

# Heterodox Economics Newsletter

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In a [recent commentary](#)<sup>4</sup> in the Guardian, Joris Luyendijk reminds us not to be fooled by the 'Nobel' prize in economics and thereby questions the privilege of economics in this regard. He especially focuses on the fact that the image of the 'Nobels' in academia is largely due to the success of natural sciences and draws the conclusion that the 'Nobel' in economics creates a misleading impression of economics as an exact and precise, quasi-natural science. And indeed, this issue is contested even within mainstream economics, where empirical researchers often identify economics as a part of the social sciences, while others still uphold the view that economics is "genuine science" just "like the physical sciences" ( [here](#)<sup>5</sup> ).

Another take on this issue is to directly examine the relative properties of economics and the natural sciences and to look for structural differences between these disciplines according to some criterion. Nice examples for such an approach are provided by studies, which explore the issue of replicability in economics. These studies have the advantage that their criterion for comparison - the replicability of empirical results in published papers - is fairly clear-cut and, at the same time, well-established in the natural sciences. Thereby it is interesting to note that economics generally scores rather low on replicability. Although some progress has been made in recent years - especially due to the introduction of rules on the mandatory provision of data and code by journal editors and publishers - the answer to the question " [Is Economics Research Replicable?](#)<sup>6</sup> " is up to now still "usually not."

All the Best,

Jakob

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<sup>1</sup><http://www.heterodoxnews.com/n/htn188.html>

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<sup>4</sup><http://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2015/oct/11/nobel-prize-economics-not-science-hubris-disaster>

<sup>5</sup><http://qje.oxfordjournals.org/content/115/1/99.abstract>

<sup>6</sup><http://www.federalreserve.gov/econresdata/feds/2015/files/2015083pap.pdf>

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## Call for Papers

### 10th Pan-European Conference on International Relations: Panel on "Alternatives to Capitalism" (Izmir, 2016)

7-10 September, 2016 — Yaşar University, Izmir, Turkey

The programme chairs of the 10th Pan-European Conference on International Relations invite paper, panel, and roundtable proposals for submission to any of the 51 sections on the 2016 programme.

The *list of all 51 sections*<sup>7</sup>, including section abstracts and the contact information of the *section chairs*<sup>8</sup>, can be found on the conference website. Please contact the section chairs for any question regarding their section.

***There will be no open section:*** All paper, panel, and roundtable proposals are expected to fit into one of the 51 sections and to be submitted online to the appropriate section. A given proposal can be submitted to only one section at a time. However, it is possible to indicate two further sections to which a paper or panel/roundtable proposal might fit.

<sup>7</sup><http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/spage.php?s=57>

<sup>8</sup><http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/spage.php?s=61>

All sections welcome individual paper proposals and most welcome panel/roundtable proposals as well — please contact section chairs to enquire about this. *Each 105-minute panel/roundtable should comprise five papers/presenters plus a discussant who may also act as panel/roundtable chair.*

Proposals (with abstracts of *200 words maximum*) must be done online through the [EISA conference tool](#)<sup>9</sup> website

Please note that there will be a *participation limit* of *three contributions* per participant — whether as paper giver, roundtable speaker, or discussant/chair (any of these roles counts as one contribution).

General deadline for proposals is 8 January 2016.

See below a call for panels and papers for a section in the [European International Studies Association](#)<sup>10</sup>

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**Section title: Mapping Alternative Routes out of Capitalism**

The section seeks panels and papers on alternatives to capitalism, and how we might achieve them, both within the capitalist present and on the route to a post-capitalist society.

Please feel free to contact us first to discuss informally ahead of submitting proposals: David Bailey ( [d.j.bailey@bham.ac.uk](mailto:d.j.bailey@bham.ac.uk)<sup>11</sup> ) and Phoebe Moore ( [p.moore@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:p.moore@mdx.ac.uk)<sup>12</sup> )

**Section abstract:** The critical study of global capitalism and the hegemony of neoliberalism are both central to the study of international relations and international political economy. International studies has focused less, however, on questioning how (if at all) we might go beyond capitalism. This is despite global capitalism remaining dangerously unstable, not least because the global economic crisis that began in 2008 continues to linger without any obvious resolution to it. The aim of this section, therefore, is to bring together those with an interest in the rise of alternatives at varied positions along the ideological spectrum; mapping, studying, theorising, highlighting, judging and assessing practices which form contemporary alternatives to, and problems for, global capitalism. This includes pathways in local, regional and global contexts. In particular, we note two emerging types of response, each of which expose the ever-present possibility and presence of sometimes surprising and contradictory routes outside of capitalism, as well

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<sup>9</sup><https://www.conftool.pro/paneuropean2016/>

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as raising the question of technology in contemporary social change. On the one hand, we see various modified projects seeking alternative routes to social justice and rights: futurist, anti-proprietary or gift culture movements, survivalism, cooperatives, DIY culture, permaculture, experimentation with cybernetics and post-humanist ideals, as well as revived institutional interests in wellbeing. On the other hand, we see the explicit contestation of capitalism through varying autonomous forms of struggle: Occupy, the indignados, the Greek grassroots projects, Rojava, and, then, the electoral manifestation of some of these trends within Syriza, Podemos, Barcelona en Comú, and Jeremy Corbyn.

Section convenors: David Bailey ( [d.j.bailey@bham.ac.uk](mailto:d.j.bailey@bham.ac.uk)<sup>13</sup> ) and Phoebe Moore ( [p.moore@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:p.moore@mdx.ac.uk)<sup>14</sup> ).

Submissions to be made here: <https://www.conftool.pro/paneuropean2016/><sup>15</sup>

**Deadline for submissions: 8 January 2016**

Conference website and more details: <http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/><sup>16</sup>

## **16th International Conference of the Charles Gide Association for the Study of Economic Thought (Strasbourg, 2016)**

14–16 April, 2016 — Strasbourg, France

**Deadline Extension: 1 December, 2016**

The conference organiser welcome any proposal in HET, economic methodology or economic philosophy!

The theme of the conference is **"expectations, conjectures and coordination"**. Plenary lectures will be given by Anna Carabelli and Roger Guesnerie.

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<sup>15</sup><https://www.conftool.pro/paneuropean2016/>

<sup>16</sup><http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/>

To submit an abstract please visit the website of the conference: <http://charlesgide2016.sciencesconf.org><sup>17</sup>

More information is available [here](#)<sup>18</sup> .

## 29th History of Economic Thought Society of Australia (Melbourne, 2016)

14-15 July, 2016 — Royal Society of Victoria building, Melbourne, Australia

Next year's annual conference for the History of Economic Thought Society of Australia will be held in Melbourne at the Royal Society of Victoria building at 8 La Trobe Street in the centre of Melbourne. This was the venue for the conference in July 2012. The dates will be July 14 and 15. It will be preceded by a cocktail reception the evening before.

Our hosts will be the Federation Business School of Federation University Australia and the convenor will be Alex Millmow.

Our guest speaker will be Tiago Mata from University College, London.

The conference is planning to have a history of economic journalism but the convenor is open to suggestions of other themes via email.

Registration costs \$300 and will include the opening reception, morning and afternoon teas and lunch both days.

Further details will be placed on the HETSA website at: [Hetsa.org.au](http://Hetsa.org.au)<sup>19</sup>

In the meantime you can contact Alex Millmow regarding coming to the conference or any other related matter: [A.millmow@federation.edu.au](mailto:A.millmow@federation.edu.au)<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>17</sup><http://charlesgide2016.sciencesconf.org>

<sup>18</sup><http://www.heterodoxnews.com/n/htn185.html#art-17592186058080>

<sup>19</sup><http://www.hetsa.org.au/>

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## ASE at the Western Social Science Association Meetings (Nevada, 2016)

13-16 April, 2016 — Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, Nevada, USA

The 58th Annual WSSA conference will be held April 13-16, 2016, in Reno, NV, USA, at the Grand Sierra Resort. The Western Social Science Association invites proposals for both complete panels and individual papers. See below for more information regarding the conference.

The Association for Social Economics is in the process of developing a relationship with the Western Social Science Association and encourages proposals in all areas of social economics.

### **Section Theme: Social Economics**

Please submit individual papers or complete panels concerning the study of the ethical and social causes and consequences of economic behavior, institutions, organizations, theory, and policy, and how these contribute to a sustainable, just, and efficient economy. Of particular interest, are papers devoted to furthering the recent ASE dialogue regarding topics such as ethics, development, neoliberalism, social economic analyses of race, gender, class and ethnicity, social economic analysis of crises, inequality, the reform of economics, the origins of social economics, and linkages to other heterodox traditions.

**ASE members will be registered for the "General Economics" section.**

**Deadline for proposals: November 24, 2015.**

**Please include the following information:** (All information is to be submitted in Word format).

### **Proposal Format: Paper Proposal Format: Panel**

- Section & Name of Section Coordinator Section & Name of Section Coordinator  
(General Economics, ASE sessions, David Plante) (General Economics, ASE sessions, David Plante)
- Title of the Paper Title of the Panel



- Name and Affiliation Title of Each Paper (3/4 papers)
- Mailing Address, Telephone Number, E-mail Moderator (Affiliation, Mailing Address, Telephone Number, E-mail)
- Other Authors Presenters (Affiliation, Mailing Address, Telephone Number, E-mail)
- Abstract (200 words; New Times Roman 12) Abstract for Each Paper (200 words; New Times Roman 12)

Scholars willing to serve as moderators or discussants should indicate their interest to the appropriate section coordinator listed on the website.

**All ASE submissions are to be sent to:**

- **David J. Plante**  
[dplante@western.edu](mailto:dplante@western.edu)<sup>21</sup>  
 Economics Department, Western State Colorado University

Current membership in ASE is required for presenting a paper. Membership information can be found at [www.socialeconomics.org](http://www.socialeconomics.org).<sup>22</sup>

All presenters and moderators are required to register prior to March 1, 2016 at the WSSA website <http://wssa.asu.edu><sup>23</sup>.

## **Call for Abstracts: Conference Panel "The Marxist Critique of the Political Economy of the Media" (Stockholm, 2016)**

14-16 October, 2016 — Stockholm, Sweden

Part of the 2nd Marx Conference  
 Venue: ABF-huset, Sveavägen 41.  
 Website: <http://www.marx2016.org><sup>24</sup>

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<sup>22</sup><http://www.socialeconomics.org/>

<sup>23</sup><http://wssa.asu.edu>

<sup>24</sup><http://www.marx2016.org>

## **Call for Abstracts: Conference Panel "The Marxist Critique of the Political Economy of the Media" (2 sessions)**

Convenors: Arwid Lund, Uppsala University, Sweden; Christian Fuchs, University of Westminster, UK.

Supported by the open access journal tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique ( <http://www.triple-c.at><sup>25</sup> )

The conference consists of four main tracks. One of the sub-tracks will focus on Marxist studies of media, communication and information.

There will be two sessions based on the following questions and themes:

### **Theme 1: Digital labour, Marx and Dallas Smythe:**

In 1977, almost 40 years ago, Dallas Smythe published his seminal article "Communications: Blindspot of Western Marxism", in which he introduced the notions of audience labour and the audience commodity.

This session asks: What is the relevance of "audience labour" for the political project of Marxism and the analysis of online participants and user generated content in the age of commercial social media such as Facebook, YouTube and Google? Does it matter for Marxism as a political project if the analysis of digital capitalism is based on the concepts of surplus-value or rent?

### **Theme 2: Exploitation 2.0: Class and Exploitation in the Digital Age:**

Capitalism is a dynamic, dialectical system that changes in order to maintain its fundamental structures of exploitation. The rise of the computer, digitisation and the Internet's role in the economy and society has brought about changes of class structures. This session asks: How have class and exploitation changed in the age of digital media? How can we analyse unpaid activities on commercial platforms with the help of class and other concepts such as the multitude and exploitation? What is the role of conflicts and struggles between users and the owners of corporate Internet platforms (such as Facebook, Google, Twitter, LinkedIn, Weibo, Amazon, Pinterest, Tumblr, Flickr, etc.). Can peer production and non-commercial, alternative online media challenge capitalism? What are the implications of digital Marxism and media Marxism for Marxist theory and socialist politics?

