

**Review of Radical Political Economics**  
**2023 Editorial Board Election**  
**CANDIDATE STATEMENTS**

**Ron Baiman** is currently Associate Professor of Economics in the College of Business at Benedictine University. He holds a PhD and MA in Economics from the New School, a BSc in Math and Physics from Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and studied for a year in the graduate Math program at UC Berkeley. He is a long-time URPE member and activist, having served on both the URPE Steering Committee (many years ago) and the *RRPE* Editorial Board (in the more recent past). He is author of two books—*The Global Free Trade Error: The Infeasibility of Ricardo's Comparative Advantage Theory* (Routledge 2017), and *The Morality of Radical Economics: Ghost Curve Ideology and the Value Neutral Aspect of Neoclassical Economics* (Palgrave Macmillan 2016)—and co-editor and co-author (with Heather Boushey and Dawn Saunders) of a collection of papers by URPE members, *Political Economy and Contemporary Capitalism* (M.E. Sharpe 2000), which won an American Library Association Choice award for "Outstanding Academic Title." He has published in heterodox and orthodox journals including the *Review of Radical Political Economics*, *International Journal of Pluralism in Economic Education*, *Review of Black Political Economy*, *Review of Political Economy*, *Statistica Applicata/Italian Journal of Applied Statistics*, *Economic Development Quarterly*, *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, and *Science and Society*. His research includes: federal, state, and local policy analysis, including jobs infrastructure, trade, and election exit poll analysis and proposals (all at the federal level); minimum wage and budget analysis (at the state level); financial transactions tax ("La Salle Street tax"), living wage, and Walmart impact analysis (all at the local level); international trade, unequal exchange, and rentierism; and, most recently, climate change (at the global level). His more public activist work includes co-founding and serving on the Steering Circle of The Healthy Planet Action Coalition ([www.healthyplanetaction.org](http://www.healthyplanetaction.org)), and founding and serving as a member and webmaster of the Chicago Political Economy Group (CPEG [www.cpegonline.org](http://www.cpegonline.org)) where many of his policy analyses and blog postings can be found. On a personal note, he enjoys and appreciates the privilege of serving on the *RRPE* Editorial Board and would like to continue to serve. Major contributions during his time on the board include serving as a referee and Editorial Coordinator for numerous submissions (managing to be (he hopes) constructive and respectful to authors), and initiating and serving on three *RRPE* special issue collectives: globalization, financialization, and most recently the special issue on climate change.

**Sergio Cámara Izquierdo** is tenured Professor of Political Economy at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana-Azcapotzalco, Mexico City, Mexico, where he has taught since 2003. There, he has coordinated the Marxist economics component of the BS Economics degree, and also headed the Society and Capitalist Accumulation Research Area. Since 2018, he has served as Head of the Department of Economics. He has also been recognized as distinguished Level I of the National System of Researchers (CONACyT) and Teacher with Desirable Profile in the Program of Professors' Development (PRODEP-SEP). He holds a PhD in Applied Economics from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain. His research interests include applied political economy and the Marxian labor theory of value, and he has been published in the United States, Europe, and Latin America in English and Spanish, including the *RRPE*. Sergio has been actively involved in the foundation and/or development of the several international political economy associations, including the Executive Council of the Sociedad Latinoamericana de Economía Política y Pensamiento Crítico (Latin American Association of Political Economy and Critical Thought) and is actively involved in its Mexican chapter, as well as the Council of the International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy which has held annual conferences in Europe. Sergio also serves as member of two Editorial Boards: *Análisis Económico* (Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana-Azcapotzalco) since 2014, and the *RRPE* since 2017. He has reviewed manuscripts for 16 different journals and publishers from United States, Mexico, Colombia, Argentina, Spain, and China. Given this accumulated experience, he would be pleased to continue to serve on the *RRPE* Editorial Board in order to contribute to the development and diffusion of radical political economy. Among other things, he is confident that he can strengthen the links of the *RRPE* with other political economics associations and contribute to the internationalization of *RRPE*, enriching the influence and the quality of the journal.

