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Speaker Biographies

Robert Albro trained in sociocultural anthropology at the University of Chicago, and is currently a research associate professor in American University's Center for Latin American & Latino Studies. Albro is a widely published expert on social and indigenous movements in Latin America, particularly Bolivia, with attention to their changing relationship to citizenship, sovereignty, and democracy. He also works on such questions as transnational civil society, cultural rights frameworks and the work of cultural policy. His current research is concerned with global cultural policy making. Over the years Albro has received support from the National Science Foundation, the Mellon and Rockefeller Foundations, the American Council for Learned Societies, and as a Fulbright scholar. From 2005 to 2007 he was Chair of the Committee for Human Rights, and from 2008 to 2009 he chaired the Commission on Anthropology's Engagement with the Security and Intelligence Communities of the American Anthropological Association (AAA). He also served as a member of the National Research Council's Committee on Unifying Social Frameworks, and is presently on the Board of Directors of the Public Diplomacy Council. In 2009 he was given the President's Award for outstanding service to the AAA.

Ali Arab is an Associate Professor in the Mathematics and Statistics Department of Georgetown University. He received a BS in Applied Mathematics at the Iran University of Science and Technology (Tehran, Iran; 1999), an MS in Applied Mathematics and Statistics at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (2002) and a PhD in Statistics at University of Missouri-Columbia (2007). He joined Georgetown University in 2007. His methodological research is in spatio-temporal and spatial statistics, and hierarchical Bayesian modeling. He is interested in applications of statistics in the environment and climate change, ecology, epidemiology, science and human rights, and risk and reliability analysis. He has recently published on science and human rights related topics in the Huffington Post (jointly with Dr. Jeffrey Toney; July 2012, and June 2013) and AMSTAT News (newsletter for the American Statistical Association).

Eric Ashcroft is a Senior Project Coordinator with the AAAS Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law Program. Eric received a M.A. degree in Geography from the George Washington University. While there, he worked as a research assistant mapping health and wealth in Accra, Ghana using GIS and remotely sensed imagery. He has also used remotely sensed data to monitor riparian health in Victoria, Australia. His primary interests focus on the use of satellite remote sensing to map human and environmental phenomena.

Ana S. Ayala is an Institute Associate at O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown University. Since 2010, Ms. Ayala has worked in projects on a number of areas of global health law, including health and human rights, global tobacco-control litigation, sexual and reproductive health, patients' rights, and the World Health Organization's (WHO) International Health Regulations (2005). For the past four years, Ms. Ayala has been in charge of managing the database project and leading the Institute's work in developing international partnerships for the project. She holds a Master of Laws in Global Health Law from Georgetown University; a law degree from American University, Washington College of Law; and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology and International Studies from the University of Chicago.

Kimberly M. Clark is a scientific consultant in the Washington, DC metro area. Clark earned her doctorate in Biomedical Research from Meharry Medical College, in Nashville TN, after completing her dissertation training at Vanderbilt University, in the laboratory of Dr. Terence Dermody. After a post-doctoral fellowship at Wake Forest University, working in the lab of Dr. Griffith Parks, and a concurrent adjunct faculty appointment at Winston-Salem State University, Clark held positions as a Senior Scientist at Biotech companies outside of academia. As a consultant, Clark has provided scientific, technical and management support to scientific and non-scientific clientele. Since her first job at a Foster Care and Adoption Agency as a High School student, Clark has maintained a passion for advocacy and the recognition and respect of the Human Rights of everyone. Clark has volunteered with

a variety of advocacy organizations, including the National Urban League, the Winston-Salem Sister Cities Board, and the Virginia Leadership Institute. Clark joined the Welfare of Scientists Working Group two years ago after attending the Science and Human Rights Coalition's Annual Meeting, and looks forward to serving the group and its mission in the coming years.

Sophie Cook is the Executive Director of the Committee of Concerned Scientists, a 40-year old independent non-profit organization devoted to the protection and advancement of human rights and scientific freedom of scientists, scholars, engineers and physicians around the world. She holds degrees from Radcliffe College, Columbia Law School and John Hopkins University. After serving as an attorney for the US Department of Energy and other federal agencies, including the US Commission on Civil Rights, Ms. Cook retired from federal service and became active as a mediator and case manager. She created and managed the first periodical on Alternative Dispute Resolution for the Bureau of National Affairs, a legal publisher, managed an EPA mediation contract for an environmental dispute resolution organization and conducted successful workplace mediations for the US Postal Service. She now directs all of the advocacy and administration efforts of the Committee of Concerned Scientists, in coordination with the co-chairs of the Committee, who represent the disciplines involved in its mission.

