

**Transformations in Work:
Creating Job-Rich Economies in the 21st Century**

*October 18 & 19, 2016
FES Headquarters, Hiroshimamastraße 17, Berlin, Germany*

Agenda

DAY ONE: 18th OCTOBER 2016

17:30 – 18:00 Registration

18:00 – 18:20 **Welcome Remarks**

Michèle Auga, Dept. Head, Western Europe & North America, FES Berlin
Sabina Dewan, President & Executive Director, JustJobs Network

18:20 – 18:45 **Keynote Address**

H.E. Minister Hanif Dhakiri, Minister of Manpower, Republic of Indonesia

18:45 – 20:15 **Transformations in Work: Creating Job-Rich Economies in the 21st Century**

The world in which we live and work is undergoing dramatic changes. Technological advancements – from the “app economy” to the “Internet of Things” to 3-D printing – are altering the demand for labor. Rapid urbanization across the Global South – at a scale never witnessed before – is shifting billions of people from agrarian to urban occupations. In the face of conflict and climate change, millions are on the move from their countries of origin to other nations in search of better lives and livelihoods. And global trade has undergone a dramatic reorganization over the last three decades; today, 80 percent of the \$20 trillion in annual trade takes place in global value chains.

While there is an urgent need to create more and better jobs, these transformations are making the task more challenging. We must understand the changing nature of work today in order to plan for the future.

Public Panel:

- **Donald Kaberuka**, Former President of the African Development Bank
- **Celso Amorim**, Former Minister of Foreign Relations, Brazil
- **Zaw Oo**, Senior Advisor, Office of the President, Myanmar; Executive Director, Centre for Economic and Social Development, Myanmar
- **Michael Sommer**, Former President, German Trade Union Confederation
- **Moderator: Sabina Dewan**, President & Executive Director, JustJobs Network

20:15 onwards
Cocktail Reception
Dinner (*Invitation only*)

DAY TWO: 19th OCTOBER 2016

09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:45 **Opening Remarks**

Anil Kakani, JustJobs Network Board Member; Fmr. Senior Advisor, U.S. Treasury; Managing Partner, Vikasa Holdings

09:45 – 11:45 **Wired for Work**

Technology is revolutionizing the way we live and work. From how goods are produced to how services are delivered, technology is creating challenges and opportunities for global efforts to create jobs. Many raise the specter of a mass displacement of workers resulting from automation, while others claim that the current technological revolution will not be fundamentally different from those of the past – creating more jobs than it destroys. This session will seek to unpack the known and unknown impacts of large-scale technological transformation, asking what institutional responses these changes demand.

The JustJobs Network will launch its 2016 signature volume – *Transformations in Technology, Transformations in Work*. The volume engages with key questions regarding the advent and adoption of new technology and its effect on labor markets – offering a review of global trends such as automation and an exploration of previously unexamined issues, such as the nature of the “platform economy” in emerging markets.

- Presentation by: **Ekkehard Ernst**, Chief of Job-friendly Macro-Economic Policies Unit, ILO
- Interventions by select authors from JustJobs Network’s 2016 flagship volume, *Transformations in Technology, Transformations in Work*
 - Anna Byhovskaya, Policy Advisor, Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD
 - Catrihel Greppi, Researcher, Centro de Estudios Distributivos, Laborales y Sociales (UNLP), Argentina
 - Ah Maftuchan, Executive Director, Perkumpulan Prakarsa, Indonesia
 - Felix Mwenge, Research Fellow, Zambia Institute for Policy Analysis and Research (ZIPAR)
- Moderator: **Knut Panknin**, Program Officer, FES-Washington DC; Fellow, JustJobs Network

11:45 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:00 **The Last & Largest Wave of Urbanization**

The globe is in the midst of the last and largest wave of urbanization as countries throughout Africa and Asia undergo a rapid transition to urban life. But this wave of urbanization looks fundamentally different from those of the 19th and 20th centuries – not only in terms of its scale, but also in terms of the opportunities that it is, and is not, creating. Urbanization in many countries today is poorly correlated with industrialization and the creation of formal economy jobs. What are the causes and consequences of “jobless” urbanization? How can a shift in

policymaking move us toward job-rich cities in the 21st century? As millions of people move from agrarian to urban occupations, how can cities continue to create opportunity and prosperity?

- Presentation by: **Gregory Randolph**, Deputy Director, JustJobs Network
- Facilitated discussion

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:00

Public Perceptions of Migration

- Presentation by: **Bruce Stokes**, Director of Global Economic Attitudes, Pew Research Center
- Discussant & Moderator: **Bruno Liebhaberg**, Director General, Centre on Regulation in Europe; Chair of the FEPS Scientific Council
- Facilitated discussion

15:00 – 15:15

Coffee break

15:15 – 17:00

Integrating Migrants/Refugees into Host Communities

Europe became home to more than one million migrants and refugees in 2015 and 135,000 more in the first two months of 2016. In addition to managing the immediate humanitarian challenge, European countries also require labor market policies that facilitate social and economic integration. The workplace is often the site where immigrants become fully participative members of society, and jobs are critical to ensuring that Europe's millions of new residents are an asset rather than a liability. What innovative employment creation policies would accommodate the increasing demand for jobs in Europe? How should skill development and labor market information systems adapt to ensure that new residents of Europe are linked with jobs that match their potential? The session will also shed light on factors that propel migration and discuss how economic opportunities can be created in communities of origin.

Speakers:

- **Jens Orback**, Secretary General, Olof Palme International Center; Former Minister for Democracy, Metropolitan Affairs, Integration and Gender Equality, Government of Sweden
- **Alexander Sceberras Trigona**, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Malta, Member of the FEPS Scientific Council
- **Stephen Pursey**, Senior Policy Advisor and G20 Coordinator, ILO
- **Markus Kressler**, Founder and Managing Director, Kiron Open Higher Education, Germany
- Moderator: **Sabina Dewan**, President & Executive Director, JustJobs Network

17:00 – 17:30

Overview of JIN / IDRC project on Global Value Chains

- Remarks by: **Edgard Rodriguez**, Senior Program Specialist, IDRC
- Presentation by: **Prachi Agarwal**, Research Associate, JustJobs Network

17:30 – 18:00

Closing

Sabina Dewan, President & Executive Director, JustJobs Network

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