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Deirdre McCloskey (Chair); Deirdre N. McCloskey has been since 2000 UIC Distinguished Professor of Economics, History, English, and Communication at the University of Illinois at Chicago and was Visiting Tinbergen Professor (2002-2006) of Philosophy, Economics, and Art and Cultural Studies at Erasmus University of Rotterdam. Trained at Harvard as an economist, she has written fourteen books and edited seven more, and has published some three hundred and sixty articles on economic theory, economic history, philosophy, rhetoric, feminism, ethics, and law. She taught for twelve years in Economics at the University of Chicago, and describes herself now as a "postmodern free-market quantitative Episcopalian feminist Aristotelian." Her latest books are *How to be Human** *Though an Economist* (University of Michigan Press 2001), *Measurement and Meaning in Economics* (S. Ziliak, ed.; Edward Elgar 2001), *The Secret Sins of Economics* (Prickly Paradigm Pamphlets, U. of Chicago Press, 2002), *The Cult of Statistical Significance: How the Standard Error Costs Us Jobs, Justice, and Lives* [with Stephen Ziliak; University of Michigan Press, 2008], and *The Bourgeois Virtues: Ethics for an Age of Capitalism* (U. of Chicago Press, 2006). Before *The Bourgeois Virtues* her best-known books were *The Rhetoric of Economics* (University of Wisconsin Press 1st ed. 1985; 2nd ed. 1998) and *Crossing: A Memoir* (Chicago 1999), which was a *New York Times* Notable Book.



Her scientific work has been on economic history, especially British. She is currently writing a book, second in a series of four initiated with *The Bourgeois Virtues*, on Dutch and British economic and social history, 1600-1800, *Bourgeois Towns: How Capitalism Became Ethical, 1600-1800*. She has written on British economic "failure" in the 19th century, trade and growth in the 19th century, open field agriculture in the middle ages, the Gold Standard, and the Industrial Revolution.

Her philosophical books include *The Rhetoric of Economics* (University of Wisconsin Press 1st ed. 1985; 2nd ed. 1998), *If You're So Smart: The Narrative of Economic Expertise* (University of Chicago Press 1990), and *Knowledge and Persuasion in Economics* (Cambridge 1994). They concern the maladies of social scientific positivism, the epistemological limits of a future social science, and the promise of a rhetorically sophisticated philosophy of science. Recently she has turned to ethics and to a philosophical-historical apology for modern economies.

Richard G. Anderson; Richard Anderson is a Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Economics and the Environment (part of the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise), at the Plaster School of Business and Entrepreneurship, Lindenwood University, in St. Charles, Missouri. He is also adjunct professor of economics at Lindenwood University.

Prior to joining Lindenwood in July 2013, he served 25 years in the Federal Reserve System: five years in Washington, D.C. at the Federal Reserve Board and 20 years in St. Louis. From 1992 through 2000, he supervised the research automation function in St. Louis, including supervising the conversion of FRED to a database-driven CSS-based system starting in 1998 and hiring all the developers working on FRED. At St. Louis, he also developed the modern



RAM adjustment for the St. Louis adjusted monetary base and adjusted reserves (with Robert Rasche), and developed modern Divisia monetary index numbers for the United States (with Barry Jones).

In addition to teaching at Linwood, Dr. Anderson had taught economics at Virginia Tech, the University of Michigan, Ohio State University, and Michigan State University. He has written dozens of papers in journals such as the *American Economic Review*; *Review of Economics and Statistics*; *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*; and the *Journal of Econometrics*. He received his B.A. in economics from the University of Minnesota in 1972, and his doctorate in economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1980.

Amelie Constant; Amelie F. Constant was elected President of Society of Government Economists in May 2014. She is a professorial lecturer at the George Washington University and the Director of Migration program area at IZA, Bonn; she is a visiting scholar at Temple University. She is also the founding co-editor of the IZA Journal of Migration and co-editor of Economics of the Elsevier's International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences. Previously, she was the founding director of DIWDC, an American independent, nonprofit, and nonpartisan economics think tank in DC. She was also a research professor and the Vice Dean of the DIW Graduate School.