The sub-theme of The Marxist Critique of the Political Economy of the Media will be accompanied by one keynote talk in a general plenary session that provides a general

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<sup>25</sup><http://www.triple-c.at>

introduction to the Marxist political economy of media, information and communication: Christian Fuchs: “The Marxist Critique of the Political Economy of Media in the Age of Digital Capitalism”.

Abstract submission: max. 250 words. Deadline January 31, 2016. Submission to: [arwid.lund@abm.uu.se](mailto:arwid.lund@abm.uu.se)<sup>26</sup>.

Please indicate to which of the two sessions you submit. Each session will consist of a panel of four speakers, 15 min. for each presentation, and half an hour for concluding questions and discussions.

In 2013, a very successful Marx conference was held in Stockholm, gathering 2000 activists and scholars, with keynote speakers such as Michael Heinrich and Wolfgang Haug. The main topic of the conference was Marxist theory as a tool for analysing contemporary society. 2016’s follow-up conference (Marx2016) aims at political openings and potentials for a world beyond capitalism based on a thorough analysis of contemporary society. The general theme of the conference is To change a changed world.

Further details are available [here](#)<sup>27</sup>.

## Historical Materialism Toronto 2016: “Confronting the Violence of Capital” (Toronto, 2016)

13-15 May, 2016 — York University, Toronto, Canada

Capital comes dripping from head to toe in blood and dirt, and its continued reproduction has proven no less bloody. Its existence relies on systemic forms of degradation and exploitation, both spectacular and quotidian. From the violent suppression of 19th century workers movements and genocidal imperialism – from the Paris Commune to the scramble for Africa – capitalism’s victories and defeats have always played out in the arena of violence.

Today, against a backdrop of permanent war, austerity measures, refugee crisis, and racist police brutality, it has become clear that violence remains the backbone of the capitalist world order. As many Left movements, from the indignados to Occupy to Black Lives Matter, are challenging the violence of capital, it is vital that we conceptualize new strategies of resistance and self-defense.

HMTTO 2016 will discuss the depth and extent of capitalism’s violence, in addition to reflecting on the Left’s modes of resistance historically, today, and in years to come.

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<sup>27</sup><http://www.triple-c.at/index.php/tripleC/announcement/view/26>

We welcome submissions from a broad range of participants, including activists and non-academic researchers.

To submit, complete the [online form](#)<sup>28</sup> by January 8, 2016.

More details are available [here](#)<sup>29</sup>.

## How Class Works - 2016 Conference (New York, 2016)

9-11 June, 2016 — State University of New York, US

The Center for Study of Working Class Life is pleased to announce the *How Class Works- 2016* Conference, to be held at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. **Proposals for papers, presentations, and sessions are welcome until December 9, 2015, according to the guidelines below.** For more information, visit our [Website](#)<sup>30</sup>.

### Purpose and orientation:

This conference explores ways in which an explicit recognition of class helps to understand the social world in which we live, and the variety of ways in which analysis of societies can deepen our understanding of class as a social relationship across the globe. Theoretical and historical presentations should take as their point of reference the lived experience of class in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, within nations and internationally. Presentations are welcome from people outside academic life when they sum up and reflect upon social experience in ways that contribute to conference themes and discussion. Formal papers are welcome but are not required. All presentations should be accessible to an interdisciplinary audience.

### Conference themes:

The conference welcomes proposals for sessions and presentations that advance our understanding of any of the following themes:

- ***The mosaic of class, race, and gender:*** To explore how class shapes racial, gender, and ethnic experience, and how different racial, gender, and ethnic experiences within various classes shape the meaning of class.
- ***Class, power, and social structure:*** To explore how the social lives of working, middle, and capitalist classes are structured by various forms of power; to explore

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<sup>28</sup><http://hmtoronto.org/>

<sup>29</sup><http://hmtoronto.org/>

<sup>30</sup><http://www.stonybrook.edu/workingclass>

ways in which class dynamics shape power structures in workplaces and across broader societies.

- ***Class in an age of income inequality:*** To explore the implications and consequences of the growing income gap between top earners and the rest for the lived experience in class in different corners of the world.
- ***Class, Community, and the Environment:*** To explore ways in which class informs communities and environmental conditions where people work as well as where they live; also to consider questions of "home," community formation and sustenance, and environmental justice.
- ***Class in a global economy:*** To explore how class identity and class dynamics are influenced by globalization, including the transnational movements of industry, capital, and capitalist elites; the experience of cross-border labor migration and organizing; and international labor and environmental standards.
- ***Middle class? Working class? What's the difference and why does it matter?*** To explore the claim that the U.S. and other developed nations have become middle class societies, contrasting with the notion that the working class is the majority; to unpack the relationships between the middle class and capitalist, working and other subordinate classes both in the developed and the developing world.
- ***Class, public policy, and electoral politics:*** To explore how class affects public deliberations and policy in a variety of nations around the world, with special attention to health care, the criminal justice system, labor law, poverty, tax and other economic policy, housing, and education; to explore the place of electoral politics in the arrangement of class forces on policy matters.
- ***Class and culture:*** To explore ways in which cultures and subcultures transmit, sustain, and transform class dynamics around the world.
- ***Pedagogy of class:*** To explore techniques and materials useful for teaching about class, at K-12 levels, in college and university courses, and in labor studies and adult education courses.

#### **How to submit proposals for *How Class Works* – 2016 Conference:**

We encourage proposals for panel sessions (three or four papers) and roundtables that bring diverse perspectives and experiences into dialogue: scholars with activists; those working on similar themes in different disciplines; as well as those working on similar issues in different parts of the world. Proposals for individual presentations are also welcome. **Proposals for presentations must include** the following information [for session proposals this information must be included for all proposed presentations, as well

as indication of presenters' willingness to participate]: a) short descriptive title; b) which of the conference themes will be addressed; c) a maximum 250 word summary of the main subject matter, points, and methodology; d) relevant personal information indicating institutional affiliation (if any) and what training or experience the presenter brings to the proposal; e) presenter's name, address, telephone, fax, and e-mail address. A person may present in at most two conference sessions. To allow time for discussion, sessions will be limited to three twenty-minute or four fifteen-minute principal presentations. Sessions will not include official discussants.

**Submit proposals** as an e-mail attachment to [michael.zweig@stonybrook.edu](mailto:michael.zweig@stonybrook.edu)<sup>31</sup> or as hard copy by mail to the *How Class Works 2016* Conference, Center for Study of Working Class Life, Department of Economics, SUNY, Stony Brook, NY 11794-4384.

#### **Timetable:**

**Proposals must be received by December 9, 2015.** After review by the program committee, notifications will be mailed by the end of January 2016. The conference will be at SUNY Stony Brook June 9-11, 2016. Conference registration and housing reservations will be possible after March 7, 2016. Details and updates will be posted at <http://www.stonybrook.edu/workingclass><sup>32</sup>

#### **Conference coordinator:**

- Michael Zweig; [michael.zweig@stonybrook.edu](mailto:michael.zweig@stonybrook.edu)<sup>33</sup>

**A Conference at SUNY Stony Brook:** <http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/workingclass/images/H2016%20call.pdf><sup>34</sup>

## **International Conference: "Economics and Human Biology" (Tuebingen, 2016)**

15-16 October, 2016 — Tuebingen, Germany

**This two-day workshop focuses on *Economics and Human Biology*. The conference is devoted to the exploration of the interrelationships between socio-economic processes and human beings as biological organisms.**

Themes include:

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<sup>32</sup><http://www.stonybrook.edu/workingclass>

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<sup>34</sup><http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/workingclass/images/HCW-2016%20call.pdf>

- The impact of socio-economic processes, such as industrialization, urbanization, agricultural policy, technological change and commercialization and the degree of penetration of the world food system on biological welfare and health outcomes.
- The effects of government intervention programs, as well as macroeconomic and public health policy on the human organism at either the individual or the population level.
- Feedback effects from human biological outcomes to economic growth at the national, regional and local levels insofar as healthier individuals invariably lead longer, more creative, and more productive lives, thereby influencing the course of economic development.
- The complex symbiotic relationship between such anthropometric indicators as weight, birth-weight, physical stature and the body-mass-index, as well as morbidity and mortality, on the one hand and socio-economic processes or events on the other.
- Overweight and obesity: Causes and consequences.
- The measurement of poverty, malnutrition and psychological deprivation and the role of health and income inequality in the persistence of poverty traps.
- Health and the impact of resources since antiquity.
- The biological components of the quality of life: how well the human organism itself thrives in its socio-economic and epidemiological environment.

Contributions in auxology, anthropometry, biocultural anthropology, demography, development economics, economic history, epidemiology, health economics, human biology, human nutrition, health sciences, medicine, physical anthropology, public health and sociology are welcomed, as long as the contributions advance the study of the relationship between economics and human biology.

We will have two deadlines, November 15, 2015 and May 1 2016 (one third of the slots will go to early submissions). Papers or abstracts (200 words, noting main data sources and hypotheses) should be send to [Joerg.baten@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:Joerg.baten@uni-tuebingen.de)<sup>35</sup> . All submissions will be acknowledged. An international committee will decide. Notices of acceptance will be sent to corresponding authors by November 30, 2015 and May 15, 2016, respectively.

Separate applications for travel funding and accommodation are welcome until March 1 2016. The involvement of young scholars is strongly encouraged.

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## **New Book Series: Building Progressive Alternatives welcomes proposals**

**Edited by David Coates and Matthew Watson**

The purpose of this series is to provide a space for, and to encourage the production of, high quality academic work by economists, political economists and other social scientists united in a common mission: to use their scholarship to create a coherent, credible and progressive economic growth strategy which, when accompanied by an associated set of wider public policies, can inspire and underpin the revival of a successful centre-left politics in advanced capitalist societies.

The fact that such a series can and needs to be proposed speaks to two important absences in and around the policy-making processes of democratic states. Together they weaken left-wing political forces in the wake of the 2008 financial crisis and the subsequent Great Recession. The first is the current absence of a fully thought through, clearly articulated and plausible set of drivers for sustainable economic growth that might operate in a non-predatory manner. The second is the dominance, within mainstream academia, of more conservative, predominantly neo-liberal paradigms of economic and social thought and the under-representation of alternative theoretical perspectives. The purpose of the series is to help address these current imbalances.

The editors welcome proposals that are addressed to one or more of the six great questions that currently face centre-left political movements in advanced capitalist societies:

1. What are the central features of modern economies that make a progressive politics necessary?
2. What are the economic end-states towards which a progressive politics should be oriented?
3. What are the major trends in modern economic life that create the problems to which a progressive politics is a necessary response?
4. What are the barriers to the successful resolution of those problems?
5. What are the strategies available for the overcoming of those barriers?
6. What policy options and policy instruments are available for the successful implantation of those strategies?

The aim is to create a series of works that will increasingly cross-reference and build



upon each other, pulling together a mosaic of studies addressing all/part of one/more of these basic questions at the level of the national economy, or regional economies, or the global system as a whole. Authors will be encouraged to ground their analysis in the most extensive and reliable relevant empirical data; to anchor their arguments in clearly-specified theoretical systems; to engage systematically in critiques of alternative theoretical systems and policy proposals; and to focus their conclusions on the applicability of their findings to the design of progressive policies. Ideally, the series will become the flagship for a whole renaissance of progressive economic thought, analysis and practice that can lift industrial and post-industrial economies onto a more stable and prosperous growth path. Set within the context of sympathetic supporting policies, the ultimate objective is to bring prosperity, security and fulfilment to everyone as they navigate their way through everyday economic life.

