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Ms. Janice James (Sierra Leone) worked in the Central Bank of Sierra Leone for seventeen years rising to the position of Assistant Director. She moved to the ECOWAS Commission as Macroeconomic Adviser for four years working mainly on monetary integration issues before joining UNDP Banjul in March 2009 as Economics Advisor. She supported the production of National Development Strategy and the subsequent National Roundtable Conference, the first to be held in The Gambia. She also led technical support for the preparation of the National Human Development report on "Youth Employment in The Gambia". Other major accomplishments include providing technical support to in mainstreaming Trade into the national development agenda and advocating for the implementation of MDG Acceleration Framework on reducing hunger. Janice has supported several analytical works including common country assessments, development assistance frameworks and periodic reviews. In her current position as Head of the country office Strategy and Policy Unit and Economics Advisor in Liberia, she continues to support national institutions to strengthen policies and systems effective implementation and monitoring of the Agenda for Transformation (AfT), the UN 'Delivering as One' programme and the New Deal process. She provides substantive technical leadership in support of the preparation of Liberia's forthcoming NHDR entitled "Transforming Liberia's Natural Resource Wealth into Prosperity for All". Under her leadership, the SPU is also spearheading support for effective management of extractives, enhanced donor coordination and strategic partnerships.