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PUBLIC LECTURE: THE BIHAR STORY - THE RESURRECTION OF THE STATE, INCLUSION AND GROWTH

Old Theatre,
Old Building

Chair: Lord Karan Bilimoria (Crossbench Peer, UK House of Lords)

Speaker: Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi (Chief Minister of Bihar, Government of Bihar, India)

Discussants:

- Professor Robin Burgess (Director, IGC; Professor of Economics, LSE)
- Dr Shaibal Gupta (Country Co-Director, IGC India-Bihar; Founder Member Secretary, Asian Development Research Institute)
- Dr Ruth Kattumuri (Co-Director, Asia Research Centre and India Observatory, LSE)



0800–0900	REGISTRATION	Lower Ground Floor
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0900–1000	PLENARY: INTRODUCTION TO THE CONFERENCE	Sheikh Zayed Theatre
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Speakers:

- Professor Craig Calhoun (Director, LSE)
- The Rt Hon Lynne Featherstone (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for International Development)
- Professor Jonathan Leape (Executive Director, IGC; Associate Professor of Economics, LSE)
- Professor Robin Burgess (Director, IGC; Professor of Economics, LSE)

RESEARCH SESSIONS

1015–1215	CITIES	Sheikh Zayed Theatre
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Chair: Professor Vernon Henderson (School Professor of Economic Geography, LSE)

Speakers:

- Professor Adam Storeygard (Assistant Professor of Economics, Tufts University)
"50 Years of Urbanisation in Africa: Examining the Role of Climate Change"
- Professor Simon Alder (Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina)
"Chinese Roads in India: The Effect of Transport Infrastructure on Economic Development"
- Professor Marco Gonzalez-Navarro (Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Toronto)

Others TBC

1015–1215	ENTREPRENEURSHIP	Alumni Theatre
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Chairs:

- Dr Greg Fischer (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Lecturer in Economics, LSE)
- Professor Imran Rasul (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, UCL)

Speakers:

- Professor Mushfiq Mobarak (Lead Academic, IGC Bangladesh; Associate Professor of Economics, Yale School of Management)
"Manufacturing Growth and the Lives of Bangladeshi Women"
- Stephen Anderson-Macdonald (London Business School)

1215–1315	LUNCH	
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FRAMEWORK SESSIONS

1315–1500 **CITIES** Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Dr Wahiduddin Mahmud (Country Advisor, IGC Bangladesh; Professor of Economics, University of Dhaka)

Presenter: Professor Tony Venables (Professor of Economics, University of Oxford)

Discussants: TBC

1315–1500 **TAXATION AND DEVELOPMENT** Alumni Theatre

Chair: Professor Anjan Mukherji (Country Director, IGC India-Bihar; Emeritus Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University)

Speakers:

- Professor Henrik Kleven (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, LSE)
- Professor Asim Khwaja (Lead Academic, IGC Pakistan; Associate Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School)

Discussant: Dr Nasiruddin Ahmed (Commissioner, Anti-Corruption Commission, Bangladesh)

1500–1530 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

COUNTRY SESSIONS

1530–1715 **ETHIOPIA** Room 1.07

Chair: Dr Alemayehu Seyoum Taffesse (Country Director, IGC Ethiopia; Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI))

Speakers:

- H.E. Newai Gebre-ab (Executive Director, Ethiopian Development Research Institute (EDRI))
- Nigusse Gebre Gebremedhin (Vice Director General, Technical and Vocational Education and Training)
- Gosaye Mengiste Abayneh (Director, Energy Study and Development Follow Up Directorate, Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy)
- Zaid Woldegebriel (Director General, Ethiopian Road Authority)

Others TBC

1530–1745 **PAKISTAN** Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Dr Ijaz Nabi (Country Director, IGC Pakistan; Professor of Economics, School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law, Lahore University of Management Sciences)

A Model for Monetary Policy Analysis in Pakistan: The Role of Foreign Exchange and Credit Markets

Speaker: Professor Ehsan Choudri (Research Professor, Department of Economics, Carleton University)

Bureaucrats and Personalities - Experimental Evidence from Pakistan

Speaker: Dr Ali Hasanain (Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Oxford)

Discussants:

- Aizaz Akhtar (Special Monitoring Unit, Chief Minister Secretariat, Government of Punjab)
 - Afzal Latif (Secretary, Elementary & School Education Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa)
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Merit based transfer and posting scheme

Speaker: Professor Asim Khwaja (Lead Academic, IGC Pakistan; Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government)

