

The Welfare State and the Fight Against Inequality

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Organized by: The Initiative for Policy Dialogue at Columbia University (IPD), the Center on Global Economic Governance (CGEG), the Centre for the Study of Equality, Social Organization, and Performance (ESOP), the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Roosevelt Institute

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Date: November 8th and 9th, 2015

Venue: 15th Floor, Room 1501, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University (420 W 118th St, New York, NY 10027)

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CONFERENCE LOGISTICS:

- Expected Attendance: 70
- Audiences: Speakers, media, Columbia students, funders
- Press Plan: Chatham House Rules
- Format: multiple roundtables with a speaker panel table in the front for session speakers
- Session Length: 90 minutes
- Session information; 4 speakers with 1 moderator, each speaker has 15 minutes, 30 minutes for Q&A and discussion

CONFERENCE FORMAT:

- Opening: A 15 minutes long welcome remarks by Professor Joseph Stiglitz (Co-President of the Initiative for Policy Dialogue)
- Panels: The panelists and the moderator will be called on the stage to sit at the speaker panel table in the front, the moderator will briefly introduce all panelists in the panel, then the first speaker (in the order of the program) will begin his/her PowerPoint presentation, followed by the other three presenters. The moderator will monitor the time and remind speakers if the time exceeds the given 15 minutes. When all the panelists finish their presentations, the moderator will open the floor for questions and discussion for 30 minutes before concluding and moving on to the next panel.

Sunday, November 8, 2015

Venue: Columbia University, International Affairs Building, Room 1501, 15th Floor

1:00-1:15 **Registration**

1:15-1:30 **Opening and Welcome**

Prof. Joseph Stiglitz, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University, and Chief Economist and Senior Fellow, Roosevelt Institute

1:30-3:00 **Session I: Dreams and Nightmares: A General Theory of an Egalitarian Social Model**

Joseph Stiglitz, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University
Kalle Moene, Centre for the Study of Equality, Social Organization, and Performance, University of Oslo
Sandra Polaski, UN International Labour Organization (ILO)
Jan Svejnar, Center on Global Economic Governance, Columbia University
Moderator: Peter Lindert, University of California, Davis

3:00-4:30 **Session II: Setting the scene: From the 19th to the 21st Century Welfare State: Broader Mandates, More Instruments, Greater Challenges**

José Antonio Ocampo and Natalie Gómez-Arteaga (*co-present*), Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University
Peter Lindert, University of California, Davis
Suresh Naidu, Columbia University
Erzo F.P. Luttmer, Dartmouth College
Moderator: Jan Svejnar, Center on Global Economic Governance, Columbia University

4:30-4:45 **Break**

4:45-6:15 **Session III: The Welfare Model: Western Europe vs. US**

Ernst Stetter, Foundation for European Progressive Studies
Yann Algan, Sciences Po
Jody Heymann, UCLA School of Public Health
Janet Gornick, LIS, Graduate Center, CUNY
Moderator: Ravid Kanbur, Cornell University

Monday, November 9, 2015

Venue: Columbia University, International Affairs Building, Room 1501, 15th Floor

8:30-9:00 ***Arrival and Registration***

9:00-10:30 ***Session IV: The Welfare Model in Europe: Scandinavian Countries***

Bernt Bratsberg, University of Oslo

Torben M. Andersen, Aarhus University

Markus Jantti, Stockholm University

Gunnar Wetterberg, Foundation for Knowledge

Moderator: Kalle Moene, Centre for the Study of Equality, Social Organization, and Performance, University of Oslo

10:30-12:00 ***Session V: The Welfare Model in Latin America***

Santiago Levy, Inter-American Development Bank

Nora Lustig, Tulane University

Helena Ribe, Pro Mujer and Women's International Study Center (WISC)

Ana Sojo, Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean (ECLAB)

Moderator: José Antonio Ocampo, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University

12:00-1:00 ***Lunch Break***

1:00-2:30 ***Session VI: Going Beyond: Facilitating Work and Protecting Families and Children***

Heather Boushey, Washington Center for Equitable Growth

Ravi Kanbur, Cornell University

Hilary Hoynes, University of California, Berkeley

Rick McGahey, Institute for New Economic Thinking

Moderator: Akbar Noman, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University

2:30-2:45 ***Break***

2:45-4:15 ***Session VII: Innovations in Social Protection and Protecting the Older Persons***

Arjun Jayadev, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Isabel Ortiz, UN International Labour Organization (ILO)

Andras Uthoff, Ministry of Health and Universidad de Chile

Teresa Ghilarducci, The New School

Moderator: Stephany Griffith-Jones, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University

4:15-5:00 ***The Construction of a 21st Century Welfare State
Wrapping Up and Next Steps***

Final Observations from the Conference Co-Chairs