



Scientific Committee Members



Laurent VIDAL – Président

Anthropologist,

Director of the IRD/CNRS/CRAD Joint Office in Pretoria

Laurent Vidal is an anthropologist, Director of Research at IRD, and a member of UMR SESSTIM.

For almost 40 years, he has worked in Africa (Niger, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Senegal) on health issues (AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, maternal health) and on the epistemology of social sciences in "development" contexts. His work is the subject of some twenty books, including 6 in his own name, as well as nearly 60 articles and several dozen book chapters.

He headed IRD's social science center in Abidjan in the early 2000s, then the Social Sciences department at IRD headquarters in Marseille. He was also a member of IRD's "Human and Social Sciences" sectoral scientific commission, and of Sidaction's scientific council. He was IRD Representative in Senegal from January 2015 to December 2018 (where he was made a Chevalier de l'Ordre national du Lion), then the Institute's Representative in Mali until 2023, and is currently Director of the joint IRD/CNRS/CRAD Office in Pretoria.



Francis AKINDES – Vice-président

Professor of Political and Economic Sociology

Alassane Ouattara University Bouaké – Côte d'Ivoire

Vice-President Africa of the Scientific Council of the French Red Cross Foundation

Francis Akindès is a professor of Political and Economic Sociology at the Alassane Ouattara University in Bouaké (Côte d'Ivoire). He is the President of the Scientific Council of the same university, and also the scientific coordinator for the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.

His fields of scientific interest are varied and notably include political transitions, political violence, and post-crisis public policies. He has been a visiting professor at a number of universities, including Oxford (United Kingdom), the University of Uppsala (Sweden), and the Collège de France. He is the author of numerous articles and scientific works on

processes of democratisation and political violence. He also has extensive experience as a consultant and advisor for several international organisations, including the World Bank, the European Union, USAID, the Central Bank of West African States, UNRISD, AFD, IFAD, WWF and the Mark Planck Foundation.

His recent experiences in the humanitarian field include the social analysis of the post-conflict situation in Ivory Coast, with a view to shedding light on the main lines of the World Bank's post-conflict intervention policies, the definition of policies for the engagement of civil society in the World Bank's post-conflict programmes in Ivory Coast, the evaluation of one of three DDR programmes in Ivory Coast, of policies for the promotion of human rights and social cohesion in the context of projects for returns and reintegration carried out by the IRC (International Rescue Committee), and of activities carried out by the NRC (Norwegian Refugee Council) in the central and western regions of Côte d'Ivoire.



Malika AÏT-MOHAMED PARENT

Independent international expert in anti-corruption

International Anti-Corruption Academy (Austria)

Former Under-Secretary General, Governance and Management

Services International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (Geneva)

Malika Aït-Mohamed Parent, a specialist in the struggle against fraud and corruption in the aid sector, teaches on different Masters programmes (eg: Anti-Corruption Masters at the Anti-Corruption Academy, Austria; Masters in Humanitarian Action, CERAH-University of Geneva, Switzerland), and speaks on the subject in different conferences and expert panels. She also supervises field studies and institutional diagnostics for the implementation of compliance frameworks. She has previously held various offices within the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, namely as Under-Secretary General (2010-2014) and Chief of Staff (2007-2014).

In the exercise of her functions, Mme Aït-Mohamed Parent has visited more than 90 countries to contribute to mediation processes, give conferences, lead workshops, training courses and symposiums, and to lend her support to directors of local, regional and international networks. A member of different executive boards (International Association of Facilitators, Geneva, since 2007; European Association of Synergology, since 2017; the International Museum of Red Cross and Red Crescent from 2009 to 2015; the Lars Amundsen Foundation from 2010 to 2014), she has been a mentor for the Emerging Leadership Consortia Programme at the Thunderbird School of Global Management in Arizona (2010 and 2014), and a tutor for the "Femme Puissance 2" programme of the Swiss Confederation (2008, 2009).

