

## **2009 Yale World Fellows**

### **Muna AbuSulayman (Saudi Arabia)**

*Executive Director HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Kingdom Foundation*

AbuSulayman is a well-known television personality, having co-hosted for seven years the popular MBC show *Kalam Nawaem*. The show, number one among social programs on all Arab channels, focuses on cultural, social, and gender issues and has a worldwide viewing audience. Since 2006, AbuSulayman has directed the Alwaleed Bin Talal Foundation, in which capacity she focuses on women's empowerment, East-West cross-civilizational programs, and strengthening educational institutions in the Middle East. She is also a lecturer in American Literature at King Saud University.

### **Ali Hakan Altinay (Turkey)**

*Executive Director, Open Society Foundation*

As director of Turkey's Open Society Foundation since 2001, Altinay has encouraged Turkey's evolution toward a more open society by focusing on European Union accession and the aspirations of the middle class. He helped found the Independent Commission on Turkey, a high-level body which contributed to the EU's decision to open membership negotiations with Turkey, as well as several think tanks and advocacy groups dedicated to reform agendas in the social, educational, and judicial spheres. Previously, Altinay served as regional director for both the International Research & Exchanges Board and Pathfinder International. He is widely published in the Turkish and International press.

### **Unmesh Brahme (India)**

*Senior Vice President, Corporate Sustainability, HSBC India*

Brahme, a corporate strategist, has been with HSBC India since 2004, where he formulates the bank's corporate responsibility and sustainability framework, creating strategic and operational value by working with multiple stakeholders. He has worked directly on the launch of HSBC India's microfinance initiative and on Future First, the world's first major-bank-led program for street children, as well as on significant climate change initiatives in conjunction with the Ministries of Science and Technology and Earth Sciences, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), and other groups. Previously, he worked as Head of Corporate Social Responsibility for Ogilvy & Mather, India and has consulted for the World Bank, Oxfam, and a number of other non-governmental organizations.

### **Alexander Evans (United Kingdom)**

*First Secretary, Political, British High Commission, Islamabad, Pakistan*

A South Asia expert who specializes in Pakistan's Tribal Areas and the disputed region of Kashmir, Evans has been with the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office since 2003. He has served in a variety of positions, including First Secretary Political in New Delhi and lead policy advisor on counter-terrorism and counter-proliferation in the Policy Planning Staff. Since 2007, he has led the UK's work in Pakistan on Afghanistan-Pakistan relations and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas. He is also a Gwilym

Gibbon Fellow of Nuffield College, Oxford, where he researches and writes on South Asia policy and informal networks. Before joining the Foreign Office, Evans was affiliated with a number of think tanks, including Policy Exchange, the Centre for the Study of Financial Innovation, and the Adam Smith Institute, all in London.

**Emmanuelle Ganne (France)**

*Counselor, Accessions Division, World Trade Organization*

Ganne is a primary negotiator for countries acceding to the WTO, including Lebanon, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iran, and Russia. She also played a key role in the accessions of Saudi Arabia and Vietnam, and was awarded Vietnam's medal of friendship in 2007 for her contribution to Vietnam's accession process. Ganne joined the WTO in 2002, where she advises acceding governments on their negotiation strategies and on WTO rules, acts as facilitator between acceding governments and WTO members, and prepares accession treaties. She also serves on the WTO Joint Advisory Committee, which advises the Director General on operational issues within the WTO, and guest lectures at Sciences Po, Lyon. Previously, Ganne worked for the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, putting in place the Stability Pact Anti-Corruption Initiative, which assisted South Eastern European states curb corruption.

**Vusi Gumede (South Africa)**

*Chief Policy Analyst, The Presidency*

A seasoned policy advisor and economist, Gumede has been with The Presidency's Policy Coordination and Advisory Services since 2001. He is an expert in socio-economic and public policy issues pertaining to South Africa and Africa broadly. As Chief Policy Analyst, his responsibilities include providing analytical support, policy research and advice, coordination and facilitation, monitoring and evaluation of socio-economic issues as well as overseeing key projects of The Presidency. Before joining The Presidency, he served as an economist in the Ministry of Trade and Industry. Gumede also lectures at the Graduate School of Public and Development Management at Witwatersrand University and serves on numerous boards and councils. He is taking up a new position as Research and Editorial Advisor for the South African Human Development Report, for the United Nations Development Programme in South Africa. He publishes widely, and has been a visiting scholar at research centers and universities in Brazil and the United States.

**John Hendra (Canada)**

*United Nations Resident Coordinator, Vietnam*

Hendra is a career United Nations officer working at the leading edge of UN reform efforts. He has served with the UN and the United Nations Development Programme since 1986 in a variety of roles, including as UN Resident Coordinator in Latvia and Tanzania and Deputy Director of the UNDP's Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships. In his current position as Resident Coordinator in Vietnam, he is responsible for spearheading the "One UN Initiative," a major UN reform project which aims to enhance the effectiveness and impact of the UN in an individual country. Vietnam is one of only eight countries piloting wide-ranging reform in the UN's development operations, and is seen globally as the country that has advanced the

furthest.

**Azeem Ibrahim (Scotland)**

*Chairman & CEO, European Commerce and Mercantile Bank*

*Chairman, Ibrahim Foundation*

An entrepreneur, philanthropist, and government advisor specializing in geopolitical strategy, Ibrahim's professional experience cuts across the fields of finance, academia, diplomacy, the military, and philanthropy. In 2004, he founded the European Commerce and Mercantile Bank, a private bank specializing in commercial accounts for clients involved in global commodity trading. He subsequently founded ECM Investment Management Fund, a regulated private equity hedge fund, and the Ibrahim Foundation, a private grant giving foundation for community projects. An officer cadet in the British Army's elite airborne infantry reserve, Ibrahim is also an active member of several leading think tank and advocacy groups, including the Aspen Cultural Diplomacy Group, the UK National Defence Association, the International Institute of Strategic Studies, Chatham House, and the Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies.

