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DATE: February 9, 2009

Title: "The Economic Consequences of Migration"

Prof. Mariana Spatareanu

Mariana Spatareanu is Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics and core faculty in the Division of Global Affairs, Rutgers University, Newark. She holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Washington University in St. Louis. Her research interests include analyzing technological spillovers from foreign direct investment, determinants of innovation, international migration, labor market regulations, environmental standards and financial markets. Her research has been published in *Economics Letters*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *World Bank Economic Review*, *Review of World Economics*, *Journal of Applied Economics*, various other economics journals as well as chapters in books and monographs. She has presented her work at numerous national and international economic conferences. She is a research fellow at the LICOS Center for Institutions and Economic Performance, Catholic University Leuven and at the Hamburg Institute for International Economics. Before joining Rutgers University, she worked for the World Bank where she was involved in research related to the impact and the characteristics of foreign direct investment with focus on developing countries.

DATE: February 23, 2009
TITLE: "Migration and Brain Drain vs. Brain Gain"
Dr. Maurice Schiff

MAURICE SCHIFF is a Lead Economist in the International Trade Unit, Development Research Group. He is the Director of the Research Program on International Migration and Development in DEC - the World Bank. He co-edited the October 2005 volume entitled "International Migration, Remittances and the Brain Drain" and is currently working on two additional volumes. He co-directed a research project on "Regional Integration and Development" which generated a large number of refereed publications, the book "Regional Integration and Development" (published in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish), a Symposium Issue of the WBER, and the "Trade Blocs" Policy Research Report. He also co-directed an earlier research project on "The Political Economy of Agricultural Pricing Policy," which generated a five-volume series in English, a volume in Spanish, and a number of refereed and other publications.

He has also published on game-theoretic analyses of commodity trade policy; migration, trade and social capital; the geography of trade; nutrition; trade- and FDI-related technology diffusion; and optimal taxation of congested common property resources. His work has included policy analysis as well as advice in Chile, the Dominican Republic, Mauritius, Morocco, Nicaragua, Tunisia, Uzbekistan, the West Bank and Gaza, and other countries in Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa, in the areas of trade policy and agriculture.

DATE: March 9, 2009
TITLE: "The International Remittances Agenda".
Dr. Dilip Ratha

DILIP RATHA, an Indian national, is Lead Economist and Manager of the Migration and Remittances Team in the Development Prospects Group at the World Bank. An expert on remittances and migration, he is the author of "Workers' Remittances: An Important and Stable Source of External Development Finance", the article credited to be the first to reveal the global significance of remittances. He is a lead author of "Global Economic Prospects 2006: Economic Implications of Remittances and Migration", and an editor of "Innovative Financing for Development". Mr. Ratha's work reflects a deep interest in financing development in poor countries. He has been working on development finance and emerging markets for nearly two decades while at the World Bank, and prior to that, at Credit Agricole Indosuez, Singapore; Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad; the Policy Group, New Delhi; and Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi. He has a Ph.D. in economics from the Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi.

DATE: March 23, 2009
TITLE: "Migration and Development"
Prof. Robert E.B. Lucas

Robert E.B. Lucas is Professor of Economics at Boston University. Professor Lucas completed the B.Sc.(Econ) and M.Sc.(Econ) at the London School of Economics and received his Ph.D. from M.I.T. His research has included work on internal and international migration, employment and human resources, income distribution and inter-generational inequality, international trade and industry, the environment, and sharecropping. Professor Lucas has served as Chief Technical Adviser to the Malaysia Human Resource Development Program, Director of Undergraduate Studies and the MA program in Economics at Boston University, Research Affiliate at the MIT Center for International Studies and consultant to a number of international agencies.

DATE: April 6, 2009
TITLE: "America's Immigration Crisis: A Way Forward"
Prof. Douglas S. Massey

Douglas S. Massey is the Henry G. Bryant Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. Formerly he was the Dorothy Swaine Thomas Professor and Chair of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania. He is co-author of *American Apartheid* (Harvard University Press, 1993), which won the Distinguished Publication Award of the American Sociological Association, and more recently he co-authored *The Source of the River*, the first analysis of minority achievement in selective colleges and universities based on a representative, national sample.

Massey has also published extensively on Mexican immigration, including the books *Return to Aztlan* (University of California Press, 1987) and *Miracles on the Border* (University of Arizona Press, 1995). The latter book, co-authored with Jorge Durand, won a 1996 Southwest Book Award. His latest two books on immigration, coauthored with long-time collaborator Jorge Durand, are *Crossing the Border* (Russell Sage Press, 2004) and *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors* (Russell Sage Press 2002). The latter offers a critical analysis of U.S. immigration policy toward Mexico during a period of widespread economic integration under NAFTA and won the 2004 Otis Dudley Duncan Award for the best book in social demography,.

Massey has also served on the faculty of the University of Chicago where he directed its Latin American Studies Center and Population Research Center. He is also formerly a director of the University of Pennsylvania's Population Studies Center and chair of its Graduate Group in Demography. During 1979 and 1980 he undertook postdoctoral research at the University of California at Berkeley and Princeton

University, where he received his Ph.D. in 1978. Massey is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the American Philosophical Society. He is Past-President of the Population Association of America and the American Sociological Association and current President of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. His most recent book is *New Faces in New Places: The Changing Geography of American Immigration* (Russell Sage Foundation 2008).

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DATE: April 20, 2008

TITLE: TBA

Prof. Kusum Mundra

Dr. Mundra specializes in applied and theoretical econometrics and immigration. Her theoretical econometrics research interests are in panel data and nonparametric and semiparametric models. Applied research interests are on immigration issues ranging from the effect of immigration on international trade, social networks and the immigrant population, earnings gap across the immigrants and non-immigrants, access to healthcare for immigrant women. She also has research interest in terrorism. Some of her publications are in the *American Economic Review- Papers and Proceedings*, *Demography*, *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, *Handbook of Applied Econometrics and Statistical Inferences*, and *Terrorism and Political Violence*.