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In her last posting, she contributed to various policy papers, including *"Towards the right to work: Innovations in Public Employment Programmes (PEP)"* a *"Guidebook for designing innovative PEPs"*. She also continues to work on adaptation to climate change issues, where she co-authored a policy paper on *"Towards an ILO approach to climate change adaptation"* and youth employment where she co-authored *"Boosting youth employment through PEPs"*.

She is currently managing the four teams in DEVINVEST: the Coordination Support unit for Peace & Resilience (CSPR), the Job Creation through Public Investments (JCPI), Structural transformation, Trade and Sectoral Strategies (STS), and the Transition to Formality (T2F).

Ms. Mito Tsukamoto holds an MBA and Honours Certificate in International Business Diplomacy from Georgetown University. She is fluent in English, French and Spanish, in addition to also getting by in Albanian, Japanese and Portuguese.
