



MARYAM FORUM

From Rulership to Leadership: Early Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic

The London Launch of the Maryam Forum
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Welcome to the Virtual Launch of the Maryam Forum, entitled “From Rulership to Leadership – Early Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic”. The Maryam Forum is a leadership accelerator aiming to encourage the shift towards evidence-informed, transparent, accountable, and inclusive leadership. Introduced on the global stage in Davos this year, the Forum is a collaboration between policymakers, academics, business leaders, media and students that engages the LSE across departments and disciplines.

Under the banner of the Virtual ‘London Launch’, 15 sessions take stock of the global response to the intertwined medical emergency and economic crisis - how COVID-19 intersects with several other global emergencies, and how it manifests itself in different regions of the world. In the final session of the day, our Maryam Student Leaders challenge a panel of policymakers, business representatives and academics on how to build a more effective leadership for an uncertain future.

You may ask: Why cram 15 sessions into one afternoon? Why not spread them out over a term, or even a year? We want to illustrate how global leaders face multiple crises in very different contexts at the same time. As COVID-19 has proven, these crises intersect and interact with each other, and policy makers are forced to prioritise. Leaders are often under pressure to make urgent decisions in an environment of radical uncertainty and imperfect information, with multiple discussions going on at the same time. But, we do know our audience cannot be in seven places at the same time - so all the sessions will be available to watch after the event, and the conversation will continue.

The Virtual Launch brings the Maryam Forum to the next level. Building on insights from the thematic sessions, and together with our students – the leaders of tomorrow – we will convene Maryam Co-Labs, leading up to our first Annual Global Forum in December alongside our media partners The New York Times, Caixin Media and content partner Kite Insights. We will chart a new and ambitious trajectory through action-oriented research, a fellowship programme, and an online platform for knowledge sharing and executive leadership courses. Working with policymakers, we will find ways to apply the latest research on existing and emerging global challenges, from public health and climate to growth policy, migration, and sustainable democracy.

To support this process, the Maryam Forum is creating a community of fifty founding individual members and corporate partners to provide input into the annual agenda and collaborate in the Maryam Co-Labs. We invite you to join us!

Erik Berglof

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Khalid Janahi

Chairman, Vision 3

Sophie Lambin

CEO, Kite Insights

Andrés Velasco

Dean, School of Public Policy, LSE

About Maryam Forum

With a name chosen for its cross-cultural roots, Maryam Forum is a rare collaboration between students, business leaders, high level policy makers, leading academics and media, led by the LSE Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) and its Global Policy Lab (G-Pol) at the new School of Public Policy (SPP). Launched in Davos to coincide with the 2020 World Economic Forum, Maryam Forum seeks to change the face of leadership across emerging and advanced economies by building a diverse community that will foster stronger links between businesses, researchers and policymakers while promoting inclusive values and actions.

Driven by deep engagement with students, who are central to the project, the Maryam forum presents an unrivalled opportunity for the leaders of tomorrow to meet and work alongside today's global leaders and influential professionals. Together with the students we will convene Maryam Co-Labs, leading up to our first annual Global Conference in December. From climate change, global emergencies and healthcare, to industrial policy, populism and migration, these year-round working groups will tackle the most urgent challenges of our time - providing opportunities to exchange expertise and shape solutions, and unlocking the potential for inclusive and sustainable leadership across all regions of the world.

Our future is calling for a new kind of leadership to address urgent challenges everywhere, and the pandemic has made the critical leadership gap all the clearer. Every country, business and individual in our interconnected world has been affected - directly by the health crisis, or indirectly by the economic upheaval. Alongside this global disruption comes unprecedented uncertainty. To navigate this, we need close collaboration between trustworthy leaders from business, research and policy who respect and value evidence, understand the interconnected nature of global issues and value overall, meritocracy, accountability and inclusion.

Academic Partners:



The LSE School of Public Policy was founded in August 2018 with Professor Andrés Velasco appointed as its inaugural Dean. The LSE School of Public Policy is an international community where ideas and practice meet. Our approach creates professionals with the ability to analyse, understand and resolve the challenges of contemporary governance.

The history of public policy and public service has been at the heart of LSE since its inception. LSE was founded in 1895 “to understand the causes of things” and “for the betterment of society”. The original prospectus, from 1895, calls for “a further provision for systematic training in economic and political science, and the promotion of original investigation and research”. About 125 years later, there could be no better

way to describe the mission of the School of Public Policy and strengths of our curriculums.

Our education focuses on rigorous and empirical skills and tools that underpin evidence-based policymaking. We combine this with an application of these skills to real-world problems and contexts. We are inclusive and supportive of our diverse student community, open to all enquiring minds.

We offer three postgraduate degrees in public policy and public administration. Each of our degrees are tailored to a different stage of your policy career, but they all put the same emphasis on a strong foundation in economics, political science and quantitative methods.

Our entry-level degree is the two-year Master of Public Administration (MPA). Applicants usually have one year of relevant professional experience, though some have more. Key skills are taught in-depth through the first year, while in the second year students can choose a specialism for their MPA. All students take part in a Capstone project,

working with on a real-world policy challenge with an external client.

For students with three or more years of professional experience, we offer a 9-month Master of Public Policy (MPP). The MPP is a rounded policy degree, including Public Management and Philosophy alongside economics, political science and quantitative methods. The degree allows students to take a career break and quickly return to the workplace equipped to take on new challenges.

Our most experienced students choose the Executive MPA, which is taught over 19 months. This degree runs in a modular format, with students attending teaching for 8 intensive week-long or weekend blocks. This format allows students to remain in their jobs and combine work with study. Students have at least five years of post-degree professional experience and often substantially more, creating a network of contacts to drive career progress at the senior levels.



The Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) at the LSE School of Public Policy was established in 2015 with a mandate to maximise the impact of LSE’s world leading expertise across social sciences by shaping locally-rooted responses to the most important and pressing global challenges. IGA has a global reach and a multi-disciplinary approach, encouraging fertilisation across regions

and disciplines. With a focus on research-based policy-making, IGA aspires to promote deeper understanding and peer-to-peer transfer of knowledge across emerging and developing economies. Our Global Policy Lab mobilises LSE faculty and students through connecting them with academics and policymakers in these economies, currently on five challenges: global growth (Middle Income Trap), global finance (Rethinking Global Finance), migration (Global Migration Initiative), disinformation (Arena Project) and Climate and the Ocean (Blue

Finance). With the arrival of COVID-19 we have also taken on a global health initiative focusing on the intersection of the pandemic and the five challenges (Living with COVID-19). IGA also 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. The Maryam Forum is our vehicle to bring together the necessary coalitions and help build much needed ecosystems of leadership, nationally and globally.

Content Partner:



Kite Insights is a boutique consultancy specialised in research-based content, convenings and coalitions. We help our clients – global companies and organisations – to develop thoughtful content to shape the debate on issues that matter and drive their thoughtful action. At Kite Insights we

believe that businesses have a responsibility to society and the power to effect global change. We help conscious companies take a stand on a social or environmental issue that matters to them and to their stakeholders, positioning that stance within the broader debate and within their own business strategy. As Content Partner for the Maryam Forum, Kite Insights is supporting the development of Maryam Co-Labs - year-round working groups of policy makers, researchers, business leaders and students – which focus on innovative strategies and evidence-based policy solutions to support the transition from rulership to leadership.

Media Partner:

The New York Times

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or the International Edition, on the go with an array of apps for smartphones and tablets, or online with access to our award-winning website, NYTimes.com, The New York Times delivers excellence in journalism and rich, interactive, multimedia storytelling to readers around the world. Through live events and conference offerings year-round, The Times brings its curatorial expertise and editorial excellence to life, connecting audiences with journalists, like-minded communities, and industry leading-figures for unrivaled experiences.

From Rulership to Leadership: Early Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic

The virtual “London Launch” of the Maryam Forum

The COVID-19 pandemic has challenged humanity like no other shock in recent memory. Every country and every individual in our deeply interconnected world have felt the impacts, with its twin health and economic crises creating widespread social disruption and unprecedented uncertainty. Even before COVID-19, it was clear many of the challenges we face today demand system change that cannot be achieved by self-interested rulers. It is urgent that we overcome this leadership gap.

Since March 2020, The School of Public Policy and its Institute of Global Affairs at the London School of Economics and Political Science have been examining the pandemic and its policy implications via a dedicated webinar series - revealing the complexity of the crisis and the value of bringing together expertise from around the world to develop a global perspective.