Amelie is a leading expert in the economics of international migration and the labor markets. She is studying minority populations and the way migrants behave and fare in a host country. She has written over fifty refereed articles and book chapters and has won several awards for them. She has co-edited the book *The Foundations of Migration Economics* (2015), the *International Handbook of the Economics of Migration* (2013), the book *How Labor Migrants Fare?* (2004), a volume of the *Research in Labor Economics Journal* (2009), and a special issue of the *Journal of International Manpower* (2009). Her research has been funded by several foundations. Amelie has also written more than thirty reports and op-ed pieces on migration issues. She has been invited to deliver keynotes, present her research at many institutions, and talk at migration policy panels and symposia; she has also given many interviews to the press.

Amelie has organized over fifty workshops and international conferences with great success. She has also served as reviewer to peer-reviewed journals, grant proposals, Ph.D. dissertations, and promotions/tenure decisions. She has led many initiatives such as mentoring and professional development sessions for junior researchers and faculty at conferences and at DIWDC.

In 2004, Amelie co-founded the Migration research area at IZA and the AM2, with the J. Simon Lecture. In 2009, she co-founded AMERB. Both conferences are highly regarded internationally and highly sought-after. Amelie serves on the editorial board of *Applied Economics Quarterly* and has been on the scientific committee of several international congresses. She is also a Research Fellow of IZA and RIIM Canada, and a senior visiting fellow at AICGS in DC (2006).

As a professor, Amelie has fifteen years of experience in teaching undergraduate and graduate classes in economics and labor at the GWU, GTU, UAH, and Drexel University. Amelie received her Ph.D. in Labor Economics and Econometrics from Vanderbilt University in 1998, and had her post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. She has a B.A. in Economics and Mathematics from the University of

Athens, Greece, and an M.A. in Economic Development from the University of Paris II, France. She speaks English, French and Greek fluently and has good command of German. In 2013, Professor Constant became a member of the prestigious Academia Europaea (European Academy of Sciences) for her outstanding achievements as a researcher.

Mark Costa: CEO of Sustain Software, Scarborough, Maine. Mr. Costa received an MBA from Harvard Business School in 1983 and a bachelor's degree in English Literature, from Wesleyan University in 1979. Since 2007, he has been CEO and Chief Software Developer for Sustain Software. His previous positions have included President at Costa & Company (1991 - 2007) where he designed custom accounting and business applications for both corporate and Non-Profit businesses, President and CFO at Computerland Maine (1987-1989), and Vice President and General Manager at Coastal Computer Centers (1986-1987). For his MBA, Mr. Costa conducted two independent studies on consulting practice and policy, and on the impact of computers on executive decision making. He is a member of Maine Entrepreneurs and a leading expert on emerging applications of information technology for financial and business management. He believes that the state-of-the-art of standard economic models is being dramatically outpaced by the exploding changes and transformative power of technology, and that this is dangerous for our society. Mr. Costa's greatest AIRLEAP-related interest is to promote economic research on the profound impact that emerging information and computer technologies will have on jobs and wages, and the pressures these changes will place on public and private, social and economic, policy.



George DeMartino; George DeMartino is a Professor of international economics at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies of the University of Denver. He has served on faculty of the School since 1993. Prior to that, he taught at Dickinson College (Carlisle, PA), and Trinity College (Hartford, CT). He earned his BA at Harvard University; an MA in Industrial Relations at Warwick University (Coventry, England); and his PhD in Economics at the University of Massachusetts. Prior to graduate school, Professor DeMartino served as a union organizer and negotiator for AFSCME, AFL-CIO in Connecticut.



Professor DeMartino's research ranges over the ethical foundations of economic theory and policy, the ethical conduct of economists, political economy theory, and global political economy. He has published widely in these areas, including his book *Global Economy, Global Justice: Theoretical Objections and Policy Alternatives to Neoliberalism* (Routledge, 2000). Over the past several years he has explored professional ethical questions that arise in the context of the practice of economists. He has advocated for the creation of the new field of professional economic ethics in several articles, and in 2011 he published a book-length treatment of these issues—*The Economist's Oath: On the Need for and Content of Professional Economic Ethics* (Oxford University Press). The book attracted widespread attention, and he was invited to lecture on related issues at the 2012 World Economic Forum (Davos). He is co-editor (with Deirdre McCloskey) of the *Oxford Handbook of Professional Economic Ethics* (forthcoming, 2015).

