

Invitation

Global Economy Lecture

Introduction and award ceremony

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Global Economy Lecture: 'How should Europe meet the duty of rescue towards the displaced and the poor?'

Chair

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Senior Research Associate, Scientific Director (1996–2016)

The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

Speaker

[Paul Collier](#)

Professor, Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University

and Co-Director of the International Growth Centre, Oxford and London School of Economics

Date

Monday, November 28, 2016, 4:00 p.m.

Venue

Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Otto-Wagner-Platz 3, 1090 Vienna

Veranstaltungssaal, ground floor

Registration

R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, November 16, 2016, by e-mail to Event-Management@oenb.at

Lecture description and speaker biography

This year's Global Economy Lecture will be given by **Sir Paul Collier**, Professor of Economics and Public Policy at the Blavatnik School of Government and Co-Director of the International Growth Centre, Oxford.

In his presentation, Professor Collier will scrutinize the role of public policy in the current refugee crisis. The Syrian refugee situation has been an avoidable tragedy. Thousands have drowned, millions have been neglected. This is the consequence of a chronic failure of public policy. The explanation for this failure is partly that the global refugee system is hopelessly out of date: it is broken. This has been compounded by political responses that have lurched from one populist approach to another, with insufficient thought as to their consequences. The global refugee situation will remain serious for many years, and so urgently requires serious policy attention. The lecture will be based on a forthcoming book, jointly written with Alexander Betts, "Refuge: transforming a broken refugee system".

Sir Paul Collier is Professor of Economics and Public Policy at the Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University, and a Professorial Fellow of St Antony's College. He is a Director of the International Growth Centre (Oxford and LSE) and a Professeur Invité at Sciences Po, Paris.

His research covers fragile states; the effects of aid and the problems of democracy in low-income and natural resources rich societies; urbanization in low-income countries; private investment in African infrastructure and changing organizational cultures. Recent books include *The Bottom Billion* (Oxford University Press, 2007) which in 2008 won the Lionel Gelber, Arthur Ross and Corine prizes and in May 2009 was the joint winner of the Estoril Global Issues Distinguished Book prize. His latest book is *Exodus: How migration is changing our world* (Oxford University Press, 2013). Over the period 1998–2003 Professor Collier was Director of the Research Development Department of the World Bank. In 2014, Paul received a knighthood for services to promoting research and policy change in Africa.

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