If you are interested in working with us on this important new endeavour, then please contact the publisher, Alison Howson, in the first instance with your ideas and suggestions: [Alison.howson@agendapub.com](mailto:Alison.howson@agendapub.com)<sup>36</sup>.

A proposal guide can be found here: [agendapub.com/images/pdfs/agenda\\_submission\\_guide.pdf](http://agendapub.com/images/pdfs/agenda_submission_guide.pdf)<sup>37</sup>.

## **Regional Studies Association Annual Conference: Call for Early Career Researcher Plenary Speakers (Graz, 2016)**

3–6 April, 2016 — Karl-Franzen-University, Graz, Austria

### **CALL FOR EARLY CAREER PLENARY SPEAKERS**

**Conference Theme: "Building Bridges: Cities and Regions in a Transnational World"**

The **Regional Studies Association**<sup>38</sup> is seeking applications from Early Career Researchers (within 5 years after finishing their PhD) to present the inaugural Early Career Plenary Presentation at the RSA's forthcoming Annual Conference 2016. For more details on the conference, please go to [www.regionalstudies.org/conferences/conference/building-bridges-cities-and-regions-in-a-transnational-world](http://www.regionalstudies.org/conferences/conference/building-bridges-cities-and-regions-in-a-transnational-world)<sup>39</sup>

The RSA has a deep seated commitment to furthering and supporting the career development of students and early career researchers. Other initiatives include the Early

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<sup>37</sup>[http://www.agendapub.com/images/pdfs/agenda\\_submission\\_guide.pdf](http://www.agendapub.com/images/pdfs/agenda_submission_guide.pdf)

<sup>38</sup>[http://www.regionalstudies.org/#\\_blank](http://www.regionalstudies.org/#_blank)

<sup>39</sup>[http://www.regionalstudies.org/conferences/conference/building-bridges-cities-and-regions-in-a-transnational-world#\\_blank](http://www.regionalstudies.org/conferences/conference/building-bridges-cities-and-regions-in-a-transnational-world#_blank)

Career Grant Scheme – grants of £10k available each year, the inclusion of early career editors on the RSA suite of journals, an early career mentored paper route to publication through the gold open access journal *Regional Studies*, *Regional Science*, hosting an early career conference, and having an active student and early career network run by the members in those categories.

Applications take the form of a 400 word abstract for the presentation on any topic within the fields of regional studies and regional scene. The paper presented should be sole authored.

The application should include the following:

- Name and contact details
- Place of employment
- Short version CV
- 400 word abstract of the paper to be presented
- statement and evidence of eligibility to apply – *early career researchers are defined as being within 5 years of the date on their PhD. Applicants are expected to either be members on application or to take out membership on acceptance.*

The decision will be taken by a committee of the RSA including the Association's Chair, Chair of the Research Committee, Conference Coordinator, Local Organiser of the conference and the CEO. The successful candidate will be informed as soon as possible following the closing date.

The award includes a complimentary place at the conference, a contribution towards travel expenses and 2 nights' accommodation.

**Closing Date: Friday 4 December 2015, 5pm (GMT)**

Please email your application to Sally Hardy, CEO RSA at [sally.hardy@regionalstudies.org](mailto:sally.hardy@regionalstudies.org)<sup>40</sup>

## **Society for Socialist Studies Conference: Call for Panels on “Small States in a Multi-polar World” (Calgary, 2016)**

31 May – 3 June, 2016 — University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada

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## **Call for Papers for one or more Panels on “Small States in a Multi-polar World”**

Organised by the Geopolitical Economy Research Group at the Society for Socialist Studies Conference

We are living in an increasingly multi-polar world in which the struggle for power and dominance between the dominant and contender states shapes international processes, forces, and flows in determinate ways. The regional crises now threatening the stability of Eurasia, and the possible ways in which they may be resolved will be important indicators and tests of multi-polarity’s ability to maintain and promote stability, and some form of normality.

In an ever-changing World, what possibilities and opportunities are left for small states, which comprise between one third and half of the World’s states? Are the currently known and used strategies of bandwagoning and balancing still viable, and if they are, in what regions of the world? On the other hand, is integration into regional and other multilateral organizations the most appropriate way forward? In an era of increasing international interdependence, no country can be an island disconnected from the rest of the world and even small states are now firmly integrated into the international economy. When it comes to economic issues, small economies, like small states, are faced with different challenges than large economies, particularly connected with their lower ability to use the economies of scale, their more open economies, the small range of economic activities that generate most of their GDP, and their reliance on lower number of export products. All these characteristics make small economies, which in most cases are also small states, if defined by their population, an interesting object of study. The experiences of small states can be valuable for other countries but at the same time small states can be vulnerable. Papers may also discuss related issues such as climate change, migration, terrorism, governance issues etc. and analyse how small states are affected, why they are vulnerable and how their experiences can be beneficial globally, including for larger states.

We invite authors from social sciences, humanities and in inter-disciplinary studies to submit abstracts for the panel “Small States in a Multi-polar World” that would cover the following topics:

- The specific position of small states in alliances as well as in political and/or economic organizations in a multi-polar world;
- Differences between the position of small states located on continents, land locked small states and small island states;
- Regional particularities of small states, similarities and differences that derive from the regional position of small states;

- Special position of dependencies that could become small states if they achieve full sovereignty;
- Strategic importance of dependencies and/or military bases located on the key strategic points in the oceans, marine passageways and surrounding the Antarctica;
- Difficulties stemming from small states created from the break-up of larger ones;
- Governance issues and vulnerabilities in small states with small institutions and limited administrative capacity;
- Climate Change, Environmental Problems and Small Island States;
- Small States as “Migration Routes”, for example: from Middle East and Northern Africa to Europe;
- Small states’ strategies for survival, gaining influence and achieving development in an increasingly multi-polar world, such as bandwagoning, balancing, mutual cooperation (especially in regional and international organizations) and/or integration into political and economic associations of various kinds.
- And last but not least, the political economies of small states – whether they are ‘treasure islands’ or tourist destinations or some other – and their specific problems.

Abstracts should be up to 300 words. They should be single spaced and use 12 point Times New Roman font. They should be accompanied by the author or authors’ full name, affiliation, a brief biography, and e-mail address(es).

We ask they be sent by **4 December 2015** to: Petar Kurečić: [pkurecic@unin.hr](mailto:pkurecic@unin.hr)<sup>41</sup> and Radhika Desai: [Radhika.Desai@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Radhika.Desai@umanitoba.ca)<sup>42</sup>

See also <http://geopoliticeconomy.ca/call-for-papers-small-states-in-a-multi-polar-world/><sup>43</sup>

## The World Economy Journal: Special Section on “Inequality in Latin America”

### Guest Editors

- Diego Sánchez-Ancochea (Latin American Centre, University of Oxford)

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- Julio Revuelta (Department of Economics, University of Cantabria)

### Structure of the Special Section and contact

*Revista de Economía Mundial (REM)/The World Economy Journal* ( <http://www.sem-wes.org/en/node/1261><sup>44</sup> ) is an academic Spanish journal edited by the *Sociedad de Economía Mundial/World Economy Society* indexed, among others, in the SSCI (2014 IF: 0.237; 300/333 –Economics).

This Special Section will include up to **5-6 papers** on the trends of the inequality in Latin America.

Authors are encouraged to read carefully the "*background and rationale*" included on this Call for Papers before considering submitting. For further information for this Special Section, please contact the Guest Editors:

- Diego Sánchez-Ancochea ( [diego.sanchez-ancochea@sant.ox.ac.uk](mailto:diego.sanchez-ancochea@sant.ox.ac.uk)<sup>45</sup> ) or
- Julio Revuelta ( [julio.revuelta@unican.es](mailto:julio.revuelta@unican.es)<sup>46</sup> ).

### Background and rationale of the Special Section

Latin America has traditionally suffered from high inequality, with income and political power concentrated at the top. According to historical research, initial control over resources by a rent-seeking elite led to a highly skewed development model. Yet there is a growing debate in the literature on whether this process begun in colonial times or during the late 19th century.

In the first decade of the 21st century, this historical trend reversed and most Latin American countries witnessed a significant reduction in inequality. Research on this recent reduction highlights the interaction between changes in the labor market and social policy, including increasing levels of education and skills, more redistribute state programs and higher minimum wages. Yet there is still limited work on the links between historical and recent patterns, on the changes in the position and role of top income groups and on the sustainability of the recent improvements.

This Special Section aims to expand our understanding of the causes of the contemporary trends in Latin America from a historical perspective. The Guest Editors welcome contributions on a diversity of topics regarding the current and historical distributional patterns in Latin America including:

- Structural change and inequality

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- Long term patterns of inequality
- Top incomes and inequality
- Political economy and income distribution
- Functional inequality
- Public policy and redistribution

We welcome papers from a diversity of methodological perspectives. Authors should submit originals that are not under review in any other journal.

### Submissions

*Papers must be written in **English**.* The Guest Editors will pre-select a small number of papers that will then be sent to peer-review. Articles should be no more than **5,000 words in length**, including all references, notes and tables. They must be accompanied by an abstract of no more than 200 words and up to five keywords. Submissions should be directed through the *Revista de Economía Mundial (REM)/The World Economy Journal* on-line submission system: <http://www.sem-wes.org/en/node/84><sup>47</sup>

For further guidelines on submissions to *Revista de Economía Mundial (REM)/The World Economy Journal* please visit: <http://www.sem-wes.org/en/node/1261><sup>48</sup>. If you have technical queries about the process, please contact Teresa Aceytuno, Managing Editor of REM, at [maria.aceytuno@dege.uhu.es](mailto:maria.aceytuno@dege.uhu.es)<sup>49</sup>

### Timeline

Deadline for the submission of full papers: **15 January 2016**

Expected publication of the Special Section in the *Revista de Economía Mundial (REM)/The World Economy Journal*: **September 2016**.

## Third International Seminar “The Real Estate/Financial Complex” (Leuven, 2016)

13-15 January, 2016 — Leuven, Belgium

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We have a few openings for speakers at this international seminar. If you're admitted, there is a small conference fee (€100) to cover some basic expenses (mostly coffee and food).

**We invite presentations that are related to the themes set out below. Please contact both Rodrigo Fernandez ( [rodrigo.fernandez@ees.kuleuven.be](mailto:rodrigo.fernandez@ees.kuleuven.be)<sup>50</sup> ) and Manuel Aalbers ( [m.b.aalbers@gmail.com](mailto:m.b.aalbers@gmail.com)<sup>51</sup> ) asap and by November 30 at latest with a title, 100-250 word abstract and your position/affiliation.**

### **Seminar abstract**

Real estate and finance were at the roots of the global economic crisis that started in 2007. States and their many institutions have also been seen as complicit to the crisis. The connections between real estate (including housing), finance and states remain under-researched and under-theorized. Various political economy traditions have looked into the connection between finance and states, but largely ignored real estate. The field of urban studies includes research on the interdependence of real estate and states, but finance is largely ignored. Moreover, this field is very micro focused, while the various political economy traditions are very macro focused. We not only need a stronger connection between finance and real estate, but also between different scales: local/urban, national and global. We here propose a new metaphor that can help us to centre attention on the interdependencies of real estate, finance and states: the real estate/financial complex, akin the military/industrial complex. The idea is not to introduce a new master concept but to understand the spatialities of contemporary capitalism and bring together a range of literatures including but not limited to: financialization, capital switching, varieties of capitalism, urban studies (e.g. global cities, property-led development, growth machines/coalitions, gentrification, asset-based welfare).

Confirmed attendance includes: Brett Christophers (Uppsala), Gary Dymski (Leeds), Susanne Heeg (Frankfurt) & Patrick Le Gales (Paris).

