. He holds a M.S. in Food and Resource Economics from the University of Florida and a B.S. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Wisconsin.</p>

Panel 4

	<p>Prof. Peter Zeil</p> <p>Peter Zeil is a Seconded National Expert working as a Policy Officer at the European Commission's Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW, formerly DG ENTR) in the context of Space Data for Societal Challenges and Growth responsible for the cooperation with Africa. He previously served the Copernicus programme with a remit over the Copernicus Emergency Management Service, also contributing to activities related to the services for Security applications. Prior to his secondment, he worked as a Senior Project Manager at the Department of Geoinformatics (Z_GIS) at the Paris-Lodron University of Salzburg. He is a geophysicist by training with more than 25 years of professional experience in Europe, Africa, Asia and Latin America related to the implementation of geo-information and remote sensing applications.</p>
	<p>Samson Bel-Aube Nougbohoue, Statistician, African Union Commission</p> <p>Samson Bel-Aube Nougbohoue is a Statistician at the Statistician Division of African Union Commission. He holds a Master's Degree in Statistics from the National School of Statistics and Analysis Economics of Dakar, Senegal. He is part of a technical team in charge of implementing the African Charter on Statistics and Strategy for the harmonisation of Statistics in Africa. In this post he is involved in the development of standards and methodologies, data collection of various areas of statistics in Africa such as National Account, Trade, Labour, Migration, Agriculture. He is also involved in implementing the Action Plan of the Global Strategy to Improve Statistics for Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development in Africa. Furthermore, he is in-charge of the establishment of the African Union Institute for Statistics and Panafrican Training Center which will be based in Tunis (Tunisia) and Yamoussoukro (Cote d'Ivoire). Before he joined the African Union Commission, he worked as a statistician at the National Institute of Statistics of Benin, for five years.</p>



Jean-Martin Bauer, Programme Officer, World Food Programme Analysis and Trends Service

Jean -Martin Bauer leads WFP's food security monitoring team, within WFP's Food Security Analysis Service at Rome headquarters. Much of his work focuses on tracking trends in household food security in vulnerable countries, and capacity building for national information systems. Prior to this he worked in WFP's West Africa regional bureau, where he was responsible for market analysis, undertaking field assessments that supported the design of humanitarian programs. Jean-Martin has also had long-term field assignments with WFP in Niger, Mauritania and Guinea-Bissau.



Prof. Rejoice Tsheko, Associate Professor in Biosystems Engineering, Department of Agricultural Engineering and Land Planning, Botswana College of Agriculture

Rejoice Tsheko is an Engineer with over 21 years of consulting, teaching and research experience. His work has been mainly focused on the applications of Earth Observation (EO) for monitoring natural resources especially water. He is actively involved MESA project and has played a role in the AMESD project, as a capacity building partner. He is a graduate of McGill University and University of Newcastle Upon Tyne. He is also a non-executive Director at the Botswana telecommunications Corporation.



Marc Bernard, Head of the knowledge management unit of AfricaRice (Cotonou, Benin)

Marc Bernard is an Agronomist with 17 years of research experience in Africa. From 1989 to 2000 he was the responsible for the coordination of an interdisciplinary agricultural research project in Benin: "Special Research Programme SFB308 - Adapted Farming in West Africa" on behalf of the University of Hohenheim. Since 2000 he has specialized in knowledge management for international agricultural research and rural development. In collaboration with southern partners he conceptualized, developed and implemented a range of solutions for improved information and knowledge exchange in agricultural and rural development. This includes the development of a demand driven and result oriented business model. It allows engaging underemployed young professionals as freelancers for the provision of knowledge management and innovation support services. They are delivered on the basis of the prices of the local economy. It is presently successfully used for out-scaling of technologies and the acquisition of data and information for improved decision making in the innovation process.



Denis Macharia Muthike, Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development

Denis Macharia Muthike is a technical expert at the Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development (RCMRD). He leads the Climate, Weather and Disasters portfolio under the SERVIR Program, a science partnership project between NASA and USAID hosted by regional hubs of excellence across the globe. SERVIR uses scientific data from Earth observations and advanced information technology to advance the understanding of the environment and how that affects the society. Mr. Macharia is an environmental scientist with specialization in climate change and human geography and with applied experience in GIS and remote sensing applications for environmental management and population dynamics, climate change vulnerability and socio science applications of remote sensing. His research interests are in understanding how humans affect and manage the environment and, in turn, how environmental variability and change affect the society at local, national and regional scales.