







2009 Eisenhower Fellows
Multi Nation Program

<p>Dr. Aysha Salem Mubarak Manama KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN</p> 	<p>Member, Shura Council</p> <p>The youngest woman to be appointed by the King of Bahrain to the Shura Council, in her work Dr. Mubarak focuses on political issues dealing with women's empowerment, human rights, the environment, poverty alleviation, information technology, and education. During her fellowship, she looks forward to gaining a better understanding of the American legislative process, and to exchanging ideas on enhancing women's global leadership, particularly with respect to IT and related fields.</p>
<p>AKM Mahfuzul Haque Dhaka, BANGLADESH</p> 	<p>Additional Inspector General of Police, Bangladesh Police Rector, Police Staff College</p> <p>With over two decades service in the Bangladeshi police force, Mr. Haque now oversees the Police Staff College, advises the Inspector General of the Bangladesh Police force, and exemplifies service to country and community through his notable humanitarian missions abroad and civic engagement at home. His fellowship will focus on domestic terrorism with international links, political and economic unrest, and controlling environmental disasters, all of which will inform the impending updates to the Bangladesh Police Act of 1861.</p>
<p>Jan Goossens Brussels, BELGIUM</p> 	<p>Artistic Director, Royal Flemish Theater (KVS)</p> <p>Using arts and culture as a vehicle to contribute to society and promote intercultural understanding, Mr. Goossens works with top level Belgian and international artists via the Royal Flemish Theater's intercultural and multilingual artistic project. He has coordinated cultural exchange projects between Belgium and the Congo, and with the Arab-Muslim world, including Morocco and the West Bank. Mr. Goossens will use the fellowship opportunity to explore the U.S. experience as a country of immigrants, and to meet with artists; directors of cultural institutions, academic arts and culture departments; key media figures; and social and political visionaries.</p>
<p>Maria Jose Rodriguez Santiago, CHILE</p> 	<p>Preventive Programs Director, Social Department, Sociedad Protectora de la Infancia</p> <p>An educational psychologist with extensive experience in assessing and advising schools on enhancing teaching processes, providing teacher training, and consulting on education policy, Ms. Rodriguez recently assumed responsibility for designing and coordinating new programs to prevent school dropouts and child labor. To pursue her dedication to improving education outcomes in Chile, Ms. Rodriguez will focus her fellowship inquiries on the design, implementation and evaluation of school-based and after-school programs that incorporate social and emotional learning into the curricula, and have proven effective in enhancing children's personal and social skills.</p>

Sean Sheng-Wen Lien
Taipei, CHINA (TAIWAN)



Chairman, EasyCard Corporation

Mr. Sean Lien is Chairman of EasyCard Corporation, which operates a contactless smartcard system for convenient payment of public transportation fares and other commercial expenses including in buses, metro, rail, gas stations, fast food chains, hospitals, convenience stores and movie theaters. Mr. Lien, whose background is in finance, co-founded and continues to advise the Hong Kong based Evenstar Advisor Limited, which specializes in Asian Convertible Bond Investments. His fellowship goals are to gain insight into investment strategies used by U.S. financial institutions and to get a better understanding of securities exchanges.

Maria Carolina Hoyos Turbay
Bogota D.C., COLOMBIA



Representative of the President of the Republic, National Television Commission

Ms. Maria Carolina Hoyos Turbay is a noted journalist active in both radio and television. As Commissioner of the National Television Commission, she oversees content for Colombian public television; advocates for quality standards and the generation of programming content with high social and cultural impact; and will inform her country's choice of an appropriate digital television standard. During her fellowship she will meet with regulatory commissions, journalists, and representatives of public and private television and radio networks. She will also visit NGOs and foundations serving military veterans.

Ondrej Bartos
Prague, CZECH REPUBLIC



Managing Partner, Credo Int. Limited

A free market advocate, Mr. Bartos is committed to educating entrepreneurs and business leaders about financing and entrepreneurship in the Czech Republic and throughout Central and Eastern Europe. He also supports the development of venture capital and private equity as means of financing growth and expansion of high-potential enterprises. He looks forward to meeting leaders in venture capital and private equity; business angels and business angel networks; university-based incubators and technology centers; and entrepreneurs and entrepreneurs' associations.