Furthermore, we have planned a pre-seminar lecture by **Sara González** (Leeds) on January 12 at 4pm:

### **Contested Cities: Urban Struggles across Europe and Latin America**

Cities are contested spaces where actors in asymmetric power relations engage in struggle over different political visions of urban development, planning and life; conflict is therefore inherent to urban development. In this talk Dr. Sara González will draw on case studies from Spain, UK and Latin America to foreground how we need to understand urban social movements and grassroots urban resistance not as oppositional actors and practices but as integral actors in the making of our cities.

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This seminar is organized by the members of the Real Estate/Financial Complex (at KU Leuven/University of Leuven) and received funding from the Arenberg Doctoral School (KU Leuven) and the Flemish Government. For details, please visit <http://ees.kuleuven.be/refcom/><sup>52</sup>

Leuven is located 12 train minutes from Brussels International Airport and 28 train minutes from the international train station Brussels South/Midi (TGV, Eurostar, ICE, etc.). The seminar will be located in the old city centre of Leuven, at walking distance from the train station.

## WINIR-Symposium on "Property Rights" (Bristol, 2016)

4-6 April, 2016 — University of Bristol, Bristol, UK

Property rights are a **central institutional feature of all politico-economic systems** where markets play a major role, and a key item of political controversy between liberal and socialist positions. The **role of property rights** in matters ranging from **interpersonal exchange** and **power to innovation** and **economic development** is debated across several academic disciplines, including economics, history, law, politics, philosophy and sociology. The growing importance of intellectual and other **intangible property in modern capitalism** has further provoked important ongoing theoretical and policy discussions, part of which revolves around the very meaning of **property as opposed to possession**.

Bringing together internationally leading institutional researchers from several disciplines, the **WINIR Symposium on Property Rights**, hosted by the University of Bristol's Faculty of Social Sciences and Law, will address these and other related issues. The Symposium will open in the afternoon of Monday 4 April and end in the afternoon of Wednesday 6 April.

Keynotes lectures, representing three academic disciplines, will be given by:

- Benito Arruñada<sup>53</sup> (Pompeu Fabra University, economics)
- Gunnar Heinsohn<sup>54</sup> (University of Bremen, sociology)
- Larissa Katz<sup>55</sup> (University of Toronto, law)

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<sup>55</sup><http://www.law.utoronto.ca/faculty-staff/full-time-faculty/larissa-katz>



Abstract submissions from any discipline are welcome.

Unconfined to any single academic discipline or any particular methodology, WINIR accepts contributions from any approach that can help us understand the nature and role of institutions. WINIR aims to promote creative conversations across disciplinary boundaries in order to build an adaptable and interdisciplinary theoretical consensus concerning core issues, which can be a basis for cumulative learning and scientific progress in the exciting and rapidly-expanding area of institutional research.

**Submit an abstract** [here](#)<sup>56</sup> .

Submissions will be evaluated by the **WINIR Scientific Quality Committee**: **Peter Boettke** (George Mason University, economics), **Simon Deakin** (University of Cambridge, law), **Geoff Hodgson** (University of Hertfordshire, economics), **Timur Kuran** (Duke University, economics), **Uskali Mäki** (University of Helsinki, philosophy), **Katharina Pistor** (Columbia University, law), **Sven Steinmo** (European University Institute, politics), **Wolfgang Streeck** (Max Planck Institute Cologne, sociology).

Abstract submission deadline: **31 December 2015**

For more information about WINIR please visit [www.winir.org](http://www.winir.org)<sup>57</sup> or follow WINIR on Twitter [@winir2013](https://twitter.com/winir2013)<sup>58</sup> .

## Call for Participants

### ESRC Advanced Training workshop (Loughborough, 2015)

28-29 January, 2016 — Loughborough University, UK

**Title: Methodological Implications of Critical Realism: Ontology, Method, and Impact**

Loughborough University is offering a series of two-day advanced training courses, funded by the ESRC. These are aimed at doctoral students and early career researchers seeking to develop their methodological expertise.

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<sup>56</sup>[http://winir.org/?page=events&side=symposium\\_2016&sub=abstract\\_submission](http://winir.org/?page=events&side=symposium_2016&sub=abstract_submission)

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The courses are small-scale and interactive, providing intensive, advanced research training, and an opportunity for a small group to work with a team of leading academics in the field.

Social, economic and management Research is often wedded to the particular use of methods of data collection and analysis. Explicit or implicit adherence to particular philosophical underpinnings frames the research. For example, in economic research typically secondary data are employed in econometric models with a focus on the identification of specific parameters in order to infer causal relationships. The causal framework is of a Humean Character, the ontological assumptions realist, and epistemological stress is on empiricism. Economics might therefore be variously characterised as working within a positivist or hypothestico-deductive paradigm. In contrast social research often embraces an opposite position. For example, research drawing on a post structuralist tradition, rejects these forms of ontological and epistemological reasoning and identifies the individual, as an entity comprised of tensions and conflicting knowledge claims, which leads to understanding as narrative. A corollary of this is that a variety of perspectives and methods can be required to create multiply informed interpretation.

Research methods training typically covers either quantitative or qualitative methods or, if mixed methods, can focuss on combining insights through particular software. None of this training focusses on the design stage of research and explores the underlying logic lying behind the use of the methods and their combination. The aim of this workshop is to provide an understanding of how realism can bring greater coherence to the combination of methods in research, whilst challenging an approach that gives primacy to one method. In all cases discussion and training is exemplified through applied work in sport, management and economics.

**Presenter:**

- Professor Paul Downward

**Co-presenters:**

- Dr Dave Elder-Vass
- Professor John Downey
- Professor Andy Charlwood
- Professor Ian Henry

**Website and registration:** <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/graduateschool/events-research/esrc-advanced-training/><sup>59</sup>

**Contact:** Denise Wade [D.J.Wade@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:D.J.Wade@lboro.ac.uk)<sup>60</sup> 01509 223368

**Map:** [View in Google Maps](#)<sup>61</sup> (LE11 3TU)

Link to the book is available [here](#)<sup>62</sup>.

## Joint-Conference on "Teaching Economics in the 21st Century" (Berlin, 2015)

Joint Conference „Teaching Economics in the 21st century“

November 26-28, Berlin School of Economics and Law

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN + PRELIMINARY PROGRAM AVAILABLE**

The joint conference discusses the state of research and teaching in economics and the way forward. The focus of the conference is on pluralism of theories, methods, disciplines and teaching methods.

Robert Skidelsky of Jesus College, Sheila Dow of the University of Stirling and Silja Graupe (Cusanus Hochschule) will deliver keynote speeches. The conference will include a panel discussion with Peter Bofinger (University of Würzburg) Ulrich Klüh (Sparkassen Finanzgruppe Hessen-Thüringen) and Hans-Jörg Herr (Berlin School of Economics and Law) on the status quo of teaching and textbooks at German-language universities.

Program „Teaching Economics in the 21st century“: [http://eaepe.org/.../Teaching%20Economics%20in%20the%2021st%20Century\\_Preliminary%20Program%20%2803%2011%20%29.pdf](http://eaepe.org/.../Teaching%20Economics%20in%20the%2021st%20Century_Preliminary%20Program%20%2803%2011%20%29.pdf)

More info: <http://tinyurl.com/teachingeconomics><sup>64</sup>

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<sup>62</sup><http://www.ncrm.ac.uk/training/show.php?article=6038>

<sup>63</sup>[http://eaepe.org/content/documents/Teaching%20Economics%20in%20the%2021st%20Century\\_Preliminary%20Program%20%2803%2011%20%29.pdf](http://eaepe.org/content/documents/Teaching%20Economics%20in%20the%2021st%20Century_Preliminary%20Program%20%2803%2011%20%29.pdf)

<sup>64</sup>[http://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Ftinyurl.com%2Fteachingeconomics&h=EAQFnxRiWAQH3i8bECxgcyeADPpzsoScPy0fle4mMdaLfAA&enc=AZMqXXj1K\\_hPLfKsdLoUBShNsz0TFY\\_cqu88pG\\_HwLqRyG5EP7ru7Yj9wR7QkYUM8yrrQPd104G0Gk5z4cQb7EP4n21zs3mf5dsmMukQQXjFx1U8hDFEmREFD8XMW1Bw3-z7Dc30aw5Qz5hrb9qkgbU9XMH7iKPWXfC2C3b2mVJrQGjggDqurGkNWQFPdtmY-](http://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Ftinyurl.com%2Fteachingeconomics&h=EAQFnxRiWAQH3i8bECxgcyeADPpzsoScPy0fle4mMdaLfAA&enc=AZMqXXj1K_hPLfKsdLoUBShNsz0TFY_cqu88pG_HwLqRyG5EP7ru7Yj9wR7QkYUM8yrrQPd104G0Gk5z4cQb7EP4n21zs3mf5dsmMukQQXjFx1U8hDFEmREFD8XMW1Bw3-z7Dc30aw5Qz5hrb9qkgbU9XMH7iKPWXfC2C3b2mVJrQGjggDqurGkNWQFPdtmY-)

## LERA Winter Meeting at ASSA (San Francisco, 2016)

3–5 January, 2016 — LERA Winter Meeting at ASSA, San Francisco, California, US

**Conference Theme: Whither Prosperity? Research on Labor Market Institutions** A conference organized by the Labor and Employment Relations Association.

**Program overview:**

**Sunday, January 3, 2016**

- 8 am  
Aftermath of the Great Recession: Labor Markets in Flux (Davidson)  
Data Gold! Exploiting the Rich Research Potential of Lifetime Administrative Earnings Data Linked to the Census Bureau's Household SIPP Survey (Balboa)
- 10:15 am  
Difference-in-Difference Analyses of the Effects of Family Policies (Davidson)  
The New Generation of Minimum Wage Policies in California (Balboa)
- 12:30 pm  
Inequality in Japan (Davidson)  
Cities, Equity, and Labor Market Policies (Balboa)
- 2:30 pm  
Public Higher Education under Stress: Toward New Social Coalitions Amidst Changing Employment Relations? (Davidson)  
Whatever Happened to Incomes Policy? In Honor of the Late Lloyd Ulman (Balboa)
- 4:45pm  
Featured Plenary: The Changing Job Market: What to Expect (Cyril Magnin II)  
Presiding: Jesse Rothstein, Univ. of California-Berkeley

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Betsey Stevenson, University of Michigan—"Five Challenges the Labor Market Faces and the Implications for Economic Growth"

Alan Krueger, Princeton University—"Work in the Sharing Economy"

- 6–7 pm  
LERA Welcome Reception (Cyril Magnin II)  
Sponsored by Economic Policy Institute  
Please join us for conversation, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

### **Monday, January 4, 2016**

- 8 am  
Down But Not Out: Global Perspectives on Labor Unions (Davidson)  
Skilled Worker Immigration and the H1B Program (Balboa)
- 10:15 am  
Income and Wealth Inequality: Recent Empirical Research (Davidson)  
Assessing the Impact of the Minimum Wage (Balboa)
- 12:30 pm  
Mass Incarceration of African Americans and Its Economic Consequences (Davidson)  
Broken Promises or a Lifeline to the Future: Perspectives on the Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014 (Balboa)
- 2:30 pm  
Confronting Stagnant Compensation (Davidson)  
Precarious Work: Women in Germany, Japan, and Korea (Balboa)

### **Tuesday, January 5, 2016**

8 am  
Work Schedules: New Options, New Problems for Workers (Balboa)

Program details are posted at [website](http://www.leraweb.org/2016-lera-assa-meeting-program)<sup>65</sup> .

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## SSEES Centenary Conference: "Socialism, Capitalism and the Alternatives: Lessons from Russia and Eastern Europe" (London, 2015)

14–16 December, 2015 — University College London, UK

Organised by the UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies, the conference will run from 14 December to 16 December to mark the end of our centenary year.

