

**Prof. Howard Duncan**

Prof. Howard Duncan is the Executive Head of the Metropolis Project at Citizenship and Immigration Canada as its International Project Director. He has concentrated on increasing the geographic reach of Metropolis, enlarging the range of the issues it confronts, and increasing its benefits to the international migration policy community by creating opportunities for direct and frank exchanges between researchers, practitioners, and policy makers. Recent of his projects have included the creation of the Metropolis North America and Metropolis Asia initiatives and the creation of a Metropolis Secretariat in Asia (Seoul/Goyang-si and Manila) to supplement the Secretariats in Ottawa and Amsterdam. In 2012, he moved the Ottawa Secretariat operations from the Government of Canada to Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. In January 2015, he became the Editor-in-Chief of the journal, International Migration.

**Mr. Richard Lewis**

Richard Lewis is a British citizen who lives in Belgium since 1974. He devoted most of his professional career in the service of the European Commission in particular trade and political relations in South Asia and the countries of Europe that are not in the European Union. In his work for the commission, he was instrumental in drafting the EU's legislation on immigration and asylum. Since 2004 he has been a senior research fellow in the Institute for European Studies at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel Belgium dealing with migration and diversity.

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Prof. Usha George is the Dean of the Faculty of Community Services, Ryerson University Canada. Her research areas are immigration and integration, diversity and organizational change. She has written more than 85 peer-reviewed publications and research reports, and in 2007, she authored Immigration and Settlement in. Usha holds a PhD from Ahmadu Bello University in Nigeria, an MA from Loyola University of Chicago, and an MA, a BSc and a BEd from the University of Kerala, India. . Having worked in India, Ethiopia, Nigeria and the U.S., she has extensive international university teaching, research and administrative experience. Usha currently serves as a board member of the Association for Canadian Studies and the United Way of York Region. She is also a member of the Conference Board of Canada's Centre for Chronic Disease Prevention and Management.