## Institute for **New Economic Thinking**

# ECONOMICS MUST SERVE SOCIETY



#### **VISION FOR SOUTH ASIA**

The Institute aims to bring its network of notable international scholars together with leading local scholars to powerfully address the economic questions most important to South Asia. Specific goals include:

- Leveraging the Institute's intellectual capital (in partnership with local scholars) to help address key challenges in the areas of finance, innovation, and political economy. This includes collaborative research programs and large-scale events.
- Promoting better teaching of economics through targeted education initiatives that reach widespread numbers of students and teachers.
- Providing the building blocks of a successful economics ecosystem, including: quality available data and research repositories, amplification of sound economic work, development of high professional standards, and charting of successful career paths for innovative young economists.
- Creating region-specific academic journals and networks similar to the CEPR and NBER. These would facilitate knowledge exchange and serve to set standards.
- The Institute will work with scholars to develop powerful research programs and materials around the issues of: Financial Markets, Innovation and the State, Political Economy and Economics Education, including the Young Scholars Initiative (YSI).

### **A COMMITMENT**

The Institute will work with local scholars to develop a comprehensive research program that addresses a variety of vital issues including: Financial Markets, Innovation and the State, Political Economy, and Education.

The Institute for New Economic Thinking believes that economics must serve society, and that any initiative in South Asia must ultimately serve its people. By working with leading minds to develop the necessary building blocks to support the region as its scholarship and economy evolves, the Institute can play a small but vital role in the region's continued progress.

### INDIA

The Azim Premji University and the Institute have partnered in the areas of Development Economics, Political Economy and Education in India. The University has held APU-INET summer and winter Development workshops over the past few years and more recently held the APU-INET Political Economy Conference in 2016. The National Institute for Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP) has partnered with the Institute for the annual INET-NIPFP Law, Economics Policy Conference (LEPC) in New Delhi.

Most recently, the London School of Economics (LSE)-South Asia Center (SAC) and the Institute jointly conceived the Artha Vivaad Lecture Series – a series of intimate conversations around the country focusing on Finance, Innovation, the Political Economy and Sustainability in India.

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