With fifteen distinct sessions over the course of the day, this Virtual Launch event will draw key lessons for leadership on global challenges, from multiple disciplinary perspectives and across emerging and advanced economies. For the closing plenary, our Maryam Forum Student Leaders will challenge a panel of policymakers, academics and business leaders on the transformative policy solutions needed globally. Together they will chart a path towards evidence-based and accountable leadership to accelerate a sustainable, inclusive and resilient recovery in all regions of the world.

All the live sessions will be available to watch after the event, and we will publish the main findings and key highlights from the Launch in a video-book.

Join us, alongside our media partner The New York Times and our content partner Kite Insights for this virtual event and the opportunity to be part of Maryam Forum from its outset!

Programme

Thursday 2nd July 2020

13:00_14:30 BST

BST Opening Plenary Session:

Defeating COVID-19 everywhere – What needs to be done NOW

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

14:30_ 14:45 BST Break

14:45 – 16:00 BST

Thematic Breakout Sessions: COVID-19 and the Global Agenda

Populism and Democracy in the time of COVID-19

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Rethinking industrial policy: COVID-19 and opportunities for transformation

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Financing the Global Response to COVID-19

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Building forward better – the Ocean and our climate

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Migration and COVID-19: shifting boundaries of mobility

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

COVID-19 and the State Fragility Trap

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Defending the Global Commons in a COVID-19 World

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

16:00_16:30 BST Student-led Interactive Lab

16:30_17:45 BST

Geographic Breakout Sessions:

COVID-19 and Regional Approaches

COVID-19 Governance with Chinese Characteristics

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

Lessons and Implications of COVID-19 for Europe

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

A Critical Assessment of COVID-19's Impact in MENA

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

South Asia: the public health response to COVID-19

(16:00-17:15)

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

COVID-19 in Africa: leadership, inequality and resilience

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

COVID-19 in Latin America: the lessons for public policy, inequality and innovation

[\(Click here for session details\)](#)

17:45_18:00 BST Break

18:00 – 20:00 BST

Maryam Forum Challenge: Living with COVID-19 – What leadership do we need? And Next steps:

Join the Maryam Movement!

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OPENING PLENARY SESSION:

Defeating COVID-19 everywhere: What needs to be done NOW?

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The opening plenary will bring leading policy makers together to take stock of the immense challenges the COVID-19 pandemic has created around the world, and the global response so far. While the G20 has adopted a Global Action Plan, and international financial institutions have taken steps to mitigate the twin health and economic crises, much remains to be done. This session will explore the policy steps to be taken now to save lives and livelihoods and bring about a sustained recovery.



Moderator: Erik Berglof

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Professor Erik Berglof became the inaugural Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) in 2015. Previously he was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Erik Berglof held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. In 2017-2018 he served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance and on the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York. He is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London.



Co-moderator: Piroska Nagy Mohacsi

Programme Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Piroska Nagy Mohacsi is a macroeconomist and Programme Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) at LSE, where she is responsible for various global policy initiatives on financial resilience, growth and migration. She was Policy Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), overseeing strategic directions in Emerging Europe, Central Asia and North Africa as well as major policy initiatives. She was also responsible for the EBRD's economic forecast and co-created and co-led the Vienna Initiative in 2008-15, a public-private crisis management and coordination platform in emerging Europe, and headed its Secretariat. Piroska worked in senior positions for the International Monetary Fund (IMF) between 1986 and 2008 with surveillance, policy advice and program responsibilities in Europe, Africa and Asia.



Rt. Hon. Gordon Brown

UN Special Envoy for Global Education;
former UK Prime Minister

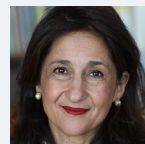
Gordon Brown is the United Nations Special Envoy for Global Education and former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. He is Chair of the Global Strategic Infrastructure Initiative of the World Economic Forum and also serves as Distinguished Global Leader in Residence of New York University. He served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 2007 to 2010. Previously, he served as Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1997 to 2007, making him the longest-serving Chancellor in modern history. Gordon has a PhD in History from the University of Edinburgh.



Jeremy Farrar

Director of the Wellcome Trust

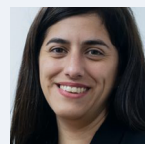
Jeremy Farrar is the Director of the Wellcome Trust. Before joining Wellcome in October 2013, Jeremy Farrar was Director of the Oxford University Clinical Research Unit in Viet Nam for 18 years. His research interests were infectious diseases and global health, with a focus on emerging infections. He has published almost 600 articles, mentored many dozens of students and fellows, and served as Chair on several advisory boards for governments and global organisations. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences UK, the National Academies USA, the European Molecular Biology Organisation and a Fellow of The Royal Society. Jeremy was knighted in the Queen's 2019 New Year Honours for services to global health.



Minouche Shafik

Director, London School of Economics and Political Science

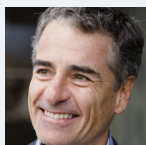
Minouche Shafik is the Director of the London School of Economics and Political Science. An economist by training, she became the youngest vice-president in the history of the World Bank at the age of 36. Minouche returned to the UK in 2004 and rose to become the Permanent Secretary of the Department for International Development where she was responsible for the UK's development assistance efforts around the world. She joined the IMF in 2011 as Deputy Managing Director with responsibility for many of the crisis countries in the Eurozone and the Arab countries in transition. From 2014-2017 she was Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, responsible for a balance sheet of almost £475 billion, and sat on all of the Bank's major policy committees. She was made a Dame Commander of the British Empire in 2015.



María Antonieta Alva

Minister of Economy and Finance, Peru

María Antonieta Alva is the Minister of Economy and Finance of Peru since October 2019. She has been working in Peru's public administration for 10 years. In 2017, she was appointed General Director of Public Budget at the Ministry of Economy and Finance, where she conducted Peru's public budget, and the formulation of the Public Budget Acts of 2018 and 2019. Between 2014 and 2017, she was the Chief of Strategic Planning and Budget at the Ministry of Education. Previously, she worked at the General Directorate of Public Investment and the General Directorate of Public Budget at the Ministry of Economy and Finance. María Antonieta Alva holds a Master's in Public Administration in International Development (MPA/ID) from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government (USA), and a BA in Economics from Universidad del Pacífico (Peru).



Andrés Velasco

Dean of the School of Public Policy, LSE

Professor Andrés Velasco is the Dean of the LSE School of Public Policy. He was the Minister of Finance in Chile between 2006 and 2010 and has held professorial roles at the Harvard Kennedy School and Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He was president of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) from 2005 to 2007. In February 2006 he received the Award for Excellence in Research from the Inter-American Development Bank. In 2013-16 he was a member of the Global Oceans Commission and during 2015-16 he co-chaired the Global Panel on the Future of the Multilateral Lending Institutions. In 2017-18 he was a member of the G20 Eminent Persons Group. He is the author of nearly one hundred academic articles, several academic books and two novels. He has served as a consultant to the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and to governments, central banks and private businesses around the world.



Zhu Min

Chair, National Institute of Financial Research,
PBC School of Finance, Tsinghua University

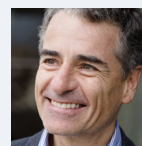
Zhu Min is currently the Chair of the National Institute of Financial Research at the PBC School of Finance, Tsinghua University. He was formerly a Deputy Managing Director at the IMF from July 2011 to July 2016. Before that, he was a Deputy Governor of the People's Bank of China. Prior to his service at China's central bank, he held various positions at the Bank of China where he served as Group Executive Vice president. Dr. Zhu also worked at the World Bank and taught economics at both Johns Hopkins University and Fudan University. Dr. Zhu received his Ph.D and M.A. in economics from Johns Hopkins University, an M.P.A. from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public International Affairs at Princeton University, and a B.A. in economics from Fudan University.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

Populism and Democracy in the time of COVID-19

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Populist governments of the right and left (including in the United States, Mexico and Brazil) have some of the worst track records in dealing with COVID-19. At the same time, the virus has unleashed what The Economist called a “pandemic of power grabs”, as would-be autocrats take advantage of the emergency to limit rights and grant themselves enhanced powers. The attack by authoritarian populists against the institution of liberal democracy has become even more formidable, while autocrats who manipulate or hide death counts remind the world why democracy and press freedom are so important – and why they remain crucial to guarantee government responsiveness in hard times like these. Will democracy or autocracy emerge the winner from the pandemic?