Discussants:

- Ahmad Aziz Tarar (Director General, Excise and Taxation Department, Government of Punjab)
 - Tashfeen Khalid Niaz (Chairman, Sindh Revenue Board)
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Understanding Productivity in the Pakistani Garment Sector: Comparisons with Bangladesh Pilot Project

Speakers:

- Dr Rocco Macchiavello (Associate Professor, Warwick University)
- Dr Theresa Choudhry (Lahore School of Economics)

Discussants:

- Rukhsana Shah (Secretary, Ministry of Textile Industry, Government of Pakistan)
 - Mohammad Irfan Elahi (Chairman, Planning and Development Board, Government of Punjab)
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1530–1715

GHANA

Thai Theatre

Chair: Dr Nii Sowa (Country Director, IGC Ghana)

Policy Questions and Challenges in Management of Natural Resources in Ghana

Speakers:

- Hon Barbara Serwaa Asamoah (Deputy Minister, Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources)
 - Franklyn Ashiadey (Principal Economist, Ministry of Finance, EITI)
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The Informalisation of Ghanas Small-Scale Gold Mining Economy: Drivers and Policy Implications

Speaker: Professor Gavin Hilson (Chair of Sustainability in Business, University of Surrey)

The Impact of Chinese Involvement in Small-Scale Gold Mining in Ghana

Speaker: Professor Gordon Crawford (Professor of Development Politics, University of Leeds)

Discussants:

- Kofi Tetteh (Officer in Charge of Small Scale Mining, Ghana Minerals Commission)
 - Ebenezer Appah-Sampong (Ag. Deputy Executive Director, EPA)
 - Musah Abu-Juam (Technical Director, Forestry, Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources)
 - Simon Atebiya (Technical Director, Mines, Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources)
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1530–1715

SOUTH SUDAN

Room 1.15

Chair: Dr Richard Newfarmer (Country Director, IGC Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda)

Speakers:

- Peter Biar Ajak (Country Co-Director, IGC South Sudan)
- Majak D'Agoot (Member, SPLM)
- Dr Lual Deng (Director, Ebony Centre)
- Professor Nada Eissa (Lead Academic, IGC South Sudan; Associate Professor of Public Policy and Economics, Georgetown University)

Others TBC

Chair: Dr John Page (Country Director, IGC Tanzania; Senior Fellow of Global Economy and Development, Brookings Institute)

Part I: Urbanisation and Infrastructure

Speakers:

- Matthew Collin (Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Global Development)
- Martina Kirchberger (Earth Institute Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Columbia University)

Discussants:

- Professor Sam Wangwe (Executive Director, REPOA)
- Dr Jehovaness Aikaeli Urusa (Head of the Department of Economics, University of Dar Es Salaam)

Part II: Macroeconomics: Exchange Rate Determination and Revenue Mobilisation

Speaker: Professor Christopher Adam (Lead Academic, IGC Tanzania; Professor of Development Economics, University of Oxford)

Discussant: Dr Natu Mwamba (Deputy Governor, Bank of Tanzania)

Part III: Firms and Industrial Policy

Speakers:

- Professor John Sutton (Professor of Economics, LSE)
- Professor Margaret McMillan (Associate Professor of Economics, Tufts University)

Discussant: Adam Gahhu (Policy Analyst, Tanzania Private Sector Foundation)

Part IV: Ideas for Future Research in Tanzania

Speaker: Dr John Page (Country Director, IGC Tanzania; Senior Fellow of Global Economy and Development, Brookings Institute)

PUBLIC LECTURE: FINANCING AFRICA'S FUTURE - INFRASTRUCTURE, INVESTMENT AND OPPORTUNITY

Chair: Professor Leonard Wantchekon (Professor of Politics, Princeton University)

Speaker: Donald Kaberuka (President, African Development Bank Group)

Discussant: Professor Sir Paul Collier (Director of the IGC; Professor of Economics, University of Oxford)

0915–1000 **TEA/COFFEE**

RESEARCH SESSIONS

1000–1200 **STATE CAPABILITIES** Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Professor Oriana Bandiera (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, LSE; Director, STICERD)

Speakers:

- Professor Claudio Ferraz (Associate Professor of Economics, PUC-Rio)
- Professor Karthik Muralidharan (Associate Professor of Economics, University of California, San Diego)
- Professor Mushfiq Mobarak (Lead Academic, IGC Bangladesh; Associate Professor of Economics, Yale School of Management)

