

## SHIFTING NARRATIVES: THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF PUBLIC SPENDING, SERVICES AND PRODUCTION (PSSP)

4-day online global conference 27-30 June 2022

*Website and registration:* <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/bartlett/public-purpose/events/2022/jun/shifting-narratives-conference>

Registration is open to all and free. Please register as soon as possible so we have a good idea of numbers to expect. The conference will be conducted via Zoom conferencing. Zoom links will be sent nearer the dates.

- ▶ The Shifting Narratives conference brings together a partnership of universities with international trade union confederations and social movements to build new narratives and power for changing and defining a new economic and social role of the public sector.
- ▶ The four day conference is hosted by the Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose at UCL (UCL-IIPP) together with other partner universities including **PSIRU (University of Greenwich)**, **University of Ghana**, **Azim Premji University** and **Conicet**. Other major partners are the global union federations , **PSI (Public Services International)**, **ITF (International Transport Workers federation)**, international NGOs **Transnational Institute (TNI)** and **Oxfam** , and the **Young Scholars Initiative**.
- ▶ The conference is about shifting narratives around public services, spending and production (PSSP). It examine, globally, the contested landscape of PSSP, and the shifting balance between mainstream narratives hostile to PSSP, such as austerity, and the political, social, economic, and other factors – such as COVID-19 and climate change – bringing positive narratives and theories for a greater role for PSSP.
- ▶ It is not only an academic conference for leading research on these issues, but also a forum for sharing information by bringing together experience, insights and tools from academics and young scholars with those involved in these narrative shifts – social movement activists, trade unions, media and NGOs.
- ▶ It is online, global, and has the explicit intention of trying to get more academics to do more research with trade unions and social movements, on issues of concern to unions and activists, and to shift the 'narratives' of public debate in favour of public spending, public services and public provision (PSSP).
- ▶ The opening and closing days of the conference (Days 1 and 4) are plenary sessions, with round table contributions from partners addressing current issues and future policies, and keynote speakers challenging academic and institutional orthodoxy and presenting policies needed to construct an economic recovery around public services, dealing with climate change, and stable employment.
- ▶ Days 2 and 3 contain a series of workshops. On Day 2, 28 June, these examine general themes of the economic and social role of the public sector, public finance, and public employment. On Day 3, 29 June, there are three parallel sets of regional workshops covering trends and issues in Africa, Asia and Latin America. All these workshops will last 1.5 hours and include contributions from both academics and unions and social movements.
- ▶ The overall structure is set out on the next page. The details of each days programme, including speakers, are on the following pages. Notes about organising partners are at the end, together with other links.

# Overall structure of conference

Note: All times are BST London (=UCT+1).

That the times of regional sessions on Day 3 differ in order to make time-zones more convenient for each region.

- The times of workshops on Day 2 also vary, check detailed section for actual times of each workshop.

<b>Day 1 (27 June) Opening plenary session</b>	
1115-1130	Introduction to conference and core objectives of encouraging shared academic, union and social movement thinking to shift to positive narratives on PSSP.
1130-1330	3 keynote presentations on major narratives/theories: public economics (June Sekera: New School, Boston Univ, UCL-IIPP), neoliberal state (Abby Innes, LSE), IMF and austerity (Isabel Ortiz, Columbia Univ)
1430-1600	Political economy of changing PSSP narratives (workshop on PSIRU-led project)
1615-1730	Conference partners: why PSSP and narratives matter
<b>Day 2 (28 June) Parallel thematic workshops (each 1.5 hrs: 1 hr of contributions + 30 mins discussion)</b>	
0900-1500	Democratic planning: PSSP and employment, procurement rules and job guarantees, trade deals
1030-1630	Public capacity: PSSP and nation-building, public capacity, global manifesto
1200-1800	Public finance: financing green new deals, PPPs, taxation
<b>Day 3 (29 June) Regional trends in PSSP: politics, economy, narratives. Parallel sessions in 3 continents.</b>	
1030-1630	Africa: 3 workshops, on: campaigns for universal education, public water and sanitation services, and developing capacity in public healthcare and local government
0900-1500	Asia: 3 workshops, on: Korea recovery plans; community health workers' fight for employment status in Pakistan and India; conflicts between private health business and public universal healthcare
1500-2100	Latin America: 3 workshops on: public capacity for water in Mexico, El Salvador, Colombia, and Argentina; Chile's new constitutional assembly and progressive government; state, services and infrastructure: energy in Mexico/Colombia, healthcare in Brazil, maritime transport in Argentina.
<b>Day 4 (30 June) Final plenary : the future and PSSP</b>	
1130-1230	Round table of academics, trade unionists, social movement activists: future research agenda, role of PSSP in building a better economy/society, potential collaboration
1230-1500	Keynote contributions: Mariana Mazzucato , Anis Chowdhury, Alicia Barcena (tbc) Close of conference
	<i>Young scholars and activists</i>
1515-1630	Young Scholars Presentation
1645-1730	Open Discussion

