

# URPE Program at ASSA 2009, San Francisco

Saturday, January 3

*8 a.m. (Session A) Room:*

## **Key Unanswered Questions: A Research Agenda For Radical Political Economist**

Presiding: Mehrene Larudee, Mount Holyoke College

Presenters: Peter Dorman, Evergreen State College, *Why Economics Needs A Realistic Model of International Trade*

Gil Skillman, Wesleyan University, *Public vs. Private: Some Game-theoretic Foundations of Political Economy*

Mehrene Larudee, Mount Holyoke College, *Sources of the Polarization of Income and Wealth*

Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont, *The Macroeconomics of Race and Gender Inequality*

Firat Demir, University of Oklahoma and Omar Dahi, Hampshire College, *South-South Trade and the Emerging Global Order*

Discussants: Ramaa Vasudevan, Colorado State University

Peter Skott, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

J. Barkley Rosser, James Madison University

**8 a.m. (Session B) Room:**

**Gender and Migration**

Co-sponsored by **International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)**

Presiding: Farida Khan, University of Wisconsin-Parkside

Presenters: Mary C. King, Leopoldo Rodriguez and Carrie Cobb, Portland State University.  
*Semi-Formal: Understanding the Institutional Nature of the Labor Market for Mexican Immigrant Workers in the US*

Laura J. Templeton, University of Alberta, *The Economic Welfare of University-Educated Immigrant Women in Canada: Impact of the Domestic Household*

Elke Holst, DIW Berlin/SOEP and University of Flensburg, Andrea Schaefer, DIW Berlin and Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences and Mechthild Schrooten, University of Applied Sciences Bremen and DIW Berlin. *Gender, Migration, Remittances: Evidence from Germany*

Alex Julca, United Nations. *International Labour Migration and Reproduction of Inequalities: the Latin American Case*

Discussants: Ramaa Vasudevan, Colorado State University

Peter Skott, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

J. Barkley Rosser, James Madison University

***10:15 a.m. (Session A) Room:***

**Sraffa's Unpublished Papers and Marxian Political Economy**

Presiding: Ajit Zacharias, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

Presenters: Riccardo Bellofiore, University of Bergamo. *Sraffa, the New Interpretation and Marx: A First Exploration into a Continent Which is Not Yet Explored*

Scott Carter, University of Tulsa, *Sraffa-New Interpretation Nexus and the Theory of Exploitation*

Gary Mongiovi, St. John's University, *Sraffa and Wittgenstein on Language and Method*

Heinz Kurz, University of Graz, *Ricardo, Marx, and Sraffa*

Discussants: Pierangelo Garegnani, Centro Sraffa

John Eatwell, Queens College, Cambridge University

Cristina Marcuzzo, University of Rome-La Sapienza

***10:15 a.m. (Session B) Room:***

**Quantitative Marxism and the Falling Rate of Profit**

Presiding: Erdogan Bakir, Bucknell University

Presenters: Paul Dunne, University of the West of England, *Military Spending and the Falling Rate of Profit: An Empirical Analysis*

Erdogan Bakir, Bucknell University and Al Campbell, University of Utah, *Profitability, Financialization and Capital Accumulation In the U.S. Economy*

Simon Mohun and Vincent Brown, Queen Mary, University of London, *The U.K.  
Rate of Profit: 1920-1938*

Ali Cevat Tasiran, Birkbeck College, University of London and Erdogan Bakir,  
Bucknell University, *Rate of Profit In Business Cycle Phases and their  
Transitional Dynamics*

Paul Cooney, Universidade Federal de Pará-in Belem, *Competition,  
Globalization, Neoliberalism, Poverty and Inequality*

Discussants: Andrew Mearman, University of the West of England

Al Campbell, University of Utah

**12:30 p.m. (Session A) Room:**

**Using Economics For Social Change: Five Organizations Report**

Presiding: Lane Vanderslice, World Hunger Education Service

Presenters: R Heidi Hartmann, Institute For Women's Policy Research, *Shaping U.S. Policy to Address the Needs of Women and their Families*

Chris Sturr, Dollars and Sense, *Bringing Left Economic Analysis to Activists, Students, and the General Public*

Lawrence Mishel, Economic Policy Institute, *Shaping the US Debate On Policies Affecting Working People Through Empirical and Policy Analysis*