Chair: Andrés Velasco, Dean

LSE School of Public Policy

Professor Velasco is the Dean of the LSE School of Public Policy. He was the Minister of Finance in Chile between 2006 and 2010 and has held professorial roles at the Harvard Kennedy School and Columbia University’s School of International and Public Affairs. He was president of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) from 2005 to 2007. In February 2006 he received the Award for Excellence in Research from the Inter-American Development Bank. In 2013-16 he was a member of the Global Oceans Commission and during 2015-16 he co-chaired the Global Panel on the Future of the Multilateral Lending Institutions. In 2017-18 he was a member of the G20 Eminent Persons Group. He is the author of nearly one hundred academic articles, several academic books and two novels. He has served as a consultant to the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and to governments, central banks and private businesses around the world.



Luis Garicano

Member of the European Parliament (MEP) from Spain;
Vice President of Renew Europe

Luis Garicano is a Member of the European Parliament, leader of Ciudadanos in Europe, and Vice President for Economic Affairs of Renew Europe. He is also a Professor of Strategy at IE Business School (currently on leave). Before entering elective politics, he was a Professor of Strategy and Economics at the London School of Economics, and previously a Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago, focusing on the relationship between technology, inequality, the organization of work, and economic growth.



Anne Applebaum

Senior Fellow, SNF Agora Institute; Associate Professor of the Practice, Johns Hopkins University

Anne Applebaum is a staff writer for The Atlantic and a senior fellow at the Agora Institute at Johns Hopkins University, where she runs a project on 21st century disinformation. Her newest book, *Twilight of Democracy*, will appear in July 2020. She is the author of several history books, including *Red Famine: Stalin's War on Ukraine*; *Iron Curtain: The Crushing of Eastern Europe 1944-1956* and *Gulag: A History*, which won the 2004 Pulitzer Prize for non-fiction. She was a Washington Post columnist for fifteen years. She is a former member of the Washington Post editorial board, a former deputy editor of the *Spectator*, and a former Warsaw correspondent of the *Economist*. Her work has appeared in the *New York Review of Books*, *Foreign Affairs* and many other publications, and she has lectured all over the world. She lives in Warsaw and London.



Mehmet Şimşek

Former Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey

Mehmet Şimşek has served as the deputy prime minister & minister of finance of Turkey. During his term in office (2007-2018), he was a strong advocate of structural reforms & prudent macroeconomic policies, which have helped Turkey prosper and cope with multiple domestic & external shocks. Before entering politics, he worked for Merrill Lynch as an economist and strategist & as the head of Fixed Income Strategy and Macro Economic Research for the emerging EMEA region (2000-2007). Earlier in his career, he worked for Deutsche Securities, UBS Securities, the US Government, and Ankara University. Mr Şimşek was nominated as one of the 500 most powerful people on the planet by *Foreign Policy* in 2013, and awarded as the 'Finance Minister of the Year' for Emerging Europe 2013" by *Emerging Markets* magazine. Mr Şimşek currently serves on advisory boards of a number of investment banks & think tanks.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

Rethinking Industrial Policy: COVID-19 and opportunities for transformation

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As governments around the world deal with the catastrophic economic impacts of COVID-19, industrial policy has taken centre stage. Previously considered a tool 'that-shall-not-be-named', in recent years there has been a fundamental shift in scholarly and policy thinking in this space, provoked in part by the failure of austerity measures to tackle the long-lasting negative effects of the Great Recession of 2008. This panel will explore key questions that must be answered - from the dynamics of globalisation vs reshoring, to uneven development, and the need for effective operational tools if we are to design and implement the right industrial policy to navigate this crisis and promote inclusive and sustainable outcomes, both now and in the future.



Chair: Robert Wade

Professor of Political Economy and Development,
Department of International Development at the LSE

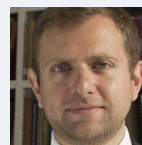
She has been with the World Bank Group since 2011. She works on issues of international competitiveness, globalisation, and the links between financial markets and trade. Prior to joining the World Bank, Daria worked at the European Central Bank, and at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development. She has authored various books on international trade.



Philippe Aghion

Professor at the Collège de France and at LSE

Professor at the LSE and College de France and at the London School of Economics. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. His research focuses on the economics of growth. In 2001, Philippe Aghion received the Yrjo Jahnsson Award for the best European economist under the age of 45, and in 2009 he received the John Von Neumann Award.



Riccardo Crescenzi

Professor of Economic Geography at LSE

He is the current holder of a European Research Council (ERC) Grant. He is also an Associate at the Centre for International Development, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and is affiliated with the European Institute, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) and the Spatial Economics Research Centre (SERC) at the LSE. His research is focused on regional economic development, innovation, Foreign Direct Investment and multinationals, and the analysis and evaluation of European Union policies.



Joaquim Oliveira Martins

Deputy Director, OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship,
SMEs, Regions and Cities

He has held several senior positions at the OECD since 1991 and is the author of numerous academic articles and OECD publications. Prior to joining the OECD, he was a Research Fellow at the Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII, Paris).



Daria Taglioni

Lead economist in the Chief economist office,
Manager of the WDR 2020, World

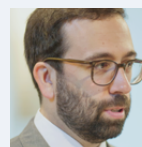
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Financing the Global Response to COVID-19

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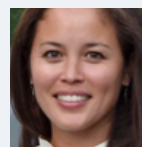
The economic policies that addressed the health emergency and the lockdown caused by COVID-19 have left in their wake a large increase in private and public debt. The economic recovery will likely come at a slow pace and require stimulus packages that will increase this debt further. How will such a large debt burden constrain the economy in the short run? How will it be paid for in the long run? Is more borrowing possible and at what cost? This panel brings together three perspectives on how to finance the response to COVID-19. One perspective is that of sovereign debt and the role of international organizations in assisting countries. Another perspective is that of corporate debt and the role or bankruptcy codes. A third perspective is that of central banks and national Treasuries in managing the mix between different types of state debt and interest costs. In particular, the session will emphasise the global dimension and the issues facing emerging markets.



Chair: Ricardo Reis

A.W. Phillips Professor of Economics
at the London School of Economics

Recent honors include the 2016 Bernacer prize for best European economist under the age of 40 working in macroeconomics and finance, and the 2017 Banque de France / Toulouse School of Economics junior prize. Professor Reis is an academic consultant at the Bank of England and the Federal Reserve system, he directs the ESRC Centre for Macroeconomics in the UK, is a recipient of an ERC grant from the EU and serves on the council or as an advisor of multiple organizations.



Cynthia Balloch

Assistant Professor in the Department of Finance, LSE

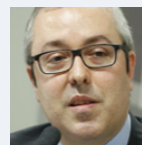
Her research focuses on the role of financial institutions in the macroeconomy, with a particular focus on macroeconomic policy, market-based alternatives to traditional banks, and sovereign and corporate lending markets. Balloch received her Ph.D. in Economics from Columbia University, and was awarded a dissertation fellowship by the Macro Financial Modeling Project of the Becker Friedman Institute at the University of Chicago. Previously she worked at JPMorgan and the International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group.



Patrick Bolton

David Zalaznick Professor of Business
at the Columbia Business School

Patrick began his career at the University of California at Berkeley, then moved to Harvard University's Economic Department. He was also Cassel Professor of Money and Banking at LSE and John H. Scully '66 Professor of Finance and Economics at Princeton University. His research and areas of interest are in contract theory and contracting issues in corporate finance and industrial organization. He is the fellow of various groups including Econometric Society, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the British Academy and American Finance Association.



Carlos Viana de Carvalho

Founding Partner and Head of Research
at Asset Investment Company

Carlos has served as the Deputy Governor for Economic Policy of the Central Bank of Brazil. Before that, he was an economist and subsequently senior economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York between August 2007 and May 2011. He also served as the Chief Economist and co-manager of fixed income and multi-market funds of BBA-Capital/BBA-Capital. Carlos is also the Associate Professor at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro from 2011. His research focuses on Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Finance, and International Macroeconomics and Finance. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Princeton University.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

Building Forward Better – the Ocean and our Climate

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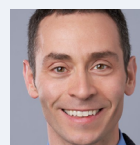
As global value chains and infrastructure around the world have ground to a halt or been severely disrupted by COVID-19, essential human needs and the hidden costs of excessive resource consumption are being re-evaluated. In response to the economic downturn, fiscal recovery packages are expected to reach unprecedented levels - raising important questions as to how this money will be spent. Amid widespread expectation of bailouts and the protection of existing jobs, calls to 'build back better' are challenging the reactivation of business-as-usual as a viable route to recovery. These upcoming policy choices will determine whether our economies remain fossil-fuel- intensive or transition to meet the targets of the Paris Agreement. The panel will explore nature- based solutions as an avenue for fiscal stimulus, revealing how protecting and restoring biodiversity - in the ocean as well as on land - is a critical component of policy strategies to mitigate and adapt to climate change, reduce risk and build resilient futures.



