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ON THE OCCASION OF THE

LAUNCH OF THE GLOBAL POLICY LAB (G-POL)

16th of May 2017
7.30-11.00am

The Shaw Library, Old Building, LSE
WELCOME

In early 2016, the LSE Institute of Global Affairs collaborated with Professor Raghuram Rajan, then Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, in the launch of the Rethinking Global Finance initiative. This is the first-ever research project that brings together the central banks of India, China and Russia and involving local researchers and leading academics at the LS. With this initiative and several others, the Global Policy Lab is acting as a catalyst, connecting policymakers and academics of the emerging world to each other within and across countries, and to their counterparts in advanced economies.

We are creating the Global Policy Lab against the background of the growing economic and political heft of the emerging economies, to support their ambition to have a stronger research-based voice and help shape the agenda. The LSE, with its first-rate faculty and global student body located in London – the hub linking emerging and advanced worlds – is the natural launching pad. To mark today’s Global Policy Lab launch, we have brought together speakers and participants, who embody this ideal of combining research at the highest level with participation in the transformation of their own countries and in sharing peer-to-peer research and development experience.

Professor Erik Berglof, Director, Institute of Global Affairs

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AGENDA

Moderator: Jawad Iqbal, Visiting Senior Fellow at LSE IGA and former Senior Executive, BBC News

08:00 – 08:05
Welcome by Professor Erik Berglof, LSE, Department of Economics and Director of the Institute of Global Affairs

08:05 – 10:00
Banking in the Balance

Professor Raghuram Rajan, University of Chicago and former Governor of the Reserve Bank of India

Zhu Ning, Deputy Director of NIFR at Tsinghua University

Lord Adair Turner, President of INET, and former Head of FSA

Professor Lord Nicholas Stern, LSE Economics and Grantham Institute, and former Chief Economist of the World Bank and the EBRD

Discussion and Q & A led by Professor Erik Berglof, with Michael Sohlman, Chairman of the Swedish Institute for International Affairs and former Nobel Foundation Executive Director; Professor Raghu Rajan, University of Chicago; Mario Blejer, LSE IGA Visiting Professor and former Governor of the Central Bank of Argentina; Professor Sergei Guriev, Sciences Po and Chief Economist, EBRD; and Duncan Clark, OBE, Senior LSE IGA Fellow and Chairman, BDA China Ltd.

10:00 – 10:55
Avoiding the Middle Income Trap

Professor Philippe Aghion, LSE and College de France
Assistant Professor Keyu Jin, LSE
Professor Sergei Guriev, Chief Economist, EBRD and Sciences Po

10:55 – 11:00
Closing remarks by Professor Erik Berglof
LSE INSTITUTE OF GLOBAL AFFAIRS

The LSE Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) has been building a vibrant intellectual environment for original, rigorous and significant thinking and broader impact in London across disciplines and geographic regions. Employing multidisciplinary approaches and encouraging evidence-based policy making, it aspires to promote deeper understanding and peer-to-peer transfer of knowledge across emerging and developing economies and between emerging and advanced economies. The IGA offers a 'safe space' that is open, fair and transparent and where students, government, private sector and civil society from all around the world can meet to address the challenges of the 21st century.

IGA engages ten LSE departments and currently has eight constituent centres which includes LSE IDEAS, the world’s third-ranked university-based think tank, the Centre for Women, Peace and Security as well as six regional centres. The regional centres are platforms through which LSE can mobilize its expertise across disciplines in certain geographic areas. While the individual centres must have their own agendas and priorities depending on the challenges in the individual regions, the IGA facilitates and encourages them, as well as the wider LSE community of faculty and students, to engage on common research.

IGA is pleased to launch its Global Policy Lab (G-POL), its innovative research and policy-informing laboratory.
Raghuram Rajan is a Distinguished Service Professor of Finance at the University of Chicago's Booth School. Prior to that, he was the 23rd Governor of the Reserve Bank of India from 2013 to 2016, as well as the Vice Chairman of the Board of the Bank for International Settlements. Professor Rajan was the Chief Economist and Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund.

