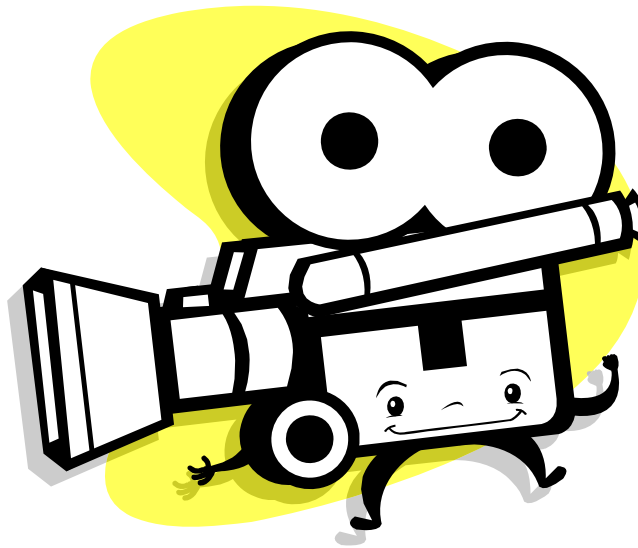


## MOVIE TIME!



### HOW THE RICH PROTECT THEIR POOR?

#### *SSN IN OECD COUNTRIES: LESSONS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES*

During the Core Course, participants interested in the SSN policies of developed countries can watch, during lunch breaks or in the afternoons, five lectures from a companion course on “SSN in OECD Countries: Lessons for developing countries”. Each session presents a topic related with the theme discussed during the day in the Core Course:

Day	Lecturer	Lecture	Duration
29-Nov	Peter Lindert	Is the Welfare State Mortal or Exportable	0:40:00
30-Nov	Kathy Lindert	Designing and Implementing Household Targeting Systems: Lessons from LAC and the US	0:40:00
	Martha Burt, Demetra		
05-Dec	Nightingale	Implementing Social assistance programs - lessons from US	1:09:08
06-Dec	Rebecca Blank	Evaluating the effects of US Welfare Reform	0:37:06
07-Dec	Chris de Neuburg	Recent Reforms of the European Social Assistance Policies	0:52:27

“SSN in OECD Countries: Lessons for developing countries” is developed as a Distance-Learning course. The course was developed by a team of renowned academics and experts from US and EU: Rebecca Blank (University of Michigan, US); Martha Burt (Urban Institute, US); Edward Glaeser (Harvard University, US); Harry Hatry (Urban Institute, US); Peter Lindert (Univ California at Davis, US); Kathy Lindert (World Bank); Chris de Neuburg (Maastricht University, Belgium); and Demetra Nightingale (Johns Hopkins University, US).

Participants learn about the experience of OECD countries in designing and implementing SSN programs using a combination of teaching materials: (i) taped lectures; (ii) printed presentations accompanying each lecture; and (iii) a summary of briefing book summarizing key issues in the design and implementation of social assistance policy in Continental Europe and the US.

Additional material is available on-line on the course web-site at:

<http://www1.worldbank.org/sp/safetynets/OECD.asp>

**NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>:  
IS THE WELFARE STATE MORTAL OR EXPORTABLE?**

**Peter Lindert**'s lecture inquires whether social policies that redistribute income impose constraints on economic growth. Lindert argues that, contrary to the intuition of many economists and the ideology of many politicians, social spending has contributed to, rather than inhibited, economic growth. The lecture is based on his recent book "*Growing public*", an economics best-seller in the United States.

*Peter Lindert is a prize-winning researcher and teacher at the University of California-Davis. His textbooks in international economics have been translated into at least eight other languages, and he has previously taught at the University of Essex, Harvard University, Moscow State University, and University of Wisconsin. His interest in economic history led him to the research treatise on the economic and political forces driving social spending and of the effects of the welfare state that sweeps over time, over nations, and over disciplines.*

**NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>:  
DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING HOUSEHOLD TARGETING SYSTEMS:  
LESSONS FROM LAC AND THE US**

Kathy Lindert reviews the experience in designing and implementing household targeting systems from Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and US in order to: (a) identify main aspects involved in designing and implementing household targeting systems; (b) construct a summary evaluation of these household targeting systems according to specific criteria for judging "good practice"; and hence (c) draw practical lessons regarding experiences (both positive and negative) with household targeting systems in six countries. Household targeting systems are targeting mechanisms where an official (usually a government employee) directly assesses, household by household, whether the applicant is eligible for the specific program(s).

*Kathy Lindert is a Senior Economist with the World Bank, currently working with the Brazilian Government in improving the design and scaling up the largest conditional-cash transfer program, Bolsa Familia.*

**DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>:  
IMPLEMENTING SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS - LESSONS FROM US**

The material on US welfare policy was prepared by an experienced team from Urban Institute, consisting of Matha Burt and Demetra Nightingale. The lecturers review recent innovations in delivery and financing of social assistance programs in US: service integration (or one-stop shops); the practice of contracting-out social services; the introduction of performance management arrangements; and financing options under centralized or decentralized systems.

*Demetra Smith Nightingale is a Principal Research Associate and Director of the Welfare and Training Research Program at the Urban Institute in Washington, D.C. Currently she is also adjunct professor of public policy at the Johns Hopkins University. For over 25 years she has conducted research at the Urban Institute on various issues related to employment, welfare, poverty, and social policy. Her research includes a number of studies on employment and training/workforce development; evaluations of policies for welfare recipients; research on the labor market, occupations, and the workplace; and analysis of anti-poverty strategies.*

*Dr. Martha Burt is the Director of the Social Services Research Program at the Urban Institute. She received her Ph.D. in sociology in 1972, from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Since then she has been involved in research and evaluation pertaining to a wide variety of populations and issues.*

**DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>:  
EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF US WELFARE REFORM**

During the last decade, US implemented a major reform in the social assistance system. Professor Rebecca Blank will lecture on the impact of the 1996 Welfare Reform on low-income households in US and the emergence of what she considers “a new generation of welfare programs”, with proven record on reducing welfare dependency and poverty and increasing household earning and incomes.

*Rebecca M. Blank is Dean of the Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan and Professor of Economics. She is also the co-director of the National Poverty Center at the Ford School, funded by HHS to promote poverty-related research. Professor Blank's research has focused on the interaction between the macro economy, government anti-poverty programs, and the behavior and well-being of low-income families.*

**DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>:  
RECENT REFORMS OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICIES**

The material on EU social assistance policies was prepared by Chris de Neuburg, academic director of the Maastricht Graduate School of Governance. Professor Neuburg will introduce you to the diversity of approaches toward social assistance systems in European Union, analyzed along a number of key dimensions (generosity; duration; central versus local control; universal versus targeted; activation measures; family obligations versus collective solidarity; recipients' duties; institutional and financial arrangements). Another lectures introduces the recent reforms in social assistance in the European Union.

*Chris de Neubourg is Professor of Economics at the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration of the Maastricht University and Director of the graduate program in International Economic Studies. He researched and acted as a consultant on behalf of research councils, private companies, government agencies, the International Labour Organization (ILO), the World Bank, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the European Commission (EU). He currently prepares publications including two books on the changes in the welfare regimes in transition economies and a textbook on the socio-economics of Welfare States (together with G. Esping-Andersen).*