The Economist's Oath builds the case for professional economic ethics. It surveys what economists do and demonstrates that their work is ethically fraught. “It explores the principles, questions, and debates that inform professional ethics in other fields, and identifies the lessons that economics can take from the best established bodies of professional ethics. George DeMartino demonstrates that in the absence of professional ethics, well-meaning economists have committed basic, preventable ethical errors that have caused severe harm for societies across the globe. The book investigates the reforms in economic education that would be necessary to recognize professional ethical obligations, and concludes with the Economist's Oath, drawing on the book's central insights and highlighting the virtues that are required of the ‘ethical economist.’” (Barnes and Nobel, 2011)

Professor DeMartino teaches courses on international trade, the ethical foundations of global economic policymaking, theories of political economy, and professional ethics in international affairs. At present, he is at work on *The Tragedy of Economics: The Harm Economists Cause as They Try to Do Good*, and writing papers on “econogenic” (economist-induced) harm and other matters pertaining to professional economic practice.

Seth Giertz; Associate professor of economics at the University of Texas at Dallas. From 2008 to 2015, he was an assistant and then associate professor of economics at the University of Nebraska—Lincoln. From 2001 to 2008, he worked for the Congressional Budget Office’s tax division. In 2005, while on leave from CBO, Seth served as a staff economist for the President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform. His research and teaching focus is in public finance and urban & regional economics. Much of his work examines the effects of taxation on various parts of the economy. This includes the overall efficiency costs from taxation, as well as the effects of tax policy on charitable giving, education finance and interstate migration. He also conducts research focusing on local housing markets and house-price bubbles. Here, his research is used to evaluate policies designed to improve the stability of the housing-finance industry. Seth grew up in Illinois and received his B.A. in economics from the University of Illinois (at Urbana-Champaign) in 1994. He received his Ph.D. in economics from Syracuse University in 2001.



Areerat Kichkha; Assistant professor of economics and finance at Lindenwood University in the School of Accelerated Degree Programs. At Lindenwood she also serves as the Program Director for graduate business administration degrees. In addition, she manages the “Ethics in Economics” reading and publications list for RePEc (Research Papers in Economics). Professor Kichkha’s primary research areas include international trade and finance, behavioral economics, development economics, labor economics, and economics education. Some of her most recent research examines the interaction between workplace accidents and international trade policies. Dr. Kichkha received her MBA from Webster University (1989), her MS in economics from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (1992), and her Ph.D. in economics from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale (2012). In AIRLEAP she serves as our Chief Financial Officer.



Steven Payson; Executive Director (and founder) of AIRLEAP. Since July 2011, Dr. Payson has been a senior economic advisor at the U.S. Department of the Interior. Prior to that he served as Chief of Research, and as Chief of the Special Studies Branch, in the Government Division of the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.



Dr. Payson has over 24 years of experience as an applied, government economist, where, prior to his appointment to BEA he was an economist for over 4 years at the U.S. Department of Agriculture and for 7 years at the National Science Foundation. He was also an economic consultant for over 3 years at ICF Consulting, and a Research Associate for 4 years at the Inter-American Development Bank. In 2009-2010 Dr. Payson served as the President of the Society of Government Economists.

Dr. Payson wrote *Quality Measurement in Economics* (Edward Elgar, 1994) and *Economics, Science and Technology* (Edward Elgar, 2000), and he wrote several articles, chapters, and government reports in economics, primarily in the areas of the economics of technology, economic measurement, and economic methodology as it relates to integrity and responsibility in the profession. He most recently edited a three-volume set entitled, *Public Economics in the United States: How the Federal Government Analyzes and Influences the Economy* (ABC-Clio, 2014). In addition, Dr. Payson has served as an adjunct professor of economics at American University, Columbia University, Georgetown University, and Virginia Tech. He received a Doctorate in Economics from Columbia University in 1991.

Paul Rothstein; Section Chief of the Financial Institutions and Regulatory Policy Group, U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Paul Rothstein has worked in the Office of Research at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau since May 2011. His responsibilities include coordinating and reviewing the regulatory impact analyses and policy recommendations developed by the economists and analysts in his section. He also leads day-to-day work on the development of plans for the retrospective assessment of Bureau rules. He previously helped develop the Bureau's procedures for regulatory impact analysis, and he analyzed regulatory benefits and costs in a number of Bureau rulemakings, including the mortgage servicing and remittance transfer rulemakings.