DAY 1  
27 June 2022

# Opening plenary

Interpretation: EN,ES,PT; EN,FR,AR

1100-1125

## Framing the conference: why PSSP and narratives matter

Welcome and formal introduction to conference, partners, and objectives of the conference.

1125-1130

## Break

1130-1330

## Challenging hostile theoretical and policy narratives on PSSP

*Moderator: David Hall*

The conference is opened by three keynote speakers who challenge core theories of mainstream economic theory, political theory, and brutal IFI policies, which function as politically dominant hostile narratives on PSSP. The speakers advance different ways of understanding the political economy of these processes, and new frameworks for building a much stronger and more realistic role for PSSP.

1130

### Dr. June Sekera (New School, Boston, UCL-IIPP) (Re)Discovering the Public Economy

June Sekera is a public policy practitioner and researcher whose work and publications are focused on the public economy and public goods production, author of *The Public Economy in Crisis; A Call for a New Public Economics* (2016).

1210

### Dr. Abby Innes (LSE)

### Neoliberalism - the Brezhnev years

Abby Innes is Associate Professor of Political Economy in the European Institute at the LSE. She has published widely on issues of party-state development and state capture in Central Europe, and, more recently, on the political economy of the neoliberal state in the UK

1250

### Isabel Ortiz (Columbia University)

### IMF and austerity

Isabel Ortiz is Director of the Global Social Justice Program at Joseph Stiglitz's Initiative for Policy Dialogue, based at Columbia University, New York. She has provided advisory services to governments, worked in senior positions at high-level initiatives at UN, G20, UNASUR.. and actively supports policy advocacy work of civil society organisations.

1330-1430

## Break

DAY 1  
27 June 2022

# Opening plenary

Interpretation: EN,ES,PT; EN,FR,AR

1430-1600

## Workshop: Dynamics of narratives on PSSP

*Moderator:* Vera Weghmann UoG-PSIRU

The conference follows a report by a team led by the University of Greenwich's Public Services International Research Unit (PSIRU), funded by the Open Society Foundation (OSF), on "Narrative Change and Public Services Spending and Provision". This workshop presents and discusses that report.

Dr. Vera Weghmann	UoG-PSIRU	Political economy of narratives on PSSP
Alhassan Adam	UoG-PSIRU	Positive PSSP narratives in Africa
Dr. Tue Anh Nguyen	UCL-IIPP	New narratives in the American Jobs Plan
David Hall	UoG-PSIRU	PSSP narratives and politics in New Delhi
Danny Bertossa	PSI	Comment
Lavinia Steinfort	TNI	Comment

1600-1615

## Break

1615-1730

## Framing the conference: partners on why PSSP narratives matter, and conference aims

The conference has been organized as a conscious and unusual collaboration between universities and academic researchers; trade unions; and social movements. In this session each of the main partner institutions explains why they think that narratives about PSSP are important, and what they expect this conference to achieve.

