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Profiles of the panellists

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Mr. Donat-Cattin, currently the Secretary General Designate of Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA), has worked over the last thirteen years to promote the universality and effectiveness of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court in more than 100 countries in the framework of PGA's International Law and Human Rights Programme/ICC Campaign. His writings on international criminal law appeared on well-known scholarly works. Since May 2012, he is an "Adjunct Assistant Professor" of International Law at New York University (NYU) Center for Global Affairs.

Ms. Fiona Mckay

Ms. Mckay is a British lawyer who has been the Chief of the Victims Participation and Reparations Section within the Registry of the International Criminal Court since August 2004. The Section provides assistance to victims of crimes within the Court's jurisdiction for the purpose of facilitating their participation in the proceedings and their right to request reparations.

Mr. Motoo Noguchi¹

Mr. Motoo Noguchi is the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims. He was in the Supreme Court Chamber at the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) from the inception until July 2012. He is currently Director of the International Cooperation Department of Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, concurrently advising the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on international criminal justice. Since 1985 he has held various professional positions in Japan and abroad, including prosecutor, counsel to the Asian Development Bank, Professor at UNAFEI, and visiting professor at the University of Tokyo.

Mr. Fidel Luvengika Nsita

Mr. Nsita is an Attorney-at-Law at the Brussels Bar since 1992 and active member of Avocats Sans Frontières (ASF/Lawyer without Borders) since 1998. He started working for ASF as a lawyer, pleading in genocide cases in Rwanda and in cases involving inter-ethnic massacres in Burundi. He then became Head of Mission for ASF, first in Rwanda (4 years), then in Burundi (5 years) and last in DRC (for 4 months). Since 2009, he represents the group of main victims (356) in the case of *The Prosecutor vs. M. Ngudjolo Chui and G. Katanga* before the ICC.

Mr. François Roux²

Mr. Roux is the Head of Defence Office of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. Since 1999, Mr. Roux has represented several accused and suspects before various international criminal jurisdictions, including the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Criminal Court and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia. He has acted in various cases before the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg and the United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva.

Ms. Mariana Goetz³

Ms. Goetz is the Deputy Director and Director of Programmes of REDRESS. After campaigning for the establishment of the ICC and assisting the Government of Senegal at the 1998 Rome Conference for the establishment of the ICC, she joined the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and later the Special Court for Sierra Leone where she was the Legal Advisor to the Registrar. She joined REDRESS in 2006, as its ICC and post-conflict justice advisor and effectively became its Deputy Director/Director of Programmes in 2012.

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