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Program

Monday September 26, 2022

RCC, Harvard

- 09:30 [Welcome and Introductory Remarks](#)
Ana M.^a Cebrián del Pino, Vice-President of the Rafael del Pino Foundation
Maria Simó Sevilla, Executive Education Director, ICEX
- 10:00 WIE Session 1: **Diego Comin**, Professor of Economics, Dartmouth College
Anatomy of Technology Inside the firm
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:30 WIE Session 2: **Dani Rodrik**, Ford Foundation Professor of International Political Economy, Harvard's Kennedy School of Government
Globalization, Good Jobs, and What Comes After the Welfare State?
- 15:30 Break
- 16:00 WIE Session 3: **Daron Acemoglu**, Killian Professor of Economics, MIT
In the name of progress: our thousand-year struggle over technology and prosperity
- 18:00 End of day

Tuesday September 27, 2022

RCC, Harvard

- 10:00 WIE Session 4: **Melissa Dell**, Andrew E. Furer Professor of Economics, Harvard University
[Lecture title: TBA](#)
- 12:00 Lunch Break / Networking
- 13:30 WIE Session 5: **David Atkin**, professor in the Economics Department, MIT
Knowledge flows, trade and learning by exporting
- 15:30 Break
- 16:00 WIE Session 6: **Stefanie Stantcheva**, Nathaniel Ropes Professor of Political Economy, Harvard University
How well do people understand economic policies?
- 18:00 End of day

Wednesday September 28, 2022**RCC, Harvard**

10:00 WIE Session 7: **Ricardo Hausmann**, Director of Harvard's Center for International Development and Professor of the Practice of Economic Development at the Kennedy School of Government

Lecture title: TBA

12:00 Lunch Break / Networking

13:30 WIE Session 8: **Andrei Shleifer**, Professor of Economics, Harvard University

Imagining the Future

16:00 Field visit: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Silvia Espinosa, MIT & NYU

Coro Celigüeta, MIT Sloan

Thursday September 29, 2022

09:30 WIE Session 9: **Treb Allen**, Distinguished Associate Professor of Economics and Globalization, Dartmouth College

Tourism, Traffic, and the Spatial Structure of Cities

11:30 Break

11:45 WIE Session 10: **David Laibson**, Robert I. Goldman Professor of Economics and Chairman of the Department of Economics, Harvard University

Lecture title: TBA

13:45 Closing remarks and end of the Seminar

LECTURERS



DARON ACEMOGLU

Daron is the Elizabeth and James Killian Professor of Economics in the Department of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has received a BA in economics at the University of York, 1989, M.Sc. in mathematical economics and econometrics at the London School of Economics, 1990, and Ph.D. in economics at the London School of Economics in 1992. He is an elected fellow of the National Academy of Sciences (United States), the Science Academy (Turkey), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Econometric Society, the European Economic Association, and the Society of Labor Economists. He has received numerous awards and fellowships, including the inaugural T. W. Shultz Prize from the University of Chicago in 2004, and the inaugural Sherwin Rosen Award for outstanding contribution to labor economics in 2004, Distinguished Science Award from the Turkish Sciences Association in 2006, the John von Neumann Award, Rajk College, Budapest in 2007. He was the recipient of the John Bates Clark Medal in 2005, awarded every two years to the best economist in the United States under the age of 40 by the American Economic Association, and the Erwin Plein Nemmers prize awarded every two years for work of lasting significance in economics. He holds Honorary Doctorates from the University of Utrecht, Bosphorus University, and the University of Athens.



TREB ALLEN

Treb is the Distinguished Associate Professor of Economics and Globalization at Dartmouth College and a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research. Allen earned his Ph.D. at Yale University and has previously held positions at Northwestern University, Stanford University and Princeton University. His research spanning the fields of international economics, development economics, urban economics, and economic geography has been published in leading economics journals including *Econometrica*, the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, the *Journal of Political Economy*, and the *Review of Economic Studies*. Allen is the recipient of the WTO Essay Award for Young Economists, the Kiel Institute Excellence Award in Global Economics, and an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship. He serves as a co-editor at the *Journal of International Economics*, an associate editor of *Econometrica*, and a member of the Board of Editors of the *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*.



DAVID ATKIN

David is a professor in the Economics Department at MIT and a Co-Chair of J-PAL's firms sector. His research focuses on evaluating the impacts of trade liberalization on the poor in the developing world. His recent work has studied the role of regional taste differences in altering the impacts of trade reforms in India, and educational responses to the rise of export oriented manufacturing in Mexico. Atkin holds a PhD in Economics from Princeton University.



DIEGO COMIN

Diego is a Professor of Economics at Dartmouth since 2014. He received his B.A. in Economics in 1995 from the University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain and his PhD in Economics from Harvard University in 2000. Between 2000 and 2007, Comin has been Assistant Professor of Economics at New York University. Between 2007 and 2014, Comin has been Associate Professor of Business Administration at the Harvard Business School (HBS) where he taught both in the MBA and in executive programs. He has also designed and led immersion programs in Peru and Malaysia for which he received the Apgar Prize for Innovation in Teaching from the HBS Dean. Comin is Research Fellow at the Center for Economic Policy Research and Faculty Research Fellow in the National Bureau of Economic Research's Economic Fluctuations and Growth Program. Comin is a fellow for the Institute of New Economic Thinking (INET) and his work has been supported by the Gates foundation, the National Science Foundation, the C.V. Starr Foundation, and the Zentrum für Europäische Wirtschaftsforschung (ZEW). Comin is advising the Prime Minister of Malaysia on its development strategies and has consulted for the World Bank, IMF, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Citibank, Danish Science Ministry, and the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) of the government of Japan. Comin works on macroeconomics broadly understood. Part of his research consists of studying the process of technological change and technology diffusion both across countries and over time. A second avenue of Comin's work studies the sources and propagation mechanisms of fluctuations at high and medium term frequencies. A third line of research pursued by Comin has explored the evolution of firm dynamics and their implications for the evolution of the US economy. His work has been published in academic journals, including the *American Economic Review*, the *American Economic Journal*, the *Journal of Monetary Economics*, the *Review of Economics and (Open Society) Statistics* and the *Journal of Economic Growth*. Comin has written the book *Malaysia Beyond 2020* where he presents a new approach to development policy that aims to create a knowledge-friendly eco-system where companies can move up in the value chain.



