

DIVERSIFICATION AND STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION FOR GROWTH AND STABILITY IN LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES FEBRUARY 21, 2013

IMF, HQ2 Conference Hall 2 1900 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington DC

8:30 –9:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 –9:15 am Welcome

Min Zhu (Deputy Managing Director, IMF)

9:15 –9:45 am Opening Remarks

Ricardo Hausmann (Harvard University)

9.45–11:30 am Openness, Diversification, and Macroeconomic Policies

Chair: Sharmini Coorey (IMF)

"Does What You Export Matter?" William Maloney (World Bank)

"Structural Change in an Open Economy" **Kei-Mu Yi** (Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis)

"Quality Upgrading in Developing Economies"

Christian Henn (IMF)

11:30–11:45 am *** Coffee Break ***

11.45 am-1:00 pm Growth through Structural Transformation

Chair: Min Zhu (IMF)

"Growth and Structural Transformation" **Richard Rogerson** (Princeton University)

"Economic Integration and Structural Change"

Romain Wacziarg (UCLA)





1:00-2:30 pm

*** Lunch—Open to all participants ***
(HQ2 Conference Hall 2)
Luncheon Speaker
Kaushik Basu (World Bank)

2:30–4:15 pm Sectoral Productivity and Macroeconomic Performance

Chair: Anoop Singh (IMF)

"The Agricultural Productivity Gap in Developing Countries" **Douglas Gollin** (University of Oxford)

"Structural Change through Diversification" **Fidel Perez-Sebastian** (University of Alicante)

"The Size Distribution of Farms and International Productivity Differences" **Diego Restuccia** (University of Toronto)

4:15-4:30 pm

*** Coffee Break ***

4:30-6:00 pm Panel: "Policies for Diversification and Structural Transformation"

Moderator: Olivier Blanchard (Economic Counsellor, IMF)

Panelists:

Ricardo Hausmann (Harvard University)

Sean Nolan (IMF)

Dani Rodrik (Harvard University)

Richard Rogerson (Princeton University)

Arvind Subramanian (Peterson Institute)

6-7:30 pm

*** Reception—Open to all participants ***
(HQ2 Cafeteria)

Registration not required for IMF – WB staff.

Organizing Committee: Chris Papageorgiou and Nikola Spatafora (IMF)