Dr. Tue Anh Nguyen	UCL-IIPP
Dr. Vera Weghmann	UoG-PSIRU
Prof. Nana Akua Anyidoho	UoGhana
Prof. Esteban Castro	Conicet
Dr. Rosa Abraham	Azim Premji Univ
Ritta Thandeka Mbisi	PSI/Denosa
Satoko Kishimoto	TNI
Alana Dave	ITF
Katie Malouf-Bous	Oxfam
Prof. Laura Carvalho	USP/OSF
Dr. Surbhi Kesar	YSI

# Thematic workshops

DAY 2  
28 June 2022

These workshops are organised under three broad themes relevant for PSSP : democratic planning; public capacity; and public finance. Under each theme, there are 3 consecutive workshops which do not overlap with each other, so it is possible to attend all the workshops in anyone theme. It is of course also possible to switch to a workshop in a different theme, but note that the times of the workshops differ between themes.

## Theme 1: Democratic planning

Overall moderator: David Hall

0900-1045

### 2 A. Employment and PSSP: the American Jobs Plan (AJP), public employment in India, IMF rules, EU strategy

Facilitator: tbc

Democratic decisions to pursue public missions generate public spending and public services which create jobs. This is one of the most conflicted aspects of narratives over PSSP, where international institutions and mainstream economists see public employees as unproductive burdens to be reduced as far as possible, while supporters of strong public policies – like green new deals, universal healthcare and education – need narratives to support the growth of public employment. This workshop explores those conflicts.

Rosa Abraham	Azim Premji Univ	Public service jobs in India
Zico Dasgupta	Azim Premji Univ	Public employment theories
Olivier Hoedmann	CEO	EU planning for marketisation
David Archer	Actionaid	IMF and public sector paybill
Damon Silvers	AFL-CIO	The AJP

1045-1100

Break

1100-1230

### 2 B. Employment and PSSP: work guarantees, fair wages clauses in procurement

Facilitator: tbc

The existence and strength of the public economy also allows it to be a vehicle for positive policies aimed at protecting and enhancing the quality of jobs elsewhere in the economy. Two mechanisms for doing this are the use of guaranteed job schemes, and the use of clauses in public procurement contracts to require specific levels of pay and conditions from government contractors.

Satheesha	Azim Premji Univ	MGNREGA and Covid
Daniel Haim	Levy Institute	job guarantees and publicly useful work
Damaris Muhika	Kenya TUC	Universal social protection for informal economy
Aristea Koukiadaki	U of Manchester	Labour clauses in EU procurement, ILO 94, etc

1230-1300

Break

1300-1430

### 2 C. Trade: Free trade agreements (FTAs), Investor-state dispute settlement provisions (ISDS) and impact on PSSP and public policies including green new deals

Facilitator: tbc

For 30 years or more there has been remarkable worldwide public resistance to free trade agreements and especially the way they allow companies to sue governments for large compensation. The impact of these agreements and clauses on PSSP has been a key factor in this resistance. This workshop looks at how public services and missions are affected, how resistance has been successful in many cases, and how trade liberalisation is now taking new, dispersed forms.

Oliver Prausmuller	AK Wien	Covid, public services, and trade rules
Scott Sinclair	CCPA	out of NAFTA into a web of FTAs?
Lucia Barcena	TNI	ISDS and climate policy: ECT and elsewhere
Faith Lumonya	ex-Seatini	ISDS, free trade agreements and BITs in Africa
Daniel Oberko	(PSI Africa)	Dangers of ISDS and ECT in Nigeria and Morocco

# Thematic workshops

DAY 2  
28 June 2022

## Theme 2: Public capacity

Overall moderator: Vera Weghmann

1030-1215

### 2 D. PSSP and nation-building

Facilitator: tbc

One powerful role of PSSP has been the creation of physical infrastructure networks to provide energy, water and sanitation, and also service systems to provide healthcare, education etc. The development of such services is often linked with and driven by the construction, or reconstruction, of countries, so PSSP is often associated with nation-building narratives. The design of public administration and democracy to deliver these services becomes a key and continuing part of this process.

