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“Employment Guarantee Policies: Theory and Practice”

October 13-14, 2006

PROGRAM	
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13	
8:30–9:30 a.m.	BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
9:30–10:00 a.m.	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION Dimitri B. Papadimitriou , <i>The Levy Economics Institute</i>
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	SESSION 1 – EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE POLICIES CHAIR: Rebeca Grynspan , <i>United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</i> “Working for a Better World: The Social and Economic Benefits of Employment Guarantee Schemes” Mathew Forstater , <i>University of Missouri-Kansas City and The Levy Economics Institute</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “Full Employment in the Center of Economic and Social Policies” Daniel Kostzer , <i>United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “Employment-Intensive Investment Strategies: Linking Sustainable Infrastructure Development and Social Transfers” Steven Miller , <i>International Labour Organization</i> VIEW: PowerPoint
12:00–2:00 p.m.	LUNCH SPEAKER: James K. Galbraith , <i>University of Texas-Austin and The Levy Economics Institute</i> “Equality, Efficiency and the Goal of Full Employment”
2:00–4:00 p.m.	SESSION 2 – EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE POLICIES: BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS AND PRICE EFFECTS CHAIR: Martha Melesse , <i>International Development Research Centre (IDRC)</i> “Funding a Job Guarantee Program” Philip Harvey , <i>Rutgers University School of Law</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “On the Feasibility of ELR” L. Randall Wray , <i>University of Missouri-Kansas City and The Levy Economics Institute</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “The Indian National Rural Employment Guarantee: Where Do We Go From Here?” Santosh Mehrotra , <i>Planning Commission of the Government of India</i> COMMENTS: Ahmed El Bouazzaoui , <i>Tax Analyst, Ministry of Finance, Morocco; GEM-IWG</i>
4:00–4:30 p.m.	COFFEE BREAK
4:30–6:30 p.m.	SESSION 3 – MODELING EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE POLICY CHAIR: Saul Weisleder , <i>Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations</i> “Hidden Vacancies: From Unpaid Work to Gender-Aware Public Job Creation” Rania Antonopoulos , <i>The Levy Economics Institute</i> and Marzia Fontana , <i>The Levy Economics Institute and IDS</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “Simulating an Employment Guarantee Policy in the U.S.” Scott T. Fullwiler , <i>Wartburg College</i> VIEW: PowerPoint “From 'Solidarity' to Full Employment: A Gradualist ELR Plan for Tunisia” Fadhel Kaboub , <i>Drew University</i> VIEW: PowerPoint COMMENTS: Hamidou Poufon , <i>Cameroon School of Public Administration (ENAM); GEM-IWG</i>
6:30–7:00 p.m.	RECEPTION

7:00 p.m.	DINNER
	SPEAKER: Amit Bhaduri , <i>Jawaharlal Nehru University and University of Pavia</i> “Institutional and Legal Requirements for Effective Demand Management for Employment”

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30–9:00 a.m.	BREAKFAST
9:00–10:30 a.m.	<p>SESSION 4 – INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS</p> <p>CHAIR: Rania Antonopoulos, <i>The Levy Economics Institute</i></p> <p>“ELR as an Alternative Development Strategy” Jan Kregel, <i>University of Missouri-Kansas City</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>“Employment Guarantee for Promoting Pro-Poor Development Issues and Concerns with Reference to NREGA in India” Indira Hirway, <i>Center for Development Alternatives and The Levy Economics Institute; GEM-IWG</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>COMMENTS: Rathin Roy, <i>United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</i></p>
10:30–11:00 a.m.	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	<p>SESSION 5 – COUNTRY EXPERIENCES: MOROCCO, ARGENTINA</p> <p>CHAIR: Daniel Kostzer, <i>United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</i></p> <p>“Promotion Nationale: 45 Years of Experience of Public Works in Morocco” Hind Jalal, <i>GEM-IWG; Ministry of Economy and Finance, Rabat</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>“Public Service Employment as an Institutional Vehicle for Transforming Gender Inequalities: The Case of Argentina” Pavlina R. Tcherneva, <i>Bard College</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>“Community development and ELR, a gender-oriented perspective: The Jefes y Jefas Program in Argentina” Corinne Pastoret, <i>University of Missouri-Kansas City</i> and Martha Tepepa, <i>University of Missouri-Kansas City</i> VIEW: Corinne Pastoret - PowerPoint VIEW: Martha Tepepa - PowerPoint</p> <p>COMMENTS: Valeria Renata Esquivel, <i>Universidad Nacional De General Sarmiento; GEM-IWG</i></p>
12:30–2:30 p.m.	<p>LUNCH</p> <p>SPEAKER: Lydia Santova Shouleva, <i>Member, 40th National Assembly and Observer in European Parliament, Bulgaria</i> “The Positive Experience of Bulgaria in Curbing Unemployment” VIEW: PowerPoint</p>
2:30–4:00 p.m.	<p>SESSION 6 – COUNTRY EXPERIENCES: SOUTH AFRICA, SRI LANKA, BANGLADESH</p> <p>CHAIR: Ramaa Vasuvedan, <i>Barnard College; GEM-IWG</i></p> <p>“Public Works Program, Unpaid Care Work and HIV/AIDS” Olagoke Akintola, <i>University of KwaZulu-Natal</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>“The Impact of Sri Lanka’s ‘Employer of Last Resort’ Policy on Educational Incentives: A Cautionary Tale” Sanjaya DeSilva, <i>Bard College</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>“The Bangladesh Rural Maintenance Programme: Can it Ensure Employment for All” Mehnaz Rabbani, <i>BRAC, Bangladesh; GEM-IWG</i> VIEW: PowerPoint</p> <p>COMMENTS: Bola Akanji, <i>Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research; GEM-IWG</i></p>
4:00–4:30 p.m.	COFFEE BREAK
4:30–6:00 p.m.	SESSION 7 – ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Moderator: Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, *The Levy Economics Institute*
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Rania Antonopoulos, *The Levy Economics Institute*
Steven Miller, *International Labour Organization*
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