



### Keynote speaker



**Ian Goldin** is Professor of Globalisation and Development at the University of Oxford, Director of the Oxford Martin Programmes on Technological and Economic Change, Future of Work and Future of Development and founding Director of the Oxford Martin School. From 1996 to 2001, he was Chief Executive of the Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA) and served as an adviser to President Nelson Mandela. From 2001 to 2006, Ian was Vice President of the World Bank and the Group's Director of Policy. Previously, Ian served as Principal Economist at the EBRD and Director of the Trade and Sustainable Growth Programmes at the OECD Development Centre. He has been knighted by the French Government and selected as Global Leader of Tomorrow by the World Economic Forum. He has published over 60 journal articles and 23 books, most recent being *Rescue: From Global Crisis to a Better World*. His previous books include *Terra Incognita: 100 Maps to Survive the Next 100 Years*; *Age of Discovery: Navigating the Storms of Our Second Renaissance* and *The Butterfly Defect: Why Globalization Creates Systemic Risks and What to Do*, in which he predicted that a pandemic was the most likely cause of the next

financial crisis. Other books include *Exceptional People: How Migration Shaped Our World and Will Define Our Future*; *Development: A Very Short Introduction*; and *Is the Planet Full?*. He has authored and presented three BBC Documentary Series: *After The Crash*; *Will AI Kill Development?* and *The Pandemic that Changed the World*. He has been interviewed on the BBC's *HARDtalk* and is a frequent contributor to leading global media outlets. He lectures at Oxford, Tsinghua and Harvard universities and provides advisory and consultancy services to the IMF, UN, EU, OECD and numerous governments and businesses. He is Chair of the core-econ.org initiative to transform economics, as well as an honorary trustee of Comic Relief and other charities.

## Speakers



**Gediminas Šimkus** is Chairman of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania and Member of the Governing Council of the European Central Bank. Gediminas Šimkus joined the Bank of Lithuania in 2002, and over his 18 years at the institution consistently furthered his career, gaining experience in banking supervision, financial stability, analysis and forecasting of global and domestic economic developments, statistical compilation and dissemination, monetary policy formation, macro-prudential and economic policy decision-making. The two years at the European Central Bank (ECB) contributed significantly to his knowledge and experience. As Member of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania, he was responsible for overseeing banking and financial stability. Gediminas Šimkus holds an M.A. in Economics from Vilnius University.



**Ian Parry** is Principal Environmental Fiscal Policy Expert in the Fiscal Affairs Department of the IMF. Prior to joining the IMF in 2010, Parry held the Allen V. Kneese Chair in Environmental Economics at Resources for the Future, where he worked for 15 years. He obtained a PhD in Economics from the University of Chicago in 1993. His PhD thesis, under the supervision of Gary Becker, focused on carbon taxation.

Parry's current research focuses on a country-level analysis of carbon taxes and other policies that countries need to implement their mitigation objectives submitted for the 2015 Paris Agreement and the broader fiscal and economic impacts of those policies. He proposes a carbon price floor arrangement among large emitters to scale up global level mitigation. Parry also quantifies the broader environmental (e.g., local air pollution) costs of fossil fuel use at the country level and efficient levels of fuel prices needed to reflect supply and environmental costs. His work is published in academic journals and cross-country reports, as well as used in technical assistance and IMF bilateral surveillance reports.



**Olaf Sleijpen** was appointed as Executive Director of Monetary Affairs at DNB on 1 February 2020. He is responsible for economic policy and research, financial stability, financial markets, payments and statistics. He is also an alternate member of the Governing Council of the European Central Bank (ECB).

Olaf holds several secondary positions. Since 2007, he has been Professor of European Economic Policy at the Maastricht School of Business and Economics. Also, he has chaired the Supervisory Board of the Blue Fund, a network that aims to support LGBTQ emancipation, since

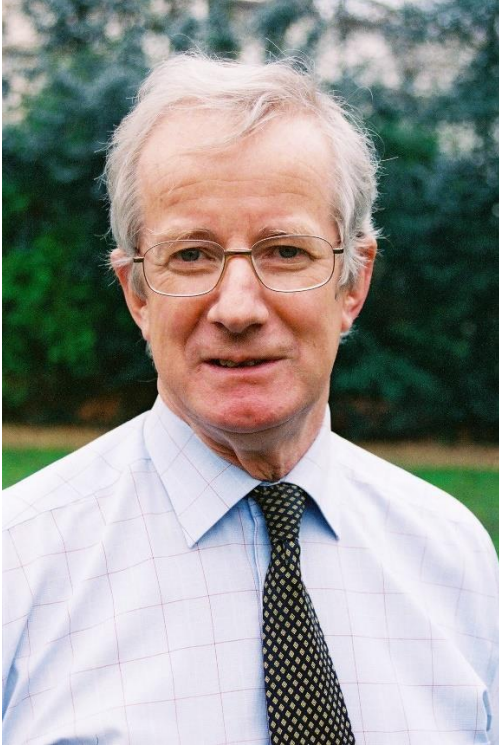
2014. Since 2018, he has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Peter Elverding Chair on Sustainable Business Regulation and Corporate Culture at Maastricht University.

