

## Authors of Forewords and Preface Essays

**Achim Steiner** (Germany) is Executive Director of the *United Nations Environment Programme* (UNEP) and Under-Secretary General of the United Nations. Following the nomination by the Secretary-General, the General Assembly, on 16 March 2006, elected Mr. Steiner unanimously as UNEP's fifth Executive Director for a four-year term. He was re-elected for a second term to commence on 15 June 2010. Prior he was the Director-General of IUCN - the World Conservation Union - the world's largest environmental network with over 1,000 members including states, government agencies, and non-governmental organizations in 140 countries. He has worked both at the grass-roots level and at the highest levels of international policymaking to address the interface between environmental sustainability, social equity, and economic development. His professional career has included assignments with governmental and non-governmental, as well as international organizations in different parts of the world. In Washington, where he was Senior Policy Adviser of the IUCN Global Policy Unit, he led the development of new partnerships between the environment community and the World Bank and United Nations system. In South-East Asia, he worked as Chief Technical Adviser on a programme for sustainable management of Mekong River watersheds and community-based natural resources management. In 1998, he was appointed Secretary-General of the World Commission on Dams, based in South Africa, where he managed a global programme of work to bring together the public sector, civil society, and the private sector in a global policy process on dams and development. In 2001, he was appointed Director-General of the World Conservation Union, one of the most influential and highly respected organizations in the field of conservation, environment and natural resources management. As Chief Executive, he has held responsibility for the management and oversight of 1,000 staff located in 42 countries, implementing the Union's global work programme. His professional track record in the fields of sustainable development policy and environmental management, his firsthand knowledge of civil society, governmental and international organizations, as well as his global experience spanning five continents make him an excellent choice to lead the United Nations Environment Programme. Mr. Steiner was born in Brazil in 1961 where he lived for 10 years. His educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Oxford, as well as a Master of Arts from the University of London with specialization in development economics, regional planning, and international development and environment policy. He also studied at the German Development Institute in Berlin, as well as the Harvard Business School. He serves on a number of international advisory boards, including the *China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development* (CCICED).

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**HRH Prince El Hassan bin Talal** (The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan) is a pluralist who believes in societies in which all peoples can live, work and function in freedom and with dignity. His Royal Highness has initiated, founded and is actively involved in a number of Jordanian and international institutes and committees. Some of the Jordanian institutes established by HRH include the Higher Council for Science and Technology, the Royal Scientific Society, the Arab Thought Forum, the Royal Institute for Interfaith Studies and the recently formed Regional Human Security Centre. Addressing the 36<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations in 1981, His Royal Highness proposed the establishment of the New International Humanitarian Order, which led to a

request by the Secretary General to found and co-chair the *Independent Commission on International Humanitarian Issues* (ICHI). In May 2008, HRH delivered the Inaugural Thematic Debate on Human Security at the UN General Assembly. He serves as a member of the Commission on Legal Empowerment of the Poor which published its report in June 2003. The West Asia-North Africa Forum which was initiated by HRH, held its inaugural meeting in April 2009. Prince Hassan initiated and hosted ongoing consultations with the Orthodox Centre of the Ecumenical Patriarchate at Chambesy, Switzerland, the Pontifical Council for Inter-religious Dialogue at the Vatican and the The Interfaith Foundation in the United Kingdom through the aegis of the St. George's House, Windsor. He is a founder and now President of the *Foundation for Interreligious and Intercultural Research and Dialogue* (FIIRD) which was established in Geneva in 1999. HRH has had a long and active engagement with environmentally focused organizations, in particular the *Trans-Mediterranean Renewable Energy Cooperation* (TREC) Network, which developed the DESERTEC concept that was introduced to the European Parliament by HRH in 2007. The Jordan-based Badia Research and Development Centre was established in 1992 as a result of the long-term vision of HRH to train and improve the livelihoods of the Bedouin population of Jordan for whom the desert is still their home. In July 2002, Prince Hassan founded the *International Cultures Foundation* with Professor Ihsan Doramaci, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bilkent University in Ankara. *The Parliament of Cultures* was then formed in 2004, to fulfil an agenda of promoting understanding among different cultures and enhancing dialogue between their thinkers and intellectuals. In July 2003, HRH launched *Partners in Humanity* as a joint initiative with John Marks from *Search for Common Ground* (SFCG), which aims to improve understanding, build positive relationships and promote dialogue between the Muslim and western worlds. Having been always interested in young people and believing in the importance of their input to the community, His Royal Highness has founded several youth organizations in Jordan and has supported youth activities around the world. Prince Hassan is a member of the Board of the Nuclear Threat Initiative and served on the Commission for Weapons of Mass Destruction. In November 2009 HRH became an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh. HRH is a prolific contributor to newspapers, journals, magazines and periodicals, as well as specific publications on regional and international issues. Prince Hassan is also the author of nine books: *A Study on Jerusalem* (1979, English); *Palestinian Self-Determination* (1981, English, Arabic); *Search for Peace* (1984, English, Arabic); *Christianity in the Arab World* (1994, English, Arabic, French, Greek, Spanish, Russian, German, Swedish); (co-author with Alain Elkann): *Essere Musulmano* (2001, Italian, French, Spanish); *To Be A Muslim* (2003, English); *Q and A: Contemporary Issues* (2003, Arabic); *Continuity, Innovation and Change: Selected Essays* (2001); *In Memory of Faisal I: The Iraqi Question* (2003, Arabic); *El Hassan bin Talal Collected Works, vol-1* (2007, Arabic). Prince Hassan was awarded many honorary doctoral degrees by Boşziçi University, Turkey (1981);