From July 2008 to May 2011, Paul was a Senior Economist in the Division of Consumer Protection at the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. While at the Commission, he co-authored a report to Congress on the accuracy of consumer credit reports, participated in law enforcement actions against mortgage servicers for unfair and deceptive business practices, and formulated civil penalties and redress amounts in a variety of cases. In addition, he helped develop new regulations on the mortgage loan modification industry.

Prior to joining the FTC, Paul was an Assistant and tenured Associate Professor of Economics at Washington University in St. Louis specializing in public policy, public finance, and federalism. He also served as the Associate Director of the Murray Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government and Public Policy. In that role, he helped develop Center events on policy issues, awarded small research grants and met with Center supporters. His publications have appeared in a range of journals including

the Journal of Public Economics, the National Tax Journal, and the American Journal of Political Science; and he has been a visiting professor at the University of Rochester, Carnegie-Mellon, and Duke. He has a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of California at Berkeley and a BA from Yale.

W. Charles Sawyer; Professor of Economics and Hal Wright Chair of Latin American Economics, Texas Christian University. Professor Sawyer has specialized in International Economics, Latin American Economics, and Economic Development. He is the author of three books: *Latin American Economic Development*, 2nd edition, 2015 (with Javier A. Reyes), *International Economics*, 4th edition, 2015 (with Richard L. Sprinkle), and *The Demand for Imports and Exports in the World Economy*, 1999 (with Richard L. Sprinkle). Professor Sawyer has written many articles in these areas. He has held prior teaching positions at the University of Arkansas, Helsinki School of Economics and Management, University of Southern Mississippi, and Louisiana State University. In addition, he has served on the Board of Directors of the International Trade and Finance Association, and is the editor of the *Global Economy Journal*.



Stephen T. Ziliak; Professor of Economics at Roosevelt University, Chicago. His previous appointments include Emory University and the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he was voted Faculty Member of the Year (in 2002) and Most Intellectual Professor (in 2003). At the University of Iowa he earned (in 1996) the Ph.D. in Economics and, at the same time, the Ph.D. Certificate in the Rhetoric of the Human Sciences. He has been a Visiting Professor of Economics, Statistics, Rhetoric, Justice, Social Welfare, and Methodology at leading universities of the United States, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Turkey, and the Netherlands.



His pioneering contributions to the seemingly disparate fields of economic statistics and poetry include Guinnessometrics, the cult of statistical significance, haiku economics, reenganomics, and economics rap. His research has appeared in many leading journals, such as *The Lancet*, *Journal of Economic Literature*, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, *Poetry*, *Biological Theory*, *International Journal of Forecasting*, *Journal of Economic History*, and *Journal of Wine Economics*. In 1996, for example, he published a seminal article with Deirdre McCloskey entitled, “The Standard Error of Regressions.”

Dr. Ziliak is the lead author of *The Cult of Statistical Significance: How the Standard Error Costs Us Jobs, Justice, and Lives* (2008) with Deirdre N. McCloskey. He is a coauthor, with Deirdre McCloskey and Arjo Klammer, of *The Economic Conversation*, an evolving textbook and blog, emphasizing dialogue and openness. In addition, he edited and contributed to *Measurement and Meaning in Economics: The Essential Deirdre McCloskey* (Edward Elgar, 2001). An Associate Editor of *Historical Statistics of the United States* (Cambridge, 2006), Dr. Ziliak’s work has been featured in *Science*, *Nature*, *The Economist*, *Poetry*, *Wall Street Journal*, *BBC*, *NPR*, *Inside Higher Ed*, *Chronicle of Higher Education*, *National Review*, *Slate*, *Salon*, *Washington Post*, *Financial Times*, and *New York Times*, and as testimony before the Supreme Court of the United States.

He has been appointed to a number of international committees, including the Economics Curriculum Committee Task Force of the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET) (New York, 2010); American Statistical Association Ad Hoc Committee on P-values and Statistical Significance (Washington, DC, 2014); Chair of the “Best Article in the History of Economics” Committee (History of Economics Society, 2011-2012); the Scientific Advisory Committee of the GTC Drug Design and Molecular Chemistry Conference (Berlin, 2014; Berlin 2015). Dr. Ziliak is also a member or co-founding member of several journal editorial boards, and is a founding member of the World Economics Association.

