

S4YE Secretariat



Namita Datta

S4YE COALITION MANAGER
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Namita Datta is the Head and Coalition Manager of Solutions for Youth Employment (S4YE) based in the World Bank's cross-sectoral Jobs Group. Namita brings significant experience on development issues and the jobs agenda. Before taking over the role of Coalition Manager of S4YE, she was Global Head of Let's Work, a global program on jobs, with a focus on the private sector. She has led multi-sectoral operations on jobs at the country level in several regions including Africa, Western Balkans, and Asia.

She has worked for the World Bank Group (both World Bank and IFC) for over 12 years working across sectors and regions. She was also a key part of the IFC Jobs Study team leading the analytical work on the employment impact of investments in infrastructure. As Advisor for IFC's South Asia region, she was responsible for leading the policy dialogue on private sector development in the region.

Before joining the World Bank Group, Namita worked with the Government of India, as an IAS officer (India's high-level policy making body). She holds a PhD from Cornell University, an MIA from Colombia University, New York, and an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.



Danielle Robinson

DIGITAL JOBS AND GENDER SPECIALIST
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Danielle Robinson is the Gender & Digital Jobs Specialist at Solutions for Youth Employment (S4YE). She has over 6 years of international development experience, specializing in gender-responsive program design, ICT4D and the digital economy, and youth employment.

Danielle heads S4YE's work on digital jobs and gender. She coordinated and co-authored S4YE's 2018 flagship report on *Digital Jobs for Youth: Young Women in the Digital Economy*, and is launching a new *Digital Jobs Knowledge Brief Series*. She also leads activities for S4YE's network of World Bank youth employment practitioners, including: providing technical assistance for the design and implementation of youth employment operations; organizing operations clinics for problem-solving; and coordinating knowledge-sharing events.

Danielle holds a Master's degree from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Pennsylvania.



Sunamika Singh

TECHNICAL SPECIALIST
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Sunamika has 8 years of experience in large-scale youth employment, skills development, education and women's economic empowerment programs with a focus on fragile and conflict settings. Before joining S4YE, Sunamika worked as Development and Communications manager for an education focused nonprofit in India where, she was responsible for advocacy and building financial support for the organization through corporate and public sector funding.

Prior to this, she worked for the Government of India's National Rural Livelihoods Mission, where she supported designing of region wise strategies for skilling of rural poor youth and linking with entry level jobs in private sector in urban centers. She has also worked on implementing a direct- action community level learning pilot in Kashmir valley aimed at creating better opportunities for disadvantaged children and youth through innovative educational programs, counseling and referral services.

She has worked for UNDP, Johns Hopkins University and different non-profits in the past. She holds a Master's in Public Policy from Johns Hopkins University.



Aparna Krishnamurthy

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP SPECIALIST
WORLD BANK & INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

Aparna has over five years of experience in the international development space. In her new role as a Strategic Partnership Specialist at S4YE, she will work with new and existing S4YE partners to identify meaningful opportunities for collaboration.

Originally from India, Aparna worked at the American India Foundation in New Delhi where she designed and implemented education-technology projects at government schools and teacher- training institutes across India. Aparna previously worked at the New York City Department of Education, where she was a policy consultant for the flagship 'Pre-K for All' early childhood education program. Most recently she worked at IFC on the Inclusive Business team in the Economic and Private Sector Development Unit.

Aparna holds a Master's in Mathematics from the University of Delhi, and a Master's in Public Affairs from the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University



Kavell Joseph

TECHNICAL SPECIALIST
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Kavell joined the S4YE team in January 2020, where she works with the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) and leads communications and knowledge management. Prior to joining the team, Kavell worked with the Climate Change Investment Fund Management team, the Development Economics and the Legal Vice Presidency team. She started her career at the World Bank by working for the Women, Business and the Law team. Before joining the World Bank, she worked as a Research Associate for the Public International Law Policy Group and National Immigrant Women Advocacy Project in Washington D.C. Kavell has obtained more than six years of both professional and academic experience while working in Washington D.C and Trinidad and Tobago.

Kavell holds a LL.M in International Legal Studies from American University Washington College of Law and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of the West Indies. She is called to the legal bar of Trinidad and Tobago.



Maho Hatayama

TECHNICAL SPECIALIST
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Maho has over five years of international development experiences, specializing in entrepreneurship, firms and jobs in Africa. She joined the World Bank as a Junior Professional Officer (JPO) in February 2019. During her first year as a JPO, she has worked in the Development Economics (DEC) Unit.

Prior to joining the World Bank, she worked as a research officer at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, producing research papers on youth employment, labor standards and livelihood supports of refugees, for the UK Department for International Development (DFID). Additionally, she worked for the UNDP in Liberia, where she provided analytical /advisory services for entrepreneurship and SME development project. She also worked as a consultant working on agribusiness/agricultural development in Mozambique for JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency). Maho holds a Master of Science degree in Local Economic Development from London School of Economics and Political Science (U.K.).