Chair: Sam Fankhauser

Director, Grantham Research Institute

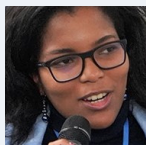
Sam is Director of the Grantham Institute on Climate Change and the Environment and the ESRC-funded Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy, both at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Outside academia, Sam is currently a Non-Executive Director of CDC Group, the UK's development finance institution, and he served on the UK Committee on Climate Change from 2008 to 2016. Previously, Sam was Deputy Chief Economist at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), and has worked at the World Bank and the Global Environment Facility. He holds a PhD in economics from University College London and an MSc from the London School of Economics and Political Science.



Jason Eis

Executive Director, Vivid Economics

Jason is Executive Director at Vivid Economics, where he oversees projects in finance, energy and industry, cities and infrastructure, and natural resources. Prior to joining Vivid, Eis was Regional Director for the Global Green Growth Institute, where he oversaw programmes in Latin America, Africa and India, supporting public policy and private sector investment decisions in the energy, transport, agricultural and forestry sectors. He also served as Associate Director at the Carbon Trust where he led strategic development of cleantech RD&D, incubation and seed-funding programmes. Eis has a PhD in Economics from the University of California, Berkeley, and a BA from Yale University.



Angelique Pouponneau

CEO, Seychelles' Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust

She is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the Seychelles' Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust, which supports community-led projects on marine conservation and climate change. Under her leadership, the fund has tripled its disbursement rate, with more than half of the projects being led by women. A lawyer by profession and co-founder of the non-governmental organisation SIDS Youth AIMS Hub-Seychelles, she has spent her career focusing on climate change and sustainable development at a grassroots level. She recently completed an LLM in Environmental Law where her research focused on the necessary legal framework for making oceans part of the solution to climate change.



Torsten Thiele

Visiting Fellow, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

His research focuses on ocean governance and blue finance. Founder of the Global Ocean Trust and Senior Research Associate at the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS), Potsdam, Torsten Thiele had a long career in infrastructure finance in the City of London, where he was Head of Telecom Project Finance for Investec Bank plc until 2013. He holds graduate degrees in economics and in law from Bonn University, an MPhil from the University of Cambridge and an MPA from the Harvard Kennedy School. He returned to Harvard University as a 2014 Advanced Leadership Fellow. Torsten Thiele is also active on a number of advisory boards, including DOSI and EU ocean projects SOPHIE and iAtlantic. New Year Honours for services to global health.



Swenja Surminski

Head of Adaptation Research, Grantham Research Institute

She oversees research projects on climate adaptation, loss and damage of climate change, and disaster risk finance. Her current research investigates climate risk management and resilience strategies through a mix of inter-disciplinary approaches, focusing on public policies, financial instruments and individual behaviour. Prior to joining LSE in 2010, she had spent more than ten years in the insurance industry working on climate and risks management. Swenja was a Fulbright Scholar and holds a PhD in Political Science from Hamburg University.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

Migration and COVID-19: Shifting boundaries of mobility

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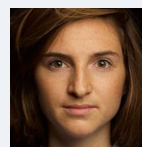
COVID-19 is changing the nature of global mobility and migration policies. Offering perspectives on various geographies, including from Africa, Asia and the Middle East, this session will reveal new insights from frontier research on how the pandemic is affecting mobility and migration patterns. Speakers will explore the intersecting impacts of Covid-19 and migration on labour markets, informality, food insecurity, remittances, entrepreneurship and technology. Linking to Maryam Forum's central theme, the panel will discuss the need for leadership in governance, the role of the private sector, and the importance of growing the evidence-base to inform policy decisions.



Chair: Marta Foresti

Director of ODI Europe, ODI;
Visiting Senior Research Fellow, LSE

Marta is the Director of ODI Europe and she also leads ODI's Human Mobility Initiative, managing the institute engagement on migration at global, regional and local level. She is Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Global Affairs and the London School of Economics and she is acting as senior policy advisor for the consultation of the Global Compact For Migration and to the IOM's Research Syndicate. She is a member of the Advisory Board of Refugeesdeeply.com, of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Migration Policy and Practice as well as of the Board of PorCausa.org. Until April 2018 Marta was Managing Director at ODI and as a member of the ODI Senior leadership team she contributed to setting the institute's strategic agenda, priorities and goals. Her interests include the political economy of development and reform, migration and human mobility, natural resource management, conflict and fragility.



Joséphine Goubé

CEO of Techfugees

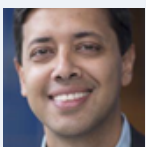
Alumnus from both Sciences Po Paris and the London School of Economics in urban development, Josephine has been the CEO of Techfugees, coordinating the tech community to create technology for and with displaced people since 2015. She sits on the board of the Norwegian Refugee Council and acts as an informal expert for the European Commission on migration reforms. Nominated as one of the top "30 under 30 Social Entrepreneurs" by Forbes in 2016, 2017 and 2018, in 2017 she was honored as "Digital Women" of the year in France in 2017. From 2012 to 2016, Josephine was Migreat's partnerships manager, a London startup specialized in applying for visas for Europe.



Gibril Faal

Director of GK Partners; Professor in Practice,
Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Gibril Faal is a multi-disciplinary business and development executive. He is a professor in practice at London School of Economics (LSE), and co-founder and director of GK Partners, which advises socially responsible businesses and development institutions across the world. He is the vice chair of Bond, the platform of UK NGOs working on international development, member of the advisory council of the Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program, and consultant to the African Union. He is the founding director of Africa-Europe Diaspora Development Platform and former chairman of African Foundation for Development (AFFORD). Prof. Faal served as technical expert on negotiations for the Global Compact on Migration, and delivered keynote addresses at the UN General Assembly at the 2013 High Level Dialogue and the 2016 UN Summit for Refugees and Migrants. He previously served as co-chair, grand rapporteur and common space moderator at summits of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD), and chaired the Entrepreneurship Committee of the GFMD Business Mechanism.



Mushfiq Mobarak

Professor of Economics, Yale University

Mushfiq Mobarak is Professor of Economics at Yale University with concurrent appointments in the School of Management and in the Department of Economics. Mobarak is the founder and faculty director of the Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE). He holds other appointments at Innovations for Poverty Action, the Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) at MIT, the International Growth Centre (IGC) at LSE. Mobarak has several ongoing research projects in Bangladesh, Brazil, Chile, Kenya, Malawi and Sierra Leone.



Semih Tumen

Professor of Economics, TED University

Semih Tumen is a Professor of Economics at TED University. He is also an Advisor to the Human Resources Office of Turkish Presidency; Consultant at World Bank; Research Fellow at the Economic Research Forum (ERF, Cairo/Egypt); Research Affiliate at the Households in Conflict Network (HiCN, Berlin/Germany); and Academic Editor at PLOS ONE. He served as the Director General of Economic Research at the Central Bank of Turkey from 2016 to 2018. His research concentrates on Labor Economics with a special focus on job search, human capital, migration/refugees, and social networks. His current interest is mainly on investigating the education, labor market, and product market consequences of the refugee problem.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

COVID-19 and the State Fragility Trap

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Over 1.8 billion of the world population live in fragile states that are unable to deliver basic governance. This is expected to rise to over 2 billion, without factoring in COVID-19. All countries are struggling to contain the disease and mitigate its economic, political and social tolls. But the challenge is exponentially more arduous in states which have been stuck in a fragility trap even before the pandemic. Responses have varied across fragile states with some copying more advanced and capable states, embracing expensive and inefficient umbrella lockdowns and others adapting context appropriate mitigation measures. Fragile states need to be supported in order to avoid getting more stuck in fragility traps, but also emerge more capable and prepared to deal with future pandemics and crises.