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Connie Chang; Connie K. N. Chang is an independent consultant and an Advisory Committee member of Eurecia—a research project to understand and assess the impact and outcomes of the funding by the European Research Council. She was recently Director of Ocean Tomo Federal Services, and before that spent 13 years in the U.S. Department of Commerce, including as Research Director and Chief of Staff to the Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology. She also served as the Acting Director for TA's Office of Technology Policy and spent 10 years at the former Advanced Technology Program (ATP) housed at TA's National Institute of Standards and Technology where she led major evaluation studies and policy research projects. During her government career Ms. Chang gained a deep understanding of the science and technology policies and funding programmes of the European Union (and its member countries) and East Asia, and developed contacts with foreign officials in those countries. Before ATP, Ms. Chang worked on Wall Street for Credit Suisse First Boston.



Ms. Chang recently served as an appointed member of the International Advisory Board on Evaluation and Impact Analysis for VINNOVA, the Swedish Governmental Agency for Innovation Systems (2007-2009). She is actively involved in the American Evaluation Association's Research, Technology, and Development Evaluation Topical Interest Group and the Washington Research Evaluation Network. Ms. Chang has spoken at workshops sponsored by TAFTIE, the European Network of Innovation Agencies, and contributed to the Austrian led publication, Platform Research & Technology Policy Evaluation. She has also participated in the European Union Visitors Program.

Ms. Chang received a master's degree in International Management and Comparative Politics (School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at the University of California, San Diego), a bachelor's degree in Economics (Wellesley College), and has completed doctoral studies and qualifying exams in Political Economy and Science, Technology, and Public Policy (Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Department of Political Science).

Gary Hoover; Gary Hoover is the Department Chair of Economics at the University of Oklahoma. Since 2011 he has been a member (and since 2012 co-chair) of the American Economics Association Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession.

He was the Assistant Dean for Faculty and Graduate Student Development in the Culverhouse College of Business Administration at the University of Alabama from August 2005 to May of 2014.

From August 2006 until December 2014, he was the William White McDonald Family Distinguished Faculty Fellow at the University of Alabama. He is a member of the Western Economic Association and American Economic Association. He has published papers in the American Economic Review P&P, Public Choice, Journal of Economic Literature, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Conflict Resolution, and the European Journal of Political Economy. He was a visiting Scholar at the Institute for Research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin. Mentor in



the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program. Mentor in the Culverhouse College of Business Administration Faculty Scholars Program.

Thomas Mayer; Dr. Mayer was the most senior member of our AIRLEAP Directors before sadly passing on in 2015. He was Emeritus Professor of Economics at the University of California, Davis, where he had taught mainly monetary economics and macroeconomics.

Previously, Professor Mayer taught at Michigan State University and briefly at the University of California, Berkeley; Notre Dame University; and West Virginia University. He has published numerous economics books and articles in professional journals. Among his books are *Permanent Income, Wealth and Consumption* (published in 1972); *The Structure of Monetarism* (with others); *Money, Banking and the Economy* (with J. Duesenberry and R. Aliber); *Monetarism and Macroeconomic Policy*; *Monetary Policy and the Great Inflation*; and *Invitation to Economics*. He has served as President of the Western Economic Association, as Chairman of the International Network for Economic Method, and on the editorial board of several journals. One of his most recent working papers was “Honesty and Integrity in Economics.”

Among his writings were: “The Inflexibility of Monetary Policy,” *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 1958. He reviewed and analyzed a great deal of the research that was performed by Milton Friedman in real time as Friedman was just publishing his research. A great deal of his most recent work has focused on AIRLEAP-related topics, such as a recent working paper on “Honesty and Integrity in Economics,” in 2009. One of Tom Mayer’s lesser-known books, *Truth Versus Precision in Economics* in 1993 helped form the inspiration behind the creation of AIRLEAP.



Francis McFaul; Private Consultant in Information Technology. He is a specialist in database development for major organizations (both private and governmental) in the Washington DC area. Mr. McFaul is actively involved in designing the advanced information systems that AIRLEAP will be using for its website and database management. He has earlier experience as an economist in the Bureau of Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, National Association of Home Builders, and in other for-profit and nonprofit organizations. His publications in economics include: "An Overview on the Compilation of United States Foreign Trade Statistics," "U.S. Foreign Trade Highlights," U.S. Department of Commerce, annual statistical reports, Monthly articles in "Housing Economics," "Employment Data: Which Series to Use?" "State Home Prices and Income," "The International Economy and the States," "State Population and Household Estimates," "Defense Spending and the States' Economies," and "Metro House Prices and Affordability."