1000–1200 **ENERGY** Thai Theatre

Chair: Professor Michael Greenstone (Research Programme Director, IGC Energy Programme; Milton Friedman Professor of Economics, University of Chicago; Director, Energy Policy Institute at Chicago (EPIC))

“Lighting Up Bihar”

Speaker: Dr Nick Ryan (Yale University)

Discussant: Mohammad Irfan Elahi (Chairman, Planning and Development Board, Government of Punjab)

“Impact of Direct Benefit Transfer on Leakage in Cooking Fuel Subsidy”

Speaker: Prabhat Barnwal (Columbia University)

1000–1200 **TRADE** Alumni Theatre

Chairs:

- Professor Andrés Rodríguez-Clare (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley)
- Professor Eric Verhoogen (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs and Economics, Columbia University)

Speakers:

- Professor Amit Khandelwal (Associate Professor, Columbia Business School)
- Professor Nico Voigtlander (Assistant Professor of Economics, UCLA Anderson School of Management) “Exporting and Plant-Level Efficiency Gains”
- Professor Chris Woodruff (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of Warwick)

Discussant: Hon.Minister Francois Kanimba (Minister of Trade and Industry of Rwanda) (TBC)

1200–1315 **LUNCH**

FRAMEWORK SESSIONS

1315–1500

TRANSFORMING THE PUBLIC SECTOR

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Dr John Page (Country Director, IGC Tanzania; Senior Fellow of Global Economy and Development, Brookings Institute)

Presenters:

- Professor Oriana Bandiera (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, LSE; Director, STICERD)
- Professor Christopher Blattman (Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs and of Political Science, Columbia University)

1315–1500

MANAGEMENT CAPACITY AND PRODUCTIVITY

Alumni Theatre

Chairs:

- Professor Chris Woodruff (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of Warwick)
- Dr Ijaz Nabi (Country Director, IGC Pakistan; Professor of Economics, School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law, Lahore University of Management Sciences)

Speaker: Professor John Van Reenen (Professor of Economics, LSE)

Discussants:

- Faisal Farid (Managing Director, Maxim International Pvt Ltd, Pakistan)
- Dr Louis Kasekende (Deputy Governor, Bank of Uganda)

1500–1530

TEA/COFFEE

COUNTRY SESSIONS

1530–1715

ZAMBIA

Thai Theatre

Chair: Dr Alan Hirsch (Country Director, IGC Zambia; Director, Graduate School of Development Policy and Practice, University of Cape Town)

“The promise of cities for Zambia”

Speakers:

- Professor Nava Ashraf (Lead Academic, IGC Zambia; Assistant Professor, Negotiations, Organizations, and Markets Unit, Harvard Business School)
- Professor Edward Glaeser (Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics, Harvard University) [\[via Skype\]](#)

Discussant: Bernard Kamphasa (Permanent Secretary, Cabinet Office, Policy Analysis and Coordination)

“Birth, death and survival of exports in Zambia”

Speaker: Joseph Simumba (Research Fellow, Zambia Institute for Policy Analysis and Research (ZIPAR))

Discussants:

- Dr Francis Chipimo (Director of Economics and Research, Bank of Zambia)
- Dr Michael Gondwe (Governor, Bank of Zambia)
- Dr Pamela Nakamba-Kabaso (Executive Director, Zambia Institute for Policy Analysis and Research (ZIPAR))

Chairs:

- Professor Anjan Mukherji (Country Director, IGC India-Bihar; Emeritus Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University)
- Dr Shaibal Gupta (Country Co-Director, IGC India-Bihar; Founder Member Secretary, Asian Development Research Institute)

Presentation of Ongoing Work**Speakers:**

- Dr Clement Imbert (Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Oxford University)
- Professor Johannes Urpelainen (Associate Professor, Columbia University)

Panel Discussion: What Next for Bihar?