Mohammed Nosseir
Cairo, EGYPT



Chair, Secretariat of International Relations, Democratic Front Party





Leveraging his international marketing successes in the private sector, Mr. Nosseir is currently engaged in recruiting and promoting candidates in preparation for Egypt's 2010 elections, with a goal of advancing liberalism, political participation, and globalization. During his fellowship, Mr. Nosseir hopes to advance his political reform work via meetings with U.S. candidates for office and elected officials to discuss campaign strategies, communications protocols, and fundraising; with national NGOs focused on good governance; and academics specializing in American electoral politics. He also hopes to gain a better understanding of the role of various institutions in formulating and executing U.S. economic and political policies.






Col. Bruno Foussard
Paris, FRANCE







Chief of Engagement and Combat Section, French Air Force

As a Colonel in the French Air Force, Bruno Foussard developed outstanding leadership skills through 120 war missions over Bosnia and Kosovo, Iraq, and Afghanistan. He currently advises high-level representatives of the defense industry on French Air Force capacity and oversees their efforts. Col. Foussard will use the fellowship opportunity to broaden his leadership abilities by meeting with American leaders, particularly civilians, to discuss the importance of resilience, management of crisis situations, and strengthening institutions.

<p>Zsófia Cseh Budapest, HUNGARY</p> 	<p>Project Manager, Ministry of Environment and Water</p> <p>As the senior coordinator of foreign trade programs at the Ministry of Environment and Water, Ms. Cseh is a leader in promoting corporate engagement and economic cooperation through external trade activities and via investments, with a focus on innovation, research and development, and technology transfer. Ms. Cseh believes that entrepreneurs will be key players in technological development, leading the way to more efficient use of resources and reduced pollution, and thus will be exploring U.S. innovation in these areas, as well as the broader American culture of entrepreneurship.</p>
<p>Dr. Subroto Das Baroda, INDIA</p> 	<p>Managing Trustee and CEO, Lifeline Foundation</p> <p>With a goal of reducing the 100,000 annual highway deaths in India, Dr. Subroto Das and his wife founded Lifeline Foundation after barely surviving an accident themselves. Their efforts led to the development of India's first comprehensive Emergency Medical Services system for people injured on highways. Dr. Das has worked tirelessly to establish an EMS infrastructure with trained paramedics, a single phone number to access emergency services, well-equipped ambulances, and prepared emergency rooms. While on fellowship, Dr. Das will study best practices exemplified by American EMS systems.</p>
<p>Tri Mumpuni Iskandar Jakarta, INDONESIA</p> 	<p>Executive Director, IBEKA (People Centered Business and Economic Institute)</p> <p>As Executive Director of IBEKA, an NGO she founded, Ms. Iskandar focuses her work on empowering poor and rural communities by providing them with electricity and energy from renewable sources. While in the U.S., Ms. Iskandar will focus on rural community development and meet with community organizations fostering economic self-sufficiency, foundations, and centers for renewable energy and appropriate technologies.</p>
<p>Camilla Sebastiani Rome, ITALY</p> 	<p>Director, National Telecommunications and Media Regulatory Authority</p> <p>An expert in antitrust issues and regulation of telecommunications and media, Ms. Sebastiani develops policies and works with domestic and international institutions and telecom operators to ensure competition, open markets, and innovation. During her fellowship, she will study the U.S. telecommunications and media market, particularly with respect to regulation and anti-trust; examine the influence of various approaches to market development; see how media influences elections; and explore intellectual property rights and consumer protection regulation.</p>
<p>Erdenetsogt Sodontogos Ulaanbaatar, MONGOLIA</p> 	<p>Founder and Editor, The Mongolian Mining Journal General Manager, "Discover Mongolia" International Mining Investors Forum</p> <p>Ms. Sodontogos advises the President on free market economic and democratic issues, promotes foreign direct investment in Mongolia's minerals industry, hosts an English-language talk show, and teaches at both the Institute of Radio and Television and the Institute of Finance and Economics. Leveraging its world-class mineral deposits, Ms. Sodontogos envisions Mongolia as a full-fledged and recognized player in the world's economic affairs. While on fellowship, she will explore the fundamentals of America's minerals sector development policy, with a special focus on coal companies.</p>

