



## APORDE 2020 Public Seminar Series Speakers and Facilitators

### Speakers

#### Carlos Lopes

Professor Lopes is a Bissau-Guinean development economist, who served as the eighth Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (2012-2016). He is a Professor at the Mandela School of Public Governance, UCT and Visiting Professor at Sciences Po, Paris. In 2017 he was a Visiting fellow at the Oxford Martin School, University of Oxford. Lopes previously served the United Nations as Kofi Annan's Political Director, Head of Policy at UNDP, Director of the United Nations System Staff College and Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). He is a Chatham House Associate Fellow and currently serves as the African Union High representative for negotiations with Europe. His latest books are *Africa in Transformation. Economic Development in the Era of Doubt* (Palgrave, 2019) and *Structural Change in Africa. Misperceptions, Narratives and Development in the 21st century* (Routledge, 2020, co-authored with George Kararach).

#### Christopher Cramer

Christopher Cramer is Professor of the Political Economy of Development at SOAS, University of London. He has chaired the Centre of African Studies in the University of London and is Vice Chair of the Royal African Society and a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences. He has taught at Cambridge, Eduardo Mondlane University in Mozambique, and in South Africa. His research interests range from the political economy of violence, through rural poverty and labour markets, to industrial policy and the 'industrialisation of freshness'. His prize-winning book, *Civil War is Not a Stupid Thing: Accounting for Violence in Developing Countries*, was published in 2006. Together with colleagues he led a four-year study, *Fairtrade, Employment and Poverty Reduction in Ethiopia and Uganda (FTEPR)*: the final report can be found at [www.ftepr.org/publications](http://www.ftepr.org/publications). He has worked as a consultant for a range of organisations, including the World Bank, UNDP, ILO, FAO, EU, DFID, the Ethiopian government, the DTI in South Africa, and Sida (the Swedish International Development Agency). He is a co-editor (with Fantu Cheru and Arkebe Oqubay) of the *OUP Handbook on the Ethiopian Economy* (2019). His latest book, *African Economic Development: Evidence, Theory, and Policy* (co-written with Sender and Oqubay) was published in 2020 and is free to download at <http://fdslive.oup.com/www.oup.com/academic/pdf/openaccess/9780198832331.pdf>. He chairs the Scientific Committee of APORDE.

#### John Sender

John Sender is Emeritus Professor of Economics at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London. Earlier appointments include: Director of the African Studies Centre, University of Cambridge; Visiting Professor of Political Economy, Witwatersrand University; Senior Research Fellow, African Studies Centre, Leiden; and Advisor to Mandela's Presidential Commissions on Labour and on Rural Credit. He has acted as a consultant to, among others: United Nations FAO and IFAD (Rome), UNRISD and ILO (Geneva), UNIDO (Vienna) and UNDP (Vietnam); World Bank (Washington); Economic Commission for Africa (Addis Ababa); Federal Governments of Nigeria and Ethiopia. His publications include: *Poverty, Class and Gender in Rural Africa: A Tanzanian Case Study*, Routledge (with Sheila Smith); 'Death Rates, Life Expectancy and China's Economic Reforms: A Critique of A.K. Sen', *World Development*, Vol. 20, No.9 (with Peter Nolan); *Making Democracy Work: A Framework for Macroeconomic Policy in South Africa*,