Special comments: Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi (Chief Minister of Bihar, Government of Bihar)

Discussants:

- Dr Prabhat Prasad Ghosh (Director, Asian Development Research Institute (ADRI))
- Shri Rameshwar Singh (Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Bihar)
- Shri Deepak Kumar (Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, Government of Bihar)
- Shri Anjani Kumar Singh (Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar)
- Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh (Secretary to the Chief Minister, Government of Bihar)

Chair: Claudio Frischtak (Country Director, IGC Mozambique; President, Inter. B - Consultoria Internacional de Negócios)

Learning from Innovative Conditional Transfers in Education for Mozambique

Speaker: Dr Christine Valente (Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Bristol)

Discussant: Dr Antuia Soverano (Director of Primary Schooling, Ministry of Education)

Innovation in Antenatal Health Care Delivery in Mozambique**Speakers:**

- Dr Margaret McConnell (Assistant Professor of Global Health Economics, Harvard School of Public Health)
- Dr Sandra Sequeira (Lead Academic, IGC Mozambique; Lecturer in Development Economics, LSE)

Discussant: Dr Carlos Fonzamo (Researcher, Ministry of Health)

Vocational Training and the Labour Market in Mozambique

Speaker: Professor Pedro Martins (Professor of Applied Economics, Queen Mary, University of London)

Discussant: Refinado Bila Junior (National Institute of Employment and Vocational Training)

Chairs:

- Professor Eric Werker (Country Director, IGC Liberia; Associate Professor, Harvard Business School)
- Herbert M'cleod (Country Director, IGC Sierra Leone)

Speakers:

- Oyebola Okunogbe (Harvard Kennedy School)
"Increasing Property Tax Compliance in Liberia"

Price controls in Liberia

Speaker: John Spray (Country Economist, IGC Rwanda)

Discussant: Professor Jaime De Melo (Emeritus Professor, Institute of Economics and Econometrics, University of Geneva)

Chair: Dr Richard Newfarmer (Country Director, IGC Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda)

Poverty dynamics analysis, the case of Uganda, from 2006 to 2012

Speakers:

- Dr Sarah Ssewanyana (Executive Director, Economic Policy Research Centre)
- Professor Andy McKay (Professor of Development Economics, University of Sussex)

Discussant: Dr Albert Musisi (Commissioner, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development)

Gender Gap in Agriculture: evidence from Uganda

Speaker: Dr Marguerite Duponchel (Country Economist, IGC Uganda)

Public investment, public finance and growth in Uganda: the impact of distortionary taxation, recurrent costs, and incomplete appropriability

Speaker: Dr David Bevan (University Lecturer in Economics (Emeritus), University of Oxford)

Discussant: Dr Adam Mugume (Executive Director, Research Department, Bank of Uganda)

Chair: Professor Robin Burgess (Director, IGC; Professor of Economics, LSE)

Speaker: Professor Michael Greenstone (Research Programme Director, IGC Energy Programme; Milton Friedman Professor of Economics, University of Chicago; Director, Energy Policy Institute at Chicago (EPIC))

0930–1030 **TEA/COFFEE**

RESEARCH SESSIONS

1030–1230 **POLITICAL ECONOMY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOVERNANCE** Alumni Theatre

Chair: Professor Eliana La Ferrara (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, Bocconi University)

Speakers:

- Professor Leonard Wantchekon (Professor of Politics, Princeton University)
- Dr Rachel Glennerster (Lead Academic, IGC Sierra Leone; Executive Director, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL))
- Professor Filipe Campante (Associate Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School)

1030–1230 **AGRICULTURE** Thai Theatre

Chair: Professor Kelsey Jack (Assistant Professor, Tufts University)

Speakers:

- Professor Kelsey Jack (Assistant Professor, Tufts University)
- Professor Jeremy Magruder (Associate Professor, University of California, Berkeley)
- Dr Lorenzo Casaburi (Postdoctoral Fellow, SIEPR, Stanford University)

1030–1230 **LARGE FIRMS** Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Professor Chris Woodruff (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of Warwick)

Speakers:

- Dr Lorenzo Casaburi (Postdoctoral Fellow, SIEPR, Stanford University)
- Professor Oriana Bandiera (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, LSE; Director, STICERD)
"Managing the Family Firm: Evidence from CEOs at work"
- Tarek Ghani (University of California, Berkeley)
"Competing for Relationships: Markets and Informal Institutions in Sierra Leone"

1230–1330 **LUNCH**

FRAMEWORK SESSIONS

1330–1515

THE GAINS FROM TRADE

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chairs:

- Professor Eric Verhoogen (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs and Economics, Columbia University)
- Dr Richard Newfarmer (Country Director, IGC Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda)

Speakers:

- Professor Andrés Rodríguez-Clare (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley)
- Dr Melise Jaud (World Bank)

Discussant: Hon Axel Addy (Liberian Minister of Commerce and Industry)

