

Project LINK Fall Meeting  
22-24 November 2004  
United Nations Headquarters, New York  
Agenda and Meeting Documentation  
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**Monday 22 November**

**Morning Session**

**Chair: Lawrence Klein**

**10:00-10:15 Opening**  
United Nations

**10:15-1:00 Global Outlook**

United Nations Project LINK  
Ian Kinniburgh, United Nations, New York ([Presentation](#))

International Monetary Fund  
Thomas Helbling, IMF, Washington ([Presentation](#))

World Bank  
Hans Timmer, World Bank, Washington

National Institute of Economic and Social Research  
Ray Barrell, NIESR, London ([Presentation](#))

Oxford Economics  
Erik Britton, Oxford Economics USA, Wayne ([Presentation](#))

General Discussion

**1:00-2:30 Lunch**

**Afternoon Session**

**Chair: Bert Hickman**

**2:30-5:30 Commodity markets**

Roundtable: Oil market developments and their economic implications  
Robert Kaufmann, Boston University, Boston ([Presentation](#))  
Ray Barrell, NIESR, London ([Presentation](#))  
Sara Johnson, Global Insight, Inc., Boston ([Presentation](#))  
Pingfan Hong, United Nations, New York ([Presentation](#))  
Sergei Gorbunov, United Nations, New York

Non-oil commodity markets  
F. Gerard Adams, Northeastern University, Boston  
Pilar Fajarnes-Garces, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Geneva  
([Presentation](#))  
Shamika N. Sirimanne, Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa

**Tuesday 23 November**

**Morning Session:**

**Chair: Sam Olofin**

**Regional Economic Outlook**

- 10:00-11:30** (a) United States  
Lawrence Klein, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia ([Presentation](#), [Paper](#))
- (b) Canada  
Peter Pauly, University of Toronto, Toronto
- 11:30-1:00** (c) Latin America  
Andre Hofman, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, Santiago ([Presentation](#))  
Country Participants
- 1:00-2:30** **Lunch**

**Afternoon Session:**

**Chair: Delia Nilles**

**Regional Economic Outlook**

- 2:30-3:30** (d) Japan  
Kanemi Ban, Osaka University, Osaka ([Presentation](#))
- 3:30-4:30** (e) Western Europe  
Ray Barrell, NIESR, London ([Presentation](#))
- 4:30-5:30** (f) Central and Eastern Europe and CIS countries  
Rumen Dobrinsky, Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva ([Presentation](#))  
Country Participants

**Wednesday 24 November**

**Morning Session**

**Chair: Eustaquio Reis**

- 10:00-11:30** **Regional Economic Outlook**
- (g) Africa  
Shamika N. Sirimanne, Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa ([Presentation](#))  
Country Participants ([Presentation](#))
- 11:30-12:15** **Employment in Latin America**
- Jurgen Weller, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, Santiago ([Presentation](#))
- 12:15-1:00** **Regional Economic Outlook**
- (h) Middle East  
Edouard Nsimba, United Nations, New York ([Presentation](#))

Country Participants ([Presentation](#))

**1:00-2:30**      **Lunch**

**Afternoon Session**  
**Chair: Peter Pauly**

**2:30-3:30**      **Regional Economic Outlook**

(i) South and East Asia  
Cornelia Kaldewei, United Nations, New York ([Presentation](#))  
Matthias Kempf, United Nations, New York ([Presentation](#))  
Country Participants ([Presentation](#))

**3:30-4:30**      **The road to the euro for new and prospective EU member countries: challenges for macroeconomic policy**

Roundtable discussion:  
Stephen Hall, Imperial College, London  
Garabed Minassian, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia  
Andras Simon, National Bank of Hungary, Budapest ([Presentation](#))  
Wladislaw Welfe, University of Lodz, Lodz

**4:30**              **LINK Business Meeting**