Chair: Adnan Khan

Professor of Practice at the LSE School of Public Policy and STICERD

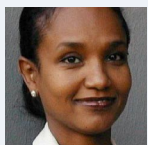
Before joining the School of Public Policy and STICERD, Professor Khan served as Research and Policy Director at the International Growth Centre at the LSE for ten years. During 2018-19, he was a Visiting Lecturer of Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School. Professor Khan has spent more than 15 years in the policy world as a practitioner, policymaker and activist, and more than 10 years in the research world as an instructor, researcher and as a catalyser of other people's research. His areas of interest include economic development and state capacity, political economy and state fragility, and public finance.



Matt Andrews

Senior Lecturer in Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School

Matt is Faculty lead of the Building State Capacity program. His research focuses on public sector reform, particularly budgeting and financial management reform, and participatory governance in developing and transitional governments. Recent articles focus on forging a theoretical understanding of the nontechnical factors influencing success in reform processes. Specific emphasis lies on the informal institutional context of reform, as well as leadership structures within government-wide networks. This research developed out of his work in the provincial government of Kwa-Zulu Natal in South Africa and more recently from his tenure as a Public Sector Specialist working in the Europe and Central Asia Region of the World Bank.



Nada Eissa

Associate Professor of Public Policy and Economics;
Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic
Research (NBER)

Nada served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy between 2005-2007. Previously, she was on the economics faculty at the University of California at Berkeley, a National Fellow of the NBER, a visiting economist at the IMF and a visiting scholar at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI). Professor Eissa's research examines how tax and transfer policy affects work and family formation decisions, and in turn what these behavioral responses imply for how programs should be designed. Her work has been published in major economics journals, and widely cited in the media. Her current research has expanded into education; including evaluating the Washington D.C. Scholarship Program, the first federally-funded school-voucher program in the United States; and the impact of school choice on academic performance in public schools. Professor Eissa is a recipient of the National Tax Association's Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation in Government and Finance and Taxation (1995). She is also a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance. Professor Eissa is also the lead academic for the International Growth Centre in South Sudan and Uganda.



Abdoulaye Bousso

Director, The Senegal Health Emergency
Operations Center, Dakar

Abdoulaye is currently leading the public health response to COVID-19 in Senegal. Dr Bousso is an expert in disaster management and health emergencies. He is also an international Health Regulations and Emergency Operations Center expert for the WHO. Dr Bousso holds degrees in medicine, disaster management, trauma & orthopedic surgery and administration and finance. He is also a humanitarian member of Medecins Sans Frontieres and has worked as a surgeon in Nigeria, Ivory Coast and Haiti. He has occupied senior positions in Senegal as a Technical Adviser to the Minister of Health, Vice-President of the Senegalese Medical Council and Secretary-General of the Senegalese Physicians Union.

THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND THE GLOBAL AGENDA

Defending the Global Commons in a COVID-19 World

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The COVID-19 pandemic has reinforced global rifts. What does this mean for our ability to respond to the intertwined medical emergency and economic crisis? How does the increased tension affect our capacity to address other global emergencies and challenges? What is the future of multilateralism? Can the global architecture cope with these tectonic shifts? Many countries, especially those in the developing world, rely heavily on the multilateral institutions. How will they fare in a more fractured world? Who will defend the global commons? Is there a way to restore the common ground?



Chair: Erik Berglof

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Professor Erik Berglof became the inaugural Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) in 2015. Previously he was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Erik Berglof held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. In 2017- 2018 he served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance and on the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York. He is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London.



Ketan Patel

CEO and Co-Founder, Greater Pacific Capital

Raghuram Rajan is the Katherine Dusak Miller Distinguished Service Professor of Finance at Chicago Booth School of Business. He was the 23rd Governor of the Reserve Bank of India between September 2013 and September 2016. Between 2003 and 2006, Dr. Rajan was the Chief Economist and Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund. Dr. Rajan's research interests are in banking, corporate finance, and economic development, especially the role finance plays in it. The books he has written include *The Third Pillar: How the State and Markets are Leaving Communities Behind* 2019, *I do What I do: On Reform, Rhetoric, and Resolve*, 2017, and *Fault Lines: How Hidden Fractures Still Threaten the World Economy*, for which he was awarded the Financial Times-Goldman Sachs prize for best business book in 2010.



Dali Yang

William Claude Reavis Professor in the Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

Dali L. Yang is the William Claude Reavis Professor in the Department of Political Science and the College and Senior Advisor to the President and the Provost on Global Initiatives at the University of Chicago. His research interests include the politics of China's development, particularly regulation, governance and state- society relations. He is the founding faculty director of the University of Chicago Center in Beijing, a University-wide initiative to promote collaboration and exchange between UChicago scholars and students and their Chinese counterparts. Among his books are *Remaking the Chinese Leviathan: Market Transition and the Politics of Governance in China* (Stanford University Press, 2004); *Calamity and Reform in China: State, Rural Society and Institutional Change since the Great Leap Famine* (Stanford University Press, 1996); and *Beyond Beijing: Liberalization and the Regions in China* (Routledge, 1997).



Ksenia Yudaeva

First Deputy Governor and Member of the Board of Directors, Central Bank of the Russian Federation

Ksenia Yudaeva is the First Deputy Governor and Member of the Board of Directors, Central Bank of the Russian Federation. Previously, she was the Head of the Macroeconomic Research Center of Sberbank, the largest Russian commercial bank, with the responsibilities covering macroeconomic development analysis & risks and providing relevant reports to the top management of the bank, investors and general public. She also holds the position of Deputy Head of the Expert Committee at the Russia Government Committee on Enhancing Resilience of the Russian Economy. As a member of the Committee she advises the Government on policy issues related to the global financial and economic situation. Prior to joining Sberbank, Yudaeva worked for several Russian think tanks, including the Center for Strategic Research (the major think tank advising the Ministry of Economy), and Moscow Carnegie Center (Moscow's arm of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace).

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND REGIONAL APPROACHES

COVID-19 Governance with Chinese Characteristics

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Despite being the first epicentre, China has very few infected and deaths from COVID-19 relative to its population size. However, there are still challenges and uncertainties beneath the health miracle. The first challenge is about multilevel governance. How efficient has the central government been in collecting information from local officials? How can information collection be improved? A second challenge is about the centrality of economic growth to the government. How has the emphasis on growth influenced policies and reporting at the local and provincial levels? What impact will the economic shock from the pandemic have on the support for government policies? A third challenge concerns the sustainability of the extraordinarily strict lockdown measures and other non- pharmaceutical interventions which have been central to the apparent success so far.



Chair: Erik Berglof

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Professor Erik Berglof became the inaugural Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) in 2015. Previously he was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Erik Berglof held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. In 2017-2018 he served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance and on the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York. He is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London.



Ruixue Jia

Professor of economics, School of Global Policy and Strategy, University of California San Diego

Ruixue is an associate professor of economics at the School of Global Policy and Strategy in University of California San Diego. Jia is interested in the interplay of economics, history and politics. One stream of her research focuses on understanding elite formation and elite influence. A second focus of her work is the deep historical roots of economic development. She recently started following the transformation of the manufacturing sector in China and labor and technology issues. She is affiliated with the BREAD, CESifo, CIFAR and NBER, and is an associate editor for AEJ: Economic Policy, Economic Journal, Journal of Comparative Economics and Journal of Development Economics.



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Noam Yuchtman

Professor of Managerial Economics and Strategy, LSE

Noam is Professor of Managerial Economics and Strategy from London School of Economics and Political Science. He has been awarded a British Academy Global Professorship. In addition to his position at LSE, Noam is a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research and serves on the editorial boards of the Review of Economic Studies, the Economic Journal, the Journal of the European Economic Association, Economica, and the Journal of Economic History. Noam's research is focused on topics in the fields of political economy, economic history, and labor economics.

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND REGIONAL APPROACHES

Lessons and Implications of COVID-19 for Europe

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This panel will discuss how European countries are tackling the COVID-19 pandemic, with a focus on emerging Europe and the role of the European Union and international organisations in supporting national responses. The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed the extent of our interconnectedness, both globally and regionally. As the disease spread across borders, national responses were affecting neighbouring countries and the need for coordination was made manifest. The reflex to isolate and prioritise the protection of national communities had to be balanced with the recognition that international solutions could help mitigate the damage, both to our health systems and economies. In Europe, the crisis has also shone a light on health inequalities across countries, as well as different levels of effectiveness in government responses. In this context, adapting the role of the European Union and of international organisations is increasingly important.



