MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

International financial crises. Climate change. Extreme poverty. Growing demands for protectionism. Calls for fair trade. The rise of new economic powers. Challenges to the dollar. Many of these pressing problems and opportunities in international affairs affect, and are profoundly influenced by, economic policy.

While policymakers lament that too much of their attention is directed to immediate problems, IIIEP’s focus extends to the horizon. We actively engage both scholars and international economic policymakers in connecting economic analysis with policy priorities, and we regularly share the results of our research with students, faculty, and visitors, as well as the broader policy community. Please join us in our work.

— Stephen Smith

OVERVIEW

The Institute for International Economic Policy (IIIEP) supports high-quality research, teaching, and events that address critical issues surrounding the emerging global economy in the fields of international trade, international finance, and international economic development and poverty reduction.

Housed in GW’s Elliott School of International Affairs, the institute takes full advantage of its unique location within blocks of the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Federal Reserve Board, and the U.S. Departments of State, Treasury, and Commerce. IIIEP bridges the gap between academic researchers and practitioners who deal with opportunities and challenges in the international economy.

IIIEP ACTIVITIES

The Institute for International Economic Policy serves as a catalyst for high-quality, multi-disciplinary, and non-partisan research. IIIEP fosters analysis of the consequences of globalization and other pressing international economic policy issues, and develops effective policy options to address these challenges. Affiliated faculty members have appointments in GW’s economics, history, and political science departments, as well as the law and business schools.

IIIEP supports undergraduate, master’s, and Ph.D. students who study international economic and development issues. Most prominently, IIIEP serves as the institutional home of the Elliott School’s International Trade and Investment Policy M.A. program, which...
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provides first-class graduate education to students interested in pursuing careers in international economics, development, and business.

IIIEP organizes conferences and policy forums that bring together policymakers with scholars whose innovative and inspirational research helps inform economic policymaking. IIIEP also supports a series of ongoing research-in-progress workshops.

Past events have included: Q2 at GW conferences on China’s Economic Development and U.S.-China Economic Relations; NAFTA at 15: Assessing the Past and Preparing for the Future; a series on the regional and global effects of the financial crisis; research symposium on the economics of microfinance; “Thinking Big and Scaling Up” on poverty reduction with BRAC founder Fazle Hasan Abed; and a conference on antidumping use across the world. Distinguished speakers at the institute’s events include senators Max Baucus, Sherrod Brown, Judd Gregg, and John Kerry; Pulitzer Prize-winning Washington Post columnist Steven Pearlstein; World Bank Chief Economist Justin Lin; professors Barry Eichengreen, Randy Kroszner, and Tom Prusa; and current and former high-ranking officials Grant Aldonas, Jaime Serra, Antoinette Sayeh, and Marek Belka.

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