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## Agri-food Systems Transformation and Voices from the Global South



**Name:**

Hon. Bwino Fred Kyakulaga

**Title:**

Minister of State for Agriculture,  
Animal Industry and Fisheries of  
Uganda (MAAIF)

Hon. Bwino Fred Kyakulaga is a Ugandan legislator and Microbiologist. He is the current Minister of State for Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries a position he assumed in June 2021. Prior to this, he has been a Member of Parliament representing Kigulu County North on the National Resistance Movement ticket and a Director in the Office of the President – Ministry of Security.

He holds a Master of Science in Plant Pathology and Microbiology and a Master of Science in Procurement from Makerere University.

He has wide experience and interest in leadership at Policy level, legislation, Agricultural research, Public procurement, STI and National Security.



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**Name:**

Mr. Jacob Kurui Chepkwony

**Title:**

Deputy Governor, Baringo County

Hon. Jacob Kurui Chepkwony currently serves as the second Deputy Governor of Baringo County Government since the enactment of Devolution. He assumed his current position in August 2017. He is a result-oriented servant leader who endeavours to provide the best services to all.

Prior to joining politics he has served in the civil service for over 20 years in various capacities, Assistant Director Youth Training - State Department of Vocational and Technical Training at the Ministry of Education/ Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports from 2012-2017. He has also previously served as the District Youth Training Officer, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports at the former Uasin Gishu District from 2007 - 2012.

In Academia he has taught as a part-time lecturer Mathematics Department at both Moi University and University of Eldoret from 2005 -2012.

He began his professional career as a graduate teacher of Mathematics and Physics at Sacho High School from 1997 - 2004 and later joined Kapropita Girls High School from 2005-2006.



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**Name:**

Dr. Bomamakanti Rajender

**Title:**

Minister (Agriculture) and Alternate Permanent Representative of India to FAO, IFAD and WFP

Dr. Bomamakanti Rajender joined as Minister (Agriculture) on 17/01/2019 at Embassy of India, Rome and he is the Alternate Permanent Representative of India to FAO, IFAD and WFP. Dr. Rajender is also member of Bureau of Committee on Food Security (CFS), member of Steering Committee of International Year of Plant Health and International Year of Fruits and Vegetables. He is also the member of Evaluation Committee of IFAD.

Prior to this, he was Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare, Government of India from 2016-18 looking after the National Food Security, National Plant Protection Authority and National Seeds Sector.

He is the Indian Administrative Service officer selected in 1995. He has wide experience at both provincial and federal Governments. He was also the head of National Plant Protection Authority in India and played a major role in market access with several countries including EU, USA and he was monitoring pesticides registration, codex and bio-security matters.

As a National Mission Director of National Food Security Mission, played a significant role in enhancing record food grain production of 284 million tons in the year 2017-18. He worked as a Director, Agriculture, Director, Animal Husbandry and Director, Horticulture, Managing Director of Seed Corporation and Administrator of Agricultural Marketing Board in the State Government of Bihar. He also served as District Magistrate for over 9 years in six districts including the capital district of Patna in Bihar.

He led delegations from Ministry of Agriculture to Australia, Russia, Malaysia, Thailand, Rwanda, USA, UK, China, Philippines.



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He worked as Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India from March 2015-July 2016, looking after policy and planning of water resources in the country. He worked as Secretary, Rural Infrastructure (Roads), Urban Development, Finance, Industries in the State Government of Bihar.

He holds Master's and Doctorate in Plant Pathology from Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi and a graduate in Agriculture from Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University, Hyderabad.



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**Name:**

Ms. Camila Zepeda Lizama

**Title:**

General Director of Global Issues Secretariat for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, Foreign Affairs Secretary, Mexico

Camila Zepeda holds a degree in Economics from the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico and a Master's degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University. She has over ten years of experience in the Mexican Federal Government, holding various positions in the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit, the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation and the Ministry of Social Development.

Ms. Zepeda currently serves as Director General for Global Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in charge of promoting, guiding and coordinating Mexico's position in multilateral forums on transversal issues such as: global governance; environment and natural resources; climate change; 2030 Agenda for sustainable development; food security, economic development, among other.

She is Mexico's Chief Negotiator for Climate Change and Biodiversity.



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**Name:**

Dr. Carlos Correa

**Title:**

Executive Director, South Centre

Dr. Carlos Correa of Argentina assumed office as the Executive Director of the South Centre in July 2018. Formerly, he was the Special Advisor on Trade and Intellectual Property of the South Centre. Dr. Correa is a renowned international authority on intellectual property and technology issues. He has worked with the Argentine government and has been the Director of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Industrial Property and Economics at the Law Faculty of the University of Buenos Aires. He was a member of the UK Commission on Intellectual Property Rights, the Commission on Intellectual Property Rights, Innovation and Public Health established by the World Health Assembly and of the FAO Panel of Eminent Experts on Ethics in Food and Agriculture. He has been a visiting professor in post-graduate courses of several universities and a consultant to various regional and international organizations. He has advised several governments on intellectual property, innovation policy and public health. He is the author of many books and numerous articles. Dr. Correa is both a lawyer and an economist from the University of Buenos Aires and holds a PhD in Law from the same University.



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