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演題: "The New Economy in Development: ICT Challenges and Opportunities"

「開発途上国における新経済―情報コミュニケーション技術の課題」

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情報コミュニケーション技術(ICT)による新経済が開発途上国にどのような影響を及ぼしているのか。又、世界経済の中で、新経済の課題にどのように対応していけばいいのか。この講演では、情報革命がもたらす新経済の光と影を論じます。

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Abstract

During the last three decades both quantitatively and qualitatively the OECD and a handful of newly industrializing economies have been transformed by global flows of trade, foreign direct investment, technology, and technical talent. Within national economies the relative decline of the industrial sector, the rise of the services economy, and the growing ubiquitousness of information and communications technologies (ICT) such as computers, software, satellite communications, e-mail, and the internet in the wider society have speeded up. The emerging "new economy" is considered integral to a "knowledge-based, information society." This poses a fundamental question: what are the implications of the new economy for developing countries? This presentation argues that the new economy and associated ICT opens up e-based development opportunities for poor countries such as e-learning, e-services, and e-business. Bypassing technological and infrastructural legacies, e-development appears to be promising. However, there is a catch as well. To take full advantage of e-development, a related argument is that without attending to old economy challenges such as basic education, literacy, health, income distribution, and physical infrastructure exploiting new economy opportunities is fraught with difficulties. Empirical evidence from many developing countries shows they are now faced with the dual demands of meeting of old economy needs and new economy challenges. The paper concludes with some policy recommendations for coping with the challenges of the new and old economy in an increasingly integrated world economy.

Speaker's background

Dr Anthony D'Costa Professor of Comparative International Development, University of Washington teaches and researches the political economy of Indian and Asian industrialization. His books include "The Global Restructuring of the Steel Industry: Innovations, Institutions and Industrial Change" (1999); "The Long March to Capitalism: Embourgeoisment, Internationalization, and Industrial Transformation in India" (2005), and co-edited and edited "India in the Global Software Industry" (2003) and "The New Economy and Development: ICT Challenges and Opportunities" (forthcoming). He edits Technology, Globalization and Development book series and held fellowships from the Abe, UN University's World Institute of Development Economics Research, the Fulbright-Hays, American Institute of Indian Studies, Social Science Research Council (Korea Program), and Korea Foundation programs. He is a trustee member of the American Institute of Indian Studies and serves on the editorial board of Asian Business and Management journal.