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English | French | Russian

About Jill

Jill Dauchy is a senior advisor in our Public Policy Practice specializing in sovereign balance sheet management. With over 25 years of experience, she has advised governments and institutions, including the World Bank, United Nations and African Development Bank, on debt management issues, financing strategies, market access and structuring innovative transactions to support development agendas.

Jill has been a trusted advisor to sovereign governments and public entities for over twenty years, and in a dozen countries throughout Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America. As the founder and CEO of Potomac Group, she focuses on issues of debt sustainability and restructuring, as well as strategies for stimulating growth, ensuring market access and infrastructure financing. Jill provides support to a multitude of sovereigns, international institutions and the public and private sector businesses

Jill began her career in finance on the Emerging Markets fixed income trading floor of a Swiss investment bank and financial services company in New York. Following the bank's subsequent merger, she moved to London, joining its sovereign advisory team. She continued working with that team for over 15 years, advising governments worldwide before returning to the US in 2015. Prior to founding Potomac Group, Jill was a managing director at Millstein & Co.

In addition to her advisory work, Jill is the host of the globally recognized podcast, *Sovereign Debt*, which has been downloaded in over 159 countries. She also serves as an external expert to the IMF and is an active member of the Institute of International Finance (IIF), where she contributes to the Principles Consultative Group, the Committee for Sovereign Risk Management and the Committee for Debt Transparency.

Credentials

Education

- Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, M.B.A., 1997
- The Lauder Institute of the University of Pennsylvania, M.A., 1997
- Barnard College, B.A., 1992

Memberships & Affiliations

- Institute of International Finance, Member – Principles Consultative Group and Committee for Debt Transparency

Expertise

Publications & Speaking Engagements

Services

- Public Policy
- Speaker, "Sovereign Debt with Jill Dauchy," Podcast
- Speaker, "Innovative Debt Instruments to Meet Challenges and Risks," UNCTAD, Geneva, 2025.
- Speaker, "The Debt Crisis and the SDGs: Proposals for Sustainable Solutions," The Office of the President of the General Assembly, The Office of the President of the General Assembly, New York, 2025.
- Keynote Speaker and Moderator, "[High-Level Debate on Debt Sustainability and Socio-economic Equality for All](#)," Opening day of UN Sustainability Week, UN General Assembly, New York, 2024.
- Keynote Speaker, "[Financing for Development](#)," closed door session with UN member state representatives, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UN General Assembly, New York, 2023.
- Author, "[Understanding Sovereign Debt: Options and Opportunities for Africa, 2nd edition](#)," with African Legal Support Facility, 2024.
- Speaker, "[The Anatomy of a Debt-for-Nature Swap](#)," Bloomberg Green Summit, New York, 2023.
- Author, "[Sustainability-Linked Bonds – Feasibility And Impact Potential In The Arab World](#)," with UNESCWA, 2023.
- Speaker, "[Macroeconomic Policy for Development in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)," JRCPPF Conference at Princeton University, 2023.
- Speaker, "[The 3rd Annual Money View Symposium](#)," 2023.
- Author, "[We Can Tackle Sovereign Debt And Climate Finance - Here's How](#)," WEF Forum Davos, 2023.
- Author, "[Debt-for-Nature-Swaps: Feasibility and Policy Significance in Africa's Natural Resources Sector](#)," African Development Bank, 2022.
- Report: [Debt for Land Restoration Swaps](#), with David Thirkill, Jade Poljak and Christopher Dielmann (Potomac Group); Jeremiah Okeyo (University of Embu); and Pablo Muñoz (UNCCD Global Mechanism), 2022.
- Author, "[Ways to Fix the Lender of Last Resort](#)," Financial Times, 2022.
- Author, "[Linking Sovereign Debt to Climate and Nature Outcomes: A Guide for Debt Managers and Environmental Decision Makers](#)," written in collaboration with IIED, UNECA, UNESCWA and UNDP, 2022.
- Co-author (with David Thirkill, Jade Poljak, Christopher Dielmann, Jeremiah Okeyo and Pablo Muñoz), "[Debt for Land Restoration Swaps](#)," 2022.
- Author, "[Understanding Sovereign Debt: Options and Opportunities for Africa](#)," with the African Legal Support Facility, 2019.

- Co-author (with Thomas Laryea and Mthuli Ncube), "[How There's Hope for Zimbabwe as it Starts Tackling Legacy Debt](#)," 2018.
- Co-author (with Mark Walker), "[Restructuring Venezuelan Debt](#)", 2016.
- Speaker, "[Behind the Scenes of Sovereign Debt Crises](#)," TED Talk, 2015.

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