### Conference Theme: "Socialism, Capitalism and the Alternatives: Lessons from Russia and Eastern Europe"

This conference will explore how an analysis of the historical and political trajectories of both pre- and post-1989 Central and Eastern Europe may contribute to confronting challenges to the global imagination.

- [See conference programme here \(pdf\)](#)<sup>66</sup>
- [See the conference rationale here \(pdf\)](#)<sup>67</sup>

During the 100 years of the existence of the School of Slavonic and East European Studies the world has seen the creation, dominance and dissolution of Communism in Russia and Eastern Europe. Neo-liberalism, Communism's archenemy, which appeared dominant following the collapse of the European Socialist regimes, has recently suffered its own crisis of credibility. Yet articulating coherent alternatives to these entrenched conceptual categories remains stubbornly difficult.

**Speakers** will include

- **Thomas Piketty** (opening keynote), the most influential writer on inequality in the world today. This keynote is sponsored by the UCL European Institute.
- **Naomi Klein**, 'one of the world's most high-profile social activists' (Rosie Scammell, The Observer).
- **Leszek Balcerowicz** implemented in Poland the most far-reaching programme of economic reforms ('shock therapy') of any of the former Soviet bloc states.
- **Chantal Mouffe**, seminal and prolific post-Marxist theorist, major contributor to the theory of culture.

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<sup>66</sup><http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ssees/centenary/documents/sca-conference-programme-21-10>

<sup>67</sup><http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ssees/centenary/documents/sca-conference-rationale>

- **Tomáš Sedláček**, philosopher, historian of economic thought, economist and banker.
- **Ilya Ponomarev**, State Duma Deputy, only member of parliament who voted against the annexation of Crimea in 2014.
- **Kwasi Kwarteng**, Conservative MP for Spelthorne in Surrey since 2010.
- **Dorothee Bohle**, expert on the varieties of capitalism in post-Communist Europe.
- **Béla Greskovits**, expert on the political and economic institutions of Eastern Europe.
- **Jacek Żakowski**, one of the most influential journalists in Poland.
- **Slavo Radošević**, expert on industrial innovation and technological change with special emphasis on the countries of central and Eastern Europe.
- **Jan Kubik**, cultural and political anthropologist, expert on the sociology of protest and post-Communism and director of UCL-SSEES.
- **Anatole Kaletsky**, one of the most widely-read economic journalists in the world.
- **Paul Mason**, expert on social transformations and influential public commentator.
- **Liam Halligan**, economist, journalist and broadcaster.
- **Mary Dejevsky**, a leading London-based political journalist.
- **László Bruszt**, economic sociologist and activist.

Although the conference is free you must register for your chosen events via [Eventbrite](#)<sup>68</sup>. There will be no admittance without a valid ticket.

For more information about the conference and for details of how to register at the [UCL website](#)<sup>69</sup>.

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<sup>68</sup><https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/socialism-capitalism-and-the-alternatives-lessons-from-russia-and-eastern-europe-tickets-19113446834>

<sup>69</sup><http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ssees/centenary/centenary-events/socialism-capitalism-alternatives>

## Seminar in Contemporary Marxist Theory at King's College (London, 2015)

### Seminar on Contemporary Marxist Theory

1. Monday 9 November  
Riccardo Bellofiore & Alex Callinicos: **A Dialogue on Alex Callinicos's book *Deciphering Capital: Marx's Capital and Its Destiny***  
5pm; K0.20, King's Building, King's College London, Strand WC2R 2LS
2. Wednesday 25 November  
Nicholas De Genova: **Theorising the 'Crisis' of the European Border Regime**  
6pm; 342N Norfolk Building, King's College London, Strand WC2R 2LS

The Seminar in Contemporary Marxist Theory is a collaboration among scholars in the departments of European & International Studies, Geography, and Management at King's College London.

For further information contact Stathis Kouvelakis [stathis.kouvelakis@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:stathis.kouvelakis@kcl.ac.uk)<sup>70</sup>

## The Levy Economics Institute introduces new Master of Science in Economic Theory and Policy

At the Levy Institute, we believe in challenging the status quo. We believe in encouraging diversity of opinion and examining the world through different lenses. We break down the barrier between the perceived role of education in the policy making community and what it is truly capable of. By creating a platform to discuss the world's economic issues without bias, we need not define nor limit our scholars and students. We happen to provide world class education in the process too.

The Levy Economics Institute Master of Science in Economic Theory and Policy is a degree program designed to train economists in the innovative models and approaches to policy employed by researchers at the Levy Institute. Our innovative two-year MS program offers unprecedented access to areas of advanced economic research and an intimacy with senior scholars that is unmatched elsewhere. The program is designed to result in a terminal degree that enables students to build a career through the institutes extensive network of experts and professionals, in any sector they please.

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The Levy Economics Institute MS program is now accepting applications for Fall 2016.

- Early Decision deadline: November 15.
- Regular Decision: January 15.
- Early Decision applications are given scholarship preference.

Learn more at [www.bard.edu/levyms](http://www.bard.edu/levyms)<sup>71</sup>.

## Job Postings

### Bard College, US

#### **Job Title: Assistant Professor of Economics**

- Location: Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
- JEL classifications: I – Health, Education and Welfare; J – Labor and Demographic Economics; N – Economic History

The Economics Program at Bard College invites applications for one full-time, tenure-track assistant professor position in applied microeconomics starting in Fall 2016. The candidates work should complement the departments existing pluralistic orientation. Preference will be given to those whose research and teaching fields include labor, education, health, poverty, and/or race. We welcome candidates who are broadly trained and interested in economic policy. The successful candidate will teach in the core curriculum areas as well as in the areas of his or her specialty.

The Bard campus is the home of the Levy Economics Institute and its innovative M.S. program in Economic Theory and Policy. The Levy Institute, which hosts conferences and seminars and publishes research on matters of economic policy, offers opportunities to faculty and students not typically available at an undergraduate college.

Applicants should have an active research agenda and a commitment to quality, innovative undergraduate teaching at a liberal arts college. Contribution to the general education curriculum and engagement with the life of the college are expected. Can-

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<sup>71</sup><http://www.bard.edu/levyms>

didates must hold a Ph.D. or expect to complete it by the time of appointment, and demonstrate significant promise of scholarship.

To apply, please send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, examples of published research and working papers, a statement of research interests, a statement of teaching philosophy and evidence of teaching excellence through Interfolio.com at: <http://apply.interfolio.com/32935><sup>72</sup>.

Review of applications will begin on December 7, 2015. For more information on the Economics Program at Bard College, visit <http://economics.bard.edu><sup>73</sup> or contact Program Director Pavlina R. Tcherneva, [tchernev@bard.edu](mailto:tchernev@bard.edu)<sup>74</sup>.

Bard College is an equal opportunity employer and we welcome applications from those who will contribute to our diversity.

## California State University, Fresno, US

### Job Title: Assistant Professor in Economics (US Macro)

**JEL Classifications:** B5 – Current Heterodox Approaches; E02 – Institutions and the Macroeconomy; E6 – Macroeconomic Policy, Macroeconomic Aspects of Public Finance, and General Outlook

### Position Summary:

The Department of Economics in the Craig School of Business at California State University, Fresno seeks applicants for a tenure-track, academic year position as an Assistant Professor in Macroeconomics with focus on Institutional Economics and U.S. Economic Policy. The successful candidate will primarily teach undergraduate students, conduct scholarly and applied research, and engage in service-related activities. Primary teaching responsibilities and research interests will be in the area of U.S. Macroeconomic institutions and policy. Specific assignments will depend on department needs. An earned doctorate (Ph.D.) in Economics is required; however, applicants nearing completion of the doctorate (ABD) may be considered. Preference will be given to candidates with teaching experience and strong commitment to excellence in undergraduate instruction. The Department is committed to economic pluralism and welcomes applicants from all economic perspectives.

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<sup>72</sup><http://apply.interfolio.com/32935>

<sup>73</sup><http://economics.bard.edu>

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- Available for Academic Year: 2016/2017.
- Fresno State has been recognized as a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI); an Asian American/Native American/Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI); and has been designated to the Community Engagement Classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.
- Faculty members gain a clear path to tenure through the University's Probationary Plan Process.
- Salary placement depends upon academic preparation and professional experience.

California State University, Fresno is an engaged University. We focus on broadening students' intellectual horizons, fostering lifelong learning skills, developing the leaders of tomorrow, promoting community involvement, and instilling an appreciation of world cultures. We nurture cultural competence by celebrating the rich diversity of the campus community and welcoming the participation of all. Members of the University community are expected to work effectively with faculty, staff and students from diverse ethnic, cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. For information on the University's commitment and dedication to creating a university known for its integrity, civility, equity, respect and ethical behavior, please visit: <http://www.fresnostate.edu/academics/diversity>

The Department of Economics offers a well-developed and balanced curriculum designed to give the student maximum flexibility in the choice of courses offered for the economics major. The Department is committed to economic pluralism and encourages applicants from all economic perspectives.

For full consideration, have all application materials on file by November 22, 2015.

Submit online application: [https://my.csufresno.edu/x/?k=hrjov&v=HRS\\_JOB\\_OPENING\\_ID=12764](https://my.csufresno.edu/x/?k=hrjov&v=HRS_JOB_OPENING_ID=12764)<sup>75</sup>

Attach cover letter, vitae, one sample paper, evidence of teaching performance and 3 original and current letters of recommendation to:

- Dr. Va Nee L. Van Vleck, Search Committee Chair  
Department of Economics  
California State University, Fresno  
5245 N Backer Ave. M/S PB20

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Fresno, CA 93740-8001

## Emerson College, US

**Job Title: Business of Creative Enterprises: Assistant Professor of Economics (Arts, Media, and Culture)**

- **JEL Classifications:** A: General Economics and Teaching; B: History of Economic Thought, Methodology, and Heterodox Approaches; D: Microeconomics; E: Macroeconomics and Monetary Economics; J16: Economics of Gender; P16: Political Economy; Z: Other Special Topics (Cultural Economics)

We invite applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor in Economics with a focus on Cultural Economics/Economy, Economics of the Arts, or other related areas associated with culture, media, and the arts. The candidate should be able to develop coursework and curriculum appropriate for students interested in leadership of creative enterprises as well as for a broader student population with specializations in the arts and communication. We are especially interested in candidates with expertise and research interest in such areas as media and cultural industries; non-profit operation; emergent and alternative business models in the arts and media; creative workforces and labor; political economy related to communication and the arts, inclusive of critical and heterodox approaches; economics of innovation and creativity; and the relation of cultural activity to regional economic growth and quality of life.

Teaching responsibilities include required and elective courses for the Business of Creative Enterprises Major and for students wishing to fulfill Liberal Arts distribution requirements in the area of economics. These additional courses could be in areas such as, but not limited to, macroeconomics or the candidate's area of expertise.

Required qualifications include: a Ph.D. in economics or a related field with expertise in the areas listed above, evidence of teaching excellence and commitment to undergraduate teaching, and a demonstrated ability to sustain an active research program.

The faculty appointment will be in the Institute for Liberal Arts and Interdisciplinary Studies. The Institute is a vibrant and engaged community of disciplinary-based and interdisciplinary scholars with over 60 full and part time faculty members. It is the academic unit responsible for the core curriculum that serves all of Emerson's majors and is home to a variety of disciplinary-based and interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Minors, the First Year Seminar Program, the Honors Program, and the Individually Designed

Interdisciplinary Program. The Institute seeks in all its endeavors to facilitate cross-fertilization between liberal studies and Emerson's professional programs, foster global and multicultural perspectives, and embolden civic engagement.

Detailed information and application form is available [here](#)<sup>76</sup>.

