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Patricia van Nispen tot Sevenaer (BC90, Netherlands), lawyer and legal activist, is head of International Legal Alliances, ILA Microjustice for All. She set up ILA Microjustice for All in 1996 after working for the United Nations in Rwanda and former Yugoslavia. Microjustice is legal aid for the poor structurally inspired by microfinance. In 2007 she moved to La Paz to open Microjustice Bolivia, launched in 2008 as the first branch of the global Microjustice network. With branches now open in Peru, Argentina, Spain and Uganda van Nispen tot Sevenaer is looking toward the future, creating a worldwide network of Microjustice organizations in the north and south, mutually supporting each other.

Where she can't go, others are welcome: ILA Microjustice for All recently developed an open-source handbook designed to help other projects get off the ground. See www.microjustice4all.org