**Tim Jarvis (Australia & UK)**

*Associate Director, URS Corporation UK*

Jarvis is an environmental scientist who advises developing countries on natural resource management, sustainability issues, contaminated land, and energy efficiency issues. Also a well-known explorer, he has undertaken treks to the North and South Poles and across some of Australia's largest deserts, using his expeditions to broaden understanding of the scale of environmental issues facing the globe. Jarvis made headlines in 2007 when he successfully retraced Sir Douglas Mawson's controversial 1912 expedition to Antarctica, using the same equipment and starvation rations as the original team. He subsequently authored an account of the expedition, *Mawson: Life and Death in Antarctica*, and was featured in an award-winning international documentary film of the same name. He is committed to finding pragmatic solutions to global environmental sustainability issues, and volunteers his time with a number of charitable organizations devoted to the environment and child welfare.

**JIAN Yi (China)**

*Founding Director, Participatory Documentary Center*

Aiming to actively engage ordinary citizens in documenting their own lives, Jian is an internationally recognized independent filmmaker, writer, and artist currently based in Southeast China's Jiangxi Province. His documentaries and feature films, which reveal the social and cultural tensions of contemporary China, have won international awards and are shown in theaters, universities, and museums worldwide. He directed the critically acclaimed films *Super*, *Girls!* and *Bamboo Shoot*, and co-directed the groundbreaking China Village Documentary Project, in which 10 ordinary villagers from across China documented the changing rural dynamics in their home towns with video cameras. He is currently managing a transnational film project in which girls living in the slums of Mumbai and Beijing videotape their lives and communities. He is also the founder of the Participatory Documentary Center at Jिंगgangshan University and Original Studio, one of the nation's first creative civic engagement centers.

**Claudia Lopez (Colombia)**

*Political Researcher, New Rainbow Corporation and Civil Society Electoral Mission  
Columnist, El Tiempo*

Lopez is one of the most respected Colombian political analysts for having exposed the infiltration of paramilitary death squads at some of the highest levels of Colombia's political system. Her research on the infiltration of paramilitary groups in the Colombian Congress triggered a national scandal known as "parapolitics" which led to the legal investigation of more than a third of all members of Congress. She subsequently helped found the Electoral Observatory Mission, a coalition of NGOs and journalists that monitors political processes in Colombia, and also currently works for the New Rainbow Foundation as an analyst of illegal groups and armed conflict. Her courageous dedication to strengthening human rights and the rule of law makes her one of the most well-known contributors to democratic development in Colombia today.

**Maria Machado (Venezuela)**

*Co-Founder & Chairman, SUMATE*

A co-founder of SUMATE, Venezuela's leading watchdog for electoral transparency, Machado dedicates herself to defending democratic institutions and civil liberties in Venezuela. Using the right granted by the new Bolivarian Constitution to call popular referendums, SUMATE successfully organized national petition-signing drives that reached more than a quarter of all registered voters in Venezuela. Prior to co-founding SUMATE, Machado founded and directed the Opportunitas Foundation, an NGO that provides support to children and youth from low-income families. She also founded Fundación Atenea, an NGO which managed a children's safe house.

**Beatrice Mategwa (Kenya)**

*Producer/Head of Television, United Nations Mission in Sudan*

A broadcast journalist with pan-African experience, Mategwa currently covers the North-South Peace deal in Sudan and has expertise on how conflict impacts communities. She has been Producer and Head of Television for the United Nations Mission in Sudan since 2005. In this capacity, she has covered the deployment of UN troops to Sudan, the return of displaced populations to their homes, the rehabilitation of communities directly affected by war, and other issues pertaining to the North-South conflict in Sudan. Previously, she worked as a producer and reporter for Reuters Television, East Africa and as a reporter for Kenya Television Network and other media. In 2002-03, Mategwa was the Vice Chairperson of the Foreign Correspondents Association, East Africa.

**Zafar Sobhan (Bangladesh)**

*Op-Ed Editor and Columnist, The Daily Star  
Editor, Forum Magazine*

Sobhan shapes opinion through his influential positions at Bangladesh's paper of record as well as the nation's first "think magazine," and is considered an outstanding social and political commentator of his generation. As Op-Ed Editor for *The Daily Star* since 2003, Sobhan commissions and edits all opinion, commentary, and analysis pieces and writes a weekly opinion column for Bangladesh's most influential newspaper. *Forum Magazine*,

which he also edits, is a monthly focusing on politics and economics that is a must-read for government officials, business leaders, professionals, the international community, and those looking for serious analysis of national issues in Bangladesh. Sobhan also serves in positions of leadership in several non-profit organizations supporting youth training and development in Bangladesh. Prior to joining *The Daily Star*, Sobhan practiced law and taught school in the United States.

**Maxim Trudolyubov (Russia)**

*Editorial Page Editor, Vedomosti*

As an editor and columnist for Russia's most influential, independent business daily, Trudolyubov has significantly furthered professional journalistic standards in Russia. He has served as the Editorial Page Editor for *Vedomosti* since 2003, nurturing and creating open, informed political debate amongst a public intellectual elite. His weekly column often addresses profound social and political issues such as changing values in Russian society. He also co-anchors a weekly talk show on Ekho Moskvyy, one of the few editorially independent radio stations in Russia. Previously, Trudolyubov was Foreign Editor for *Vedomosti*, Foreign Editor and correspondent for *Kapital*, and a translator for *Moscow News*.