Professor Rajan has published extensively; he wrote *Fault Lines: How Hidden Fractures Still Threaten the World Economy*, which was awarded the Financial Times-Goldman Sachs prize. He also co-authored with Luigi Zingales the book *Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists*.

Professor Rajan is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Group of Thirty and he was the President of the American Finance Association in 2011. In 2003, the American Finance Association awarded him the inaugural Fischer Black Prize for the best finance researcher under 40. Other awards include the NASSCOM Global Indian of the Year award from in 2011, the Infosys prize in 2012, the Deutsche Bank Prize in 2013, Euromoney’s Central Banker of the Year Award 2014, Central Banking magazine’s Central Banker of the Year award in 2015, and The Banker magazine’s Global Central Banker of the Year award in 2016.
Zhu Ning is Professor of Finance at Tsinghua University with previous positions at the Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance, Yale University, and University of California, Davis and Guanghua School of Management at Beijing University. Professor Zhu works on behavioral finance, investments, corporate finance, and Asian financial markets. He has published numerous articles in leading journals in finance, economics, management and law.

In addition to his academic research, Professor Zhu helps asset management companies in a wide range of capacities. During an academic leave in 2008-2010, he led quantitative strategies and portfolio advisory teams at Lehman Brothers and Nomura International in Hong Kong, both top ranked by leading institutional surveys. He commands extensive consulting experiences advising government agencies, such as the PBoC, CSRC, the World Bank and IMF, market regulators, stock and futures exchanges, and some of the largest institutional money managers and investment banks in the world.

He is the author of the best seller *The Investors’ Enemy* and *China’s Guaranteed Bubble*, both translated into multiple languages. Professor Zhu received his B. Econ. Degree from Beijing University, Master of Science degree from Cornell University, and Ph.D. degree (finance) from Yale University.
Lord Adair Turner is Chairman of the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET). Previously, Lord Turner was Chairman of the UK Financial Services, Chairman of the Pensions Commission and the Committee on Climate Change. He became a cross-bench member of the House of Lords in 2005.

He is a Senior Fellow at the Centre for Financial Studies in Frankfurt; a Visiting Fellow at Tsinghua University, Beijing; a Visiting Professor at the International Centre for Islamic Finance; a Visiting Professor at the London School of Economics and at Cass Business School, City University; a Visiting Fellow at Nuffield College Oxford; a Trustee and Chair of the Audit Committee at the British Museum; and an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Society.

Prior to 2008 Lord Turner was a non-executive Director at Standard Chartered Bank, United British Media and Siemens UK; from 2000-2006 he was Vice-Chairman of Merrill Lynch Europe, and from 1995-99, Director General of the Confederation of British Industry. He was Director General of the CBI 1995-2000. He was with McKinsey & Co. from 1982 to 1995, building McKinsey’s practice in Eastern Europe and Russia between 1992 and 1995. He was Chair of the Overseas Development Institute (2007 to 2010). His most recent publication Between Debt and the Devil (2015).
Lord Nicholas Stern is the IG Patel Professor of Economics and Government, Chairman of the Grantham Research Institute and Head of the India Observatory at the London School of Economics. He is President of the British Academy, and Fellow of the Royal Society. He was Chief Economist of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Chief Economist and Senior Vice President at the World Bank. He was Second Permanent Secretary to Her Majesty’s Treasury; Director of Policy and Research for the Prime Minister’s Commission for Africa; Head of the Stern Review on the Economics of Climate Change and the Government Economic Service.