Michael Kpessa-Whyte and Prof. Nana Akua Anyidoho	U of Ghana	Nation-building and public service in post-colonial Africa
Franziska Paul	U of Glasgow	Nation-building and local govt in Germany: daseinsvorsorge
Gemma Gasseau	Scuola Normale Superiore	Narratives on water services in Italy
MJ Romero	Eurodad	Reclaiming sustainable infrastructure as a public good
tbc	Ukraine health Centre	Rebuilding healthcare systems in Ukraine
Andrea Restrepo-Mieth	University of Pennsylvania	Institutionalisation of progressive planning

1215-1230

### Break

1230-1400

### 2 E. Direct labour, direct production

Facilitator: tbc

The Covid pandemic has revealed the importance of public authorities having sufficient capacity to deal with both normal and abnormal problems. This calls for an analytical framework which can understand the value of the direct production of services by the public sector, including public capacity for policy-making and for public development of standards for engineering and other elements. The value of this can be seen in the constant flow of remunicipalisations which have been happening across the world, countering privatisation changes.

Rosie Collington	UCL-IIPP	Government production
Andy Cumbers	U of Glasgow	Remunicipalisation
Miriam Planas	ISF	Standards for water and sanitation
Vera Weghmann	UoG-PSIRU	Consultants and civil services
Osmond Chiu	CPSU	Remunicipalisation in Australia
Hannah Gissane	CPSU	Insourcing

1400-1430

### Break

1430-1600

### 2 F. Global manifestó

Facilitator: Eurodad

In 2021 a group of many international NGOs and social movements decided to collectively develop a common statement of beliefs about public services, resulting in a 'Global manifesto'. This workshop, coordinated by Eurodad, one of the leading NGOs involved, discuss the manifesto and the process of constructing it and the uses of it.

Rebecca Riddell	NY University	Global manifesto
Chiara Mariotti	Eurodad	Global manifesto
David Boys	PSI	Global manifesto
Johnstone Shishanya	Eachrights, Kenya	Global manifesto

# Thematic workshops

DAY 2  
28 June 2022

## Theme 3: Public finance

Overall moderator: Tue Anh Nguyen

1200-1400

### 2 G. Public finance for climate change: renewables and transition

Facilitator: tbc

The dominant global public mission now is to deal with climate change, which requires both huge investments and continuing expenditure to generate renewable energy and to mitigate the effects of climate change. Mainstream institutions follow a pre-set narrative of creating incentives for private investors, but in practice the finance and the delivery is led by the public sector. This includes the key question of 'who pays?' internationally, given the lower resources of poorer countries.

Jomo Sundaram

UN FAO, Columbia Univ, Internat Islamic Univ

The climate finance conundrum

Bjarne Steffen

ETH Zurich/MIT

State ownership and renewable energy

Joshua Ryan-Collins

UCL-IIPP

Financing the green new deal

David Boys

PSI

Public and green

1400-1430

### Break

1430-1600

### 2 H. Taxation

Facilitator: Actionaid

While the corporate sector continues to minimise its tax payments, and governments avoid indebtedness, the issue of taxation becomes a far bigger – and contested – issue. Academics, unions and social movements have all worked on developing analyses of corporate behaviour, and policy demands to create a fair tax system generating sufficient revenues for publicly determined PSSP. This workshop has been developed by Actionaid together with PSI.

Sue Bellino

Australian Nursing & Midwifery Federation.

Tax and public services

Irene Ovonji-Odida

ICRICT commissioner Africa

Tax and public services

Danny Bertossa

PSI AGS, Chair of CICTAR

Tax and public services

Maria Ron Balsera

Actionaid, TaxEd Alliance

Tax and public services

Caroline Othim

Kenya, TJN-A/ GATJ

Revenue for Rights

Chenai Mukumba

Kenya, TJN-A/ GATJ

Revenue for Rights

1600-1630

### Break

1630-1800

### 2 I. Public finance vs PPPs for public services and economy

Facilitator: tbc

For the last 30 years, much development finance, including much of the funding paid by governments for climate change programmes, has been diverted into supporting PPPs. There is strong evidence of their cost and inefficiency in terms of public interests, but very strong support for them from finance capital. Different approaches to raising funds can be seen in the role of public sector development banks, including initiatives by countries in the global south, and in the innovative, but very risky, alternative forms of finance developed by some local authorities to deal with the squeeze imposed by austerity policies.

