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first public database of pollution information in China • **Mie Kajikawa**, Social entrepreneur, Founder of “Sport For Smile,” the first-ever platform in Japan to use sport as a tool for a social change, and recipient of the Ernst & Young Groundbreakers Award (2011) • **Gabriela Keseberg Dávalos**, Senior Communications Officer at the International Crisis Group, Co-Founder & Board Member of the International Young Women Partnership and Fellow of the UN Alliance of Civilizations • **Israel Klabin**, Environmentalist, Founder and President of the Brazilian Foundation for Sustainable Development and former Mayor of Rio de Janeiro • **Brice Lalonde**, Executive Coordinator of the Rio+20 Conference and former French Minister of the Environment • **Emilio Lèbre la Rovere**, Professor of Energy and Environmental Planning and Coordinator of the Environmental sciences Laboratory at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro • **Peggy Liu**, Chairperson of Joint US-China Collaboration on Clean 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member • **Toshi Nakamura**, Co-Founder and CEO of Kopernik, a pioneer on-line marketplace of innovative, life-changing technologies designed for the developing world • **Yonatan Neril**, Rabbi, Founder and Executive Director of the Interfaith Center for Sustainable Development • **Mary Jane Ortega**, Secretary General of CITYNET Asia-Pacific (The Regional Network of Local Authorities for the Management of Human Settlements) and former Mayor of San Fernando (Philippines) • **Rajendra Kumar Pachauri**, Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize jointly with Mr. Al Gore (2007), Director General of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) and Director of Yale Climate and Energy Institute • **Park Wan-su**, Mayor of Changwon, the 8th most populous city in South Korea, and member of the UCLG World Council (United Cities and Local Governments) • **Veronica Pedrosa**, Journalist and anchor at Al Jazeera (Kuala Lumpur Broadcast 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