Born in Algiers (Algeria), Mrs Aït-Mohamed Parent has a Masters degree in Economics, with a specialisation in Public and European Law, from the Sorbonne University (France), a Masters in Management from the University of McGill (Canada), an International Masters in Management from the IMPM Consortium (INSEAD - France, Bangalore Management

Institute - India, University of Tokyo - Japan, University of Lancaster - United Kingdom), and a Masters in Anti-Corruption from the International Anti-Corruption Academy.



Laetitia ATLANI-DUAULT

Director of the World Studies Centre, FMSH

Director of Research, IRD, CEPED (Paris 5 Descartes University)

Visiting Professor, Columbia University (New York)

Laëtitia Atlani-Duault is an anthropologist, director of the World Studies Centre at the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH), director of research at the IRD, and visiting professor at Columbia University in New York. She is a member of the Centre for Population and Development (CEPED) (Université Paris V, IRD, INSERM) and the Laboratory of Comparative Sociology and Ethnology (CNRS, Université Paris Ouest Nanterre), and in charge of the scientific anthropological mission for HCERES. Laetitia Atlani-Duault is also responsible for the FMSH's research platform, "Humanitarian aid and globalisation", co-editor of the *Socio* review with Michel Wieviorka, and director of the collection "Le (bien) commun", with Jean-Pierre Dozon, published by the Éditions de la Maison des sciences de l'homme.

Why is humanitarian aid of interest to anthropologists? How can we capture the latest sequence of North-South relations ethnographically? What are the elements of continuity and/or discontinuity compared with relationships during the colonial era? Her scientific journey was built and structured around the study of the fabric of humanitarian aid. In 2008, she was awarded the bronze medal by the CNRS for her research.

Her research topics include: the memory of sexual violence amongst the Vietnamese boat people and the policies of humanitarian assistance in camps for refugee victims of organised sexual violence; the social impacts of the AIDS epidemic in central Asia and Transcaucasia and the UN policies of social suffering; the fabric of UN humanitarian aid in the former Second World; the place of NGOs from developing countries in the promotion of "good governance"; the theories and methods of the anthropology of humanitarian aid. Her current research concerns rumours in epidemic contexts, and UN governance and the reconfigurations of international humanitarian aid.



François BRICAIRE

Professor of Medicine

Member of the National Academy of Medicine

Board Member at the French Red Cross

François Bricaire is a Doctor in Medicine, Professor of Infectious and Tropical Diseases at the University Pierre and Marie Curie (Paris VI), consultant, former head of department at the Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital in Paris and former head of the Infection, Inflammation and Immunity department. He has been a titular member of the National Academy of Medicine since 2012.

Specialised in infectious diseases, he has namely worked on anti-infectious medicine, HIV infection, malaria and currently the care of emerging infections, particularly for APHP and the Ile-de-France defence zone, in collaboration with the trusteeship.

As a member of the National Bureau of the French Red Cross, he presides over the association's international operations. He is a member of various scientific organisations, an advisor to a number of associations, and collaborates with scientific publishing houses. He has published several books, in particular on bioterrorism, influenza, and emerging infections.

François Bricaire is a Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur and an Officer of the National Order of Merit.



Yvan CONOIR

Senior Consultant

Raoul Dandurand Chair in Diplomatic and Strategic Studies

Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)

Yvan Conoir is a graduate of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. He has an MA in Political Science, and an MBA in International Management.

After beginning his career as a journalist, he worked for nearly 20 years for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), UNICEF, CARE Canada and the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre. His professional functions have given him work experience in nearly 60 countries in the African Great Lakes region, East and West Africa, South Asia, Central and South America, the Balkans, Europe and Canada.

Since 2005, he has been a consultant for the World Bank, the European Union, the Organisation of American States (OAS), UNICEF, the UNHCR, UNDP, UNESCO, ACDI, the Foreign Ministries of Canada, France and Switzerland, as well as for various NGOs and private companies. He is also a Senior Associate and Consultant at Universal Management Group (Montreal), a consultation cabinet, as well as being the Researcher in residence at the Raoul-Dandurand Chair (UQAM).

Alongside his academic activities, Yvan Conoir teaches at Laval University, UQAM and the University of Montreal.