Chair: Kevin Featherstone

Professor, European Institute, LSE

Professor Erik Berglof became the inaugural Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) in 2015. Previously he was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Erik Berglof held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. In 2017-2018 he served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance and on the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York. He is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London.



Andrea Ammon

Director, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

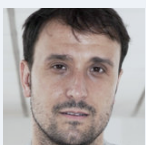
Andrea is the Director of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), the European Union's agency tasked with strengthening Europe's defence against infectious diseases. She is a key advisor to governments and the European Union in their response to the Covid-19 pandemic, and advocated early on for stronger healthcare capacity. Before being appointed Director, she was instrumental in establishing the European surveillance strategy, which aimed to standardise practices in the surveillance networks of member states. Prior to joining the ECDC in 2005, she was Head of Department for Infectious Disease Epidemiology at the Robert Koch Institute in Berlin, where she advised the German government in their response to the SARS and influenza A[H2N2] epidemics. She holds a PhD in Medicine from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich.



Marek Belka

Member of the European Parliament

Marek is currently Visiting Professor in Practice at the Institute for Global Affairs of the London School of Economics and Political Science. Professor Belka was President of the Narodowy Bank Polski (National Bank of Poland) between 2016-10. He served as Prime Minister (2004-05) and as Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance. Professor Belka also chaired the World Bank-IMF Development Committee (2011- 15), was Director of the IMF's European Department (2008-10) and Member of the Steering Committee of the European Systemic Risk Board between 2011-16. He also chaired the Vienna 2.0 Initiative's Steering Committee between 2013-16, a private-public platform that manages financial stress and systemic risks in Emerging Europe. Professor Belka has published widely in the areas of macroeconomic policy, monetary theory, anti-inflation policy and financial stability.



Joan Costa-i-Font

Associate Professor, Department of Health, LSE

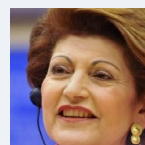
Joan is an Associate Professor in the Department of Health Policy at the London School of Economics and Political Science. He has been Harkness Fellow at Harvard University and Visiting Fellow at UCL, Paris Dauphine University, Boston College, and Oxford University, and taught at the University of Barcelona and the Università Cattolica. His research examines the economic effects of health programs, the health effects of economic and political reforms, and explanations for the social formation of preferences and health behaviours. He has also served as a consultant for a number of international organisations, including the World Bank, the World Health Organisation and Public Health England.



Poul Thomsen

Director of European Department, International Monetary Fund

In this capacity, he supervises the Fund's bilateral surveillance work for the 44 countries in the Department, its policy dialogue with EU institutions, including the ECB, and its program discussions with European countries. As Deputy Director of the European Department, he was responsible for the Fund's response to the global financial crisis and subsequent EuroZone crisis. Prior to this, he had gained extensive knowledge of Central and Eastern Europe, having worked continuously in the region from 1987 to 2008. He was notably head of the Fund's Russia Division during the 1998 Russian Financial crisis.



Androulla Vassiliou

Former European Commissioner for Health, 2008-2010

Androulla was the European Commissioner for Health between 2008 and 2010, during which she oversaw the EU response to the 2009 swine flu pandemic. She then became the European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth. A lawyer by profession, she was an elected official in her home country of Cyprus before entering European politics. She is currently the Vice President of Europa Nostra, Co- Chair of the Bi Communal Technical Committee on Culture in Cyprus, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the European think-tank The Friends of Europe. She has received honours from the French, Spanish, and Greek governments, and many Cypriot organizations and Institutions.

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A Critical Assessment of COVID-19's Impact in MENA

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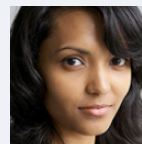
This webinar will assess the current state of affairs in MENA during the COVID-19 pandemic. Speakers will look at the effects of the virus in the context of a region already in need of reformed healthcare institutions that not only improve quality, but enable access for all. Speakers will also assess the economic impact of the virus, highlight country examples such as Yemen and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, as well as specific concerns around the impact on migrant workers in the region.



Chair: Michael Mason

Director of the Middle East Centre, LSE

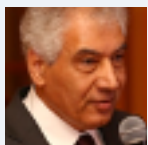
Michael is also Associate Professor in the Department of Geography and Environment and Associate of the Grantham Research Institute for Climate Change and the Environment. His research interests encompass environmental politics and governance, notably issues of accountability, transparency and security. Alongside articles in a wide range of academic journals, he is the author of *Environmental Democracy* (1999) and *The New Accountability: Environmental Responsibility across Borders* (2005). He is also co-editor of (with Amit Mor) *Renewable Energy in the Middle East* (2009) and (with Aarti Gupta) *Transparency in Global Environmental Governance* (2014).



Rothna Begum

Senior women's rights researcher
at Human Rights Watch (HRW)

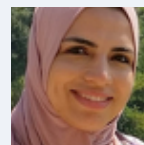
Rothna has focused on discrimination and violence against women and girls in the Middle East and North Africa region including leading the research and advocacy on the abuse and exploitation of migrant domestic workers in the Middle East, and domestic violence against women and girls. She also led the advocacy for Human Rights Watch on a new global International Labour Organization (ILO) treaty relating to violence and harassment at work, which was adopted in June 2019. Rothna is also, in her individual capacity, a member of the ILO Regional Office for Arab States' Migration Advisory Group.



Ahmed Galal

Chair of the board of trustees, Middle East and North Africa Health Policy Forum (MENA HPF)

Dr Galal was Egypt's finance minister (2013- 14), the managing director of the Economic Research Forum (ERF) and the director of the Egyptian Center for Economic Studies (ECES). Before that, he worked for 18 years for the World Bank, where he conducted research and provided policy advice to governments in several regions.



Weeam Hammoudeh

Assistant Professor at the Institute of Community and Public Health, Birzeit

Weam was formerly ACSS (Arab Council for the Social Sciences) Postdoctoral Fellow and Visiting Researcher at the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Birzeit University. She is interested in understanding how political and social transformations impact health, psychosocial wellbeing, and population processes, particularly in conflict areas; as well as how health systems and social institutions develop and shift in relation to political, economic, and structural factors, particularly in developing countries and post-colonial settings.

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND REGIONAL APPROACHES **South Asia: the public health response to COVID-19**

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Most discussions and analyses of the COVID-19 crisis in South Asia have focused on general political, economic, social, logistical challenges and citizens' response, along with the dissemination of information relevant to local areas. This panel will examine public health policies and infrastructural facilities with experts from Bangladesh, India and Pakistan, focusing particularly on factors that identify particular national challenges; difficulties of executing policy in federal political systems; political, economic and other obstacles confronting public health initiatives; and finally, what the immediate future looks like in these countries and the region as a whole, and what respective governments can do in addressing specific hurdles to mitigate further spread and another spike of COVID-19.



Mukulika Banerjee

Director, LSE South Asia Centre;
Associate Professor in Anthropology, LSE

Her current research interests are on the cultural meanings of democracy. She is currently completing a manuscript based on 15 years of engagement with a village in India to explain the sources of democratic thinking in Indian social life. She is the author of *Why India Votes?* (Routledge 2014), *The Pathan Unarmed: Opposition and Memory in the Northwest Frontier* (James Currey, 2001), and co-author of *The Sari* (Berg, 2003).



Ahmed Mushtaque Raza Chowdhury

Vice Chair of BRAC, Dhaka; LSE alumnus

Ahmed is also a professor of Population and Family Health at the Mailman School of Public Health of Columbia University, New York. During 2009-2012, he served as a senior advisor and acting Managing Director of the Rockefeller Foundation, based in Bangkok, Thailand. He also worked as a MacArthur/Bell Fellow at Harvard University.



K Srinath Reddy

President, Public Health Foundation of India

Professor Reddy formerly headed the Department of Cardiology at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS). He was appointed as the First Bernard Lown Visiting Professor of Cardiovascular Health at the Harvard School of Public Health in (2009-13) and presently serves as an Adjunct Professor of Epidemiology at Harvard (2014-2023). He is also an Adjunct Professor of the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University and Honorary Professor of Medicine at the University of Sydney.