Kevin Danaher, Global Exchange, *Implementing Fair Trade, a Green Economy and Other Steps To Economic Justice*

David Barkin, Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana-Xochimilco, *Principles for Constructing Alternative Socio-Economic Organizations*

Discussants: Lane Vanderslice, World Hunger Education Service

John Weeks, University of London-School of Oriental and African Studies

**2:30 p.m. (Session B) Room:**

**The Capital Controversy Revisited**

Co-sponsored by **American Economic Association (AEA)**

Presiding: Fred Moseley, Mount Holyoke College

Presenters: Pierangelo Garegnani, University of Rome 3, *On the Present Situation of the Capital Controversy Concerning Neoclassical Capital Theory*

Christopher Bliss, Oxford University, *Capital Controversy Revisited: A Neoclassical Reply to Justified Criticism*

Avi Cohen, York University, *Methodological Comments on the Capital Controversy*

Discussants: Heinz Kurz, University of Graz

**2:30 p.m. (Session A) Room:**

**In Honor of David Houston: Explorations in Political Economy**

Presiding: Don Goldstein, Allegheny College

Presenters: Don Goldstein, Allegheny College, *Weirton Revisited: Finance, the Working Class, and Rustbelt Steel Restructuring*

Douglas Koritz, Buffalo State College, *School's Out! Capital and Structural Decline in the Old Industrial Heartland*

John Miller, Wheaton College, *The Sweatshop Debate: Marx, Smith and the Neoclassicals*

Shapoor Vali, Fordham University, *Poor Man's Equalizer, Political Economy of Nuclear Energy and Weapon*

Discussants: Paddy Quick, St. Francis College

James Devine, Loyola Marymount University

Laurie Nisonoff, Hampshire College

**Sunday, January 4**

***8 a.m. (Session A) Room:***

**Households and Gender Equality**

Co-sponsored by **International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)**

Presiding: Carole Biewener, Simmons College

Presenters: Hazel Malapit, American University, *Are Women from Low-Income Urban Households More Likely to be Credit Constrained? Evidence from the Philippines*

Ozge Izdes, University of Utah, *A Gendered Analysis of Employment-Poverty-Social Security Nexus in Turkey*

Ramzi Mabsout, Nijmegen School of Management and Irene Van Staveren, Nijmegen School of Management and Institute of Social Studies, the Hague, *Power in Households: Disentangling Bargaining Power and Beyond*

Jerome De Henau, Open University, *"A Brave New Household": Trading Off Money for Free Time within Households*

Discussants: Carole Biewener, Simmons College

Gil Skillman, Wesleyan University

***8 a.m. (Session B) Room:***

**The Global Financial Crisis: Heterodox Perspectives**



Presiding: David Kotz, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Presenters: James Crotty, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, *Structural Causes of the Global Financial Crisis*

David Kotz, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, *Neoliberalism and the Crisis of 2008*

Minqi Li, University of Utah, *Global Imbalances and Neoliberalism*

Jacqueline Morse, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, *Neoliberal Roots of the Subprime Crisis*

Ramaa Vasudevan, Colorado State University, *The Dollar, Financialization and the Subprime Market Crisis*

Discussants: Korkut Erturk, University of Utah

Marie Duggan, Keene State College

Ozur Orhangazi, Roosevelt University

***10:15 a.m. (Session A) Room:***

**Intersection/Entry Points: Race, Ethnicity, Gender and Class in Economics**

Presiding: Darrick Hamilton, New School for Social Research

Presenters: Jessica Gordon Nembhard, University of Maryland, *Black Cooperativism and African American Women's Roles in the Cooperative Movement: Legacies and Prospects*

William Darity, Jr., Kris Marsh, and Danielle Salters, University of North Carolina, *Revisiting the Construction of the Black Middle Class*

Patrick L. Mason, Florida State University, *Inter and Intra Racial Wage and Non Labor Inequality in the US 1965-2007*

Mwangi wa Githinji, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, *Erasing Class/(Re)Creating Ethnicity: Politics, Jobs and Identity in Kenya*

Discussants: Mathew Forstatter, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Una Osili Okonokwo – Indiana University-Purdue