Before joining the Governing Board of DNB, Olaf was Director of various supervision divisions. Between 2004 and 2011, he held various management positions at ABP pension fund and APG pension provider. Previously, from 1993 to 2004, Olaf worked for DNB as Economist and as Manager of the Communications Department. From 2001 to 2004, he was an adviser to ECB President Wim Duisenberg.

In 1992, Olaf graduated with honours in economics from Maastricht University. He obtained his PhD in Economics at the University of Groningen in 1999.



**Thomas Sterner** is Professor of Environmental Economics focused on the design of environmental policy instruments. His recent research focuses on the issues of acceptability of policy instruments, their distributional effects and ways of making efficient instruments, such as taxes, more acceptable by refunding or using revenues constructively.



**Allan Buckwell** was Professor of Agricultural Economics in Wye College (then Imperial College) London from 1984 to 99 and Policy Director at the Country Land and Business Association (CLA) from 2000 to 2011. He specialises in European rural and food policy, especially the CAP, trade, technology, environment and structural changes in farming. Since a spell in the Analysis unit of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development in 1995 to 1996, his principal interest is balancing the food production and environmental land management roles of agriculture in Britain, Europe, and indeed, globally. He is currently an Associate in the Institute for European Environmental Policy Brussels, and acts as Research Director at the RISE Foundation Brussels. His two most recent RISE papers are: *Where is the Safe Operating Space for EU Livestock?* and *Crop Protection and the EU Food System, Where Are They Going?* He has just published a paper for the Worshipful Company of Farmers entitled *UK Food and Agriculture Post-Brexit*.



**Darius Imbrasas** has been working as Principal Economist at the Economics Department of the Bank of Lithuania since 2020. He obtained the bachelor's and master's degrees in Economics at Vilnius University. In his professional activities, Darius is focusing on economic development, investment and climate change challenges.





**Rasa Tumaševičiūtė**, Circular Economy Consultant, Climate Pact Ambassador



**Simonas Gentvilas**, Minister of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania. Simonas Gentvilas was born in Vilnius. He attended Vytautas Magnus Gymnasium in Klaipėda and Karlskrona Gymnasium in Sweden (from 16 years). Simonas completed the bachelor's studies in Sociology at Oslo University and the master's programme in Urban Studies at Vienna University. Four years ago, he completed the Swedish Institute Management Programme dedicated to professionals from Eastern European countries. Simonas Gentvilas knows 7 foreign languages: English, German, Russian, Spanish, Norwegian, Danish and Swedish.

Professional activities of the new Minister of Environment before 2016, when he was elected to the Parliament of Lithuania, were mainly related to the city of Klaipėda. There he worked as Advisor to the city's Mayor and Executive Director of the Association of Municipalities of the Klaipėda Region, founded the Baltic Institute of Technology and lectured at the University of Applied Social Sciences.

Simonas Gentvilas started his political career in Klaipėda as well. When he returning to Lithuania after his studies abroad, where he was a member of the Swedish liberal party (*Folkpartiet*) and the Norwegian conservative party (*Høyre*), Simonas joined the Liberal Movement Lithuania. After two years, he was elected as Chair of the party's Klaipėda branch, and in 2015 – as the party's Deputy Chair. He also represented the Liberal Movement Lithuania at Klaipėda City Municipal Council.

As the Minister of Environment, Simonas Gentvilas oversees the environmental protection policy implementation, corruption prevention, internal audit, strategic communication, strategic changes and waste management.



**Jurgita Giržadienė**, with educational background in Business Management, started her career in *Smurfit Kappa* in 1998. After gaining experience in various roles in sales and commercial activities with customers and suppliers, innovation and logistics, in 2010, she was promoted to Sustainability Manager as part of European Innovations and R&D organisation. The main focus of Jurgita is to drive *Smurfit Kappa* sustainability agenda from the brand owner, retailer and consumer point of view. In this role, she functionally heads a team of specialists in 10 regions in Europe to ensure a close link between operational and strategic sustainability topics. Jurgita is also leading *Better Planet Packaging*, a newly launched *Smurfit Kappa* initiative that will generate and inspire breakthrough insights to facilitate re-imaging of the packaging industry for a more sustainable future and world.

#### **Panel discussion moderator**



**Tomas Garbaravičius** is an Advisor to the Deputy Chair of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania. As in his previous role of an Executive Board Member of the Bank of Lithuania, Tomas Garbaravičius is responsible for issues related to macro-prudential policy and financial stability, climate change and foreign reserves investment. He also co-chairs ECB and ESRB working groups on macroprudential policy and is a NGFS Plenary Member. Before that, for almost ten years he had worked at the Directorate General Macro-prudential Policy and Financial Stability of the ECB. Tomas Garbaravičius holds a PhD from Vilnius University and is a CFA charterholder.