**Dr Faisal Sultan**

CEO, Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Lahore

He is also a Consultant Physician of Medicine and Infectious Diseases. On 25 March 2020, he was appointed by Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan as the PM's lead in the fight against the spread of COVID-19. He was given responsibility for creating a group of experts who have provided recommendations on improving Pakistan's coronavirus response to channel solutions to the government's National Coordination Committee.

**Discussant: Mishal S Khan**

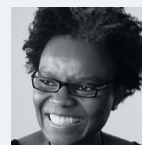
Associate Professor in Health Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and Honorary faculty, Aga Khan University, Pakistan

Dr Khan is a social epidemiologist and specialist in improving health systems and policies to control infectious diseases in South and Southeast Asia. In addition to a PhD and MSc from the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Khan holds an MA in Natural Sciences from The University of Cambridge. She serves as an editor for leading journals Health Policy and Planning and BMC Public Health, and is an associate fellow at the Chatham House Global Health Programme.

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND REGIONAL APPROACHES **COVID-19 in Africa: leadership, inequality and resilience**

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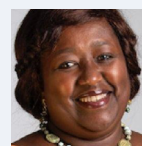
It is simply too soon to understand the full impact of COVID-19 on the region of Africa, as it is impacting countries with varying levels of strength and vulnerabilities differently. With great uncertainty remaining around the effects of the pandemic in areas beyond health, the need for effective and trusted leadership is imperative. In partnership with the Firoz Lalji Centre for Africa, this session aims to discuss actions varying African countries have already taken in response to the global pandemic and what is still needed from leaders, especially the next generation of leaders, to ensure the resilience of individual countries and the continent as a whole amid COVID-19.



Alcinda Honwana

Strategic Director at the Firoz Lalji Centre for Africa; Centennial Professor at the Department of International Development

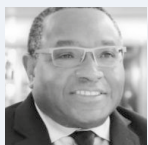
Professor Honwana has been an Inter-regional Adviser on social development policy at the United Nations and a Program Director at the Social Science Research Council (SSRC) in New York. She taught anthropology at the New School of Social Research in New York and at the University of Cape Town. Alcinda has carried out extensive research on political conflict and politics of culture, the impact of war on children, youth and women, as well as on youth politics, social movements and political protest. Her most recent books include *Youth and Revolution in Tunisia* (2013) and *The Time of Youth: Work, Social Change and Politics in Africa* (2012).



Agnes Binagwaho

Pediatrician; Vice Chancellor, University of Global Health Equity

Professor Binagwaho currently resides in Rwanda and is the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Global Health Equity. She co-founded the University of Global Health Equity (UGHE), an initiative of Partners In Health, which focuses on changing how healthcare is delivered around the world by training global health professionals who strive to deliver more equitable, quality health services for all. Professor Binagwaho currently serves as a Senior Advisor to the Director General of the World Health Organization, and as a member of multiple Advisory Board and Board of Directors including the Rockefeller Foundation Board. She is a member of a number of international working groups and task forces in global health for the United Nations and independent organizations and also sits on the Editorial Board of several scientific journals and serves on multiple scientific commissions.



David Luke

Coordinator, African Trade Policy Centre at UNECA

David Luke is Coordinator of the African Trade Policy Centre at the UN Economic Commission for Africa with the rank of a director at the Commission. He is responsible for leading ECA's research, policy advisory services, training and capacity development on inclusive trade policies and in particular the boosting intra-African trade and the continental free trade area initiatives. His portfolio also includes WTO, EPAs, Brexit, AGOA, Africa's trade with emerging economies, and trade and cross-cutting policy areas such as trade, industrialization and structural transformation, trade and gender, trade and public health and trade and climate change.



Professor Leonard Wantchekon

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GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS: COVID-19 AND REGIONAL APPROACHES

COVID-19 in Latin America: the lessons for public policy, inequality and innovation

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Latin America is presently the epicentre of the COVID-19 global pandemic. Infection rates and numbers of deaths are rising, placing severe pressure on health systems, as well the economies, politics and social fabric of many countries. The panel will discuss how government policy in the region has responded to the pandemic – both the successes and failures in terms of vector control, but also impacts – the lessons that might have been learned from previous epidemics, the importance of pharmaceutical innovation, trust and institutional resilience.



Chair: Professor Gareth A Jones

Gareth Jones is Director of the LSE Latin America and Caribbean Centre and Professor of Urban Geography in the Department of Geography and Environment.



Dr Helen Yaffe

Helen Yaffe is a Visiting Fellow at the LSE Latin America and Caribbean Centre and a Lecturer in Economic and Social History in the University of Glasgow. Helen's research has mostly focused on Cuban development and political economy. Her most recent book is *We are Cuba! How a Revolutionary People Have Survived in a Post-Soviet World* (Yale University Press, 2020). She has written widely on Cuba's public healthcare provision, at home and abroad, and on innovations in medical science, areas which help explain Cuba's success in tackling Covid-19 relative to most countries in the region. Her writing on Covid-19 has appeared in *Le Monde Diplomatique* (<https://mondediplo.com/outsidein/cuban-medical-covid>), *Counterpunch* (<https://www.counterpunch.org/2020/04/10/cuban-medical-science-in-the-service-of-humanity/>) and LSE LACC (<https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/latamcaribbean/2020/03/18/cuba-and-coronavirus-how-cuban-biotech-came-to-combat-covid-19/>)



Professor Ken Shadlen

Ken Shadlen is Professor of Development Studies and Head of Department in the Department of International Development. His research has addressed global and cross-national politics of intellectual property (IP), especially in relation to pharmaceutical patents which resulted in his book *Coalitions and Compliance: The Political Economy of Pharmaceutical Patents in Latin America* (Oxford, 2017). He is presently leading a project entitled 'Brazil's Fight Against Hepatitis C: Surveillance, Control, and Care', with Fundação Oswaldo Cruz and Fundação Getúlio Vargas (<http://www.lse.ac.uk/lacc/research/brazils-fight-against-hepatitis-c-surveillance-control-and-care>). Ken speaking about Covid-19 and patents can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7H3eXHbRBnO>



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Dr Clare Wenham

Clare Wenham is Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy in Department of Health Policy and member of the LSE Global Health Initiative. Her work mostly falls in the cross-over between global health and international relations focusing on global health security and global health governance. Recent research has concentrated on Zika, Ebola, and more broadly, on the governance structures of the global health landscape and global disease control. Clare is currently leading a project which examines the gendered impact of COVID-19, having previously explored this intersection during the Zika outbreak. She has recently been awarded a Grand Challenges initiative of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation on 'Gender Norms in Vector Control Programmes: Sharing Experiences Between Africa and Brazil' (<http://www.lse.ac.uk/lacc/news/lacc-to-conduct-research-on-gender-norms-in-mosquito-control-programmes>). Clare has published in *The Lancet*, *BMJ*, *BMJ Global Health* is regularly in the media discussing COVID and has a video in the LSE LACC series (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Va_H-H6KX7E).

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Maryam Forum Challenge.

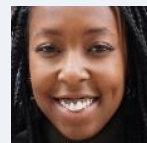
Living with COVID-19:

What leadership do we need?

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The Closing Plenary will draw out critical lessons from the breadth of the day's discussions, to identify the leadership and cross-sectoral collaboration required to address the intersecting impacts of COVID-19 with complex global challenges everywhere. Building on insights from the thematic and geographic sessions, the Maryam Student Leaders will challenge the panel of policymakers, academics and business representatives on the transformative policy solutions needed globally. Together they will chart a path towards evidence-based and accountable leadership - the kind of leadership which will enable and accelerate a sustainable and inclusive recovery in all regions of the world.

LSE MARYAM FORUM STUDENT LEADERS:



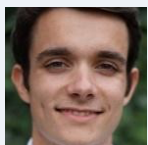
Awele Ajufo

Awele Ajufo is a current student at The London School of Economics, where she is obtaining her Master's in Public Administration. During her first year she was a Student Representative, advocating for her cohort of students to ensure issues were successfully addressed with administration. In her second year, she will lead the School of Public Policy's Womxn's Network, which aims to increase the representation and discussion of gender-based policy both within the school and beyond. Prior to joining LSE, Awele worked in Management Consulting where she improved organizational outcomes for clients ranging from Fortune 100 financial institutions to inner city education non-profit organizations. She holds a Bachelors of Science in Health Policy and Administration, with minors in Business and Global Health. She is obtaining her MPA to better equip herself with the necessary skills to successfully create and implement policies that will reduce health-related inequalities in under-served communities throughout the world.