1315–1500

ELITE CAPTURE AND POLITICAL ECONOMY

Thai Theatre

Chair: Professor Eric Werker (Country Director, IGC Liberia; Associate Professor in the Business, Government and the International Economy Unit, Harvard Business School)

Presenter: Professor Gerard Padro i Miquel (Research Programme Director, IGC State Programme; Professor of Economics, LSE)

Discussants: TBC

COUNTRY SESSIONS

1530–1745

INDIA-CENTRAL

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Montek Singh Ahluwalia (former Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission of the Republic of India)

Introductory remarks by Professor Jonathan Leape (Executive Director, IGC; Associate Professor of Economics, LSE)

Connecting Rural India: The Geography of Infrastructure Provision

Speaker: Professor Oliver Vanden Eynde (Professor of Economics, Paris School of Economics; Visiting Professor, Princeton University)

Panel Discussion: Connecting India: Challenges of Infrastructure Provision

Discussants:

- Dr Rathin Roy (Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy)
- Professor Oliver Vanden Eynde (Professor of Economics, Paris School of Economics; Visiting Professor, Princeton University)
- Ashish Vachhani (Director (Infrastructure), Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance)
- Professor Nuno Gil (Professor of New Infrastructure Development at the Manchester Business, University of Manchester; Co-Founder and Research, Director Centre for Infrastructure Development)

1530–1715

THE ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF EBOLA

Thai Theatre

Speakers:

- Herbert M'cleod (Country Director, IGC Sierra Leone)
- Dr Rachel Glennerster (Lead Academic, IGC Sierra Leone; Executive Director, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL))
- Axel Addy (Liberian Minister of Commerce and Industry)

Others TBC

Opening Presentation by Hon Francois Kanimba, Minister of Trade and Industry of Rwanda

Increasing Tax Revenue in Rwanda: Electronic Billing

Speakers:

- Professor Nada Eissa (Lead Academic, IGC South Sudan; Associate Professor of Public Policy and Economics, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER))
- Professor Andrew Zeitlin (Lead Academic, IGC Rwanda; Assistant Professor, McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University)

Discussant: Richard Dada (Deputy Commissioner, Rwanda Revenue Authority)

Planning for Results: Public Sector Performance Contracts in Rwanda

Speaker: Professor Andrew Zeitlin (Lead Academic, IGC Rwanda; Assistant Professor, McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University)

Discussant: Ms Doreen Kagarama (Senior Policy Analyst, Office of the Presidency)

Coffee Washing in Rwanda: Market Structure and Policy Implications for Increasing Exports

Speaker: Ameet Morjaria (Junior Academy Scholar, Harvard University)

Chair: Professor Rocco Macchiavello (Professor of Economics, Warwick University)

Industrial Relations and Labour Productivity in the Myanmar Garment Sector

Speaker: Dr Tin Htoo Naing (Director, CEES, Myanmar)

Natural Resources and Subnational Governments in Myanmar: Key Considerations for Wealth Sharing

Speaker: Mari Oye (Country Economist, IGC Myanmar)

Chair: Sultan Hafeez Rahman (Country Director, IGC Bangladesh)

“Water Quality Awareness and Infant Health: The Role of Breastfeeding”

Speaker: Professor Pinar Keskin (Assistant Professor, Wellesley College)

“Does Management Training Allow Women to Overcome Barriers to Promotion? Evidence from a Training Program in the Bangladeshi Garment Sector”

Speaker: Professor Chris Woodruff (Research Programme Director, IGC Firms Programme; Professor of Economics, University of Warwick)

Discussant: Dr Nasiruddin Ahmed (Commissioner, Anti-Corruption Commission)

“Impactful Sanitation Policy”

Speaker: Professor Mushfiq Mobarak (Lead Academic, IGC Bangladesh; Associate Professor of Economics, Yale School of Management)

Discussant: Dr Kaikaus Ahmad (Additional Secretary, Power Division, Ministry of Power)

1715–1830

CLOSING RECEPTION

Lower Ground Floor

1830–2000

**PUBLIC LECTURE: GROWTH, POLICY AND INSTITUTIONS -
LESSONS FROM THE INDIAN EXPERIENCE**

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Chair: Professor Francesco Caselli (Norman Sosnow Professor of Economics, LSE)

Speaker: Montek Singh Ahluwalia (former Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission of the Republic of India)

Discussant: Lord Nicholas Stern (IG Patel Professor of Economics and Government, LSE; Chair, Asia Research Centre; Chair, Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy; Director, India Observatory)