In recent years, his publications have included: *L'action humanitaire du Canada* (PUL-2002), *Faire la paix - concepts et pratiques de la consolidation de la paix* (PUL-2005) and *DDR – Désarmer, démobiliser et réintégrer – Défis humains, Enjeux globaux* (PUL-2006). His latest book is entitled *Gestion de projets de développement international et action humanitaire* (PUL, 2016).



Alain DAOU

*Doctor in International Management
American University of Beirut (AUB)*

Alain Daou is an assistant professor of entrepreneurship at the Olayan School of Business (OSB) at the American University of Beirut. He studies and teaches (social) entrepreneurship and business ethics.

Prior to joining the academic community, Alain worked for a decade with different not-for-profit organisations in Canada, Central America, the Middle East and Africa as a project manager, consultant, and internal advisor.

During his PhD studies at Laval University in Canada, Alain followed and taught a number of classes on international development and humanitarian action. Later on, during his postdoctoral studies at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KU Leuven) in Belgium, he directed a research project financed by the European Union on social entrepreneurship, which involved 12 partners across 10 countries.

Through his research, Alain analyses the ways in which small and medium-sized businesses, and especially social and not-for-profit companies, innovate and develop, as well as examining the social and economic impact which they have on involved parties and on society as a whole.



Christian DE BOISSIEU

*Economist
Professor Emeritus
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Christian de Boissieu holds a doctorate in economics and is an agrégé in political economy. He has been Professor Emeritus of Economics at the University of Paris I since 1980, and has since then directed the postgraduate course "Money, Banking, Finance" until 2016. He also taught for twenty years at the IEP (Sciences Po) in Paris.

From 2003 to 2012, he was Chairman of the Economic Analysis Council for the Prime Minister. In 2005-2006, he chaired the "Factor 4" Commission (division by four of greenhouse gas emissions) set up by the French government and supervised the subsequent report.

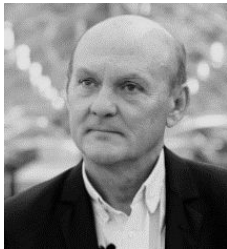
Christian de Boissieu has advised since the early 1980s many foreign governments (Morocco, Russia, West Africa...) either directly or by carrying out missions for the World Bank and the European Commission.

He has thus participated in the reform of the monetary policy in the West African Monetary Union. He is also Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Institute of Finance and Governance (Beirut).

Christian de Boissieu is also Vice-President of the Cercle des Economistes, member of the Scientific Council of the Charles de Gaulle Foundation and of the Scientific Council of the Georges Pompidou organisation.

Christian de Boissieu has published numerous books and articles on money, finance and banking, economic policy issues, European integration and international monetary issues.

He is Commander of the French Legion of Honour and the French National Order of Merit.



Eric DELAPORTE – President

Professor of infectious and tropical diseases

University Hospital of Montpellier

Director of the international research unit on HIV and infectious diseases (IRD_UMI 233 TransVIHMI)

Professor of Medicine in Infectious and Tropical Diseases at the University and University Hospital of Montpellier, Director of the Translational Research Unit on HIV and Infectious Diseases under the supervision of the University of Montpellier, INSERM and IRD.

Eric Delaporte has more than 25 years of experience in conducting research and intervention programs in Africa, in close collaboration with the national AIDS program and African universities. His main activities in the field of HIV are related to the study of its specificities in Africa, including the evaluation of treatment strategies and the emergence of resistance of the virus to antiretroviral drugs.

In May 1983, he was an intern in an infectious diseases department in Paris that received the first African AIDS patients when the journal Science announced the discovery of the virus by Professor Montagnier's team. In 1986, he joined the international medical research center in Franceville (Gabon) to carry out the first epidemiological studies on the prevalence of AIDS in Central Africa and, with his wife Martine Peeters, discovered the first HIV-positive chimpanzee. This was followed by a long search that enabled them to trace the origin of the virus and the epidemic.

It also works on epidemic risks and their control. In particular, he conducts multidisciplinary research on the Ebola virus and Coronaviruses using a "One Health" approach. He is the author of more than 400 original articles.



Serge PAUGAM

Sociologist

Director of Studies at the EHESS

Director of Research at CNRS

Serge Paugam is a French sociologist, born in 1960 in Lesneven in Finistère. He has carried out authoritative research on inequality, social breakdowns and contemporary forms of social contact.

