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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PROGRAM

Thursday, September 15, 2005

8-9 a.m. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION – Axinn Library, 10th floor

9-10:15 a.m. OPENING SESSION & KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Greetings

Stuart Rabinowitz

President, Hofstra University

Gregory DeFreitasConference Director

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Keynote Address: Paul Ryan

Kings College, University of London, United Kingdom "School-to-work institutions in comparative perspective"

10:15-10:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:30-12 p.m. PANEL I: YOUTH JOB TRENDS IN ADVANCED ECONOMIES

Chair: Gregory DeFreitas, Hofstra University

David Blanchflower

Dartmouth College, New Hampshire

"The economic status of young workers in OECD countries"

Rebekka Christopoulou

Darwin College, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

"Youth relative labor trends in advanced countries: Economic shocks, labor market institutions and educational participation"

Trine Filges

Danish National Institute of Social Research, Denmark "Youth unemployment and government policy in Denmark"

Niall O'Higgins

Universita di Salerno, Italy

"Still with us after all of these years: Trends in youth labour market entry, home-leaving and human capital accumulation in Italy 1992-2003"

12-12:45 LUNCH (on your own)

12:45-2:15 p.m. PANEL II: DYING FOR A JOB: HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK

Chair: Rachel Kreier, Hofstra University

Niev Duffy

Eastern Economic Research, New York City

"Health insurance and youth employment in the U.S."

Susan McQuade

New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health, New York City "YouthSAFE: Labor activism and workplace safety"

Janice Windau

Office of Safety, Health and Work Conditions

U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Washington DC

"Occupational Injuries among Young Workers"

2:15-3:45 p.m.

PANEL III: JAPANESE AND KOREAN YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

Chair: Takashi Kanatsu, Hofstra University

Sang Hoon Bae and Ji Hoon Song

Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

"Workforce supply dynamics and youth unemployment in Korea's labor market"

Naoki Mitani

Kobe University, Japan

"Youth employment in Japan after the bubble burst in the early 1990's"

Dai Miyamoto

Doshisha University, Japan

and

Paul Ryan

Kings College, University of London, United Kingdom

"How different is the Japanese school-to-work system? The pay and employment of young workers in Japan, 1986-2002"

Hiroatsu Nohara

University of Provence – Aix en Provence, France and

Paul Ryan

Kings College, University of London, United Kingdom

"Youth employment patterns in postwar Japanese industry"

3:45-4 p.m.

COFFEE BREAK

4-5:30 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

PANEL IV-A: SCHOOL-TO-WORK TRANSITIONS IN NORTH AMERICA and EUROPE

Chair: David Blanchflower, Dartmouth College

Yasemin Besen

Stony Brook University, New York

"Pay or play? Why youth work in the United States and other industrialized countries"

Harriet Bradley

University of Bristol, United Kingdom

"Fractured transitions: Young adults' employment trajectories in a postindustrial British city"

Guy Tchibozo

Louis Pasteur University, Strasbourg, France

"Extracurricular activity and school-to-work transition in France, the UK, Canada and Belgium"

Cheryl Davidson, Executive Director, Long Island Works

"Business-School Coalitions for Training New York's Future Workforce"

4-5:30 p.m.

PANEL IV-B: YOUTH JOB TRENDS IN

DEVELOPING ECONOMIES

Chair: Bonu Sengupta, Hofstra University

Margaret Abraham

Hofstra University, New York

"Service on the Line: Youth Jobs and Indian Call Centers."

Enrico Marcelli

University of Massachusetts and Harvard University, Boston "Unauthorized Mexican immigration and youth labor market outcomes in

California during the 1990's"

Ianina Tunon and Augustín Salvia

School of Social Sciences, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

"Policies for youth employment applied during the decade in Argentina: analysis and assessment"

5:30-6:15 p.m. **RECEPTION**

6:15-8:30 p.m. BANQUET

Stuart Tannock -- Introduction

University of California, Berkeley, California

FILM: "Eyes on the Fries: Young Workers in the Service Economy" (21

minutes)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2005

8-8:30 a.m. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30-9:45 a.m. PANEL V: NEW YORK'S JOB PROBLEMS AND POLICIES

Chair: Gregory DeFreitas, Hofstra University

Miguel Almodovar

Assistant Commissioner of Youth and Community Development, City of New York

"New York City's youth training and jobs policies"

David Fischer

Center for an Urban Future, New York City

"Crisis or Opportunity? Demographic Change, Dislocated Youth, and New York City's Future Workforce"

Oren Levin-Waldman

Graduate School for Public Affairs Metropolitan College, New York City

"Minimum wages, living wages, and wage contours"

Mark Levitan

Community Services Society of New York, New York City

"Out of school, out of work, out of luck?"

9:45-11 a.m. PANEL VI: IMMIGRATION AND THE YOUTH JOB MARKET

Chair: Gregory Maney, Hofstra University

Shirley Aldebol

Service Employees International Union, Local 32BJ, New York City and Long Island

"Union organizing among young immigrant workers"

Gregory DeFreitas

Hofstra University, New York

"Immigration and youth employment in New York"

Nadia Marin Mollina and Irma Solis

The Workplace Project, Long Island

"Suburban sweatshops, immigrant rights and the Workplace Project"

11:00-11:15 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

11:15-12:30 p.m PANEL VII: DO LABOR UNIONS MATTER FOR YOUNG WORKERS?

Chair: Gregory DeFreitas, Hofstra University

Liza Featherstone

The Nation, New York City

"Selling women short: Wal-Mart and low-wage youth"

Rafael Gomez

London School of Economics, U.K.

and

Morley Gunderson

Centre for Industrial Relations, University of Toronto, Canada

"Youth and adult unionization differences in Canada"

Joe Hansen

President, United Food & Commercial Workers

"The national labor movement to organize Wal-Mart workers"

12:30-1:15 p.m LUNCH (on your own)

1:15-2:30 p.m PANEL VIII: YOUNG PEOPLES' STAKE IN NEW ECONOMIC POLICIES

Chair: Michael Zweig, Director, Center for Study of Working Class Life, SUNY Stony Brook

Andrea Batista-Schlesinger

Drum Major Institute for Public Policy, New York

"Missed opportunities: Young people and the social security debate"

Carl Lipscombe

Student-Labor Action Project, Washington D.C.

"The new student activism over workplace issues"

Stuart Tannock

Graduate School of Education

University of California, Berkeley, California

"Where is it written that going to college has to be about getting ahead of everyone else? Making the connection between low-wage youth employment, labor organizing and the troublesome question of higher education"

2:30-2:45 p.m. COFFEE BREAK

2:45-4:15 p.m. PANEL IX: STRATEGIES FOR IMPROVING YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS

Chair: Paul Ryan, Kings College, London

Lonnie Golden

Penn State University, Abington College, Pennsylvania "Work and non-work time use of the enrolled college student: Evidence from

the American Time Use Survey"

Arturo Gonzalez

Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco

"Does job corps training boost the labor market outcomes of young Hispanic men and women?

Harry Holzer

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

"How can we raise employment among young black men?"

Eunjong Shin

College of Business and Administration and Economics, Dankook University, Seoul, South Korea

"Youth unemployment and an alternative solution in Korea: business education for the unemployed youth"

4:15-4:30 p.m. CLOSING REMARKS

For complete schedule, registration information, and directions, please visit the conference website: www.hofstra.edu/culture