Lauren Crain Lauren Crain is Senior Program Officer at Scholars at Risk, where she helps to coordinate SAR's protection efforts on behalf of threatened scholars. Prior to joining SAR, she was the Program Coordinator for the Aspen Institute's Justice and Society Program, and a Consultant at Re:Gender (formerly the National Council for Research on Women), where she also served as Co-Chair of their Emerging Leaders Network, a skills-building and networking group for entry and mid-level nonprofit professionals. She holds an MA in Middle East and Asian Languages and Cultures from Columbia University and a BA in Politics from New York University.

Patricia A. Davis is the Director for Global Programs in the Bureau for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor at the U.S. Department of State. She oversees the management of the multi-million dollar Human Rights and Democracy Fund (HRDF) to implement the Secretary's goals of supporting civil society and human rights around the world. She previously served as the Senior Advisor for Democracy to the Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development from 2007-2009. From 2005-2007 she was the Director for Democratization and Human Rights at the National Security Council. Before joining the U.S. Government, Dr. Davis was an Assistant Professor for Government and International Relations at the University of Notre Dame where she taught courses in International Relations, International Political Economy and European Politics. She received her Bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska, a Master of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Hamburg, Germany, and a Ph.D. in Government and Politics at the University of Maryland.

Liza Dawson is Research Ethics Team Leader in the Division of AIDS (DAIDS) at the NIH National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). In this role she provides consultation and advice on research ethics issues for DAIDS research programs, coordinates a portfolio of extramural bioethics grants, and reviews clinical trial protocols as part of the DAIDS scientific review committee. Previously she worked at the NIH Office of the Director, Office of Science Policy, on human subjects oversight and bioethics issues and at the NIH Fogarty International Center. Prior to working at NIH she was a Research Associate at Johns Hopkins University in the Bioethics Institute. Dawson received her PhD from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in 1998 and her BA in biochemistry from Cornell University in 1981.

Giovanni Dazzo is Senior Evaluation Specialist at Freedom House. In this role, he oversees the evaluation of the organization's Emergency Assistance Program, which offers emergency assistance, advocacy support and security assistance to human rights defenders and civil society organizations under threat due to their human rights work. Prior to joining Freedom House in February 2013, he conducted external evaluations for social inclusion and economic development programs funded by bilateral, multilateral, and non-profit organizations. He graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles – where he focused on sociocultural anthropology and political science – and earned a Master in Public Management from Bocconi University's SDA School of Management in Milan, focusing on public sector and non-profit program evaluation.

Clifford S. Duke joined the Ecological Society of America (ESA) as Director of Science Programs in January 2003. The Science Office originated with ESA's Sustainable Biosphere Initiative in 1992, and focuses on the application of ecological science to environmental problem solving. To that end, the Office works with ESA members, other professional societies, and public agencies to develop workshops and publications on a variety of topics related to ecosystem sustainability, global change and biodiversity. Before joining ESA, Duke worked for 13 years in environmental consulting, managing preparation of environmental impact statements and ecological risk assessments for Department of Defense and Department of Energy facilities nationwide. He received his Ph.D. in Botany and an M.A. in Public Policy Science, both from Duke University and his B.A. in Biology and Environmental Studies from the University of Vermont.

Mark S. Frankel directs the Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law Program and is responsible for developing and managing AAAS activities related to science, human rights, ethics, and law. He serves as Staff Officer to two AAAS committees - the Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility and the AAAS - American Bar Association National Conference of Lawyers and Scientists. He is editor of Professional Ethics Report, the Program's quarterly newsletter, and is a Fellow of AAAS.

Brian K. Gran serves on the Steering Committee and Council of the Science and Human Rights Coalition of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Gran is a faculty member of the Sociology Department, with a secondary appointment with the Law School, of Case Western Reserve University. Gran's research focuses on human rights and institutions that support and hinder their enforcement. With David Brunnsma and Keri Iyall Smith, he edited *The Handbook of Sociology and Human Rights* and forthcoming is *Expanding the Human in Human Rights*. With two doctoral students, Gran published "A Child's Right to Enjoy Benefits of Scientific Progress and its Applications" in *the International Journal of Children's Rights*. Gran recently completed a project funded by NSF to develop an international Children's Rights Index. For his research on independent children's rights institutions, Gran has enjoyed support as a Visiting Fellow of the Swiss National Science Foundation and Fulbright Scholar to Iceland. He is President of the thematic group on Global Justice and Human Rights of the International Sociological Association. With Susan Hinkins, Gran is co chair of the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition Working Group on Service to the Human Rights Community.

