

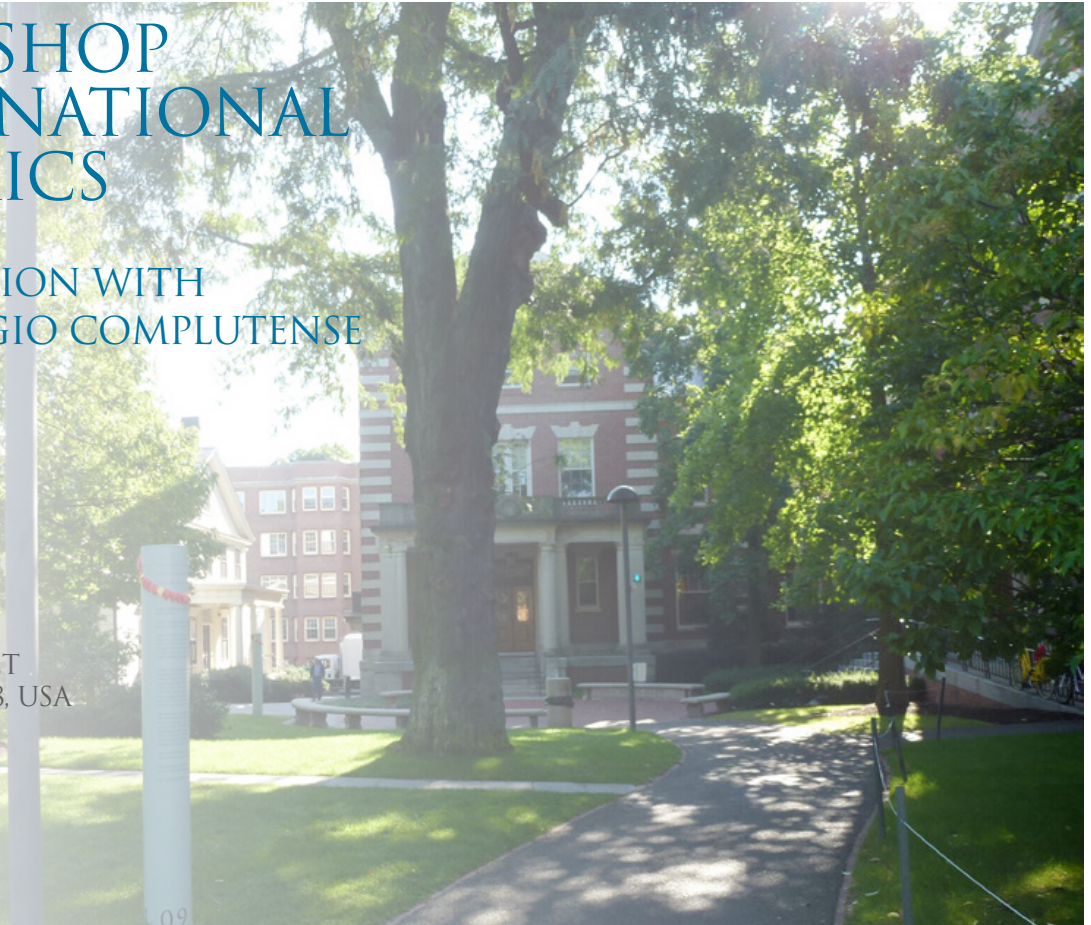
# XI WORKSHOP IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS

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## PROGRAMME

### MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>

- 10:00 **Dani Rodrik**  
Harvard Kennedy School Government  
*Globalization, Labor Markets, and Populism: How Did We Get Here and What's the Way Forward?*
- 12:00 *Opening and Welcome*
- 12:15 Group Photo and Lunch Break
- 13:30 **Fabrizio Zilibotti**  
Yale University  
*The Economics of Parenting Style*
- 16:00 **Roberto Rigobon**  
MIT  
*The mystery of the hidden inflation*

### TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup>

- 10:00 **David Laibson**  
Harvard University  
*Nudges are Not Enough: A Case for Hard Paternalism.*
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:30 **David N. Weil**  
Brown University  
*Geography, Economic Development, and Population.*
- 16:00 **Andrei Shleifer**  
Harvard University  
*Expectations and Financial Crises*

### WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>

- 10:00 **Susanto Basu**  
Boston College  
*Market Power and Monetary Policy*
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 13:30 **Diego Comin**  
Dartmouth College  
*A Demand-driven Theory of Labor Market Polarization*

### THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup>

- 09:30 **Gerard Padró-i-Miquel**  
Yale University  
*Political Accountability in Divided Societies?*
- 11:30 **Esther Duflo**  
MIT  
*Good Economics for Hard Times*
- 13:30 End of the Seminar



## SUSANTO BASU

Susanto Basu has been Professor of Economics at Boston College since 2005. Previously he was Professor at the University of Michigan from 1992-2005 and Visiting Professor at Harvard from 2002-2004. He is a Research Associate of the NBER, and on the Executive Committee of the CRIW. He has received fellowships

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## 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 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.



## ESTHER DUFLO

Esther is the Abdul Latif Jameel Professor of Poverty Alleviation and Development Economics in the Department of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a co-founder and co-director of the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL). In her research, she seeks to understand the

economic lives of the poor, with the aim to help design and evaluate social policies. She has worked on health, education, financial inclusion, environment and governance.

Professor Esther Duflo's first degrees were in history and economics from Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris. She subsequently received a Ph.D. in Economics from MIT in 1999.

Duflo has received numerous academic honors and prizes including the Princess of Asturias Award for Social Sciences (2015), the A.SK Social Science Award (2015), Infosys Prize (2014), the David N. Kershaw Award (2011), a John Bates Clark Medal (2010), and a MacArthur “Genius Grant” Fellowship (2009). With Abhijit Banerjee, she wrote *Poor Economics: A Radical Rethinking of the Way to Fight Global Poverty*, which won the Financial Times and Goldman Sachs Business Book of the Year Award in 2011 and has been translated into more than 17 languages.

Duflo is the Editor of the *American Economic Review*, a member of the National Academy of Sciences and a Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy.

## 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.

## GERARD PADRÓ-I-MIQUEL



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He is interested in the interplay between politics and economics as a barrier for development with a focus on civil conflict and on the politics of non-democratic regimes. His previous work has been published at the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *American Economic Review*, *Review of Economic Studies* and the *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* among others.

## ROBERTO RIGOBON



Roberto is the Society of Sloan Fellows Professor of Management and a Professor of Applied Economics at the MIT Sloan School of Management.

He is also a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a member of the Census Bureau’s Scientific Advisory Committee, and a visiting

professor at IESA.

Roberto is a Venezuelan economist whose areas of research are international economics, monetary economics, and development economics. Roberto focuses on the causes of balance-of-payments crises, financial crises, and the propagation of them across countries—the phenomenon that has been identified in the literature as contagion. Currently he studies properties of international pricing practices, trying to produce alternative measures of inflation. He is one of the two founding members of the Billion Prices Project, and a co-founder of PriceStats.

Roberto joined the business school in 1997 and has won both the “Teacher of the Year” award and the “Excellence in Teaching” award at MIT three times.

He received his PhD in economics from MIT in 1997, an MBA from IESA (Venezuela) in 1991, and his BS in Electrical Engineer from Universidad Simon Bolivar (Venezuela) in 1984. He is married with three kids.



## 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

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## ANDREI SHLEIFER

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.



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