## Goldsmiths, University of London, UK

### Job Title: Senior Lecturer/ Lecturer in Economics

The Institute of Management Studies (IMS) combines innovative and world-renowned 4\* research in one of the most creative universities in the UK with the expertise of leading academics in the fields of Economics, Political Economy, Entrepreneurship, Strategy, Business Psychology, Innovation, Leadership Development, and Marketing. We are now seeking a full-time Senior Lecturer or Lecturer in Economics to contribute to the development, teaching, and high-impact research output of the IMS.

You will have a good first degree and PhD (or equivalent) in an area related to economics and an internationally recognised portfolio of research (or the clear potential to develop one) in applied economics and will have expertise (or a clearly defined interest) in developing interdisciplinary research and teaching links.

Applications are encouraged from academics that can teach undergraduate mathematics and statistics in Economics, including the context and methodology of quantitative economics, and combine mainstream and heterodox approaches in their teaching and research.

- Lecturer salary range: £36,009 - £40,161 (Grade 7), £42,452 - £48,721 (Grade 8)
- Senior Lecturer salary range: £51,510 - £57,607 (Grade 9)
- Full Time
- Interview Date: Wednesday 13 January 2016
- Contact Details: [ims@gold.ac.uk](mailto:ims@gold.ac.uk)<sup>77</sup>
- **Closing Date: 26/11/2015**

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<sup>76</sup><https://emerson.peopleadmin.com/postings/10796>

<sup>77</sup><mailto:ims@gold.ac.uk>

- Ref No.: 2842

Detailed Job Description: [Senior Lecturer/ Lecturer in Economics](#)<sup>78</sup> (PDF, 405.33kb)

## Rollins College, US

**Job Title: Assistant/Associate Professor of Social Entrepreneurship & Business**

The Department of Business at Rollins College is seeking applicants for a tenure-track position in the area of Social Entrepreneurship & Business at the rank of Assistant/Associate Professor beginning in August 2016. The likely assignment includes curriculum development and teaching Social Entrepreneurship and related courses in the Business core. The ability to teach business courses in other areas outside of Social Entrepreneurship is expected.

Rollins expects inclusion of high impact teaching practices. Social Entrepreneurship and Business courses involve such practices as: out-of-the-classroom experiential learning, community engagement projects, human centered design-thinking, public poster sessions, and pitch competitions. Ability and willingness to embed these course components is expected.

Other responsibilities include advising, program development, assurance of learning, service activities, publishing, and contributing to a positive sense of community. The ability and willingness to develop and sustain an active program of research and publishing is expected. The willingness to teach blended and evening courses is also expected.

See <https://www.rollinsjobs.com/postings/2958><sup>79</sup> for further information.

## SUNY Cortland, US

**Job Title: Assistant Professor**

- Economics Department of SUNY Cortland
- POSITION: Tenure Track Faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor
- APPOINTMENT DATE: 09-01-2016

<sup>78</sup>[https://jobs.gold.ac.uk/wd/plsql/wd\\_portal.view\\_blob?p\\_web\\_site\\_id=4932&p\\_web\\_page\\_id=238541&p\\_type=JOBDOC&p\\_id=72559&p\\_show=N](https://jobs.gold.ac.uk/wd/plsql/wd_portal.view_blob?p_web_site_id=4932&p_web_page_id=238541&p_type=JOBDOC&p_id=72559&p_show=N)

<sup>79</sup><https://www.rollinsjobs.com/postings/2958>

The State University of New York College at Cortland seeks a full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor beginning Fall 2016 to work with undergraduate majors in Business Economics, Economics and Political Economy. Candidate will share teaching responsibilities for principles and statistics. Candidate must be familiar with heterodox approaches and have expertise in at least one of the following preferred areas: Health Economics, Labor Economics and/or Political Economy of Gender. A 3-3 teaching load. An active research agenda, student advisement and service to the department and college are also required. Candidate must possess Ph.D. or if ABD, degree must be completed by time of initial review for reappointment. Preference will be given to candidates with college teaching experience, demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching, and demonstrated potential for scholarship.

For a detailed job description or to apply online go to: <http://jobs.cortland.edu><sup>80</sup>.

Applications will be accepted through **December 5, 2015**.

## The New Economics Foundation, UK

**Job Title: Associate Director - Environment** (full time, £45K - £55K DOE)

We face several economic challenges, from creating good jobs and reducing inequality to addressing climate change and overexploitation of natural resources. Business as usual is not the answer. The New Economics Foundation (NEF) is the increasingly influential leader of new economic thinking, research and action to make a rapid transition to an economy that delivers high wellbeing and social justice within planetary limits.

We are looking for an exceptional and inspiring individual with an excellent record in leading research in environmental/ecological economics for impact and change. You will be an excellent staff manager with a proven fundraising record.

Driven by the core values underlying all of NEF's work, you will deliver and expand our work on current focus areas (energy, fisheries, food) and lead the development of new projects to support NEF's cross-cutting strategic objectives; including securing funding to make them happen.

You will help expand the impact and influence of the team's work in Europe and the UK; and will work closely with other research and campaigning teams at NEF to provide a coherent vision and direction for the organisation.

If you are eligible to work in the UK and you are inspired by NEF core values and vision then you could be the person we need.

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<sup>80</sup><http://jobs.cortland.edu>

Please click here for a full job description for this role<sup>81</sup>

- To apply (NO CVs) please click here for an application form<sup>82</sup> .
- Please also click here for an equal opportunities form<sup>83</sup> .
- Please return both forms to [recruitment@neweconomics.org](mailto:recruitment@neweconomics.org)<sup>84</sup>

For more information please email [Lois Fiander](mailto:Lois.Fiander@neweconomics.org)<sup>85</sup> , or write to her at New Economics Foundation, 10 Salamanca Place, Vauxhall, London, SE1 7HB.

## The Open University Business School, UK

### Job Title: Lecturer in Finance

- **Salary:** £38,896 - £46,414
- **Closing date:** 07/12/2015

The Department of Accounting and Finance is seeking to appoint a lecturer in finance. We are seeking the right candidate to collaborate with a group of active researchers to build on our record of academic excellence through research grants, publications and research degree supervision. You will also be expected to engage with policymaker and practitioner communities to increase the impact of your research.

You will contribute to our teaching portfolio, engaging with our distinctive teaching methods and developing new competences in this area. This will include teaching on the new MSc in Finance which has been accepted into the CFA Institute University Recognition Program as well as undergraduate and MBA modules. As part of The Open University Business School we are at the cutting edge of pedagogy, on-line education and practice based learning. You will have the opportunity to work in teams who are designing and delivering innovative, high quality and challenging learning experiences for our students.

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<sup>81</sup><http://www.neweconomics.org/page/-/NEF%20associate%20director%20environment%20JD%201910.pdf>

<sup>82</sup><http://www.neweconomics.org/page/-/ADenv-applicationform2710.doc>

<sup>83</sup><http://www.neweconomics.org/page/-/NEF%20associate%20director%20environment%20equal%20opps%20form%201910.doc.docx>

<sup>84</sup><mailto:recruitment@neweconomics.org?subject=HR%20Administrator%20role>

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We want to hear from you if you have completed or are close to completion of a PhD in finance and you have evidence of an ability to publish in international academic journals. Your research interests should fit well in the department. You should have a passion for distance education and the values of The Open University; with the ability to generate equal enthusiasm and commitment in others. You must be willing to develop the skills and capabilities required for our unique approach to teaching at undergraduate and post-graduate levels. It is important that you have the ability to engage with a wide range of people: your academic peers, your students, their tutors, potential funders, business people and policy makers. You will also be able to demonstrate the organisational skills to deal with innovation and change and to manage conflicting demands and meet deadlines.

The structure of work at the OU means that central academic staff spend significantly less time in face-to-face teaching and marking than is common in traditional universities. Every member of academic staff also has an annual entitlement to research time. The OU offers a good employment package which includes generous holiday entitlements, pension scheme, training and learning opportunities and other staff benefits. Please send your application with a supporting letter setting out clearly how you meet the criteria set out here and in the Further Particulars of the position.

Closing date for electronic applications: Midday on Monday 7 December 2015

Presentation and Interview dates: Friday 18 December 2015

[Information for Applicant<sup>86</sup>](#)

[Further particulars<sup>87</sup>](#)

## **UWE Bristol, UK**

**Job Title: Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Economics**

- Ref: 1515007
- Full time/part time: Full time
- Department: Accounting, Economics & Finance
- Campus/location: Frenchay campus
- Salary band: G-H - £31,655 - £47,801

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<sup>86</sup><http://www3.open.ac.uk/employment/appinfo.doc>

<sup>87</sup>[http://www3.open.ac.uk/events/jobs/2015113\\_51861\\_o3.docx](http://www3.open.ac.uk/events/jobs/2015113_51861_o3.docx)

- Closing date: 25 Nov 2015

The Economics Subject Group, part of the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, is seeking to appoint a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Economics.

The department promotes pluralism in economics education and research. The Economics Group has adopted an ethos of relevant economists, doing relevant economics; and the Group's ethos extends to our philosophy of teaching and learning: we aim to enable students to develop to become informed, practical economists. Our programmes are academically challenging and vocationally relevant.

We seek applicants who are excellent teachers, with specialisms or strong interests in at least one of the following: macroeconomics, behavioural economics, political economy, econometrics, or applied business economics. The precise blend of teaching/research/administration is not being specified but it is important to note that at this level of appointment the role holder is expected to make a significant contribution to the teaching activities of the Department and Faculty.

You will have:

- A good first degree in Economics (or closely associated discipline)
- A postgraduate degree in Economics (or closely associated discipline), preferably a PhD (or be close to completion)
- Sufficient breadth and/or depth of specialist knowledge in the Economics discipline to work within the established teaching programmes.
- A commitment to and experience and excellence in research and scholarship-informed teaching
- Experience of research in Economics
- An ability to apply economic theory.
- An ability to communicate and negotiate effectively with students and colleagues.
- Experience of using IT systems (Internet, spreadsheets, word processing).

Information for Applicants / Further Particulars <sup>88</sup>

<sup>88</sup><https://files.v7.wcn.co.uk/admin/fairs/aptrack/download.cgi?SID=b3duZXI9NTA1NTI3OCZvd25lcnR5cGU9ZmFpciZkb2NfdHlwZT12YWMMmZG9jX2lkPTQwMTAyMCZ2ZXJpZnk9ZTY2ZTFkZjYzODc4ZjE3>

## Job Description<sup>89</sup>

Further details and application form are available [here](#)<sup>90</sup>.

## University Minnesota, Morris, US

### Job Title: Assistant Professor of Economics

The University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM) announces an opening for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Economics, beginning fall 2016.

### Job Summary:

We welcome applications from candidates pursuing policy-relevant applied questions in Labor, Health, Industrial Organization, Rural Development, Regional, Agricultural and Natural Resource Economics, or related fields. We are particularly interested in a candidate whose research agenda is comprehensible and compelling to undergraduate students and to colleagues in a small, engaged, and productive department.

The successful candidate will regularly teach undergraduate Econometrics, a section of Principles, and appropriate electives (heterodox perspectives, if combined with competence in more orthodox approaches, are welcome). Preferred: interest in and ability to contribute to a Management major that focuses on areas of overlap with social and behavioral science (Economics and Psychology), along with other core areas of the liberal arts.

The annual teaching load is 5 semester-long courses (20 credit hours). Salary is competitive with mid-tier liberal arts colleges; both research support (including eligibility for internal grants through the University of Minnesota) and fringe benefits are strongly competitive.