He started his research on economic and social precarity in Saint-Brieuc and defended his doctoral thesis on this subject at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in June 1988, entitled *La disqualification sociale*.

As well as being a director of research at CNRS and director of studies at EHESS, he is also the author of several books, which have become classics, on poverty and precarity in France and abroad. He founded, and now directs, the “Lien social” collection, as well as *Sociology*, a review published by PUF. He is the leader of the Research Team on Social Inequalities (ERIS) and deputy director of the Centre Maurice-Halbwachs (CNRS/EHESS/ENS).

The typology of social contact which he developed enables the study of what links individuals together and to society. It also enables the analysis of how social links intertwine in a normative way in each society and how the regulation of social life is based on this intertwining. This orientation, a continuation of Durkheim’s sociology, leads him to identify and compare what he calls regimes of attachment.



Gautier PIROTTE

Professor of socio-anthropology of development

University of Liège

Liège - Belgium

Born in 1973, Gautier Pirotte is a Belgian sociologist with a doctorate in Sociology from Liège University obtained in 2002. His early works focused on the emergence of civil societies in Central and Eastern Europe (particularly Romania), and in Sub-Saharan Africa (Benin, DRC), in a context of multifaceted transition (economic, political, social, cultural).

Following his postdoctoral studies at the Centre for Administrative, Political and Social Studies and Research (UMR 8026 CNRS, Lille 2), where he studied Belgian humanitarian NGO intervention in Romania at the fall of the Communist regime, he conducted research on fair trade (from developing producers to Western consumers), the foundations of public interest, and Belgian-Romanian and Belgian-Bulgarian syndical partnerships.

Since 2006, he has been Chair-holder of the Social Anthropology of Development at Liège University, and directs various courses in the field of Development Studies (Masters, doctoral training, continuing education). He also participates to different training and institutional support programmes in African universities (mainly Lumbashi University and

Burundi National University), and Romanian universities (SNSPA).

Beyond his proven interest in civil society (ref. "The Notion of Civil Society" in the *Repères collection*, Editions de la Découverte), the majority of his work currently focuses on policies and actors of international overseas development, and on popular engagement in international solidarity. His latest book, published by the Liège University Press, addresses popular initiatives of international solidarity, and notably highlights the question of the relationship between so-called "professional" aid actors and the carriers of smaller projects, who are insufficiently recognised or even unacknowledged as agents of international cooperation by traditional aid operatives.



Jocelyn RAUDE

Health Researcher

Doctor of Sociology

Foundation's Research Prize Winner in 2018

Jocelyn Raude is a researcher in the "Health and Societies" Department of the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD) (UMR 190 "Emerging Viruses Unit" in Marseille) and a lecturer in the Department of Human and Social Sciences at the École des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Humaines et Sociales (EHESP).

After obtaining a PhD on the sociology of food crises in 2006 at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in Paris, he worked on emerging diseases in tropical environments during a postdoctoral fellowship at the London School of Economics. His main research work focuses on the response of populations to health controversies and alerts, i.e. how these phenomena influence individual and collective behaviour. For the past ten years, he has been working on the processes of social and cognitive adaptation to the risks and uncertainties associated with emerging infectious diseases (Chikungunya, Zika, Dengue) in the French overseas departments (Guyana, Reunion, Martinique, Mayotte).

He is the author of some 40 scientific articles published in international journals, and a member of the editorial board of the international journal *Public Health Review*. Jocelyn Raude was awarded a Research Prize by the Foundation in 2018.



Sandrine REVET

Doctor of Anthropology

Research Director at CERI Sciences Po Paris

The Foundation's "Humanitarian Action and Natural Disasters" Research Prize in 2019

Sandrine Revet has a doctorate in anthropology and is director of research at the Centre de Recherches Internationales de Sciences Po Paris.

Her early work focused on the anthropology of disasters, with a thesis on the 1999 mudslides in Venezuela (*Anthropologie d'une catastrophe*, Presses de la Sorbonne nouvelle, 2007).