MELISSA DELL

Melissa is the Andrew E. Furer Professor of Economics at Harvard University. She is the 2020 recipient of the John Bates Clark Medal, awarded each year to an American economist under the age of forty who is judged to have made the most significant contribution to economic thought and knowledge. In 2018, *The Economist* named her one of the decade's eight best young economists, and in 2014 she was named by the IMF as the youngest of 25 economists under the age of 45 shaping thought about the global economy. Her research focuses on economic growth and political economy. She has examined the factors leading to the persistence of poverty and prosperity in the long run, the effects of trade-induced job loss on crime, the impacts of U.S. foreign intervention, and the effects of weather on economic growth. She has also developed deep learning powered methods for curating social science data at scale, released in the open-source package *Layout Parser*. This work supports many of her current projects, which rely on digitizing historical sources far too

large for manual digitization. Professor Dell is a senior scholar at the Harvard Academy for Area and International Studies and a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research. She received an AB in Economics from Harvard in 2005, an MPhil in Economics from Oxford in 2007, and a PhD in Economics from MIT in 2012. Before joining the Harvard Economics department in 2014, she was a Junior Fellow at the Harvard Society of Fellows.



RICARDO HAUSSMANN

Ricardo is Director of Harvard's Center for International Development and Professor of the Practice of Economic Development at the Kennedy School of Government. He also teaches a capstone course on the MPAID program. Previously, he served as the first

Chief Economist of the Inter-American Development Bank (1994-2000), where he created the Research Department. He has served as Minister of Planning of Venezuela (1992-1993) and as a member of the Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela. He also served as Chair of the IMF-World Bank Development Committee. He was Professor of Economics at the Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administracion (IESA) (1985-1991) in Caracas, where he founded the Center for Public Policy. His research interests include issues of growth, macroeconomic stability, international finance, and the social dimensions of development.



DAVID LAIBSON

David is the Robert I. Goldman Professor of Economics and Chairman of the Department of Economics at Harvard University. He leads Harvard University's Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative. Laibson's research focuses on the topic of behavioral economics, with

emphasis on household finance, macroeconomics, aging, and intertemporal choice. Laibson is also a member of the National Bureau of Economic Research, where he co-directs the National Institute of Aging Roybal Center for Behavior Change in Health and Savings, and is a Research Associate in the Aging, Asset Pricing, and Economic Fluctuations Working Groups. Laibson serves on the Board of the Russell Sage Foundation and on Harvard's Pension Investment Committee. Laibson serves on the advisory board of the Social Science Genetics Association Consortium and has served on the Academic Research Council of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Laibson is a recipient of a Marshall Scholarship. He is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is a recipient of the TIAA-CREF Paul A. Samuelson Award for Outstanding Scholarly Writing on Lifelong Financial Security. Laibson holds degrees from Harvard University (AB in Economics, Summa), the London School of Economic (MSc in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics), and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (PhD in Economics). He received his PhD in 1994 and has taught at Harvard since then. In recognition of his teaching, he has been awarded Harvard's FBK Prize and a Harvard College Professorship



DANI RODRIK

Dani is an economist whose research covers globalization, economic growth and development, and political economy. He is the Ford Foundation Professor of International Political Economy at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He

rejoined the Kennedy School faculty in July 2015 after two years at the Institute for Advanced Study as the Albert O. Hirschman Professor in the School of Social Science. Professor Rodrik's most recent book is *Economics Rules: The Rights and Wrongs of the Dismal Science* (Norton, 2015).



ANDREI SHLEIFER

Andrei is a Professor of Economics at Harvard University, Andrei holds an undergraduate degree from Harvard and a Ph.D. from MIT. Before coming to Harvard in 1991, he has taught at Princeton and the Chicago Business School. Shleifer has worked in the areas of

comparative corporate governance, law and finance, behavioral finance, as well as institutional economics. He has published six books, including *The Grabbing Hand* (with Robert Vishny), and *Inefficient Markets: An Introduction to Behavioral Finance*, as well as over a hundred articles. Shleifer is an Editor of the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, and a fellow of the *Econometric Society*, the *American Academy of Arts and Sciences*, and the *American Finance Association*. In 1999, Shleifer won the John Bates Clark medal of the *American Economic Association*. According to RePEc, Shleifer is the most cited economist in the world.



STEFANIE STANTCHEVA

Stefanie is the Nathaniel Ropes Professor of Political Economy at Harvard and founder of the Social Economics Lab. She studies the taxation of firms and individuals, as well as how people understand, perceive, and form their attitudes towards public policies. Her

work has centered around the long-lasting effects of tax policy – on innovation, education, and wealth. She has also explored people's attitudes towards taxation, health care, immigration policies, environmental policies, and social mobility using large-scale Social Economics Surveys and Experiments.

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