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Plenary

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

L'ESPACE PIERRE CARDIN
1, Avenue Gabriel, 75008 Paris, France

6.30 P

Cocktail Reception

7.30

Opening Remarks

Robert Johnson
Anatole Kaletsky
Adair Turner
George Soros
Clive Cowdery

Program

Moderator: Clive Cowdery
Speakers: Angel Gurría, Thomas Piketty, and Joseph Stiglitz

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Thursday, April 9, 2015

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2 Rue André Pascal, 75016 Paris, France

Each panel runs for 1 hour and 30 minutes. The panels *start* 15 minutes apart to allow for better flow when attendees pass through security at the OECD. Panels run concurrently in the morning and afternoon.

The panels list the names of authors and commentators; many papers are coauthored, so there are more names than papers. Regardless of the number of co-authors, each paper is allocated roughly 15 min. for presentation; commentators 10 min., then general discussion.

10.00 A

Economic Growth & Inequality across Time & Space: Where Has Growth Lead to Equality and Why?

Speakers: Branko Milanovic, Vamsi Vakulabharanam

Discussant: Christina Anselmann

Chair: Anatole Kaletsky

Room: CC13

10.15

Politics by Other Means? Eurozone Institutions and National Sovereignty in the Bank Bailout Negotiations

Speakers: Thomas Fazi, James Galbraith, Patrick Honohan, Yanis Varoufakis,

Discussant: Mar Gudmundsson

Chair: Neils Thygesen

Room: CC9

10.30

Macroeconomic Causes of Inequality

Speakers: Barry Cynamon, Steven Fazzari, Marc Lavoie, Mario Seccareccia, Till van Treeck

Discussant: Salvatore Morelli

Chair: Thomas Ferguson

Room: CC7

- 10.45 Analyzing Growth & Inequality in the 21st Century**
Speakers: Facundo Alvaredo, Gabriela Ramos, J.L. McCombie, Lance Taylor
Discussant: Nadia Garbellini
Chair: Perry Mehrling
Room: CC5
- 11.00 The Capital Account, Savings Gluts, and Global Imbalances**
Speakers: Claudio Borio, Anton Brender, Florence Pisani, Helene Rey
Discussant: Peter Temin
Chair: William White
Room: CC10
- 11.15 Budget Deficits, Austerity and Deflation**
Speakers: Karl Aiginger, Catherine Mann, Richard Portes, Martin Wolf
Discussant: Charles Goodhart
Chair: Charles Goodhart
Room: CC6
- 12:00 P LUNCH**
- 1.15 Yanis Varoufakis**
Chair: Joseph Stiglitz
Room: CC1
- 2.15 Central Banks & Distribution**
Speakers: Adrian Blundell-Wignall, Gerald Epstein, Dominique Plihon
Discussant: Mario Seccarecia
Room: CC10
- 2.15 Inequality and Climate Change**
Speakers: James Boyce, Michael Grubb, Lucas Chancel
Discussant: Shardul Agrawala
Chair: Rohinton Medhora
Room: CC6
- 2.30 Inequality: Claims about Genes**
Speakers: Daniel Benjamin, Michael Gazzaniga
Chair: Arjun Jayadev
Room: CC4
- 2.45 Financial Regulation That Might Have a Chance of Working**
Speakers: Edward J. Kane, Gudrun Johnsen, John Kay, Walker Todd
Chair: William White
Room: CC5
- 3.00 History and the Theory Of Income Distribution: Some Perspectives**
Speakers: Gerard Dumenil, Tiziana Foresti, Nadia Garbellini, Ariel Wirkierman
Discussant: Thomas Ferguson
Chair: Thomas Ferguson
Room: CC7
- 3.30 Motivations, Emotions, Decisions**
Speakers: Antonio Damasio, Tania Singer, Dennis Snower, George Soros
Discussant: Robert Johnson
Chair: Robert Johnson
Room: CC9

