Program and Participants

THE FINANCIAL AND BANKING CRISIS: LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS

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**IRE – International Initiative for Rethinking the Economy**

The IRE is the economic program of the IRG – Institute for Research and debate on Governance – financed by the FPH. The IRE is a forum for debates, dialogue, and reflection aiming at establishing new proposals in the economic realm. The IRE is an open space where diverse ideological, disciplinary and cultural points of views can be expressed. At the IRE, those who do, those who innovate and those who think about the economy can meet and share ideas. The IRE has established itself between two poles that are, on one side, the concrete social, ecological and political problems – poverty, the depletion of the environment, the loss by societies of the control of their destiny, the excesses of individualism, the denial of economic, social and cultural rights – and on the other side the questions internal to economics. The IRE has decided to organize its work around five main themes. These themes have in common the fact that they require an effort of radical conceptual innovation; that they have a considerable impact on societies; and that they open the possibility for new practical innovations. The five themes are: money and finance; institutional arrangements; the regulation of goods and services; the role of territories; and the organization of exchanges. To develop its work, the IRE acts in multiple ways. The IRE is setting up a website that will collect resources in order to centralize and make available to the public original economic contributions. The IRE is also the organizer, co-organizer or funder of seminars and conferences. One of the latest initiatives of the IRE is the preparation of an international competition that will reward original contributions on a chosen theme. The IRE also publishes economic works.


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- To create and promote a better understanding and a more friendly relationship between races, nations, and classes of people; to foster a desire for universal perpetual peace on the part of the several nations of the world; to promote the movement for world disarmament, nuclear disarmament, and a reduction in the stockpiling of weapons by all countries; to support efforts to create economic incentives for peaceful relations; to promote collective approaches to conflict and security problems; to encourage the submission of international disputes to negotiation, arbitration, judicial settlement, the United Nations or other multinational institutions for the settlement of controversies;

- To engage in programs of education, relating to the above purposes; to join in partnership with economists and others to increase public understanding and to educate policy makers and citizen advocates that nuclear and other weapons represent a threat to the existence of human life and civilization, and that disarmament and development are interdependent goals; and to promote greater understanding of the full range of economic causes, costs and consequences of violent conflict;
- To undertake rigorous economic analysis and to present just, peaceful policy alternatives; to organize meetings and seminars, publish articles, exchange opinions with scholars, and government and non-government representatives, and cooperate with like-minded organizations in other professions;

- To do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purpose or in advancement thereof, as permitted and authorized under the not-for-profit corporation law of the State of New York


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Its current priorities, defined in its 2004–2010 guidelines and its 2008–2009 strategy, are:

- to support the emergence of a world community, made indispensable by globalization;

- to contribute to three major changes that humankind must make in the course of the 21st century: a revolution in governance in order to manage the new interdependence between human beings, between societies, and between humanity and the biosphere, the search for a universal ethic of responsibility, the creation of a sustainable society.
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009
First Day Program
Chairman: James Galbraith

9 am: Welcome and opening remarks

Session 1 (9:30am-1pm): The Banking Crisis Two Years On
(Coffee Break: 11-11:15 am)
This session will be centered on banks and the financial system. What is the state of play of
the crisis in the United States, and in Europe, including Iceland, Ireland, Southern Europe and
Eastern Europe? What has been or will be the effectiveness of banking rescue/reform
plans? What dangers remain unaddressed, including credit default swaps and "ghost
creditors," currency swaps and sovereign credit risk, and the complicated coordination
problems involved in transnational financial crises? What is the future of the shadow banking
sector? What strategies are needed going forward, including receiverships, strategic
downsizing, "dynamic provisioning," a new Glass-Steagall, and reform of corporate
governance in the banking sector? What are the implications for international banking as
national authorities are obliged to step back in?

The main question to be answered is: Are "we" handling the bank crisis appropriately?
And if not, why not? What should be done?

1-2:30 pm: Lunch

Session 2 (2:30-6pm): Reform and Regulation of International Finance
(4-4:15 pm: Coffee Break)
This session will focus on the international regulatory regime, including tax havens, offshore
financial centers, capital flows, and over-the-counter derivatives. What is the capacity of
international institutions, such as the International Monetary Fund and the Financial Stability
Board, to prevent and manage systemic risks? How appropriate are current accounting norms,
and are they effective as prudential norms? What standardization of practices should be
required? How best to deal with the international dimensions of financial fraud? What
powers does the system need to deal with systemic instability and collapse? What is the
appropriate role for regional institutions and networks and how can global institutions support
the regional ones? What kind of authority and global power should global institutions have?
What kind of global governance should be put in place?

The main questions to be answered are: What is the strategic objective for the international
financial sector? What are the pressing policy priorities? And what is the most plausible
effective action program?
Session 1 (9am-1pm): The Economic Situation: An Appraisal

(Coffee Break: 11-11:15 am)

This session will revolve around the analysis of the macro-economic situation in various parts of the world (the US, Europe, China, Latin America…). We will discuss the depth of the slump, the effectiveness of the automatic stabilizers, the positive and negative feedbacks of fiscal policy actions, and the content/effectiveness/weaknesses of the stimulus plans recently adopted. There is also the question of interdependence: does it matter whether the major regions reflate together? What are the implications if they do not? What are the risks if they do?

The main question to be addressed is: Are "we" going to come out of this, and when? Are the stimulus plans the right answer? If not, what are the pressing priorities for macro policy in the leading countries?

1-2:30 pm: Lunch

Session 2 (2:30-6pm): The International Monetary System

(4-4:15 pm: Coffee Break)

This session will deal with the role of the dollar, the IMF and Special Drawing Rights, in the context of the new G-20 framework. We will also discuss currency regimes; regional monetary arrangements; the future (if any) of coordinated policy; and the likely effects of the current tensions in the eurozone. What is the potential for emergency expansion of single-currency areas, and the risks to the viability of the existing systems, including the dollar-reserve system and the eurozone? What can be done about the deficiencies of forecasting and foresight in the global economy, which has led to a systematic under-statement of the violence of the present slump? What can or should be done to prevent trade wars and to reverse the ongoing collapse of trade?

The main questions to be answered are: What steps should be taken now and what should be the ultimate goals of a new, more stable, more effective and more sustainable international monetary system, serving the goals of stability, of development, and of environmental sustainability?
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László Andor was born in 1966, in Zalaegerszeg, Hungary. He graduated in 1989 at the Karl Marx University of Economic Sciences (Budapest). He also earned an M.A.(Econ.) in Development Economics at the University of Manchester (U.K.) in 1993. He earned his Ph.D. at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. He wrote his dissertation on the theoretical approaches to the international debt crisis.

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From 1963 to 1982, while keeping his academic activities, he was vice-president of the large retailing company, Pão de Açúcar. In 1983, with the election of the first democratic governor to São Paulo, Franco Montoro, he became president of the state bank of São Paulo, and two years later, chief of staff of the governor. In April 1987, in the aftermath of the Cruzado Plan crisis, he became Finance Minister of Brazil: he was able to reestablish economic order, but, given the lack of political conditions for the
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A member of the Founders’ Committee of the China Europa Forum, he is working on the development of a dialogue between Chinese and European societies, a prototype of what could be in the future the society-to-society dialogue between other parts of the world (see the history and the development of the China Europa Forum on the website www.china-europa-forum.net). Pierre Calame’s books include “Essai sur l’oeconomie”, in reference to the Greek work “Oikos” meaning “home”.

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