

C. PETER TIMMER

# Managing Structural Transformation post-2015

2.45–7.30 pm

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You are cordially invited to the 2014 WIDER Annual Lecture. It will address how structural transformation can be effectively pursued, and how leadership and vision can bridge 'where we are now' with 'where we want to be'.

Each year, the United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER) hosts the WIDER Annual Lecture. It is delivered by an eminent scholar or policy maker who has made a significant contribution in the field of economics of development and transition.

This year the lecture will be given by Professor C. Peter Timmer, a leading international scholar on agriculture and rural development. He will discuss the tensions experienced during structural transformation processes, such as increased rural-urban income gaps; review the political dangers

from unequal growth; and outline how the world community can learn to manage these issues moving forward. These areas are central to current Member States' negotiations around the post-2015 development agenda.

## SPEAKER

**C. PETER TIMMER** is the Thomas D. Cabot Professor of Development Studies, Emeritus, at Harvard University.

A core advisor on the World Bank's World Development Report 2008: Agriculture for Development, Timmer also works with several Asian governments on domestic policy responses to instability in the global rice market. Among other awards, in 1992 he received the Bintang Jasa Utama (Highest Merit Star) from the Republic of Indonesia for his contributions to food security. He is also an advisor to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on agricultural development issues.

Timmer's work focuses on the nature of 'pro-poor growth' and its application in Indonesia and other countries in Asia; the supermarket revolution in developing countries and its impact on the poor; and



structural transformation in historical perspective as a framework for understanding the political economy of agricultural policy.

## PROGRAMME

2.45–5.30 pm

Registration

Welcome by David M. Malone

Introduction by Ernest Aryeetey

Lecture by C. Peter Timmer

Q&amp;A

5.30–7.30 pm

 Reception hosted by  
UNU Office in New York

## WELCOME

**Dr David M. Malone**

 Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations,  
and Rector of United Nations University

## CHAIR

**Professor Ernest Aryeetey**

 Vice-Chancellor, University of Ghana, and  
Chair of the WIDER Board


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