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**Paul Crutzen** (The Netherlands), Nobel Laureate for Chemistry in 1995; Member of the Max-Planck-Society for the Advancement of Science, Director Emeritus of the Atmospheric Chemistry Division, Max-Planck-Institute for Chemistry, Mainz, Germany (1980-2000); Executive Director, Max-Planck-Institute for Chemistry (1983-1985); part-time professor, Department of Geophysical Sciences, University of Chicago, USA (1987-1991), Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, La Jolla, USA (1992-2008), Utrecht University, Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, The Netherlands (1997-2000). He was born in Amsterdam on 3 December 1933. His mother's parents moved to the Ruhr region from East Prussia being of mixed German and Polish origin. His father came from Vaals who had relatives in the Netherlands, Germany and Belgium. He studied civil engineering in Amsterdam (1951-1954). He worked with a Bridge Construction Bureau of the City of Amsterdam, Holland (1954-1958); a House Construction Bureau in Gävle, Sweden (1958-1959). He conducted academic studies and research at the University of Stockholm (1959-1973) where he obtained a M.Sc. (Filosofie Kandidat), 1963; a Ph.D. (Filosofie Licentiat), Meteorology, 1968, D.Sc. (Filosofie Doctor), 1973 with the highest possible distinctions; held various computer consulting, teaching and research positions at the Department of Meteorology, University of Stockholm where he was promoted to a Research Associate Professor (1959-1974). From 1974 to 1977 he was research scientist in the Upper Atmosphere Project, *National Center for Atmospheric Research* (NCAR), and a Consultant, Aeronomy Laboratory, Environmental Research Laboratories, *National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration* (NOAA) in Boulder, Colorado, USA. From 1977-1980 he was a Sen-



ior Scientist and Director of the Air Quality Division, NCAR and adjunct professor at the Atmospheric Sciences Department, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado (1976–1981). Among his main research interests have been: stratospheric and tropospheric chemistry, and their role in the biogeochemical cycles and climate.

He was editor of the *Journal of Atmospheric Chemistry*, and member of its Editorial Board and of *Tellus, Climate Dynamics, Issues in Environmental Science and Technology, Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Global Change*, reviewing editor of *Science* (1993–1999); member, Advisory Board of the Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research, Utrecht (1993–1997), of the STAP (*Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel*) Roster of Experts of the United Nations Environment Programme (1993–1998); Advisory Council of the Volvo Environment Prize (1993–present); Prix Lemaitre Committee, Belgium (1994–present); of the Scientific Advisory Group of the School of Environmental Sciences, University of East Anglia, Norwich (1995–present); Executive Board, Gesellschaft Deutscher Ärzte und Naturforscher (1995–2000), of ESTA (European Science and Technology Assembly) of the European Union, Brussels (1997–1999); Vice-Chairman of the Scientific Committee for the *International Geosphere-Biosphere Project* (IGBP) (1998–present); member, ‘Global Change’ Committee of the German Research Council and the Federal Ministry of Research and Technology, Germany (1998–1999); Fifth EU Framework Programme, External Advisory Group on ‘Global change, climate and biodiversity’ (1998–2000); co-chief scientist of the Indian Ocean Experiment (IN-DOEX), 1999.

