

## **Biographies – Second Open Session:**

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**Dr. Muhammed Ali Talpur** currently is the **Director at** Directorate of Marketing & Economic Research, Pakistan Central Cotton Committee. Previous work experience includes 13 years in research, policy, planning and information/communication advocacy, 5 years in cotton economic research and 3 months as Secretary at PCCC. His latest publication was *Impact of International Cotton Prices on Domestic Cotton Prices in Pakistan* in 2014.

### **Rebecca Pandolph**

**Rebecca Pandolph** has worked as the Statistician at the ICAC Secretariat since September 2013. Her main responsibility is gathering global and country statistics relating to the supply and distribution of cotton lint. She publishes Cotton This Week, Cotton This Month and the bimonthly update of Extra Fine Cotton. She is also oversees the publication of Cotton: Review of the World Situation. Before joining ICAC, she worked on antidumping duty cases at the U.S. Department of Commerce.

### **Andrei Guitchounts**

**Andrei Guitchounts** is Director of Trade Analysis of the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC). He joined the Secretariat of ICAC in 1990 and works on cotton trade issues and statistics. Before joining ICAC, he worked in the cotton trading department of the Soviet state trading company “Exportljon/Novoexport” from 1978 to 1990.

### **Rafiq Chaudhry**

**Dr Rafiq Chaudhry** is the Head of the Technical Information Section of the International Cotton Advisory Committee and has a PhD in Cotton Breeding and Genetics. The mandate of the Technical Information Section is to: provide updates on cotton production research; gather information pertaining to cotton research programs and make it available to researchers; and develop lines of communication among researchers. Dr Chaudhry is the author of numerous books and articles on cotton, including “Cotton Facts” and The Cotton Dictionary”.