Wol-san Liem

ITF

Financing public transport

Kate Bayliss

SOAS/Leeds

PPPs: perpetual failings

Joao Pedro Braga

Sorbonne Paris Nord

New Development Bank (NDB)

Hulya Dagdeviren

U of Hertfordshire

austerity and debt in UK+

Amitabha Sarkar

JNU New Delhi

WB development finance reshaping public health policy

DAY 3  
29 June 2022

# Parallel Regional workshops for Africa, Asia, Latin America

\* All times are BST London (= UCT+1). These regional sessions will be accessed online in 3 separate streams. Interpretation will be available online for most of these sessions, as indicated

The workshops in all these regional sessions have been designed in close collaborations with academic, union and social movement partners in each region. No attempt was made to impose a common format or agenda, so the issues covered vary, reflecting the actual concerns and issues within each region.

1030-1630

## Regional session 1: Africa

Interpretation: EN, FR, Arabic

Overall moderators: Vera Wegmann, Alhassan Adam

1030-1200

### 3A. Education campaigns

Facilitator: tbc

There has been concerted effort to promote universal public education services across African countries, led by both local and international social movements. Academics in the global south and north have been key participants.

Maria Ron Balsera  
Zakaria Sulemana  
Salima Namusobyia  
Anderson Miamen  
Rone McFarlane

Actionaid  
Oxfam  
ISER/FEHRC  
COTAE Liberia  
EE S Africa

Abidjan principles, tax  
Austerity impact  
Education campaigns  
Education - west Africa  
Education - South Africa

1200-1230

Break

1230-1400

### 3B. Water campaigns

Facilitator: Sani Baba PSI

Although water services are normally a locally provided service, in recent years campaigns over issues such as privatisation have developed by coordination across countries. This workshop covers the process and results of this coordination, and the key narratives used in campaigning.

Prof. Sofiri Joab-Peterside  
Aderonke Ige  
Younoussa Abossouka  
Dr. Everline Aketch  
Akinbode Oluwafemi  
Fatou Diouf

University of Port Harcourt (Nigeria)  
CAPP Africa  
Africa Center for Advocacy, (Cameroon)  
PSI (Kenya + East African)  
CAPP Nigeria  
PSI Senegal

Water service issues in Africa  
Cross-country water campaigns  
Water issues in west Africa  
Water issues in east Africa  
Water issues in Nigeria  
Unions and water in Africa

1400-1430

Break

1430-1630

### 3C. Healthcare

Facilitator: Nana Akua Ayidoho

Like education, campaigns for universal public healthcare have been led by social movements and international NGOs in many countries simultaneously, with academics from the global north repeatedly partnering local researchers to identify key problems.

Nicholas Orago  
Perpetual Ofori.  
Dr. Bernadette O'Hare  
Anna Mariott  
Al-hassan Adam

University of Kenya  
Ghana GRNMA, Chair of WAHUSN  
St Andrews University  
Oxfam  
PSIR

Healthcare in Africa  
Healthcare campaigns in west Africa  
Tax gaps and SDG progress  
IFC and financialisation in healthcare  
Uprivatecapital in African healthcare



DAY 3  
29 June 2022

# Parallel Regional workshops for Africa, Asia, Latin America

0900-1045

## Regional session 2: Asia

Interpretation: EN, KO; EN, Hindi, Urdu

Overall moderators: **Tue Anh Nguyen, David Hall**

0900-1045

### 3D. Contesting public services in Korea

Facilitator: Lee, JaeHun, Secretary of Research at KPTU-PPIP

South Korea still has a relatively low level of public spending, reflecting strong political resistance by many governments to development of public services. In mid-2022 there are big differences in narratives as the country recovers from Covid, but a rightwing government has just come to power. This workshop has been developed by the Korean public service union, the KPTU, in collaboration with local academics and social movements: the KPTU has a long record of working with academics and social movements to develop pro-PSSP policies.