Darrick Hamilton, New School for Social Research

***10:15 a.m. (Session B) Room:***

**Progressive Economic Policies for Workers, Communities and Families**

Presiding: Marlene Kim, University of Massachusetts-Boston

Presenters: Jeannette Wicks-Lim, Political Economic Research Institute, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, *State Minimum Wage Laws and Earned Income Tax*

*Credits: Substitutes or Complements for Improving the Living Standards of the Working Poor?*

Michael Reich, University of California-Berkeley, *Minimum Wages: Politics and Economics*

Manuel Pastor, University of Southern California, *Crossing Borders in Los Angeles: Can We Forge a Progressive Agenda for Immigrant Integration?"*

Andrea Fumagalli, University of Pavia and Stefano Lucarelli, University of Bergamo, *Basic Income and Counterpower in Cognitive Capitalism*

Discussants: Richard Walker, Institute for Research on Labor & Employment

Gary A. Dymski, University of California Center-Sacramento

**2:30 p.m. (Session A) Room:**

**The U.S. Financial Crisis: Heterodox Perspectives**

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**2:30 p.m. (Session B) Room:**

**Immigrants in America: Ethnic Enclaves, Remittances, and Progressive Policy**

Presiding: Marlene Kim, University of Massachusetts-Boston

Presenters: Ulyses Balderas and Edward F. Blackburne, Sam Houston State University, *Do Women Send More Money Home? A Case Study of Mexican Migrants in Texas*

Roberto Pedace, Claremont Graduate University and Stephanie Rohn, University of San Diego, *A Warm Embrace or the Cold Shoulder: Wage and Employment Outcomes in Ethnic Enclaves*

Joan B. Anderson, University of San Diego, *Why More and Higher Walls Haven't and Won't Slow Mexican Immigration*

Ilene Grabel, University of Denver, *The Political Economy of Remittances: What Do We Know? What Do We Need to Know?*

Discussants: Marie Mora, University of Texas-Pan American

Stephen Raphael, University of California-Berkeley

Stephen J. Conroy, University of San Diego

## **Monday, January 5**

**8 a.m. (Session A) Room:**

### **Debating Pluralism in Heterodox Economics**

Presiding: Erik Olsen, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Presenters: Frederic S. Lee, University of Missouri-Kansas City, *A Note on the Pluralism Debate in Heterodox Economics*

Robert F. Garnett, Texas Christian University, *Pluralism, Academic Freedom and Heterodox Economics*

Andrew Mearman, University of the West of England, *Pluralism, Plurality, Heterodoxy and the Rhetoric of Distinction*

Alan Freeman, Birkbeck College, London and Andrew Kliman, Pace University, *We Have Met the Enemy and He Is Us*

Discussants: Zdravka Todorova, Wright State University

Terrence McDonough, National University of Ireland, Galway

**10:15 a.m. (Session B) Room:**

### **The U.S. Housing Crisis**

Presiding: Susan Schroeder, Auckland University of Technology

Presenters: Dean Baker, Center of Economic Policy Research, *The U.S. Housing Crisis: Causes and Remedies*

Margaret Duncan, Planning and Environmental Services, City of Goleta,  
*California Coastal Housing Markets: Will Demand-Side Policies Help?*

Mathew Forstater, University of Missouri-Kansas City, *The Color of Foreclosure: Race and the Subprime Mortgage Crisis in the US*

Ann Davis, Marist College, *Local Institutional Context of the U.S. Housing Crisis*

Discussants: Doreen Isenberg, University of Redlands

Fred Moseley, Mount Holyoke College

***1:00 p.m. (Session B) Room:***

**Improving Women's Lives: Economic Strategies for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

Co-sponsored by **International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)**

Presiding: Mary C. King, Portland State University

Presenters: Radhika Balakrishnan, Marymount Manhattan College and Diane Elson, Essex University, *Integrating Macroeconomic Strategies and Human Rights*

Maria Sagario Floro, American University, *Vulnerability, Poverty and Risk: Revisiting the Role of Microfinance*

Barbara Bergman, Professor Emerita, American University, *Rethinking Policies toward Lone Mothers*

Gale Summerfield, University of Illinois At Urbana-Champaign, *Biofuels versus Food Security: Engendering the Debate*

Discussants: Mary C. King, Portland State University

Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont