

	<p><b>Mr. Mujib Rahman Karimi</b></p> <p>H.E. Mujib Rahman Karimi took office as minister of Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD) in late 2017. H.E. Karimi has strong academic background and diverse working experience especially in organizations with development mandate. Minister Karimi has a bachelor degree in agriculture from Kabul University and a masters degree in development planning from the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand.</p> <p>Starting his career as a trainer in National Solidarity Program (NSP) of MRRD in 2003; he subsequently worked for UNAMA and served as chancellor of Sheikh Zahid university in Khost province before rejoining MRRD.</p>
	<p><b>Mr. Mohammad Khalid Payenda</b></p> <p>Mr. Khalid Payenda, MISFA’s board member also serves as the Deputy Minister for Finance at Ministry of Finance (MoF) and secretary of High Economic Council (HEC), the highest decision-making body on economic and development issues chaired by the President. He joined the MoF as Senior Advisor to the Minister in 2010. He was appointed as Director General for Macro-Fiscal Performance in 2015. Prior to MoF, Mr. Khalid Payenda has worked for World Bank and MRRD. Mr. Khalid Payenda is a Fullbright scholar holding a Masters degree in Policy and Development Economics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is the co-founder of the Kardan Institute too.</p>
	<p><b>Ms. Manizha Wafiq</b></p> <p>President and Co-founder of Afghan Women Chamber of Commerce (AWCCI); Ms. Manizha Wafiq has over 16 years of experience in women’s empowerment and gender equality, working with international, government and non-governmental organizations. She has earned her MBA degree from the American University of Afghanistan (AUAF). Ms. Wafiq is the winner of several prestigious awards including Enterprising Women Magazine from the United States, and Leadership from the National Business Association of the U.S. and Young Activist Award from the Afghan Women's Network and the Afghan Lower House of the Parliament.</p>
	<p><b>Ms. Kathryn Imboden</b></p> <p>Kathryn Imboden is a Policy Advisor for bilateral and multilateral development agencies, including CGAP. She chairs the Board of FIDES Microfinance Senegal, and serves on the boards of Azure Partners, and the Womanity Foundation. Ms. Imboden has a B.A. on Economics from Mount Holyoke College, U.S.A. and a diploma from the Institute of Political Studies in Paris, France.</p>
	<p><b>Ms. Joyce Lehman</b></p> <p>Board Member and Independent Advisor to global donor organizations on Financial Inclusion. Previously, Ms. Lehman was a Program Officer on the Financial Services for the Poor team at the Bill &amp; Melinda Gates Foundation. She spent four years in Afghanistan working in the microfinance sector. She is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a Master’s Degree from the Bentley College Graduate School of Business.</p>



**Ms. Wagma Yameen Zia**

Board Member and Director of Youth Empowerment and Promotion organization (YEP). Ms. Wagma has more than a decade of working experience with several international and national organizations. She is pursuing her graduate studies in Gender and Women Studies.