From 2008 to 2015, she led a multi-site investigation into international action on disasters, which took her from the UN offices in Geneva to several Latin American countries where "natural" disaster prevention or management programs are being set up. In 2018, she began a research project on the legal settlement of relations between humans and the environment in a crisis context, based on the case of the Atrato river in Colombia, declared a legal entity in 2016. She coordinates or participates in several disaster research networks (ARCRA in France, DICAN within EASA).



Marie-Caroline SAGLIO-YATZIMIRSKY

Doctor of Anthropology and Clinical Psychologist

Director of the Institut Convergences Migrations.

Marie-Caroline SAGLIO-YATZIMIRSKY is an anthropologist and clinical psychologist. She is a university professor of South Asian anthropology at INALCO, IUF senior, researcher at the CESSMA (UMR 245), and director of the Institut Convergences Migrations (CNRS). From 2015 to 2017, she was Vice-President of INALCO in charge of research. Her work as an anthropologist focuses in particular on social exclusion in India and Brazil, and she has published a dozen scientific works in English, French and Portuguese on these issues, and a novel, *Bombay* (ed. Sege Safran, 2023). She is interested in migration issues through her work as an anthropologist and her psycho-traumatology consultation with asylum seekers (Hôpital Avicenne, Bobigny 93, since 2010). She has directed several research programs, including the recent ANR LIMINAL program, which deals with language and cultural interactions and mediations between actors in situations of migratory crisis. She co-produced the Migralect.org platform on frontier languages, which brings together 2,500 words and expressions in 8 languages of settlement languages. In 2019, she founded the first professional university diploma in mediation interpreting for students in exile. Her recent books focus on issues of trauma, culture and exile, including *La voix de ceux qui crient, rencontre avec des demandeurs d'asile* (Albin Michel, 2018).



Marc-Henry SOULET

Professor of Sociology, Chair of Social Work and Social Policy at the University of Fribourg (Switzerland)

Marc-Henry Soulet is a French sociologist whose contributions have concerned the logic of research and discovery in the social sciences and, above all, the study of “non-integration”, social exclusion, vulnerability and the discrediting of individuals' identities.

He is currently President of the Association internationale des sociologues de langue française. As such, he is fully involved in (and committed to) contemporary transformations in the human and social sciences, both pedagogically and scientifically. His work focuses on three areas: 1) the analysis of concrete forms of social intervention and contemporary transformations of the welfare state; 2) the understanding of mechanisms for managing discredited identities and the modalities of action in situations of vulnerability; and 3) the study of forms of social treatment of non-integration. He is editor of the *Res socialis* collection at Academic Press Fribourg, where he has coordinated the publication of several books and published numerous articles on social problems, as well as on epistemological and methodological issues in the social sciences.



Mahaman TIDJANI ALOU

*Associate Professor of Political Science
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Université Abdou Moumouni in Niamey (Niger)*

Mahaman Tidjani Alou is an Associate Professor of Political Science, Dean of the Faculty of Economic and Juridical Sciences (FSEJ) at the Université Abdou Moumouni (Niger), and a researcher at LASDEL (Laboratory for Research on Social Dynamics and Local Development).

He obtained his doctorate in Political Science from the University of Bordeaux and worked for 16 years for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Niger, where he was Director of European Affairs (1997-1999).

Mahaman Tidjani-Alou co-founded LASDEL and was its director from 2001 to 2007. LASDEL is a Nigerien and Beninese social science research laboratory, which carries out qualitative, empirical studies (field studies of a social-anthropological nature), to exacting international standards of quality. It was founded in 2001 in Niamey (Niger), and extended in 2004 to Parakou (Benin).

He publishes on subjects including “the state and political elites in Africa” and “policies of cooperation and North-South development”.



Isabelle VONECHE-CARDIA

PhD in Contemporary History

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Isabelle Vonèche Cardia holds a PhD in Contemporary History from the University of Paris X-Nanterre and a Master's Degree in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies.

She has worked for ten years in the humanitarian sector in Switzerland and Africa. From 2012 to the present day, she is employed at the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL). Her interests and expertise are related to the use of Information and Communication Technology specifically in the humanitarian sector and in engineering research education.