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Mr. Anderson is a Visiting Professor of Practice at Virginia Tech's School of Public and International Affairs and recently completed an assignment (2009-2010) as the USAID Representative to the European Union. From July 2006 – July 2008, Mr. Anderson served as the USAID Senior Development Adviser at the US European Command in Stuttgart Germany and supported the initial phases of the US African Command. He was the first USAID Development Advisor posted to a DoD Regional Command and received the Joint Civilian Service Commendation Award.



He is a former USAID Senior Foreign Service Officer, with long-term overseas service in Senegal, DRC-Congo, Tanzania (Deputy Mission Director), and Eritrea (USAID Mission Director). In his first USAID assignment, he managed a global series of rural road impact evaluations and led an international conference to identify best practices for future road projects. He was USAID Director in Eritrea prior to the outbreak of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Border War in 1998 through the first year of the conflict. From 1999-2001, he directed the Office of East and South Asia in USAID's Asia Near East Bureau (ANE).

In the periods 2001-2006 and 2008-09, Mr. Anderson was an independent consultant focusing on foreign assistance reform; interagency collaboration in national security and foreign affairs; and strategic planning, program design, and evaluation. He resumed consulting after August, 2010. He has varied experience as a senior leader/manager and troubleshooter in multi-cultural situations as well as in team building, facilitation/training, and executive/organizational coaching. Mr. Anderson is also a principal member of the Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network, a reform coalition of international development and foreign policy practitioners, policy advocates and experts, and private sector organizations.

Prior to USAID, Mr. Anderson served for six years as the Legislative Director for Congressman Clarence D. Long, a former Chairman of the House Foreign Aid Appropriations Subcommittee, focusing on foreign aid and US foreign policy.

Mr. Anderson is an honors graduate of Davidson College and a Distinguished Graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (part of the National Defense University). He holds a Master's in Public Affairs (M.P.A.) from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. He speaks French, basic Kiswahili, and is a trained Executive Coach. Mr. Anderson and his wife, Kathryn Delaney, have one daughter.