



**Elina Rodríguez**

Elina Rodriguez is an Intercultural Consultant who has over 25 years of experience as a justice, equity, diversity, inclusion and belonging facilitator.

She was part of the executive staff of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits of the United Methodist Church (now Wespeth) for fourteen years. During her tenure there, she was chairperson of the agency's Multicultural Management Committee and a facilitator of the Diversity curriculum. She led the subcommittee on Interpretation and Recommendations when the agency developed a List of Indicators of Potential Institutional Racism.

During eight years, Ms. Rodriguez contributed to Aon Hewitt's mission to *make the world a better place to work for everyone*. As a Global Diversity and Inclusion Sr. Operations Manager, Elina oversaw the design and execution of Hewitt's intercultural learning curriculum, available to over 22,000 employees in 33 countries.

In 2008, Elina became an independent consultant and, through her Bridging Diverse Worldviews company, has helped non-profit organizations, educational and religious groups develop programs and strategies that increase intercultural capacity and align their actions with their values. She has been an adjunct professor at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and has worked with other theological schools in the Chicagoland area. She has a Master of Arts in Christian Education degree from Garrett-Evangelical. She is a member of the Society for Intercultural Education, Training And Research and has been a Qualified Administrator of the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) since 2005. She is a life-long Methodist, a mother, wife, grandmother, Latina immigrant, who loves to swim, dance, and go on road trips.