

# Discovering International Economic Thinkers

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Via Zoom

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**Abstract:** This workshop is part of an ERC-funded project devoted to the history of 20th century international economic thinking hatched in the landscapes of multilateral organizations. It seeks to explore the roles and ideas of international economic thinkers, especially the women among them, who made unique contributions in these international settings to the struggles over the path of globalization.

The category of “international economic thinkers”, actors who have not yet attracted systematic attention in the study of 20th century globalization, includes better-known, ‘mid-level’ and ‘non-intellectual’ economic thinkers. Their work extends across a range of ‘distributional imaginaries’ and conceptions of international economic integration. International economic thinking therefore includes economic policy and economic problems broadly defined, including labour, social policy, welfare, and development. The workshop emphasizes “thinking” that takes place in or with intergovernmental organizations and international non-government organizations.

By focusing on these actors and ideas, our aim is to shift the discussion about 20th century economic globalization and capitalism. Among the questions we want to ask are: Who are the international economic thinkers, what are their ideas, and how did these ideas move throughout international sites? What does the study of international economic thinkers tell us about the nature and role of international organizations as distinct sites of negotiations of imaginaries of global economic integration? How useful is the concept of international economic thinkers in opening new investigative paths into the history of globalization and/or capitalism?

## Programme

### Monday 14 February

**13:00 – 13:30** Opening and Welcome by Glenda Sluga (ECOINT Principal Investigator)

**Panel 1** **WHO? WHERE? Large-Scale Approaches | Chair: Betty Banks**

**13:30-14:45** Julia Gray (University of Pennsylvania) and Alex Baturo (Dublin City University) *Women in International Economic Debate*

Myriam Piguet (Université de Genève), *Identifying the Visible: the Who's Who of the United Nations 1951 and 1975*

**14:45-15:00** **Break**

- Panel 2**      **WHO? WHAT? Individuals and Their Work, part 1 | Chair: Johanna Gautier Morin**
- 15:00-16:45**      David Engerman (Yale), *One Half of my Work is Yours: Khadija Haq, Mahbub ul Haq and the Division of Economic Labor*
- Troy Vettese (EUI), *Elinor Ostrom: A Theorist of the Commons and Neoliberalism*
- Lydia Walker (University of Leiden), *The Unexpected Anticolonialist: Winifred Armstrong, American Empire and African Decolonization, 1957-1975.*
- 16:45-17:00**      **Break**
- Panel 3**      **WHO? WHERE? International Economic Thinking in Unusual Sites | Chair: Guilherme Sampaio**
- 17:00-18:45**      Betty Banks (EUI – ERC/ECOINT), *Marina Men'shikova Is Standing Outside the Forest*
- Clara Bullock (EUI), *Women at the Margins: Tales from the Agribusiness Field in Nova Scotia*
- Rob Konkel (Princeton University), *More than Pawns in the Game of War: Economic Geology and the Interwar Raw Materials Problem*

## **Tuesday 15 February**

- 11:00-11:15**      Re-opening and Re-cap by Sabine Selchow (ECOINT Senior Fellow)
- Panel 4**      **WHO? WHAT? Individuals and Their Work, Part 2 | Chair: Johanna Gautier Morin**
- 11:15-13:00**      Françoise Thebaud, (Université d'Avignon, Emeritus), *Marguerite Thibert à l'OIT : Une Approche Globale du Travail Féminin. Premier Volet: Les Années 1930 - Session in French*
- Guilherme Sampaio (EUI – ERC/ECOINT), *"Miss Multiple Exchange Rates Herself": Margaret de Vries as an International Economic Thinker and Historian (1946-1987)*
- Or Rosenboim (City, University of London/EUI), *The International Thought of Barbara Ward*
- 13:00-14:15**      **Lunch Break**
- Panel 5**      **WHO? WHERE? Group Biographies | Chair: Guilherme Sampaio**
- 14:15-15:30**      Bence Kocsev (Universität Leipzig), *Grasping the Global: Lessons from the Cold War*
- Rebeca Betancourt (Université Lumière Lyon 2) and Giulia Zacchia (Sapienza University of Rome), *The Role of Women Economists in the Social Reconstruction of Europe after WWII: Interacting with the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC)*
- 15:30-15:45**      **Break**
- Panel 6**      **WHAT? Feminist Economics and International Economic Thinking | Chair: Alice Pearson**
- 15:45-17:30**      Durba Mitra (Harvard University), *Third World Feminist Economics and the Study of Social Life*
- Maylis Avaro (Oxford University), Cleo Chassonnery-Zaigouche (Cambridge University), and Johanna Gautier Morin (EUI – ERC/ECOINT), *Counting on International Organizations: Feminist Economics and the Value of Women's Unpaid Work*
- 17:30-17:45**      **Break**
- 17:45 -18:45**      Closing Discussion (led by Glenda Sluga)