He received numerous awards and honours, among them: Visiting Fellow of St. Cross College, Oxford, England (1969–1971); Outstanding Publication Award, Environmental Research Laboratories, NOAA, Boulder (1976); Special Achievement Award, Environmental Research Laboratories, NOAA (1977); Rolex-Discover Scientist of the Year (1984); recipient, Leo Szilard Award for “Physics in the Public Interest” of the American Physical Society (1985); elected fellow, American Geophysical Union and foreign Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge (1986); founding member of Academia Europaea (1988); recipient, Tyler Prize for the Environment (1989); corresponding member, The Royal Netherlands Academy of Science (1990); recipient, Volvo Environmental Prize; member, Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering and of Leopoldina, Halle (1991); Honorary Professor at the Johannes Gutenberg-University of Mainz (1993); Raymond and Beverly Sackler Distinguished Lecturer in Geophysics and Planetary Sciences, Tel Aviv University, Israel; recipient, Deutscher Umweltpreis, Umweltstiftung (German Environmental Prize of the Federal Foundation for the Environment) 1994; Foreign Associate, U.S. National Academy of Sciences; recipient, Max-Planck Research Prize (1994); Nobel Prize in Chemistry (with Dr. Molina and Dr. Rowland, U.S.A.); Global Ozone Award for “Outstanding Contribution for the Protection of the Ozone Layer” by UNEP (1995); Minnie Rosen Award for “High Achievement in the Service to Mankind”, Ross University, New York; Louis J. Battan Author’s Award

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He received a BA (Honours) degree from the University of Peradeniya in Sri Lanka (1961); studied Chinese at the School of Oriental and African Studies of the University of London (1966-1967); and obtained a MA in international studies at the American University in Washington, D.C. (1976). He joined Sri Lanka's foreign service in 1965 and held diplomatic appointments in London, Beijing, Washington, D.C., and New Delhi, in addition to being Director of the Non-Aligned Movement Division of the Foreign Ministry during Sri Lanka's chairmanship (1965-1993). He represented Sri Lanka at the United Nations General Assembly and at conferences of the Non-Aligned Movement and of the Commonwealth. In mid-2004 he was invited to manage the peace process in Sri Lanka and he served until November 2005.

He has been active internationally as a member of the Governing Board of the *Stockholm International Peace Research Institute* (SIPRI); the International Advisory Group of the *International Committee of the Red Cross* (ICRC, 2003-2007); the United Nations University Council (until 2010); the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces; the Advisory Council of the Stanford Institute for International Studies; the International Board of the Bonn International Center for Conversion; the International Advisory Board of the James Martin Center for Non-proliferation Studies, Monterey Institute of International Studies; and as Honorary President of the International Peace Bureau (2003-2007).

He published four books and several articles in international journals, and has lectured in many countries. He was awarded a MacArthur Foundation grant to research and write his book on "Multilateral Diplomacy and the NPT: An Insider's account" published by UNIDIR (2005). He received several awards including the Trainor Award for Distinction in the Conduct of Diplomacy by the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service in Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., the Monterey Institute of International Studies, the Ploughshares Fund and the School of International Service of American University, Washington D.C. for his work in diplomacy and disarmament, and was the Global Security Institute's first recipient of the Alan Cranston Peace Award in 2002. He was nominated Sri Lankan of the Year 2006 by the Sri Lankan business journal 'Lanka Monthly Digest'. He received several honorary doctor degrees by the University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (2000), the

Monterey Institute of International Studies, U.S.A. (2001), the University of Southampton, U.K. (2003), the Sabaragamuwa University, Sri Lanka (2003), and from the Dubna International University of Nature, Society and Man in Russia (2009). In November 2007 the International Peace Bureau awarded him the Sean MacBride Prize. He was invited to deliver several keynote lectures including the Olof Palme Memorial lecture at SIPRI in 1999 and the Dorothy Hodgkin Memorial Lecture to Pugwash in 2003.

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