



**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND
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DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND ANALYSIS DIVISION

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*“The contribution of the World Economic and Social Survey (WESS) to
development, theory and practice”*

Expert Group Meeting
13-14 October Conference Room S-2725 BR
Secretariat Building
New York, NY 10017

Expert Group Meeting is to discuss the forthcoming 70 year anniversary issue of the World Economic and Social Survey (WESS 2017) on “*The contribution of the World Economic and Social Survey (WESS) to development, theory and practice*”. The meeting will bring together the lead authors of the chapters in WESS 2017, members of the UN DESA Team, experts in the selected subject matter and colleagues from UN member organizations. The objective of the meeting is to review the draft chapters for WESS 2017 with the expectation of receiving comments and suggestions for the preparation of the final text.

Thursday, 13 October 2016, Venue: S-2725 BR

9:30 – 9:45 **Participants gather** (tea and coffee will be served)

9:45 – 10:15 **Welcome and Introduction**

Welcome message from Mr. Wu delivered by Mr. Lenni Montiel, Assistant-Secretary General, UN DESA

WESS 2017: Pingfan Hong Director, Development Policy and Analysis Division (DPAD)

Self-introduction of participants.

10:15 – 11:15 **Session I: Chapter 2: 1950s – reconstruction of the world economy**

Chair: Nazrul Islam (DPAD)

Presenters: Jose Antonio Ocampo (Columbia University)

Discussants: Frances Stewart (University of Oxford)

11:15 – 11:30 **Coffee/tea break**

11:30 – 12:30 Session II: Chapter 3: 1960s – decolonisation and the 1st development decade

Chair: Hiroshi Kawamura (DPAD)
Presenters: Samuel Wangwe (REPOA, Tanzania, [via Skype](#))
Discussants: Anis Chowdhury (Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy) tbc

Discussion

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:30 Session III: Chapter 4: 1970s – international economy & the 2nd decade of development

Chair: Hiroshi Kawamura (DPAD)
Presenters: John Loxley (University of Manitoba)
Discussant: Christian Ossa (former Director of DPAD)

Open discussion

14:30 – 14:45 Coffee/tea break

14:45 – 15:45 Session IV: Chapter 7: 2000-2015 – from millennium development goals to sustainable development goals

Chair: Marcelo LaFleur (DPAD)
Presenters: Jayati Ghosh (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
Discussants: Jan Vandemoortele (Independent researcher)

Open discussion

15:45 – 16:45 Session V: Chapter 9: 2008-16 - Great recession and policy paralysis

Chair: Helena Afonso (DPAD)
Presenters: John Quiggin (University of Queensland; [via Skype](#))
Discussants: Rob Vos (FAO; [via Skype](#))

17:00 – 18:00 Reception

Friday, 14 October 2016, Venue: S-2725 BR

9:00 – 10:00 Session VI: Chapter 5: 1980s – debt crisis and development setbacks

Chair: Kenneth Iversen (DPAD)
Presenters: Barbara Stallings (Brown University: [via Skype](#))
Discussants: John Loxley

Open discussion

10:00 – 10:15 Coffee/tea break

10:15 – 11:15 Session VII: Chapter 6: 1990s – globalisation and its challenges

Chair: Alex Julca (DPAD)
Presenters: Amiya Bagchi (Emeritus Professor Institute of Development Studies Kolkata: [via Skype](#))
Discussants: Jose Antonio Ocampo

Open discussion

11:15 – 12:15 Session VIII: Chapter 8: 1999-2007 – Commodity boom and the conditions leading to the global financial crisis

Chair: Sergio Vieira (DPAD)
Presenters: Rob Vos (FAO: [via Skype](#))
Discussants: Barry Herman (New School)

12:15 – 13:15 Lunch

13:15 – 14:15 Session IX: Introductory chapter – Lead author, Jose Antonio Ocampo and Anis Chowdhury

Chair: Diana Alarcón (DPAD)
Presenters: Jose Antonio Ocampo (Columbia University) and Anis Chowdhury (Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy)
Discussant: Richard Jolly (University of Sussex)

14:15 – 14:30 Closing. Pingfan Hong and Diana Alarcón