Alexander Greer is a professor in the Department of Chemistry at The City University of New York, Brooklyn College. Greer is a co-chair of the Committee of Concerned Scientists, Associate Editor of *Photochemistry and Photobiology*, and a member of the Board of Editors of *Structural Chemistry*. He serves as co-chair of the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition Working Group on the Welfare of Scientists.

Sue Gunawardena-Vaughn is a human rights advocate with over twenty years' experience championing the rights of the disenfranchised. She began her activism as a student and has worked alongside frontline human rights defenders and traditionally marginalized groups both in the United States and around the world and has traveled extensively throughout Asia. She previously led programs focused on Global Human Rights, International Religious Freedom, and Southeast Asia at Freedom House and focused on a range of issues related to freedom of expression, assembly, association, and religion. Prior to joining Freedom House, she served for eight years as a Program Director at Amnesty International USA where she directed its global death penalty abolition campaign and spearheaded the campaign to Stop Child Executions. She has been active in efforts to combat torture and safeguard the rights of highly vulnerable populations including children, ethno-religious minorities, LGBTIQ individuals, and persons with disabilities. Gunawardena-Vaughn holds a Ph.D. in Government from the University of Texas at Austin with a focus on ethno-religious nationalism and identity politics in Asia.

Hugh Gusterson received his B.A. in modern history from Cambridge University in 1980, his M.Sc. in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1982, and his Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology from Stanford University in 1992. He has taught at MIT, Georgia Tech, and George Mason University. A specialist on nuclear culture, militarism, and ethics, Gusterson is the author of [Nuclear Rites: A Weapons Laboratory at the End of the Cold War](#) (University of California Press, 1996) and [People of the Bomb: Portraits of America's Nuclear Complex](#) (University of Minnesota Press, 2004). He is co-editor of [Cultures of Insecurity: States, Communities and the Production of Danger](#) (University of Minnesota Press, 1999), [The Insecure American](#) (University of California Press,

2009), and [Why America's Top Pundits Are Wrong](#) (University of California Press, 2005). His articles have appeared in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, New Scientist, The Sciences, the American Ethnologist, Cultural Anthropology, Anthropological Quarterly, Social Research, Alternatives, and Science, Technology and Human Values. He has published op-eds in the Los Angeles Times, Boston Globe, Philadelphia Inquirer, San Francisco Chronicle, Oakland Tribune and the Livermore Independent. Gusterson's research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the Mellon Foundation and by MIT's Levitan Prize. He will spend the 2014-15 academic year at Princeton's Institute for Advanced Study.

Theresa Harris is a Senior Program Associate in the AAAS Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law Program, where she supports the work of the Science and Human Rights Coalition and On-call Scientists. Prior to joining AAAS she led Human Rights USA as its Executive Director, where she represented survivors of human rights violations before United States courts, the Inter-American human rights system and United Nations human rights mechanisms. Harris has served on the Board of Directors of Amnesty International USA and the governing body of the World Organization Against Torture (OMCT). She earned a BA in Anthropology from Florida State University, an MSc in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville and a JD from American University Washington College of Law. She is admitted to practice in Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Jasmine Heiss is a Campaigner with Amnesty International USA's Individuals and Communities at Risk program. She advocates on behalf of the prisoners of conscience, human rights defenders, communities and other individuals who are at the heart of Amnesty International's work. Prior to joining Amnesty International USA, Jasmine worked on the ground in Argentina and Peru and studied in India. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Chicago.

Susan Hinkins is a Senior Statistician with the National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago and a fellow of the American Statistical Association. She is a former Chair of the American Statistical Association's Committee on Scientific Freedom and Human Rights and she is currently a member of the science advisory committee for the Human Rights Data Analysis Group. As one of the representatives of the American Statistical Association, Hinkins has been active in the Coalition from its inception and is a co-chair of the Working Group on Service to the Human Rights Community.