Doug Palo; Program Manager. Office of Policy, Program, and Employee Development; Food Safety and Inspection Service, US Department of Agriculture. Mr. Palo is a leading expert on food safety issues, as an economist, animal scientist, and public policy analyst. He has represented the United States in negotiations with other nations on treaties associated with food safety and technological barriers to trade, and has lectured on these topics to various audiences. Mr. Palo is also the former President of the Hollin Hall Citizens Association in Virginia.



Bryan W. Roberts; Senior Economist with Nathan Associates in Arlington, VA. Dr. Roberts is currently working with Nathan Associates as a member of the Global Trade Analysis Project. Prior to joining Nathan Associates in January 2011, Dr. Roberts was the Assistant Director of the Office of Program Analysis and Evaluation at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. At DHS he supervised a team that collaborated and coordinated closely with other DHS offices to analyze key resource allocation issues of interest to top DHS leadership. His team helped develop the program structure of the DHS budget, linking it to DHS missions. His team also conducted research on issues related to border security and the immigration system. Prior to this position, Dr. Roberts was an economic consultant on international development projects for Price Waterhouse Coopers, KPMG, Barents Group, and the World Bank. In 1990 he was part of Jeffrey Sack and Associates serving as advisors to the Soviet and Polish Governments on macroeconomic and foreign trade policy.



Dr. Roberts was an Adjunct Professor in Public Policy at George Washington University and from 1993 to 1998 was an Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Miami. He has written many articles on economic development and immigration, and co-edited (with King Banaian) the book, *The Design and Use of Political Economy Indicators: Challenges of Definition, Aggregation, and Application*. He has served as the Vice President of the Society of Government Economists and as a Board Member of the Armenian International Policy Research Group. He received his doctorate in economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1993.

Brooks B. Robinson; Formerly an Economic Advisor, U.S. Pacific Command. Dr. Robinson was Senior Research Economist for Analysis at the Institute for Triple Helix Innovation in Honolulu, Hawaii during 2007, where he researched “triple helix innovation economics,” innovation indicators, and innovation metrics.



For the previous two decades, he was an economist with the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA)—the nation’s national accountant. During 2002-2006, he was Chief of BEA’s Government Division, directing the work of over 30 economists engaged in measuring federal and state and local government economic activity. From 2000-2002, he was Chief of BEA’s Income Branch, directing the preparation of income measures for the U.S. economy. During his early years at BEA, Dr. Robinson developed expertise in national investment in structures and in construction prices.

During 1998-2000, Dr. Robinson took a two year hiatus from BEA to serve as Director of Market Research for the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service (US&FCS) in

New Delhi, India. US&FCS is a Commerce Department agency that facilitates international market access for U.S. business. During the final year of his stint in India, he was Acting Director of the U.S.-Asia Environmental Partnership program, which developed opportunities for U.S. firms to introduce environmental products to Asia.

Dr. Robinson served on federal interagency committees and groups in Washington, D.C. and represented the U.S. on an International Task Force on the Harmonisation of Public Sector Accounting. From 1998-2006, he taught Business Economics, Managerial Decision Making, and Business Statistics courses for the Keller Graduate School of Management. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wis. in economics. He received his doctoral degree in economics from George Mason University.

Zhi Wang; Senior Economist, International Trade Commission; Research Fellow, Global Trade Analysis Project. Dr. Wang is a leading expert on computational general equilibrium modeling (CGE) and data reconciliation, and on US-China trade in Advanced Technology Projects. His extensive research in these areas have been published in the Journal of Regional Sciences, the Journal of Comparative Economics, China Economic Review, the Journal of Policy Modeling, Urban Studies, and the World Economy. Dr. Wang has been a Consultant to the World Bank, and had served on the Board of Directors of the Chinese Economists Society. In July 2007 he was awarded a Fulbright Senior Specialists grant, to serve in Tsinghua University, Beijing under an International Exchange of Scholars Program.

