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Short Bio: From Itabuna Brazil Dr. LaFleur came to New York in 1997 via Saint Mary's College in California. After completing his still very topical dissertation "*Exchange rate Policy among Trading Partners: does it pay to be different?*" Marcelo joined the U.S. Export Import Bank helping firms compete in international markets. From there his focus shifted to trade and poverty in LatAm as he joined CEPAL or UN Economic Commission on Latin America (ECLAC) in Santiago, Chile. A few years after the 2010 earthquake, Marcelo joined DESA in New York where he studies and writes about development policy and looks forward to Pope Francis' speech at the UN Assembly this September.