Success in both teaching and research are required for promotion and tenure; qualified candidates with an interest in a balanced teaching and research career at an undergraduate liberal arts college are strongly encouraged to apply. Position open until filled;

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<sup>89</sup><https://filesv7.wcn.co.uk/admin/fairs/aptrack/download.cgi?SID=b3duZXI9NTA1NTI30CZvd25lcnR5cGU9ZmFpciZkb2NfdHlwZT12YWVmZG9jX2lkPTQwMTA4MyZ2ZXJpZnk9Nzk2NTlkMjY5MzAONGIzZ>

<sup>90</sup>[https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search\\_engine/jobs.cgi?amNvZGU9MTUxNTAwNyZ2dF90ZW1wbGF0ZT0xNTM4Jm93bmVyPTUwNTUyNzg1515007&vt\\_template=1538&owner=5055278&ownertype=fair&brand\\_id=0&occ\\_code=8843&vac\\_extra5055278.3\\_5055278=202499&posting\\_code=497&reqsig=1447324774-d35ab3be1364d5db8572ae5aa1afed3d929d07a9](https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search_engine/jobs.cgi?amNvZGU9MTUxNTAwNyZ2dF90ZW1wbGF0ZT0xNTM4Jm93bmVyPTUwNTUyNzg1515007&vt_template=1538&owner=5055278&ownertype=fair&brand_id=0&occ_code=8843&vac_extra5055278.3_5055278=202499&posting_code=497&reqsig=1447324774-d35ab3be1364d5db8572ae5aa1afed3d929d07a9)

application review will begin on Dec. 1st. Candidates will be contacted for informal interviews at the ASSA meetings in San Francisco.

**The Campus:** The University of Minnesota, Morris is a residential four-year undergraduate public liberal arts college serving 1,800 students. It is one of only seven public liberal arts colleges ranked in Carnegie's "national" category, and combines the liberal arts educational mission with moderate tuition costs that make it accessible to broader segments of the public than most private institutions. Our campus has been one of the *Forbes Magazine* "Best Buy" colleges in several recent years, and on the US News top ten list in the national public liberal arts college category for 17 years. UMM is also a national leader in green technology, and is frequently "grid-negative" due to two commercial-grade wind turbines and the nation's first operational corn-stover-based biomass gasification plant.

**The Students:** Admissions are selective (average ACT score of 25), and the dominant student culture is hardworking and serious. The majority of the student body is from the rural and small town mainstream of the Midwest; however, the Morris student body is also one of the most ethnically diverse in the University of Minnesota system, with 26% students of color (17% are American Indian students) and a growing international student population.

**Location:** One of five campuses of the University of Minnesota, UMM is located 160 miles west of Minneapolis in the rural community of Morris, MN (population 5,000).

**Advantages:** Small college life-style coupled with access to the University of Minnesota's research support, libraries and information technology, and strong students. Salaries are competitive with mid-tier liberal arts colleges, and fringe benefits are competitive with top tier research universities.

**Colleagues:** The economics and management program is an integrated department with a collegial faculty of seven persons working together to fashion an outstanding student experience centered on undergraduate learning and research. Our faculty includes both heterodox and mainstream economists.

**Teaching:** UMM places a strong emphasis on excellence in undergraduate teaching, and therefore we are seeking a person who has a genuine commitment in this regard. The standard annual teaching load is five semester courses of four credits each. Classroom and program innovation are encouraged, and excellent opportunities exist for institutional funding of educational innovations.

**Research:** The pursuit of an active research or creative program is expected of all faculty members at UMM, and in economics the expectation is that faculty will publish in refereed journals. We are particularly interested in faculty who may involve undergraduates in their professional endeavors. Internal funds are routinely available for student research, and Morris faculty have access to the full range of University of Minnesota

faculty research funds on a competitive basis, as well as some specific funds reserved for faculty on our campus.

**Affirmative Action:** The University of Minnesota is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, disability, public assistance status, veteran status, or sexual orientation.

**Required Qualifications:**

1. ABD, with a plan for degree completion, in Economics or a related field (for appointment at Instructor rank);
2. evidence of successful undergraduate college teaching experience;
3. evidence of a promising research program;
4. willingness and ability to teach undergraduate Econometrics;

**Preferred Qualifications:**

1. Ph.D. (or an equivalent terminal degree) in Economics or a related field in hand at the position start date (for appointment at Assistant Professor rank);
2. interest in and ability to contribute to the Management curriculum;
3. familiarity with undergraduate liberal arts institutions;
4. interest in and ability to supervise undergraduate research and internships; and
5. evidence that the candidate's professional research program is viable at a liberal arts undergraduate institution.

**How to Apply:**

1. Please apply electronically through the University of Minnesota Online Employment System at: <http://www1.umn.edu/ohr/employment/><sup>91</sup> (attaching only your CV). Choose Job ID #305478, click the Apply button and follow the instructions. If you have difficulty negotiating the electronic process, please contact Sharon Severance, 320.589.6201 or [severask@morris.umn.edu](mailto:severask@morris.umn.edu)<sup>92</sup>.

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- a) A letter of application
- b) Curriculum Vitae (also may be attached online),
- c) Three letters of reference,
- d) Graduate school transcripts (unofficial copies are sufficient for initial screening),
- e) Teaching statement
- f) Evidence of undergraduate college teaching success (such as supervisor or student evaluations), and
- g) Research statement
- h) Sample of research output.

**Direct questions to:** Dr. Stephen V. Burks, Chair, Economics Search Committee at [svburks@morris.umn.edu](mailto:svburks@morris.umn.edu)<sup>94</sup> ; or by telephone at: 320-589-6191.

## University of Bath, UK

**Job Title: Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in International Development (2 posts)**

- Salary: Starting from £38,896, rising to £46,414
- Placed On: Monday 09 November 2015
- Closing Date: Sunday 17 January 2016
- Reference: DC3538

The Department of Social and Policy Sciences at the University of Bath wishes to appoint two high-calibre academics with expertise in International Development. This is an opportunity to join a leading research-led university and to work in a progressive, thriving

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and collaborative academic environment. The post holders will be expected to enhance the profile, reputation and impact of international development scholarship and teaching at Bath.

Applicants must have a relevant doctoral degree, a strong and/or growing reputation in a relevant area of international development, and must demonstrate that they satisfy all the essential criteria detailed in the person specification for the posts. These criteria include capability to produce high-quality and impactful research, to be an effective teacher at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and to collaborate successfully across disciplinary boundaries.

While open to applicants with any specialism in international development, this will need to be in line with the strategic priorities of DSPS. Expertise in global political economy, cross-country comparative analysis of wellbeing/poverty/inequality, social/public policy and/or environmental sustainability will be particularly welcome. More information about our research priorities and strengths are available at the department's website <http://www.bath.ac.uk/sps><sup>95</sup>.

Interview date: Monday 8th and Thursday 11th February 2016

Proposed start date: 1 July 2016

Informal enquiries about the post can be made to the Head of Department, Dr Joe Devine by email [J.Devine@bath.ac.uk](mailto:J.Devine@bath.ac.uk)<sup>96</sup> or by telephone on +44(0)1225 383539; or to the Head of the International Development Group, Prof James Copestake at [J.G.Copestake@bath.ac.uk](mailto:J.G.Copestake@bath.ac.uk)<sup>97</sup> or on +44(0)1225 383859

## University of Massachusetts Boston, US

### **Job Title: Director of the Labor Resource Center and Labor Studies Program**

The College of Liberal Arts at the University of Massachusetts Boston seeks to hire a tenured associate professor or professor to serve as Director of the Labor Resource Center and Labor Studies Program to begin September 1, 2016. The center and the program (created in 1981) are in the process of being reorganized and redeveloped, having recently moved to the college. The interdisciplinary BA in the Labor Studies Program has been restructured and is expected to be open to students beginning Fall 2016. In addition to the Labor Studies Program, the Labor Resource Center houses a participatory action research program, a labor extension program, and a certificate program in Labor Leadership. The new director will be responsible for leading and expanding all aspects of the

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program/center, and will have some teaching responsibilities. The director's tenure will be located in a department appropriate for her/his disciplinary background—for example, but not restricted to, Economics, Sociology, History, American Studies, or Political Science.

A candidate for this position must have a Ph.D. or other appropriate advanced, terminal degree and a scholarly/research/teaching/service record that would qualify her/him for tenure. In addition, the following characteristics of a candidate are desirable and will be taken into account: experience with organized labor, administrative experience, ability to fundraise and obtain external research grants, and a successful teaching record and experience working with diverse (by various dimensions) students and constituencies.

Review of applications will begin on **December 1, 2015**, and continue until the position is filled.

All applications must be submitted online at: <http://umb.interviewexchange.com/candapply.jsp?JOBID=6>

Please submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, a sample of written work, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and the names and email addresses of three references. Please include in your letter of application an explanation of how your experience matches the characteristics listed above.

The University of Massachusetts Boston provides equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, age, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, disability, military status, or genetic information. In addition to federal law requirements, the University of Massachusetts Boston complies with applicable state and local laws governing nondiscrimination in employment in every location in which the university operates. This policy applies to all terms and conditions of employment.

## University of Michigan, US

### **Job Title: Assistant Research Scientist**

The Survey Research Center (SRC) in the Institute for Social Research (ISR) at the University of Michigan invites applications for a full-time position of Assistant Research Scientist within SRC's Economic Behavior Program (EBP).

### **JOB DESCRIPTION:**

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The Health and Retirement Study (HRS) is a study of the population aged 50 and older, with panel survey and biological data linked to administrative records, including Social Security, pension, and Medicare records. We are launching an effort to expand HRS's links to administrative and survey data on respondents' employers to improve the ability to analyze the relationship between firm and industry measures and individual retirement, health and well-being. The Assistant Research Scientist will collaborate with investigators at ISR and elsewhere to develop new linkages to administrative data including data on businesses, to carry out econometric analyses of data from surveys and linkages, to improve imputations, and to design new measures. This research will also involve close collaboration with research activities at the U.S. Census Bureau; some research will be conducted in the Michigan Federal Statistical Research Data Center. The researcher will conduct research independently and as part of a team, including preparing data documentation, articles for publication, and proposals for funded research. The position also includes some management of staff programmers and research assistants supporting these activities. SRC is a unique, world-renowned social science research center that conducts investigator initiated, survey-based research on theoretical and applied problems of social and scientific importance (please see our website): <http://www.isr.umich.edu/src/><sup>99</sup>

#### **JOB QUALIFICATIONS:**

Requirements for the position are a Ph.D. in Economics or closely-related field, experience in applied econometric methods using large data sets, familiarity with relevant software and programming tools, and strong writing skills.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Applicants may initiate the process by submitting a letter describing their scholarly activities and interests in SRC. Please include a CV, three letters of reference or names of three references, and up to two recent publications. Salary is highly competitive.

Please send applications, nominations and inquiries electronically to [SRCSearch@umich.edu](mailto:SRCSearch@umich.edu)<sup>100</sup> or by mail to Survey Research Center Search Committee, Director's Office, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1248. Reference position 117573. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. The University of Michigan is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer committed to a diverse workplace. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

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## Awards

### The History of Economics Society invites nominations for its 2016 Distinguished Fellow Award

The History of Economics Society invites nominations for its 2016 Distinguished Fellow Award. The list of previous recipients of the honour may be found on the HES website ( [historyofeconomics.org/Fellows.cfm](http://historyofeconomics.org/Fellows.cfm)<sup>101</sup> ).

This year's adjudication committee is composed of Robert Leonard (Chair, Univ. Quebec - Montreal), Margaret Schabas (Univ. British Columbia) and Robert Dimand (Brock University).

To make a nomination, please submit, no later than December 15, 2015.

- the candidate's CV
- your letter motivating the nomination
- two further independent letters of recommendation

Nominations should be sent to committee Chair, Robert Leonard, ( [leonard.robert@uqam.ca](mailto:leonard.robert@uqam.ca)<sup>102</sup> ).

### The Review of Capital as Power: Essay Prize

In 2014, the Review of Capital as Power (RECASP) announced an annual essay prize of \$1,000 for the best paper on the subject of capital as power. Submitted articles should not have been published in a refereed journal or book before. The particular topic is open. The paper can be theoretical, historical or empirical, and it may support or critique the capital as power framework. Winning essays will be published (with revisions, if necessary) in the Review of Capital as Power.

