Mary-Jane Ncube
Zimbabwe

Ms. Ncube is focusing on public administration, policy, governance, and democracy with an emphasis on the equitable distribution of resources. She has an interest in combining academic theory, peer learning and practical experience in order to expand her experiential learning opportunities. Ms. Ncube is the Executive Director for Transparency International Zimbabwe, where she advances advocacy opportunities.

Nampoinaina Rabensasolo
Madagascar

Mr. Rabensasolo’s area of focus is governance and anti-corruption initiatives and strategies with an emphasis on sustainable development best practices. He also is exploring public service reforms, public policy analysis and has interest in strengthening civil society capacities in reform measure adherence. Mr. Rabensasolo was Communication Director at the Independent Office Against Corruption (Bianco) where he was responsible for raising public awareness on integrity through media messages and news releases relating to his organization’s endeavors.

Umar Riaz
Pakistan

Mr. Riaz is undertaking the study of public administration, policy development and implementation with a focus on best practices, governance and capacity building. Mr. Riaz is a civil servant and belongs to Police Service of Pakistan, a group of officers responsible for law enforcement in federal and provincial governments. He has served in National Accountability Bureau, Frontier Constabulary and Police Department in KP (NWFP). He was most recently working as supervisory Police Officer in Peshawar responsible for law enforcement, investigation and personnel management.

Loday Tsheten
Bhutan

Mr. Tsheten is emphasizing studies in public policy analysis and administration in context to good governance. He has interest in learning both the theoretical and practical aspects of public policy analysis and administration in order to best parlay these experiences into his professional duty of preventing corruption. In addition, he is interested in honing his leadership skills. Most recently, Mr. Tsheten was Senior Systems Analyst in the Prevention Division of the Anti-Corruption Commission where he was involved in analyzing policy, reviewing systems, and recommending anti-corruption measures. He was also responsible for conducting research and formulating National Anti-Corruption Strategy for Bhutan.

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**Faith Akbulut**

Turkey  
Mr. Akbulut’s focus of his studies is on best practices in decision-making at the federal, state and local levels, especially within national resource allocation. Effective and efficient implementation of democratic governance policies requires a strong public sector leadership. Mr. Akbulut was Governor of Gumusova District. As part of his responsibilities, he organized community initiatives, activated local resources for better social, cultural and economic welfare of citizens, and oversaw department directors and civil servants.

**Khaled Al-Ajm**

Saudi Arabia  
Dr. Al-Ajm is focusing on information and communication technology policy and practices and how the society can maximize its benefits. He is interested in the intersection of ICT policy acceptance and integration into governmental and private sectors, with an emphasis on the banking sectors. A focus of Dr. Al-Ajm is also exploring successful methods, models, and practices to encourage Saudi citizens to more properly and consistently adopt emerging technologies. Most recently, Dr. Al-Ajm was the head of IT development department in AliRaja Bank where he was responsible for information technology activities.

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**Samuel Cole**

Liberia  
Mr. Cole’s focus is on public administration and public policy, with an emphasis on election administration, leadership, domestic and foreign development policies and peaceful, democratic political transitions. He is also interested in the role of women to feel empowered to participate in the electoral process as voters, candidates and elected officials. Most recently Mr. Cole was Director of Civic and Voter Education for the National Elections Commission in Liberia where he oversaw the commission’s civic and voter education programs across the country.

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**Nicolás Hernandez**

Colombia  
Mr. Hernandez is focusing his studies on civil society, public policy and transparency, especially in regards to anti-corruption. He is also exploring institutional solutions for the development of leadership and non-profit management, ethics and governance. He has been an executive director, senior advisor and co-founder of Corporacion Osaca, a non-profit that focuses on transparent democracy and youth development in Colombia. At Osaca, Mr. Hernandez has worked on cross-sector collaboration, especially in the area of corporate social responsibility, advocacy and fund development.

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**Mutriba Latypova**

Tajikistan  
Ms. Latypova is concentrating her studies on state-building in the 21st century. Her focus will include U.S. foreign policy, economics, policy analysis and administration. She is also very interested in civic participation and good governance principles. Ms. Latypova has an extensive background in leading and managing civil society work. Most recently held the position of Performance Manager for Mendez England & Associates, Inc. in its Tashkent Safe Drinking Water Project funded by USAID where she was responsible for overall planning, coordination, monitoring and evaluation process.

**Saidat Luni**

Pakistan  
Mr. Luni is continuing the focus of his previous study in the area of decentralization of governments—the transfer of administrative and fiscal authority, and its relationship with sustainable development, especially in developing countries. His work emphasizes both academic and practical experiences and knowledge in order to more fully integrate theory and practice. He will also analyze the working of government with that of international organizations in order to perform a comparative analysis of both sectors. In addition to serving as District Coordination Officer of two Districts, Lothal and Pitham, Mr. Luni was Deputy Commissioner of District Zhob where he was responsible for establishing effective and efficient coordination and working relationships between departments in providing public services to its citizens.

**Shahe Mahmudova**

Azerbaijan  
Ms. Mahmudova is focusing her studies on ICT policy analysis, public administration in developing countries, public sector reform and financial management in state and local government. She has a keen interest in best practices of election administration. Most recently, Ms. Mahmudova was a Project Coordinator for IFE, the International Foundation for Electoral Systems in Azerbaijan where she developed and implemented professional development training activities for elected officials and acted as a liaison between her organization and other civil society, international community, political and government groups.

**Baloko Makala**

Rwanda  
Ms. Makala is concentrating on information and communication technology policy development and implementation with a specific emphasis on how new policies can not only be implemented but regulation can also be monitored. Her interest also focuses on ICT policy management within both the public and private sectors. Most recently, Ms. Makala was Director of Information and Communication Technology in the Ministry of Infrastructure in Rwanda where she coordinated the design and implementation of the national ICT policy. She is currently an international consultant in the field of ICT for development and communication.