Risa E. Kaufman is the executive director of the Human Rights Institute (HRI) at Columbia Law School and a Lecturer-in-Law. At HRI, she works to develop and advance international human rights norms and strategies in the United States through research, advocacy, network building, and training. Her advocacy and research focus on state and local implementation of human rights, access to justice, and economic, social, and cultural rights. She also teaches a seminar on domestic human rights advocacy and oversees the overall functioning of the Institute. Kaufman holds a J.D. from New York University School of Law, where she was a Root-Tilden-Snow Scholar, clerked for Judge Ira DeMent in the U.S. District Court in Montgomery, Alabama, and holds a B.A. from Tulane University. Kaufman's publications on human rights implementation include: *Human Rights Advocacy in the United States* (with Martha F. Davis and Johanna Kalb) (forthcoming 2014); *Framing Economic, Social and Cultural Rights at the U.N.*, 4 Northeastern U. L. J. 407 (2012); and *Engaging U.N. Mechanisms to Advance Economic Justice Advocacy*, 44 Clearinghouse Rev. (Sept.-Oct. 2011) (with JoAnn Kamuf Ward).

Michael Kleinman is a director on the Investments team at Humanity United. Michael worked overseas for international NGOs—first with CARE in Afghanistan, Sudan, and in a regional position covering east and central Africa, and then with International Relief and Development in Iraq. Prior to going overseas, he worked for the Harvard Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research, leading a project on the application of international humanitarian law to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He is a graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School.

Nicholas (Niko) Lusiani is Senior Researcher at the Center for Economic and Social Rights, where his work focuses on developing alternative human rights-centered economic and development policies. Niko previously worked for the International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural rights and el Centro por los Derechos Economicos y Sociales in Ecuador. He also has experience in the fields of international humanitarian relief, indigenous rights in

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Sheryl Luzzadder-Beach is Professor and Chair of the Department of Geography and the Environment at the University of Texas at Austin. Prior to her position at UT Austin, she taught for over 20 years at George Mason University where she was Professor of Geography and also the Associate Provost for General Education; and she also taught at the University of Georgia, Humboldt State University-CA, and the University of Minnesota. Her research and teaching specialties are in Hydrology and Water Quality, Earth Systems Science, Spatial Statistics, Global Change, Geoarchaeology, and Gender and Science. Luzzadder-Beach has conducted field research in California, Iceland, Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, Turkey and Syria. Her research has been supported by grants from George Mason University, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the National Geographic Society, and the National Science Foundation. Luzzadder-Beach and her co-author Timothy Beach were awarded the 2010 G.K. Gilbert Award for Excellence in Research by the Association of American Geographers Geomorphology Specialty Group, and she was honored with the 2012 GMU College of Science Publication Excellence Award. She is a member of several professional and scholarly organizations, including the Association of American Geographers, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society for American Archaeology, the Geological Society of America, and Sigma Xi.

Sam McFarland received his PhD in Psychology at Vanderbilt and taught psychology at Western Kentucky University from 1971 until his recent retirement; Western Kentucky University named him Distinguished University Professor. Since 1991, McFarland has also taught an honors seminar on "Understanding Human Rights," which he continues to teach. He was a Fulbright Senior Lecturer in the former Soviet Union, and is Past-President of the International Society of Political Psychology. McFarland has served on the New York Committee of Human Rights Watch. He is now studying the psychology of caring for all humanity, a vital precursor to concern for human rights.

Jiva Manske leads organizing, activism, and leadership development initiatives across the United States as the Deputy Director of Membership Mobilization for Amnesty International USA. He has led nation-wide member engagement and outreach strategies, as well as rapid response mobilizations to impact pressing domestic and international human rights challenges, and has integrated sustainable approaches to transformative activism. He currently serves as the primary liaison to the Amnesty International global human rights education community. Prior to his work at Amnesty, Jiva developed educational programming based on restorative justice principles for schools, communities, and jails and prisons. He has a BA in sociology and public policy from Brown University, and a MA in peace and conflict studies from the European Peace University.

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Oliver C. Moles, Jr. is a consultant in social research and educational issues and a PhD. social psychologist. He has been a member of the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition since 2010 and participates in the workshops and indicators projects of the Working Group on Service to the Human Rights Community. He is retired from the Office of Educational Research and Improvement of the U.S. Department of Education. At OERI he monitored national R&D centers on inner city education, students placed at risk of failure, and effective secondary schools. He has conducted studies and written on parent involvement in education, youth development, student conduct, and school crime. He is a Fellow of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues and a member of the American Sociological Association and the American Educational Research Association. For some years he has chaired the Maryland Alliance for Family Involvement in Education that conducts regular workshops for school district staff and others working with parents.