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Friday, April 10, 2015

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- 10.00 A** **National Strategies, Value Creation, Income Distribution, and the Structure of Careers**
Speakers: William Lazonick, Mario Pianta, Marie Carpenter
Chair: Gavin Kelly
Room: CC10
- 10.15** **Inequality, Innovation, and Public Investment**
Speakers: Alberto Botta, Anna Maria Simonazzi
Room: CC6
- 10.30** **Gender & Inequality: The Glass Ceiling In International Perspective**
Speakers: Alessandra Casarico, Monika Queisser, Judy Tsui, Sarah Voitchovsky
Discussant: Thomas Ferguson, Pia Malaney
Chair: Thomas Ferguson
Room: CC4
- 10.45** **Stimulating Innovation & Growth**
Speakers: Jim Balsillie, Dan Breznitz, Andrew Wyckoff
Discussant: William Janeway
Chair: Rohinton Medhora
Room: CC13
- 11.00** **The New Politics of Central Banking**
Speakers: Perry Mehrling, Andrew Sheng, Adair Turner
Discussant: Robert Johnson
Chair: Robert Johnson
Room: CC9
- 11.15** **Occupy? Strike? Separatism? Populism? Are Any Of The Historical Forms Of Protest Effective In The Information Age?**
Speakers: Andrea Fumagalli, Daniel Chomsky, Richard Hyman
Chair: Orsola Costantini
Room: CC7
- 12:00 P** **LUNCH**
- 2.00** **Sovereign Debt Restructuring**
Speakers: Richard Conn, Martin Guzman, Joseph Stiglitz
Chair: Eric Beinhocker
Room: CC9
- 2.15** **Northeast Asia: The Balkans of the 21st Century?**
Speakers: Bruce Cumings, Andrew Sheng
Discussant: Yide Qiao
Chair: Pia Malaney
Room: CC10
- 2.30** **Financial Networks, Financial Innovation & Inequality**
Speakers: Stefano Battiston, Co-Pierre Georg
Chair: Raphael Douady
Room: CC6

- 2.45** **Information And Economics: How Should Expectations Be Modeled? What Actually Works?**
Speakers: Duncan Foley, Michael Goldberg, David Tuckett
Room: CC4
- 3.00** **Political Institutions & Inequality**
Speakers: Jie Chen, Orsola Costantini, Mirko Draca, Thomas Ferguson, Christian Fons-Rosen, Paul Jorgensen
Discussant: Alain Parguez
Chair: Mario Seccareccia
Room CC13
- 3.15** **Challenging Economic Injustice Through Literature: What can economists learn from authors like Ruskin, Balzac, and Goethe?**
Speakers: Nicholas Boyle, Lynn Parramore, Jeffrey Spear, Sara Thornton
Discussant: Douglass Carmichael
Chair: Robert Johnson
Room CC7
- 3.30** **The Problem of Capital Flight**
Speakers: Melvin Ayogu, Leonce Ndikumana, Eleni Tsingou
Discussant: Erik Berglof
Chair: Vera Mshana
Room CC5
- 4.15** **Macroeconomic Externalities**
Speakers: Martin Guzman, Moritz Schularick, Benoit Mojon, Joseph Stiglitz
Chair: Perry Mehrling
Room: CC9

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- 10.00 A** **Large Round Discussion for Economics Curriculum for Activists**
Speakers: Louison Cahen-Fourot, Laurène Tran, Claire Jones, Yuan Yang
Discussant: Robert Johnson
Chair: Robert Johnson
Room CC10
- 10.15** **Durable Inequality and Individual Differences in Capacities and Behavior**
Speakers: Sam Bowles, James Heckman, Robert Sampson
Discussant: Arjun Jayadev
Chair: Arjun Jayadev
Room CC6
- 10.30** **The Eurozone Crisis: Fiscal Profligacy Or Capital Flows As Final Causes**
Speakers: Domenico Lombardi, Hans-Werner Sinn, Servaas Storm, Andrea Terzi
Chair: Adair Turner
Room CC9
- 10.45** **How Did Bad Economics Crowd Out Good Economics? Evidence from Citation Analysis**
Speakers: Carlo D'Ippoliti, Jakob Kapeller, Leonard Seabrooke
Discussant: Thomas Ferguson
Chair: Thomas Ferguson
Room: CC4

- 11.00** **Teaching Economics**
Speakers: Wendy Carlin, Marc Lavoie, Robert Skidelsky
Discussant: Wilfried Altzinger
Chair: Perry Mehrling
Room: CC7
- 11.15** **Finance, Sustainability and the Environment**
Speakers: Cameron Hepburn, Rens Van Tilburg, Ulrich Volz
Chair: Ian Goldin
Room: CC5
- 12.00 P** **Ukraine & The Future of Europe**
Speakers: Erik Berglof, Chris Canavan, Thomas Ferguson
Discussant: Chrystia Freeland
Chair: Steve Clemons
Room: CC1
- 12:00 – 2:00** LUNCH

By Invitation **Saturday, April 11, 2015**

LOCATION: Opéra Garnier

7.00 p **Cocktail Reception**

8.00 p **George Soros on the Future of Europe**

With the recent political tremors emanating from Greece, there is renewed focus on the existential threats facing Europe's monetary union. Until recently, the great achievement of the EU had been to reduce the probability of violent nationalist conflict among some of its members to a vanishing small probability while improving the economic lot of its members. But in spite of the salesmanship surrounding the adoption of the single currency zone, much of this reduction in the propensity toward violence and economic growth took place before the adoption of the euro. Given the high prevailing rates of unemployment and a policy focus which seems incapable of addressing Europe's growing political fracturing, is it time to consider the notion of giving up the euro? Or is there a wiser alternative that can address the immediate crises and establish a new growth dynamic in the EU?