MERG, 1993 (contributing editor); *Restructuring The Labour Market: The South African Challenge*, ILO, Geneva, 1996 (with Guy Standing and John Weeks); “Africa’s Economic Performance: Limitations of the Current Consensus”, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 1999; 'Rural Poverty And Gender: Analytical Frameworks and Policy Proposals', in Ha-Joon Chang (ed.), *Rethinking Development Economics*, Anthem Press, 2003; “Unequal Prospects: Disparities in the Quantity And Quality of Labour Supply in Sub-Saharan Africa”, The World Bank, *Social Protection Discussion Paper* No. 0525, Washington, 2005 (with C. Cramer and C. Oya); “Women Working for Wages: Putting Flesh on the Bones of a Rural Labour Market Survey In Mozambique”, *Journal of Southern African Studies*, 2006 (with C. Cramer and C. Oya); ‘Quantifying Poverty in Viet Nam: Who Counts?’, *Journal of Vietnamese Studies*, 2007 (with J.Pincus); ‘Divorced, Separated and Widowed Female Workers in Rural Mozambique’, *Feminist Economics*, 2009, (with C.Oya) ‘Fictions and elephants in the rondawel: a response to a brief chapter in South Africa’s National Development Plan’, *Transformation*, 78, 2012; ‘How to do (and how not to do) fieldwork on Fair Trade and rural poverty’, *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, Vol. 35, 1, 2014; Sender, J. (2015). ‘Backward capitalism in rural South Africa: prospects for accelerating accumulation in the Eastern Cape’, *Journal of Agrarian Change*, April 2015; ‘Fairtrade and Labour Markets in Ethiopia and Uganda’, *The Journal of Development Studies*, 53: 6, 2017 (with C. Cramer and others); ‘Identifying the most deprived in rural Ethiopia and Uganda: a simple measure of socio-economic deprivation’, *Journal of Eastern African Studies*, 12:3, 2018, (with C. Cramer); ‘Vella Pillay: Revolutionary Activism and Economic Policy Analysis.’ *Journal of Southern African Studies* 44, no. 1, 2018 (with Vishnu Padyachee); ‘A Bias to the Poorest: what do we know about the poorest Ethiopians and how policy affects them?’, and ‘Policy, Political Economy, and Performance in Ethiopia’s Coffee Sector’, Chapters 18 and 15 in Fantu Cheru, Christopher Cramer, & Arkebe Oqubay (eds) *Oxford Handbook of the Ethiopian Economy*, Oxford University Press, 2019; *African economic development: evidence, theory, policy*, Oxford University Press, 2020 (with C. Cramer and A. Oqubay).

## **Arkebe Oqubay**

Arkebe Oqubay, PhD, is a Senior Minister and Special Adviser to the Prime Minister of Ethiopia and has been at the centre of policymaking for over 25 years. Dr Arkebe is an ODI Distinguished Fellow at the London-based think tank Overseas Development Institute; a UNU-WIDER Honorary Research Fellow; a research associate at the Centre of African Studies in the University of London; and he holds a PhD in development studies from SOAS, University of London. His recent publications include *Made in Africa* (Oxford University Press, 2015); *How Nations Learn: Technological Learning, Industrial Policy, and Catch-up* (Oxford University Press, 2019); *The Oxford Handbook of Industrial Hubs and Economic Development* (Oxford University Press, 2020); and *The Oxford Handbook of Industrial Policy* (Oxford University Press, 2020). He is a professor at the University of Johannesburg, a visiting professor at Sciences Po (Paris) and Nanyang Technological University (Singapore), and a distinguished visiting professor at Fudan University (Shanghai). The former Mayor of Addis Ababa, he currently serves as board chair of several leading public organizations and international advisory boards, and is a recipient of the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star, presented by the Emperor of Japan. Dr Arkebe was recognized by the *NewAfrican* as one of the *100 Most Influential Africans of 2016* and a “leading thinker on Africa’s strategic development” for his work on industrialization and industrial policies, both theoretical and practical. His research focus includes structural transformation, technological learning and catch-up, industrial policy, sustainability and urban transformation, China-Africa ties, and public policy and leadership with a focus on emerging and developing countries, especially Africa.

## **Lumkile Mondli**

Lumkile Mondli is a Lecturer at the School of Economics and Finance at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa. His research interests include political economy, macroeconomics, competition and regulation and public sector economics. Mr Mondli served in President Zuma’s State-Owned Enterprises Presidential Review Committee. Previously he served as a member of President Mbeki’s Economic Advisory Panel. As a fellow of the African Leadership Initiative (ALI), an Aspen Institute Initiative, he is engaged in influencing leaders to be value based in tackling poverty, inequality and

unemployment in pursuit of a better life for all. He holds an MA Economics (Macroeconomics, International economics, Public finance and Development economics) from Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. He is currently finalising his PhD through the School of Economics and Finance at Wits University, under the supervision of Professors Vishnu Padayachee and Keith Breckenridge.

### **Busi Sibeko**

Busi Sibeko is an economist and researcher at the Institute for Economic Justice (IEJ). She holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics from Duke University and a Masters in the Political Economy of Development from SOAS, University of London. Busi's current research focus is macroeconomic policy, including tax justice, fiscal and monetary policy, and participatory feminist budgeting to advance socio-economic rights. She provides research support to the labour constituency. She also sits on the Steering Committee of the Budget Justice Coalition (BJC) which is a voluntary coalition of 12+ civil society organisations. She authored *The Cost Austerity: Lessons for South Africa* and is a co-author of *A fiscal stimulus for South Africa*. She considers herself a feminist political economist in training and is determined to be a part of unwinding structural injustice.