Karen Kashmanian Oates is a Professor of Biochemistry and the Dean of Arts & Sciences at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Oates received her B.S. in Biology from Rochester Institute of Technology and her Ph.D. in Biochemistry from The George Washington University. Oates serves as the Peterson Family Dean of Arts and Sciences at WPI where she is responsible for 8 departments and 6 programs of study spanning the natural and life sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities, mathematics and computer science. Several interdisciplinary programs are under her responsibility including bioinformatics, data science, cybersecurity, environmental studies and a shared robotics engineering program. Oates joined WPI from the National Science Foundation, where she served as a deputy director of the Division of Undergraduate Education charged with supporting innovative programs to strengthen undergraduate education and help revitalize American entrepreneurship and competitiveness. She began her academic career at George Mason University, where, as associate dean for the new College of Integrated and Interdisciplinary Studies, she helped create George Mason's New American College environment. She later served as inaugural provost for the Harrisburg University of Science and Technology, where she established the National Center for Science and Civic Engagement and helped secure NSF funds for Science Education for New Civic Engagement and Responsibilities, which works to improve undergraduate STEM education by connecting learning to critical civic questions. Among the honors she has received are the Bruce Albert's Award, presented by American Society for Cell Biology for excellence in science education reform, and the Distinguished Public Service Award, the highest civilian honor presented by the City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. She recently became a Sigma Xi Distinguished Lecturer and in 2012 she was inducted as a AAAS Science Education Fellow.

Courtney C. Radsch, Advocacy Director for the Committee to Protect Journalists, is a journalist, researcher, and free expression advocate with more than 13 years of experience in the United States and the Middle East. She joined CPJ in 2014 after working for UNESCO's Section for Freedom of Expression, where she coordinated the organization's strategy in the Arab region and edited the flagship publication "World Trends in Freedom of Expression and Media Development." Radsch previously worked as senior program manager for the Global Freedom of Expression Campaign at Freedom House, where she led advocacy missions to more than a dozen countries, U.N. bodies, and the Internet Governance Forum. She has also worked for *Al-Arabiya* in Dubai, the *Daily Star* in Lebanon, and *The New York Times*. She writes and speaks frequently about the intersection of media, technology, and human rights, with a particular emphasis on gender and the Middle East, and is a blogger for the *Huffington Post*. Radsch holds a PhD in international relations from American University and is turning her dissertation, "Digital Dissidence & Political Change: Cyberactivism and Citizen Journalism in Egypt," into a book. She holds a master's of science in foreign service from Georgetown University and a bachelor's degree with highest honors in mass communication from the University of California, Berkeley.

Douglas Richardson is the Executive Director of the Association of American Geographers, and served as Chair of the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition Steering Committee from its inception through 2011. Prior to joining the AAG, Richardson had founded and was the president of GeoResearch, Inc., which created and patented the first real-time interactive GPS/GIS technologies, and pioneered the development of related GPS/GIS field mapping and geographic management applications internationally for over a decade. He sold the company and its key patents in 1998. He has conducted extensive research in the environmental and natural resources fields, and on geographic information science and technology. He also has worked closely with American Indian Tribes on human rights and sustainable development issues for many years. His current research interests focus on geography's evolution as an international discipline and its future trajectories in the university and in society, including its role in advancing human rights.

Romesh Silva is an Assistant Scientist in the Department of International Health at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Silva is a demographer and statistical consultant who has co-authored a number of policy-related reports and scholarly publications on the statistics of large-scale human rights violations in conflict zones. Through his work in Sri Lanka, he devised statistical methods to measure the reliability of data coding methods in human rights documentation projects. These methods have subsequently been used in human rights projects in Colombia, Guatemala, Sierra Leone, Ghana and Timor-Leste. His work developed new ways to analyze and visualize command responsibility from administrative documents recovered from secret police prisons in Chad. His work in Timor-Leste with the country's official truth commission drew multiple data sources and multiple methods and

showed that conflict mortality during the Indonesian occupation was driven primarily by famine-related mortality, itself closely connected with conflict-related displacement during the conflict. Romesh previously served as a Statistical Consultant to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Laos, where he provided quantitative analysis for the 2001 Lao National Human Development Report and served as a technical adviser to the Lao Ministry of Finance in the upgrade of its international trade statistics system. He holds a doctorate and master's degree in demography from the University of California, Berkeley, a Masters of International Affairs from Columbia University (New York), as well as a bachelor of science degree (Hons, Class 1) in Statistics and a bachelor of arts in German Studies from the University of New South Wales (Sydney, Australia).

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