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**PANEL 1: Partnerships for Industrial Development**



**Todd Benjamin (Moderator)**

Todd is an award-winning journalist, well known to television audiences across the globe. For 26 years he worked as an anchor, correspondent, and financial editor for CNN based in Washington, D.C., New York, Tokyo and London.





**Luis M. Castilla Rubio**

**Minister of Economy and Finance, Peru**

Castilla Rubio is the incumbent Minister of Economy and Finance of Peru. He is also the current Peruvian Governor at the World Bank, the Inter American Development Bank and the Andean Development Corporation. Prior to these assignments he has held several senior positions at multilateral financial institutions, e.g. World Bank.





## **Charles Edquist**

**Professor, Lund University, Sweden**

Edquist was one of the founders of the Centre for Innovation, Research and Competence in the Learning Economy (CIRCLE) at Lund University in 2004 and served as its Director until 2011. At present he is mainly working as a researcher and an advisor to governments, public organizations and firms on issues related to innovation policy and strategy.



## **Dirk Niebel**

### **Federal Minister of Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany**

Niebel is the serving Federal Minister of Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany. He has been a member of the German Bundestag since 1998. Until his appointment as Federal Minister in October 2009, he has been a Member of the Committee on Labour and Social Affairs as well as a Substitute Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.



## **Kandeh K. Yumkella**

**Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and Chief Executive Officer for Sustainable Energy for All initiative (SE4ALL)**

Yumkella took up his current position on 29 June 2013, after serving for 8 years as the Director General of UNIDO. Since June 2009 he also acts as Chairman of UN Energy. Among his many public roles, he served as Minister for Trade, Industry and State Enterprises of Sierra Leone from 1994 to 1995.





## **Jean-Francis R. Zinsou**

### **Permanent Representative of Benin to the United Nations**

Until his appointment as Ambassador of Benin to the UN in January 2010, Zinsou held the position of the Chargé d’Affaires ad interim. He has served as Minister Counsellor as well as the Head of the Foreign Ministry’s Division responsible for Universal Political Organizations and International Non-governmental Organizations.