### **Léonce Ndikumana**

Léonce Ndikumana is a Distinguished Professor of Economics and Director of the African Development Policy Program at the Political Economy Research Institute (PERI), University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA. He is a member of the Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT) and former member of the United Nations Committee on Development Policy. He has served as Director of Research and Director of Operational Policies at the African Development Bank, and Chief of Macroeconomic Analysis at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA). Léonce Ndikumana is a graduate of the University of Burundi and received his doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. He is an Honorary Professor of Economics at the University of Cape Town and the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa. He has contributed to various areas of research and policy analysis on African countries, including the issues of external debt and capital flight, financial markets and growth, macroeconomic policies for growth and employment, and the economics of conflict and civil wars in Africa. He is co-editor of *Capital Flight from Africa: Causes, Effects and Policy Issues* and co-author of *Africa's Odious Debts: How Foreign Loans and Capital Flight Bled a Continent*, published also in French as *La Dette Odieuse d'Afrique : Comment l'endettement et la fuite des capitaux ont saigné un continent*, in addition to dozens of academic articles and book chapters on African development and Macroeconomics. Léonce Ndikumana is passionate about capacity building in research and development policy, fulfilling his passion as a resource person and mentor for researchers in the African Economic Research Consortium network (AERC), and as a member of the Advisory Board of the Association for the Advancement of African Women Economists.

### **Duma Gqubule**

Duma Gqubule is the founder of the Centre for Economic Development and Transformation in Johannesburg. He has spent the past two decades as a financial journalist, analyst, researcher and advisor on issues of economic development and transformation. He was educated at Waterford Kamhlaba School in Swaziland and Aberdeen University in Scotland where he obtained a Master's degree in economics. He first worked as a financial journalist for most of the country's leading publications. His work was recognised and he later worked for the Black Economic Empowerment Commission, chaired by President Cyril Ramaphosa. He was co-author of the commission's landmark report, which paved the way for the country's current Black Economic Empowerment (BEE) laws and policies. He was editor of the book: "Making Mistakes, Righting Wrongs: Insights into Black Economic Empowerment", which reviewed the country's economic development and transformation policies during the first decade of democracy. He is a *Business Day* columnist and a prominent public speaker and commentator on issues related to economic development and transformation.

## **Jayati Ghosh**

Jayati Ghosh is Professor of Economics at the Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. From January 2021 she will join the University of Massachusetts at Amherst as Professor. She was educated at Delhi University, JNU and Cambridge University, where she obtained her Ph.D. in 1983. Since 2002 she has been the Executive Secretary of International Development Economics Associates (IDEAs), an international network of heterodox development economists ([www.networkideas.org](http://www.networkideas.org)). She received the NordSud Prize for Social Sciences 2010 of the Fondazione Pescarabruzzo, Italy, the ILO Decent Work Research Prize for 2011, the Adisheshaiiah Award for Distinguished Contributions to Social Sciences, 2015 and two prizes from the Asiatic Society, Kolkata. She was the principal author of the West Bengal Human Development Report 2004 which received the 2005 UNDP Award for excellence in analysis. She was Conference President of the Indian Society for Labour Economics in 2013 and Co-Chair of the Scientific Committee of the World Social Science Forum in Durban, South Africa in September 2015. Her current research interests include globalisation, international trade and finance, employment patterns in developing countries, macroeconomic policy, issues related to gender and development, and the implications of recent growth in China and India. She has authored/edited 18 books and nearly 200 scholarly articles. Recent books include “After Crisis: Adjustment, recovery and fragility in East Asia” (Tulika Books, New Delhi), “India and the International Economy”, (edited volume for OUP 2016), the Elgar Handbook of Alternative Theories of Economic Development (volume co-edited with Erik Reinert and Rainer Kattel, Edward Elgar, October 2016) and Demonetisation decoded: A critique of India’s currency experiment (Routledge 2017). Forthcoming books include “Informal Women Workers in the Global South”(Routledge 2020) and a book on the impact of Covi19 on the Indian economy (Aleph 2021). She has consulted for a large number of international organisations and is closely involved in working with progressive organisations and social movements.