Lee, Seungchul

Secretary of Planning, KPTU

Contesting for public services in Korea: unions and social movements counter new rightwing government on healthcare, energy, public transport

Nah, WonJun

Professor of Kyungpook National University

Fiscal policy to ensure universal quality public service

Koo, Junmo

Secretary of Planning, Energy Labour Society network/res fellow for Public Policy Institute for the People

Pro-public approach to tackle climate injustice

Lee, Youngsoo

Res fellow, Public Policy Institute for the People

Public finance for universal access to quality public transport

Jeon, Jinhan

Korean Federation Medical Activist Groups for Health Rights

Public health policy for all

1045-1100

Break

1100-1245

### 3E. Employees not volunteers: CHWs in Pakistan and India

Facilitator: tbc

In India and Pakistan, as elsewhere, community health workers – overwhelmingly women – have played a key role in protecting people from the pandemic. But in both countries, these workers have had to fight for recognition as workers, entitled to be paid wages, rather than ‘volunteers’. The issue has both a

Sohail Javed

AERC, Univ of Karachi

Stolen wages

Dipa Sinha

Ambedkar University

India’s community health workers struggle for recognition’

Prakhar Kant Tripathi

Hind Mahila Sabha

When Workers Don’t Count: Labour Relations in Indian Health Depts

Mir Zulfiqhar Ali

WERO/union Pak

CHWs in Pakistan

Halima Zulqarnain

ASLHWEU

Pakistan union of CHWs

(Banaani Deka)

PSI/Union India

Indian union of CHWs

1245-1300

Break

1300-1500

### 3F. Public and private healthcare

Facilitator: tbc

A global medical consensus that countries must develop public universal healthcare systems is a powerful evidence-based narrative. This is resisted by commercial interests wanting to expand the market for private healthcare, which is potentially very lucrative in India – and international institutions have been helping them by promoting privatisations.

Susan Engel

University of Wollongong NSW

IFIs, Covid and healthcare privatisation

Anna Mariott

Oxfam

Drivers of healthcare financialisation and impact

Sourindra Ghosh

Council for Social Development

Effect of Publicly Financed Health Insurance on In-patient Care

Dhananjay Kakade

Saathi

Patient rights and public healthcare

Deepika Joshi

PHM

Deprivatisation of the Advanced Cardiac Institute in Chhattisgarh, India: Challenging the myths around Public Health Sector

DAY 3  
29 June 2022

# Parallel Regional workshops for Africa, Asia, Latin America

1030-1630

## Regional session 3: Latin America

Interpretation: EN, ES, PT

Overall moderators: Esteban Castro, Kyla Sankey

1500-1700

### 3G. Chile

Facilitator: Nayareth Quevedo

The political dynamics of Chile have created two new progressive forces: a newly elected left government, and a national debate to create a new constitution to replace the one imposed by the military dictatorship. This workshop examines these developments and their relationship to public services.

Alexander Panez Pinto	Universidad de Bío Bío,	Community campaigns
Robinson Torres Salinas	Universidad de Concepción	
Amaya Alvez (video)	Universidad de Concepción	
Carolina Espinoza	PSI	Union perspective

1700-1730

### Break

1730-1915

### 3H. Water

Facilitator: Oscar Rodriguez PSI

Across Latin America, as elsewhere, there have developed strong campaigns to protect community and public water resources and systems. These include remarkable collaborations between community groups and universities in Mexico, restructuring of public systems in Argentina and elsewhere. Covid provided opportunities for further development, which have not always been followed through.

Pedro Monteczuma	Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana	Water campaigns and reforms in Mexico
Andrea Restrepo-Mieth	University of Pennsylvania	Covid and water accessibility in Colombia
Damiano Tagliavini	Universidad de Buenos Aires	Planificación e inversión en el nuevo modelo público de agua y saneamiento en Argentina.
Tbc	tbc	Water in El Salvador
Ariel Monzón	PSI	Water in central America: a union view

1915-1930

### Break

1930-2100

### 3I. State, services and infrastructure

Facilitator: tbc

The last decade has seen changes in the relationship between the state and public services in many Latin American countries. This workshop looks at some countries and sectors, including the cases of energy in Mexico and Colombia, and healthcare in Brazil.

