



## Care and Education Cornerstones of sustainable and just economies

Side Event on 16 July 8:00-9:30 EDT  
to the 2020 High-Level Political Forum

**“Accelerated action and transformative pathways:  
realizing the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”**

### Speakers' Bio



**Anne-Claire de Liedekerke – President Make Mothers Matter (MMM) – Belgium**

Anne-Claire holds a Masters Degree in Art History from UC Louvain Belgium, and has been active in the cultural world throughout years of expatriation with her family in the United States and Canada. Anne-Claire joined MMM in 2008, heading the Delegation at the European Union, leading two major EU- funded research programs: Family Platform and Dorian, and a major Survey about the well being of mothers in the EU.

Make Mothers Matter (MMM) is an international NGO that for the past seventy years has been placing mothers - the first educators of their children - at the heart of its mission, advocating for and supporting them as change makers for a better world. Anne-Claire firmly believes in recognizing motherhood as a determinant factor in the cultural and educational richness and progress of modern society. As President, Anne-Claire leads teams of representatives at the United Nations in New York, Geneva and Vienna; at the UNESCO in Paris; and at the European Union in Brussels. MMM federates and gives a voice to mothers globally in the four main areas of health, education, the economy and peace. Since 2015, through its advocacy work and an expanding network of grassroots organizations working in the field with and for mothers, some thirty advocacy actions taken in the UN, European Union and UNESCO have influenced laws and measures directly benefitting mothers and families in their everyday life, and through them, the whole of society.



**Nancy Folbre – Feminist Economist and Professor emerita of Economics and Director, Program on Gender and Care Work, Political Economy Research Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst. – United States**

Nancy Folbre is Professor Emerita of Economics and Director of the Program on Gender and Care Work at the Political Economy Research Institute at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and a Senior Fellow of the Levy Economics Institute at Bard College in the United States. Her research explores the interface between political economy and feminist theory, with a particular emphasis on the value of unpaid care work. In addition to numerous articles published in academic journals, she is the author of *The Rise and Decline of Patriarchal Systems* (forthcoming in 2020 from Verso), the editor of *For Love and Money: Care Work in the U.S.* (Russell Sage, 2012), and the author of *Greed, Lust, and Gender: A History of Economic Ideas* (Oxford, 2009), *Valuing Children: Rethinking the Economics of the Family* (Harvard, 2008), and *The Invisible Heart: Economics and Family Values* (New Press, 2001). She has also written widely for a popular audience, including contributions to the New York Times Economix blog, The Nation, and the American Prospect. You can learn more about her at her website and blog, Care Talk: <http://blogs.umass.edu/folbre/>



**Rima Salah – Professor at Yale Child Study Centre, and Chair of the Early Childhood Peace Consortium (ECPC) – United States**

Rima Salah, Ph.D., served as a Member of the United Nations High-Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations (2014-15), and as the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General, U.N. Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad (MINURCAT). In addition, Dr. Salah has had a distinguished career with UNICEF. Her service includes: Deputy Executive Director for UNICEF (2004-2007, 2011-2012), Regional Director for West and Central Africa (1999-2004), and UNICEF representative in several countries including Vietnam, Burkina Faso as well as head of office in Queta, Pakistan.

As a highly effective advocate for the rights of children and women in armed conflict and post-conflict situations, she contributed to Security Council (SC) Resolution 1612 on child rights violations and Security Council (SC) resolution 1325 Women, Peace, and Security. Dr. Salah has received many awards of distinction from several non-governmental organizations and U.N. Member States, including the French Legion of Honor. In October 2015, Dr. Salah was elected to Chair the newly formed Early Childhood Peace Consortium (ECPC) of which Yale is a founding member. The ECPC, launched at UNICEF HQ in September 2013, brought together leaders from international organizations, academia, practice, philanthropy, networks media and development. Dr. Salah is Volunteer Faculty at the Child Study Center, Yale School of Medicine. She is co-editor of the volume at MIT Press, *Pathways to Peace: The Transformative Power of Children and Families*



**Valentina Urreiztieta – Psychologist, Empreintes Humaines – France**

Ms. Valentina Urreiztieta is a clinical and work psychologist with 15 years' experience in the field, in Venezuela and France. Today she is a senior manager consultant working at Human Imprint a French-Canadian firm dedicated to giving counsel to companies on psychological health and safety at work. She supports multinational organizations to create a common culture of quality of life at work, and supports companies in taking into account the human imprint of transformations. She advises all level managers on how to create a healthy work environment for employees to feel recognized, performant and to have a work-life balance. She also specializes in burnout prevention and its psychological treatment.