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Ruth Castel-Branco is the Research Manager for the Future of Work(ers) Project at the Southern Centre for Inequality Studies at the University of the Witwatersrand. She has a BA in Geography and African Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison (2005), an MA in Development Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal (2012) and is currently finalizing her PhD in Sociology at the University of the Witwatersrand (2020). Previously, Ruth worked at the International Labour Office in Mozambique on social and maternity protection. She first became interested in questions of labour as a student activist, cutting her teeth as a labour organiser for DC Jobs with Justice in the United States. Ruth is an alumnus of the International Centre for Development and Decent Work. Her research interests include informal worker organising and workers’ rights, redistributive policies and social protection, agrarian transformation and the changing nature of work.

## **Kate Philip**

Dr Kate Philip is author of *Markets on the Margins: Mineworkers, Enterprise Development and Job Creation*. She is a development strategist with over 25 years of experience in policy development and implementation. She is currently supporting the Project Management Office in the Presidency, in relation to the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative and the design of an employment stimulus in response to the Covid crisis. She was also involved in spearheading the proposal for a Special Covid Grant that was approved for people not covered by other forms of social protection, as part of South Africa’s crisis response. She has a strong background in the design of public employment programmes. This includes South Africa’s Community Work Programme; through the International Labour Organisation, she also supported the Government of Greece in the design and delivery of their public employment programme, Kinofelis, at the height of the Greek crisis. From TIPS (Trade and Industrial Policy Strategies), she led a strategy process on inequality and economic marginalisation commissioned by the South African Presidency.

## **José Gabriel Palma**

José Gabriel Palma is Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Economics, Cambridge University, where he has taught Econometrics, Macroeconomics, Development and Economic History since 1981. He is also co-editor of the *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, and a member of four “Task Forces” in Joseph Stiglitz’s Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University (“Capital Market Liberalisation”, “Macroeconomics for Developing Countries”, “Industrial Policy in Developing Countries”, and “International Policy Rules and National Inequalities: Implications for Global Economic Governance”). His research interests predominantly focus on three areas: the economic history of Latin America, the political economy of recent economic reforms in Latin America and Asia, and why inequality is so unequal across the world (including papers on income distribution, de-industrialisation, the current global financial crisis, financial crises in Latin America and East Asia, capital controls in Chile and Malaysia, trade and industrial policies, and the political economy of economic reforms in Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Viet Nam). He has also published on the history of ideas in *Development Economics and Politics*, especially on radical critiques of the current orthodoxy. He is co-editor of books on Nicholas Kaldor’s and Richard Kahn’s contributions to political economy; he is also co-editor of a book on the 1997 East Asian financial crisis and of a two-volume festschrift for Geoff Harcourt. He is currently writing a book on income inequality (“Do nations just get the inequality they deserve? The ‘Palma Ratio’ re-examined”), an economic history of Latin America since independence, and a book collecting his papers on the political economy of neo-liberal reforms in Latin America and East Asia.

## **Neva Makgetla**

Dr Neva Makgetla has been Senior Economist: Trade and Industrial Policy at TIPS (Trade and Industrial Policy Strategies) since 2015. She was Deputy Director General for Economic Policy in South Africa’s Economic Development Department from 2010 to 2014. Before joining EDD, Makgetla worked for the Presidency, the DBSA and COSATU as well as other government departments. Prior to 1994 she worked in various universities in Africa and the United States. Dr Makgetla’s research centres on aspects of industrial policy and value chain analysis, and on socio-economic challenges facing South Africa, especially around employment creation, inequality, and most recently the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy.

## **Basani Baloyi**

Dr Basani Baloyi is a feminist development economist and activist. She is Oxfam South Africa’s inequality lead in the Economic Justice Unit. Basani has over 10 years of research experience. She gained her research experience working in academia at the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) and the Corporate Strategy and Industrial Development (CSID) Unit focused on issues of industrial policy. She is also the former Director of Industrial Policy and Acting Chief Director in the Industrial Procurement Unit at the Department of Trade and Industry. Her functional expertise is in policy analysis and research management, movement building, public campaigning and advocacy. Her thematic expertise is in Economic and Gender Inequality, Work and Wages. She is also a board member at the Southern Centre for Inequality Studies. Dr Baloyi holds a PhD in Economics from the School of Oriental and African Studies, an MA in Public Policy and an Mcom in Economics from Wits University.

## **Facilitators**

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