Alicia Puyana	FLACSO, Mexico	Public energy in Mexico and Colombia
Ariel Ocantos	CONICET/UNGS	River basin waterways
Dr. Tereza Maciel Lyra	FIOCRUZ, and Univ of Pernambuco	Healthcare in Brazil
Daniel Chavez	TNI	State & public services in Latin America
Federico Davila	PSI	State and public services: trade union view

# Final plenary session

DAY 4  
30 June 2022

Interpretation: EN, ES, PT; EN, FR, Arabic

Moderator: **David Hall**

1130-1220

**Beyond the conference: Round-table discussion on follow-up to conference, progressive recovery, key future narratives on PSSP**

Dr.	Jenny Nguyen	UCL-IIPP
Dr.	Surbhi Kesar	YSI/SOAS
	Danny Bertossa	PSI
	Wol-San Liem	ITF/KPTU
	Rodrigo Echeopar	GI-ESCR
	Aderonke Ige	CAPPA Africa

1220-1230

**Break**

1230-1500

**Keynote speakers: PSSP and progressive recovery**

Moderator: **David Hall**

1230

tbc	<b>Alicia Bárcena</b>	Ex-Director ECLAC	Sustainable development and post-Covid recovery in LatinAmerica
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Alicia Bárcena was the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) from July 2008 to March 2022. She had previously served as the Under-Secretary-General for Management at United Nations Headquarters in New York, Chef de Cabinet and Deputy Chef de Cabinet to the former Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan.

1300

	<b>Prof. Anis Chowdhury</b>	Western Sydney University	Macroeconomic/industrial policies for a job-rich recovery
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Anis Chowdhury is Adjunct Professor, Western Sydney University & University of New South Wales (Australia). He is the former director of the Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP)

1400

	<b>Prof. Mariana Mazzucato</b>	UCL-IIPP	Public sector capacity
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Mariana Mazzucato is Professor in the Economics of Innovation and Public Value at University College London where she is the founding director of the UCL Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose. Her work challenges orthodox thinking about the role of the state and the private sector in driving innovation; how economic value is created, measured and shared; and how market-shaping policy can be designed in a 'mission oriented way' to solve the grand challenges facing humanity.

1500

**Closure of conference**

DAY 4  
30 June 2022

# INET-Young scholars Initiative Session for young scholars and activists

Moderator: Dr. Surbhi Kesar and Dr Tue Anh Nguyen

Address: Meeting Room, Ground Floor, UCL-IIPP, 11 Montague St, London WC1B 5BP

1515-1630

## Young scholars' Presentation

- Giorgio Caridi (E-Campus University), Revamping the political role of public services achieving sustainability through e-government systems
- Elizabeth Ballantyne, (University of British Columbia), Re-framing affordable housing as municipal infrastructure to realize cities' full potential for inclusive wealth creation
- Joel Christoph, (European University Institute (EUI Florence)), The impact of energy price shocks on inequality and poverty: evidence from France and Germany
- Karthik Manickam, Rethinking Student Loans: A Post-Keynesian approach to Public Higher Education
- *Proceed with Caution: US Local Governments and the American Rescue Plan*
- The Vinh Mai, Redefining State-owned Enterprise (SOEs) as a public investment manager and transport delivery model in developing countries: A business history analysis of Vietnam's highway development during 2004-2015

