Michael is the co-Secretary to UN Alliance for Sustainable Fashion and an advocate for engagement with the textile and fashion sectors on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Michael serves with the global project Poverty-Environment Action for Sustainable Development Goals (2018-2022), the successor to UNDP−UN Environment Poverty-Environment Initiative (2013-2018), based in Nairobi. Poverty-Environment Action promotes coherent policies and increased investments in environmental sustainability to eliminate poverty.   
  
Before joining the Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions as Public Information Officer in 2009, he served with UN Economic Commission for Europe in the Secretariat of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention 1998). I worked to bring the Kiev Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers (2003) into force and managed the Aarhus Clearinghouse for Environmental Democracy.  
  
Outside the United Nations, Michael served in academia, business, civil society and the public sector.

Michael is a native of Solano County, California and hold a Master of Arts in Politics degree from The Claremont Graduate University. My passions include nature and poetry.