He was knighted for services to economics and made a cross-bench life peer in 2007. He has published more than 15 books and 100 articles and his most recent book is Why are We Waiting? The Logic, Urgency and Promise of Tackling Climate Change. Professor Stern has held academic appointments in the UK at Oxford, Warwick and the LSE and abroad including at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Ecole Polytechnique and the Collège de France in Paris, the Indian Statistical Institute in Bangalore and Delhi, and the People’s University of China in Beijing. He holds 12 honorary degrees and has received the Blue Planet Prize, the BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award, the Leontief Prize, and the Schumpeter Award, amongst many others.
Mario Blejer is a Visiting Professor in the Institute of Global Affairs at the London School of Economics. Previously Professor Blejer has held the positions of Governor of the Central bank of Argentina, Senior Adviser to the Governor of the Bank of England and Director of its Centre for Central Banking Studies, and held senior positions at the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Currently he is Deputy Chairman of Banco Hipotecario, one of Argentina’s largest commercial banks and Board Director, IRSA, Argentina’s largest real estate company. Professor Blejer held the Walter Rathenau Chair in European Economics at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and was Director of the Helmut Kohl Institute. He also taught at NYU, San Andrés University and Boston University, among others. Professor Blejer has published large number of books and articles in the areas of monetary policy, financial stability, fiscal policy and performance.
Michael Sohlman is the Chairman of the Swedish Institute for International Affairs. He was the Executive Director for the Nobel Foundation for 20 years. Before that he was Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Trade, Under-Secretary of Agriculture and Director of the Budget in the Ministry of Finance in Sweden. He has also served and Permanent Swedish Delegation to the OECD.

He has been a Board Member of, among others, Sweden Post Pension Fund, Chairman; Stockholm Institute of Transition Economies; Institute for Financial Research; The Crafoord Foundation. Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences and the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences. He is also Officier de la Légion d'Honneur.

Duncan Clark is Chairman of the business advisory firm BDA in Beijing. He is a Visiting Senior Fellow at the Institute of Global Affairs at the London School of Economics; and a former Visiting Scholar at Stanford University. He previously served as Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce in China, and was awarded an OBE in 2013. Founder, investor and leading advisor on
China’s dynamic technology and consumer sectors, Duncan is author of *Alibaba: The House That Jack Ma Built*, been shortlisted for the FT/McKinsey Business Book of the Year Award 2016.

Duncan is also a cofounder or early stage investor of a number of technology ventures including AppAnnie, Student.com and Radish Fiction. He is an independent director of Bangkok Bank (China), a Trustee of the Asia Society in New York and an advisory board member of WildAid and the Digital Communication Fund of Pictet et Cie.

**Philippe Aghion** is a Professor at the College de France and the LSE, and a fellow of the Econometric Society and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He pioneered the so-called Schumpeterian Growth paradigm which was subsequently used to analyze the design of growth policies and the role of the state in the growth process. Much of this work is summarized in *Endogenous Growth Theory*, *The Economics of Growth*, and *Competition and Growth*, and in his survey “What Do We Learn from Schumpeterian Growth Theory” (joint with U. Akcigit and P. Howitt.) In 2001, Philippe Aghion received the Yrjo Jahnsson Award of the best European economist under age 45, and in 2009 he received the John Von Neumann Award.
Sergei Guriev is Chief Economist at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Professor at Sciences Po. Previously he was Professor and Rector of the New Economic School in Moscow. He received his Dr. Sc. in Economics and PhD in Applied Mathematics from the Russian Academy of Science. He has held visiting positions at MIT and Princeton University. He has been selected a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum and served on its Global Agenda Councils on Europe, New Economic Thinking, and Geo-Economics. He has twice received the Global Development Network Gold Medal in Development Economics.

Keyu Jin is Assistant Professor of Economics at LSE. She holds a B.A., M.A., and PhD from Harvard University. Her research has focused on global imbalances and global asset prices, demographics, as well as international trade and growth, often tightly linked to economic issues in China. Academic publications include the American Economic Review and the Journal of International Economics, and the Encyclopedia of Financial Globalization. She has been selected a Young Global Leader at the World Economic Forum.
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Rt Hon Gordon Brown, former UK Prime Minister

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Duncan Clark, OBE, Chairman, BDA China Ltd.

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Gene Frieda, CEO, Pimco Ltd.