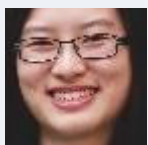
Hassan Gali

Hassan Gali is an MPP candidate at the London School of Economics, School of Public Policy. Hassan is a Medical Doctor by background, graduating from the University of Medical Sciences and Technology in Khartoum and has been practising in the UK's NHS. He holds an MSc in Public Policy and Global Health from Durham University. Hassan has researched the Impact of US Sanctions on Sudan's Health infrastructure. His interests include the political economy of reform, building state capability and constitution-making in democratic transitions. He is also involved in a number of policy and development projects related to the MENA and East Africa region.



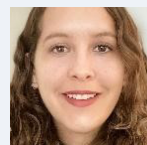
John Gordon

John Gordon is Franco-British student who recently completed his BSc Philosophy, Politics and Economics at the LSE, with a thesis on the determinants of innovation in advanced capitalist democracies. He developed a keen interest in international affairs while growing up in Geneva and was active in the university's United Nations society. Intending to pursue a career in research, he will be starting his MSc Economics at the LSE this autumn, with a specialisation in international economics.



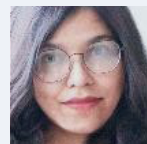
Caroline Mei

Caroline Mei is a Master of Public Administration student at the LSE. Prior to joining the LSE, she was the communications lead for an international association of the world's largest electricity utility companies. In her role, she worked with policymakers, industry experts, and senior management in the electricity utility sector to promote sustainable energy projects and electrification initiatives worldwide. Caroline sits on the advocacy committee of the LSE School of Public Policy's women's network and is an editor for the School's student-run public policy journal, The Public Sphere. She holds a Bachelor of Arts & Science degree from McGill University in Canada, specializing in cell/molecular biology, international relations, and Arabic language.



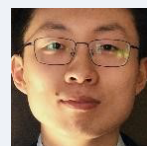
Karina Rodriguez

Karina Rodriguez is a first-year Master of Public Administration at the LSE. Passionate about public policy, Karina has worked at several institutions within the Peruvian government, such as the Ministry of Transport and Communications, the Authority for Reconstruction and, most recently, the Ministry of Economics and Finance, where she was part of the team that published Peru's first National Infrastructure Plan. Karina has also worked as an external consultant for the World Bank, conducting research on competition policies in Latin America. She holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from Universidad del Pacífico.



Richa Udayana

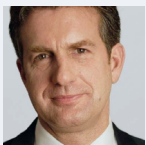
Richa Udayana is a Master of Public Administration candidate at the LSE. She is the Editor-in-chief of the Public Sphere Journal, LSE's official postgraduate journal of international policy studies. She previously worked as a journalist and media professional in India, focusing on human rights, press freedom and poverty from a policy perspective in developing economies. Her current areas of academic focus include income inequality, development economics, and social justice.



Jintao Zhu

Jintao Zhu is currently a student of BSc Philosophy, Politics and Economics at LSE. He has served as the Research Director and then Editor-in-Chief of the LSE Undergraduate Political Review (LSEUPR). He is also the Chair for the Political Philosophy Student Research Committee of the International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS). His research interest is on nationalism, international finance and value theories.

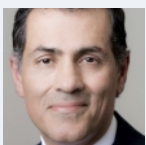
ACADEMICS, POLICYMAKERS AND BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES:



Moderator: Stephen Dunbar-Johnson

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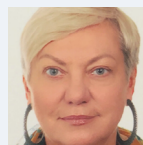
Stephen Dunbar-Johnson is the president, International of The New York Times Company. Dunbar-Johnson is responsible for the oversight and strategic development of the Times Company's international businesses. Dunbar-Johnson was appointed president, International for The New York Times Company in October 2013 to lead the global expansion of the company. Prior to The Times, Dunbar-Johnson was publisher of the International Herald Tribune (I.H.T.), a position he assumed in January 2008. Before joining the I.H.T. in 1998, he held various business development roles in the United Kingdom, France and the United States over 12 years at The Financial Times.



Vali R. Nasr,

Majid Khadduri Professor of Middle East Studies and International Affairs, Johns Hopkins University

Vali Nasr is the Majid Khadduri Professor of International Affairs and Middle East Studies at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University. Between 2012 and 2019 he served as the Dean of the School, and between 2009 and 2011 as Senior Advisor to U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, Ambassador Richard Holbrooke between 2009 and 2011. He has advised senior American policy makers, world leaders, and businesses including the President, Secretary of State, senior members of the Congress, and presidential campaigns, and has written for New York Times, Foreign Affairs, Financial Times, Wall Street Journal, and The Washington Post.



Valeria Gontareva

Senior Policy Fellow, LSE Institute of Global Affairs and Former Governor of the National Bank of Ukraine

Valeria Gontareva served as the Governor of the National Bank of Ukraine in 2014-2017. She was the first woman to lead Ukraine's central bank and oversaw vital reforms to implement a new monetary policy of inflation targeting and flexible exchange rate regime, to clean up Ukraine's banking sector, strengthen regulatory supervision, and ensure the independence of the National Bank. Ms Gontareva started her career in financial services in 1993 and built up over two decades of private sector experience at both Ukrainian and international financial institutions before her appointment as Governor of the central bank. Between 1996 and 2000 she worked at the Kyiv branch of Société Générale, moving to ING Bank in 2001 where she rose to first Deputy Chairman of the Board. Between 2007 and 2014 she led Investment Capital Ukraine (now ICU), a top Ukrainian financial services group. bachelor's degree in Economics from Universidad del Pacífico.



Khalid Abdulla-Janahi

Chair, Vision 3

38 years experience in banking and financial services, including serving as Group CEO of Dar Al-Maal Al-Islami Trust, Chairman of Faisal Private Bank, Ithmaar Bank and Solidarity Co. Served as Vice Chairman of Arab Business Council of the World Economic Forum. Currently on various boards and chairs Vision 3, with a focus on venture and infrastructure.



Lindiwe Mazibuko

Co-founder & Executive Director, Apolitical Foundation; Former Leader of the Official Opposition, Parliament of South Africa

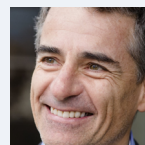
Lindiwe Mazibuko is a public leader, speaker, writer and academic fellow. She was the first black woman in South African history to be elected Leader of the Opposition in Parliament. A graduate of the University of Cape Town in South Africa (2006 and 2007) and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government (2015) in the United States, Mazibuko was an elected representative in South Africa's National Assembly until May 2014, when she resigned from active politics in order to return to higher education. Prior to serving as Leader of the Opposition, she was the Shadow Deputy Minister for Communications and the Shadow Minister for Rural Development and Land Reform.



Erik Berglof

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, LSE

Professor Erik Berglof became the inaugural Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA) in 2015. Previously he was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Erik Berglof held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. In 2017-2018 he served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance and on the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York. He is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London.



Andrés Velasco

Dean of the School of Public Policy, LSE

Professor Andrés Velasco is the Dean of the LSE School of Public Policy. He was the Minister of Finance in Chile between 2006 and 2010 and has held professorial roles at the Harvard Kennedy School and Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He was president of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) from 2005 to 2007. In February 2006 he received the Award for Excellence in Research from the Inter-American Development Bank. In 2013-16 he was a member of the Global Oceans Commission and during 2015-16 he co-chaired the Global Panel on the Future of the Multilateral Lending Institutions. In 2017-18 he was a member of the G20 Eminent Persons Group. He is the author of nearly one hundred academic articles, several academic books and two novels. He has served as a consultant to the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and to governments, central banks and private businesses around the world.

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The **LSE Department of Geography and Environment** is a centre of international academic excellence in economic, urban and development geography, environmental social science and climate change. The Department is highly regarded both nationally and internationally with major specialities within the economic, development, urban, regional planning and environmental social science aspects of geography, all with a strong emphasis on application and policy issues.



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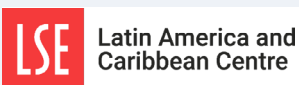
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The **Middle East Centre** works to enhance understanding and develop rigorous research on the societies, economies, politics and international relations of the region. The Centre promotes both specialized knowledge and public understanding and has outstanding strengths in interdisciplinary research and in regional expertise. As one of the world's leading social science institutions, LSE comprises departments covering all branches of the social sciences. The Middle East Centre harnesses this expertise to promote innovative multidisciplinary research and understanding of the region.



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