**Devika Dutt** is Lecturer in Development Economics in the Department of International Development at King's College London. She received her PhD in Economics from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. Prior to joining King's College London, she was a Future of Capitalism Berggruen Fellow at the University of Southern California. She has also worked with several international policy organizations such as the World Health Organization, the International Labour Organization, the International Trade Union Confederation, and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. Her research focuses on the political economy of foreign exchange intervention, central bank swap agreements, the political economy of development policy (especially as it relates to international financial institutions), and macroeconomic policy in developing economies. She is a member of the Steering Group and co-Founder of Diversifying and Decolonising Economics (D-Econ), and is also working on a co-authored book (under contract at Polity

Press) titled *Decolonizing Economics: An Introduction*. She has served as a reviewer for several journals, including *Review for International Political Economy*, *Journal of Economic Issues*, *International Journal of Political Economy*, and *Review of Social Economics*, among others. She is deeply committed to ensuring that there continues to be robust, vibrant, and critical space for heterodox economics at the *Review of Radical Political Economics*, and would work tirelessly with other members of the editorial board to do so, if given the opportunity.

**Don Goldstein** hopes to be re-elected to the *RRPE* Editorial Board. He is retired after 25 years teaching at Allegheny College; his time on the Ed Board brackets that span. Don's research during those years has segued from financial markets to corporate restructuring to business "greening" to organizational and institutional change in the face of climate crisis. He is happy to see neoliberalism in trouble and new legs under a wide range of radically oppositional movements, giving heightened importance to the missions of URPE and the *Review*. Don absorbed from his thesis advisor, the late, great Jim Crotty, an appreciation for insights from a wide range of RPE theorists and theories, and would like to see *RRPE* continue to publish research in diverse traditions and directions.

**Güney Işıkara** received his PhD from the New School for Social Research in 2019. He is Clinical Assistant Professor at New York University, Liberal Studies, and has been a reader of the *RRPE* since the first days of his graduate school days. His current research focuses on the ecological breakdown and radical paradigms addressing it, comparative systems with particular focus on socialism, and the theory of value. His broader approach to economics is based on an understanding of the economy and scientific inquiry itself within the totality of social relations, seeking to move beyond the narrow limits of individual disciplines as well as the concept of interdisciplinary research, which is grounded on the same fragmentation it seeks to sublimate. He is therefore interested in philosophy of science, particularly from a Marxist viewpoint. His editorial approach would be in favor of publishing a broad range of topics and approaches, which advance critical reflections on society as a tool for social change. This is the second time he is running for election for the *RRPE* Editorial Board. He hopes to contribute to the progress of radical political economics, and at the same time enjoy the collaborative spirit of the *RRPE*.

**Tarron Khemraj** was attracted to graduate-level economics after working as an economist at the Bank of Guyana and observing that the standard journals and books in the central bank's library could not provide clear answers to important practical monetary questions facing the policy makers at the time during a period of transition in the mid-1990s. He attempted to fill this lacuna by reading for his PhD at The New School and learning heterodox and mainstream monetary traditions, as well as writing a thesis on bank liquidity and subsequently publishing papers on this topic and its broader implication for exchange rate management systems. Moreover, a second strand of his research in the area of political economics was motivated by his desire to understand the economic development implication of identity-based voting under "democracy," a feature he observed in his country of birth and several other bicomunal and non-bicomunal societies. Overall, his research is unorthodox in nature and integrates institutional realities into empirical and theoretical frameworks. His monetary, international finance, and political economy papers have been published in *Social and Economic Studies*, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*, *Review of Keynesian Economics* (forthcoming), *Review of Political Economy*, *Review of Black Political Economy*, *Emerging Markets Finance and Trade*, *Economic Modelling*, *Review of Development Economics*, *Oxford Economic Papers*, *Applied Economics*, among others. He looks forward to generalizing his ideas relating to monetary economics, international finance, and political economics in the coming years. Presently, he is Professor of Economics and International Studies at New College of Florida.

**Zhongjin Li** is running for re-election to the Editorial Board of the *RRPE*. She has served on the *RRPE* Editorial Board since 2020 and enjoyed working with all the other dedicated editorial board members in her first term. Zhongjin received her PhD in Economics from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst and is currently Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. She has published in the *Review of Radical Political Economics*, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, *Economia Politica*, *Science & Society*, among others, as well as a chapter in *Economics and the Left* (Verso 2021), and a coedited book *China on Strike* (Haymarket 2016). Her recent and ongoing work deals with platform capitalism, labor resistance, economic development, and global political economy. She also serves as co-director of the Asian Economy Program at the Political Economy Research Institute and a manuscript and editorial board member for *Science & Society*. In addition to research and teaching, she volunteers for the Kansas City Heartland Labor Forum in broadcasting scholarly and activist work on employment issues and labor movements. Zhongjin would be honored to continue serving and contributing to the development of radical political economy.