1630-1645

## Break

1645-1730

## Open Discussion: Looking forward

1800-2000

## Dinner

## Annexe 1: Partners

Academic partners	UCL Institute of Innovation and Public Policy (IIPP)	<a href="https://www.ucl.ac.uk/bartlett/public-purpose/">https://www.ucl.ac.uk/bartlett/public-purpose/</a>	The UCL Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose (IIPP) is changing how public value is imagined, practised and evaluated to tackle societal challenges
	University of Greenwich PSIRU (UoG-PSIRU)	<a href="https://blogs.gre.ac.uk/psiru/">https://blogs.gre.ac.uk/psiru/</a>	PSIRU was set up in 1998 to carry out empirical research into privatisation, public services, and globalisation
	University of Ghana	<a href="https://ias.ug.edu.gh/">https://ias.ug.edu.gh/</a>	The Institute of African Studies (IAS) was set up in 1961 by Ghana's first President, Osagyefo Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, as a multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary institute with the mandate to conduct research into all aspects of the arts and the social sciences in Africa.
	Azim Premji University (India)	<a href="https://azimpremjiuniversity.edu.in/">https://azimpremjiuniversity.edu.in/</a>	Azim Premji University was founded in 2010, with the vision to contribute to the realisation of a just, equitable, humane and sustainable society.
	CONICET (Argentina)	<a href="https://www.conicet.gov.ar">https://www.conicet.gov.ar</a>	The National Scientific and Technical Research Council is an Argentine government agency which directs and co-ordinates most of the scientific and technical research done in universities and institutes



UCL Institute of Innovation and Public Policy (IIPP)



University of Greenwich PSIRU (UoG-PSIRU)



University of Ghana



Azim Premji University (India)



CONICET (Argentina)

## Annexe 1: Partners

Academic partners	Young Scholars Initiative (YSI-INET)	<a href="https://ysi.ineteconomics.org">https://ysi.ineteconomics.org</a>	A community of 18530 students, young professionals, and researchers from across the globe pursuing new and critical ways of thinking about the economy
	PSI (Public Services International)	<a href="https://publicservices.international/">https://publicservices.international/</a>	Public Services International is the global union federation for workers in public services, including those who work in social services, health care, municipal services, central government and public utilities
	ITF (International Transport Workers federation)	<a href="https://www.itfglobal.org/en">https://www.itfglobal.org/en</a>	The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) is a democratic, affiliate-led federation recognised as the world's leading transport authority. We fight passionately to improve working lives, connecting nearly 700 affiliated trade unions from 150 countries
	Transnational Institute (TNI),	<a href="https://www.tni.org/en">https://www.tni.org/en</a>	The Transnational Institute (TNI) is an international research and advocacy institute committed to building a just, democratic and sustainable planet. For nearly 50 years, TNI has served as a unique nexus between social movements, engaged scholars and policy makers.
	Oxfam	<a href="https://www.oxfam.org/en">https://www.oxfam.org/en</a>	Oxfam is a global movement of people who are fighting inequality to end poverty and injustice. Our work is grounded in the commitment to the universality of human rights



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PUBLIC SERVICES INTERNATIONAL

PSI (Public Services International)



INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION

ITF (International Transport Workers federation)



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## Annexe 2: Time zones

Time zones relative to BST June 2022

	Ahead of BST (+)
Sydney	+9
Seoul	+8
Tokyo	+8
Kuala Lumpur	+7
New Delhi	+4.30
Karachi	+4
Nairobi	+2
Brussels	+1
Barcelona	+1
London	0
	Behind BST (-)
Accra	-1
Buenos Aires	-4
Rio de Janeiro	-4
Santiago de Chile	-5
New York	-5
Mexico	-6
San Diego	-8

## Annexe 3: Interpretation availability

Day	Presentation language	Interpretation available
Day 1 plenary	EN	EN, ES, PT; EN, FR, Arabic
Day 2 thematic A	EN	-
Day 2 thematic B	EN	-
Day 2 thematic C	EN	-
Day 3: Latam	EN, ES, PT	EN, ES, PT
Day 3: Africa	EN	EN, FR, Arabic,
Day 3: Asia	EN, KO, HI,UR	EN, KO; Urdu, Hindi, EN
Day 4 plenary	EN	EN, ES, PT; EN, FR, Arabic

## Annexe 4: List of speakers

Title	Name	Institution	Subject	CV	Links