<p>Seamus O'Prey Belfast NORTHERN IRELAND</p> 	<p>General Manager, Ortus - The Business Development Agency</p> <p>Recipient of the <i>Developing Belfast - Top 50 Business Person Award</i>, Mr. O'Prey is one of the foremost experts in Northern Ireland on small business development. As General Manager at Ortus - the Business Development Agency, he is responsible for managing a substantial property portfolio and developing a suite of business start-up and expansion programs. During his fellowship, he will study corporate finance, corporate social responsibility, environmental and sustainable development, and information and technology development.</p>
<p>Muamar Orabi Nakhla Ramallah, PALESTINE</p> 	<p>General Director, Wattan TV</p> <p>Under Mr. Nakhla's leadership, Wattan TV, a secular station founded on democratic values, has seen its staff and popularity grow to the point where it now enjoys the highest viewership in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. To support his goal of ensuring Wattan TV's longevity in the face of a tumultuous media environment and stiff competition from media outlets supported by Hamas and Islamic Jihad, Mr. Nakhla will focus his fellowship on learning about best practices in media development, adaptation, and sustainability.</p>
<p>Gov. Miguel Dominguez Sarangani Province, PHILIPPINES</p> 	<p>Governor, Local Government of Sarangani Province</p> <p>As the second youngest governor elected to the Sarangani Province in the Philippines, Miguel Dominguez initiated the Arms-to-Farms program, which provides farmland to communist insurgents who surrender to the government. During his fellowship, Mr. Dominguez plans to engage agricultural experts to develop technological solutions aimed at helping increase the productivity of low-income farmers.</p>
<p>Mihai Ghyka Bucharest, ROMANIA</p> 	<p>Advisor to the Board, International Advertising Association</p> <p>After stepping down as the General Manager of InBev Romania, Mr. Ghyka pursued his passion to raise advertising standards in Romania through the International Advertising Association. While in the U.S. on fellowship, he hopes to add value to the <i>Branding Romania</i> project by meeting with leaders in communication and governmental affairs. Through the <i>Branding Romania</i> project, Mr. Ghyka plans to improve Romania's image to bring in new investments, attract tourism, and increase exports of Romanian goods.</p>
<p>Elena Panfilova Moscow, RUSSIA</p> 	<p>Director, Center for Anti-Corruption, Transparency International - Russia</p> <p>Ms. Panfilova became an expert in anti-corruption programs for transitional economies as a program manager with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development. This experience inspired her to establish the Center for Anti-Corruption Research and Initiatives at Transparency International - Russia, where she is now the director. During her fellowship, she intends to visit federal, state, media and non-profit organizations to learn about the administrative, political, and civic participation systems that have advanced anti-corruption efforts in the U.S. She also hopes to explore bi-lateral anti-corruption cooperation between Russia and the U.S.</p>

<p>Mohammed Al-Jasser Riyadh, SAUDI ARABIA</p> 	<p>General Manager, Enterprise Key Accounts Sales, Saudi Telecom Company (STC)</p> <p>As the General Manager for Saudi Telecom Company, Mr. Al-Jasser develops and manages relationships with their top 114 Enterprise Key clients, where he has consistently grown revenue sales. Mr. Al-Jasser will devote his fellowship to gaining insights that will support efforts to harness the growth of Saudi Arabia's economy by improving diversification and increasing the prosperity of Saudi citizens, with a focus on IT sector development.</p>
<p>Mbali Dhlomo Durban, SOUTH AFRICA</p> 	<p>Publisher & Founder, Genuine Magazine / Intuthuko Newspaper</p> <p>Ms. Dhlomo's leadership of <i>Genuine Magazine</i> and <i>Intuthuko Newspaper</i> has provided her the means to give a voice to people in communities throughout South Africa and to enhance social development. During her fellowship, Ms. Dhlomo will meet with leaders in print media and international media development, with the aim of using lessons learned to increase media literacy and community empowerment via her publications.</p>
<p>Karin Pettersson Stockholm, SWEDEN</p> 	<p>Editor in Chief, Fokus Magazine</p> <p>With a background in economics and public service, Ms. Pettersson has established <i>Fokus Magazine</i> as an important voice on the Swedish media scene, boasting over 47,000 readers both in Sweden and among Swedish expatriates. She is also a member of Publicistklubben, which promotes freedom of the press and freedom of expression. During her fellowship, Ms. Pettersson will meet with media institutions, political activists, and academics to gain insights into the impact of the internet on politics and traditional media.</p>
<p>Sarawut Benjakul Bangkok, THAILAND</p> 	<p>Deputy Secretary-General, Office of the Judiciary</p> <p>Following an impressive career in law and as a consultant to foreign investors in Thailand, Judge Benjakul now advises the President of the Supreme Court, as well as the Secretary General of the Office of the Judiciary. To advance his goal of enhancing and internationalizing the Thai courts, Judge Benjakul will explore the U.S. approach to administering judicial systems, handling public affairs, and developing continuing education programs for judges and court employees.</p>