**Rutger Hoekstra – Founder, MetricsForTheFuture.com – The Netherlands**

Rutger Hoekstra is the author of “Replacing GDP by 2030: Towards a common language for wellbeing and sustainability” which is published by Cambridge University Press. He has a PhD in environmental economics and is specialized in metrics for wellbeing and sustainability (“Beyond-GDP”). He has worked with/for Statistics Netherlands, United Nations, OECD, World Bank, European Commission, European Central Bank, various ministries, NGO's, KPMG and large companies. He was the co-chair (together with Jan Pieter Smits) of the UN-ECE/OECD/Eurostat Task Force which developed the Conference of European Statisticians Recommendations on Measuring Sustainable Development. He was the project leader of the Sustainability Monitor for the Netherlands which was the predecessor of the current Monitor Brede Welvaart. He was also worked for the Dutch Parliament as an expert for the Commission for Broader Measures of Well-being.

Rutger has lectured at many universities and published numerous publications on sustainable development, natural and human capital, globalisation, circular economy, input-output analysis, decomposition analysis and big data applications. He was also Scientific Director of True Value at KPMG-Sustainability where he helped corporate clients measure their social and environmental impacts using the True Value methodology. In 2019, Rutger founded a consultancy, MetricsForTheFuture.com which advises companies, governments and international institutes for better metrics on wellbeing, sustainability and value-creation.



**Susan Himmelweit – British feminist economist, Emeritus professor of economics at the Open University, and coordinator of the Policy Advisory Group of the Women’s Budget Group. – UK**

Susan Himmelweit is a feminist economist whose research focuses on the gender implications of economic and social policy, the economics and policy of caring and intra-household inequalities. She was the founding Chair of the UK Women's Budget Group, a think tank that analyses the gender impact of government policy, and remains an active member and co-ordinator of its Policy Advisory Group. She has been a member of various commissions including the LSE’s on Gender, Inequality and Power, UCL’s on Mission-Oriented Innovation and Industrial Strategy and the WBG’s Commission on a Gender Equal Economy. She has also served on various expert advisory groups, including for the UK Equality and Human Rights Commission on “Working Better”, “Making Fair Financial Decisions” and “Cumulative Equality Impact Assessment”. In 2009, she was the President of the International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE), and from 1996 to 2012, an Associate Editor of its journal *Feminist Economics*. She is Emeritus Professor of Economics at the Open University and Visiting Professor at the Department of Gender Studies at the London School of Economics.

She is a co-author of reports for the Women’s Budget Group on A Care-Led Recovery from Coronavirus and for the International Trade Union Confederation and UN Women, on Investing in the Care Economy and is author of ‘Gender Equality Impact Assessment: A Core Element of Gender Budgeting’ in *Gender Budgeting in Europe, Developments and Challenges* (eds Angela O'Hagan and Elisabeth Klatzer). She co-edited *Economics and Austerity in Europe: Gendered impacts and Sustainable Alternatives* and *Rethinking Britain: Policy Ideas for the Many*. Her writings on care policy include a chapter on ‘Transforming care’ in Laurie Macfarlane (ed), *New Thinking for the British-Economy, Open Democracy* (2018).



**Amanda Janoo – Knowledge & Policy Lead, Wellbeing Economy Alliance**

Amanda Janoo works as the Knowledge and Policy Lead for the Wellbeing Economy Alliance (WEALL). Amanda is an economic policy expert with over a decade of experience working with governments and international development institutions around the world. Her work aims to build more just and sustainable economies through goal-oriented and participatory policy design processes. Prior to joining WEALL, Amanda worked for the United Nations and the African Development Bank as a structural transformation and industrial policy expert. As a Fulbright researcher, she explored the relationship between international trade and informal employment generation in India. Amanda graduated from Cambridge University with an MPhil in Development Studies.



**Duncan Fisher – OBE, The Family Initiative – UK**

20 years’ experience in working with families and fatherhood. He was awarded an OBE from Queen Elizabeth II for his work promoting child welfare through family inclusive health & social care. Previously co-founded the Fatherhood Institute and the Travel Foundation, establishing both as sector leaders. Has been a board member for the UK Government Equal Opportunities Commission and the Maternity Matters Task Force. International speaker and policy expert on fatherhood, co-parenting and relationships.