#### ELIGIBILITY

The competition aims to encourage young researchers of all ages. It is open to anyone who does not hold a PhD.

#### DEADLINE

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Papers must be received by December 31 of the competition year. The results will be announced by March of the following year.

## **GUIDELINES**

Submissions should be 6,000-12,000 words in length (including footnotes and references) and must be formatted/referenced in line with the journal's style guidelines ( <http://www.recasp.com/#!contact/c24vq><sup>103</sup> ).

Submissions should be emailed to the Editor at [tdimuzio@uow.edu.au](mailto:tdimuzio@uow.edu.au)<sup>104</sup>

To ensure a blind review process, authors must submit two versions of their paper – one is the full version and the other is a blind version with all identifying references and text replaced with the square bracketed phrase [omitted for the refereeing process]. In the full version of the paper, authors should provide their name and affiliation along with a 200-word (max) biographical sketch.

## **ADJUDICATION**

The adjudication committee comprises the Editor and members of the editorial board. The committee may decide not to nominate a winner for the year. Alternatively, if there is more than one noteworthy paper, secondary prizes of \$350 each may be awarded.

## **ABOUT CAPITAL AS POWER**

The framework of capital as power offers a radical alternative to both liberal and Marxist political economies. In this framework, capital is viewed not as a productive economic entity, but as the central power institution of capitalist society at large, while capitalism as a whole is seen not as mode of production and consumption, but as a mode of power.

## **ABOUT THE REVIEW OF CAPITAL AS POWER**

The Review of Capital as Power is a peer-reviewed, open-access journal sponsored by the University of Wollongong, Australia.

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## A Handbook Of Alternative Theories Of Public Economics

By Francesco Forte, Ram Mudambi and Pietro Maria Navarra — 2014, Edward Elgar Publishing

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## American Grand Strategy and Corporate Elite Networks: The Open Door since the End of the Cold War

By Bastiaan Van Apeldoorn and Naná de Graaff — 2015, Routledge

This book presents a novel analysis of how US grand strategy has evolved from the end of the Cold War to the present, offering an integrated analysis of both continuity and change. The post-Cold War American grand strategy has continued to be oriented

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## Capitalism: A Ghost Story

By Arundhati Roy — 2015, Verso Books

An impassioned manifesto from the author of Booker-winner *God of Small Things*, one of the most vocal campaigners in the world. In *Capitalism: A Ghost Story*, best-selling writer Arundhati Roy examines the dark side of Indian democracy—a nation of 1.2 billion, where the country’s 100 richest people own assets worth one quarter of India’s gross domestic product.

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It is the story of how the largest democracy in the world, with over 800 million voting in the last election, answers to the demands of globalized capitalism, subjecting millions of people to inequality and exploitation. Roy shows how the mega-corporations, modern robber barons plundering India’s natural resources, use brute force, as well as a wide

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## China and the 21st Century Crisis

By Minqi Li — 2015, Pluto Press

The USA is widely seen as the country at the centre of the recent economic crash. But will this be the case the next time the system goes into shock? By looking at the big questions of class struggle, global economic imbalances, peak oil, climate change and political power play, Minqi Li argues that by the time of the next crisis, China will be at the epicentre of these contradictions.

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China is the last large region (and source of cheap labour) into which capital could expand: the system is at its limits. By combining this argument with issues surrounding the planet's ecological limits and the internal politics of the Chinese Communist Party, Li commands a narrative of China at a pivotal, and possibly apocalyptic stage.

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## Class War: The Privatization of Childhood

By Megan Erickson — 2015, Pluto Press

What America has at stake when some children go to school hungry and others ride in \$1,000 strollers

In an age of austerity, elite corporate education reformers have found new ways to transfer the costs of raising children from the state to individual families. Public schools, tasked with providing education, childcare, job training, meals, and social services to low-income children, struggle with cutbacks. Meanwhile, private schools promise to

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nurture the minds and personalities of future professionals to the tune of \$40,000 a year. As *Class War* reveals, this situation didn't happen by chance.

In the media, educational success is framed as a consequence of parental choices and natural abilities. In truth the wealthy are ever more able to secure advantages for their children, deepening the rifts between rich and poor. The longer these divisions persist, the worse the consequences.

Drawing on Erickson's own experience as a teacher in the New York City school system, *Class War* reveals how modern education has become the real "hunger games," stealing opportunity and hope from disadvantaged children for the benefit of the well-to-do.

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## Debt or Democracy: Public Moneyfor Sustainability and Social Justice

By Mary Mellor — 2015, Pluto Books

*Debt or Democracy* explodes the myths behind modern money. It challenges the neoliberal obsession with public debt and deficit, arguing that a much more serious problem is the privatised creation of money through bank debt that leads to boom and bust. Far from being a burden on the taxpayer, Mary Mellor argues that public money and public expenditure is necessary for economic well-being. Arguing that money is a public resource that should be under democratic control, *Debt or Democracy* directly challenges conventional economic thinking and presents a radical alternative for socially just and ecologically sustainable provisioning.

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## Labour and Transnational Action in Times of Crisis

Edited by Andreas Bieler, Roland Erne, Darragh Golden, Idar Helle, Knut Kjeldstadli, Tiago Matos & Sabina Stan — 2015, Rowman & Littlefield International

Processes of neoliberal globalization have put national trade unions under pressure as the transnational organization of production puts these labour movements in competition

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<sup>222</sup><http://www.versobooks.com/books/1954-class-war>

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with each other. The global economic crisis has intensified these pressures further. And yet, economic and political integration processes have also provided workers with new possibilities to organize resistance. Emphasizing the importance of agency, this book analyzes transnational labour action in times of crisis, historically and now. It draws on a variety of fascinating cases, across formal and informal collectives, in order to clarify which factors facilitate or block the formation of solidarity. Moving beyond empirical description of cases to an informed understanding of collective action across borders, the volume provides an insightful theorization of transnational action.

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## Palgrave Dictionary of Emerging Markets and Transition Economics: Insights from Archival Research

Edited by Jens Hölscher and Horst Tomann — 2015, Palgrave MacMillan

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## Societies Under Siege: Exploring How International Economic Sanctions (Do Not) Work

By Lee Jones — 2015, Oxford University Press

- Provides a comparative analytical framework for how sanctions operate
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## Southern Insurgency: The Coming of the Global Working Class

By Immanuel Ness — 2015, Pluto Press

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The site of industrial struggle is shifting. The West needs to look further if it wants to understand how workers' self-organisation is developing in countries it too often ignores. Across the Global South, peasant communities are forced off the land to live and work in harsh and impoverished conditions. Inevitably, new methods of combating the spread of industrial capitalism are evolving in ambitious, militant and creative ways. *Southern Insurgency* will lead the way in examining these organisations in the contemporary era.

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## The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Imperialism and Anti-Imperialism

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## The Thatcherite Offensive: A Neo-Poulantzasian Analysis

By Alexander Gallas — 2015, Brill

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## PhD Scholarships in Heterodox Economics at Oxford Brookes University

PhD scholarships are available in heterodox economics areas at Oxford Brookes University to work with me.

The main areas are three:

- Theories and practices of economic development in Asia, Africa and Latin America;
- The dialectical link between economic interests and human rights;
- Political economy of federalism and human rights.

More details are available in the [Faculty of Business section](#)<sup>233</sup> and the last date for submitting application is **19th November**.

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## Ph.D Dissertations in Heterodox Economics

### James McMahon: "What Makes Hollywood Run? Capitalist Power, Risk and the Control of Social Creativity"

Unpublished PhD Dissertation, Graduate Program in Social and Political Thought, York University, November 2015

This thesis was nominated for the York University Dissertation Prize.

### ABSTRACT

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<sup>233</sup><http://www.brookes.ac.uk/students/research-degrees-team/prospective-students/funding/>

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This dissertation combines an interest in political economy, political theory and cinema to offer an answer about the pace of the Hollywood film business and its general modes of behaviour. More specifically, this dissertation seeks to find out how the largest Hollywood firms attempt to control social creativity such that the art of filmmaking and its related social relations under capitalism do not become financial risks in the pursuit of profit. Controlling the ways people make or watch films, the thesis argues, is an institutional facet of capitalist power. Capitalist power—the ability to control, modify and, sometimes, limit social creation through the rights of ownership—is the foundation of capital accumulation. For the Hollywood film business, capitalist power is about the ability of business concerns to set the terms that mould the future of cinema.

The overall objective of Part I is to outline and rectify some of the methodological problems that obscure our understanding of how capital is accumulated from culture. Marxism stands as the theoretical foil for this argument. Because Marxism defines capital such that only economic activity can create value, it needs to clearly distinguish between economics and politics—yet this is a distinction it is ultimately unable to make. With this backdrop in mind, Part I introduces the capital-as-power approach and uses it as a foundation to an alternative political economic theory of capitalism. The capital-as-power approach views capital not as an economic category, but as a category of power. Consequently, this approach reframes the accumulation of capital as a power process.

Part II focuses on the Hollywood film business. It investigates how and to what extent major filmed entertainment attempts to accumulate capital by lowering its risk. The process of lowering risk—and the central role of capitalist power in this process—has characterized Hollywood’s orientation toward the social-historical character of cinema and mass culture. This push to lower risk has been most apparent since the 1980s. In recent decades, major filmed entertainment has used its oligopolistic control of distribution to institute an order of cinema based on several key strategies: saturation booking, blockbuster cinema and high-concept filmmaking.

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## Newsletters

### Association for Social Economics

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<sup>235</sup><http://bnarchives.yorku.ca/463/>

<sup>236</sup>[http://socialeconomics.org/?page=news\\_and\\_resources&side=ase\\_newsletters&sub=fall\\_2015](http://socialeconomics.org/?page=news_and_resources&side=ase_newsletters&sub=fall_2015)

## Economic Sociology

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## Global Development and Environment Institute

Biraj Patnaik and Timothy A. Wise: [Africa and the WTO - the Perils of Weakening the Development Agenda](#)<sup>238</sup>

## Rethinking Economics

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## For Your Information

### Econ4 Video Remix Contest

Greetings from **Econ4**, an organization dedicated to promoting an economy that works for people, the planet, and the future. We are excited to announce our new **Econ4 Video Remix Contest!** It's simple: we provide silent video clips, the theme – for the first round it's Greed – and invite you to remix this footage adding your own audio and graphics – to make a short video about how the economy can work for all of us (and not the other way around).

Submit your entry by February 1st, 2016 and you could win up to **US\$1000 in prize money!** There will be three prizes of US\$500 each – for the funniest, most creative, and most inspiring videos – plus US\$500 more for the grand prize winner. In addition, a selection of submitted videos will be featured on the Econ4 website!

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<sup>237</sup>[http://econsoc.mpifg.de/newsletter\\_current.asp](http://econsoc.mpifg.de/newsletter_current.asp)

<sup>238</sup>[http://allafrica.com/stories/201510090190.html?utm\\_source=GDAE+Subscribers&utm\\_campaign=0d2fd3f32c-AllAfricaWTO\\_10\\_9\\_2015&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_72d4918ff9-0d2fd3f32c-49695513](http://allafrica.com/stories/201510090190.html?utm_source=GDAE+Subscribers&utm_campaign=0d2fd3f32c-AllAfricaWTO_10_9_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_72d4918ff9-0d2fd3f32c-49695513)

<sup>239</sup><http://us7.campaign-archive2.com/?u=a41ee60d6d40529ea14d8f1c6&id=e96aee211c&e=2be72357aa>

The rules are simple. Find out more about the contest here: <http://econ4.org/video-remix-contest><sup>240</sup>

We look forward to viewing your winning submission!

The Econ4 Team

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