**Susan Newman** is Professor and Head of Economics at the Open University, UK which has an institutional mission to make higher education open and accessible to all. She gained her PhD in Economics from SOAS, University of London. With another graduate student, Susan purchased an annual subscription to *RRPE* in 2007 because there were no recent

copies in any of the university libraries that they could access. Susan subsequently responded to a call for papers as part of a special issue on financialization, and published her first academic article which was awarded *RRPE's* Annual Best Paper prize in 2009. Her research interests broadly include commodity dependence, processes of unequal exchange along global value chains, the restructuring of production in relation to finance, commodification, social reproduction, and the political economy of industrial and development policy. She likes to conduct research at the interstices of literatures and disciplines and has published in such journals as *Review of International Political Economy, Development and Change, Economic Geography, Socialist Register*, and the *Journal of Southern African Studies*. Susan recently served as deputy chair for economics curriculum for a UK national body considering the content and nature of economics teaching in higher education, and contributes to economics education for environmental and social justice activists. Susan was first elected to the editorial board of *RRPE* in 2018 and would relish the opportunity to continue to serve for another term.

**Ozge Ozay** is Associate Professor of Economics at Fitchburg State University in Massachusetts. She received her PhD in Economics from the University of Utah in 2010. Her research interests include the political economy of gender and race. Her recent research agenda focuses on the impacts of the macroeconomic shocks on existing structural inequalities within the labor market as well as on the gendered distribution of unpaid and paid work. Her work has appeared in *Structural Change & Economic Dynamics, the Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*, and the *International Trade Journal*. She has been a manuscript reviewer for *Structural Change & Economic Dynamics; Feminist Economics; RRPE; Economics; Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy; ILR Review; and Journal of Urban Affairs*. She was introduced to *RRPE* during her graduate school years, and since then, she deeply values the journal's role in creating a forum for and advancing the pluralistic approaches to economics beyond mainstream economics. She'd be honored to take a role in progressing *RRPE's* mission if elected to the *RRPE* Editorial Board.

**Smita Ramnarain** (she/they) would be deeply honored to be elected to serve on the *RRPE* Editorial Board in order to contribute to the important work of the journal in disseminating radical political economic perspectives, especially in interrogating global economic development. Smita is Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Rhode Island, where she teaches courses on Comparative Economic Development and the Political Economy of Race, Gender, and Class, among others. Her research has focused on the gendered (understood intersectionally) impacts of neoliberal "post"-conflict and "post"-crises economic development in the Global South, on liberal peacebuilding, and more recently, on issues of social reproduction, and waged and unwaged labor. Her work has been published in diverse and interdisciplinary fora—such as the *Review of Radical Political Economics, Development and Change, Feminist Economics, Gender Place & Culture, the Community Development Journal*, and the *Forum for Social Economics*—and in edited volumes, including the *Handbook of Gender in Asia* (Edward Elgar 2020), the *Handbook of Research Methods and Applications in Heterodox Economics* (Edward Elgar 2016), and the *UN Encyclopedia on Social and Solidarity Economies* (Edward Elgar 2023). She is also currently involved in putting together the *RRPE* Special Issue on Anti-Capitalist Pedagogies and Teaching Radical Economics, which is expected to come out in late 2024. Besides an active interest in the teaching of radical political economics, she is deeply interested in questions of methodology in economics. She uses mixed methods in her research and has done extensive field work in India and Nepal.

**Juan E. Santarcangelo** received his doctorate in economics from the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research. He has been a member of URPE, a subscriber to the *RRPE* since his days as a graduate student, and is running for re-election to the *RRPE* Editorial Board. He is the Director of the Center for the Study of Development, Innovation, and Political Economy (CEDIEP), Chair of the Graduate Program in Economic Development, and serves as Associate Professor of Economics at the Universidad Nacional de Quilmes (Buenos Aires, Argentina). His research interests include political economy, economic development, the Global South and Latin American political economy, development planning, financialization, economic theory, and the history of economic thought. Juan also held teaching and research positions at Columbia University, the New School for Social Research, the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), and the Universidad de Buenos Aires, and was a senior economic affairs officer at the Department of Economy and Social Affairs (DESA) at the United Nations. Juan's work has been published widely in leading journals as well as in several peer-reviewed books. Juan has considerable journal experience, including serving on the editorial board of *Realidad Económica, Cuadernos de Economía Crítica, Valor Agregado, Revista de Economía y Desafíos del Desarrollo*, and *Revista Ensayos de Economía*. Since 2014, he has been the editor of *Palgrave Studies in the Latin American Heterodox Economics Series* (Palgrave Macmillan). Juan would love the opportunity to serve again on the *RRPE* Editorial Board and continue his work with other board members in the development and advance of radical political economics in all its various forms.