

Second Conference on Albert Hirschman's Legacy: A Bias for Hope



October 25, 2018
Room I 2 220

8.30-9.00 **Registration and coffee**

9.00-9.15 **Opening words -Sophie Sirtaine, IEG acting Director-General of Evaluation**
Welcome - Jos Vaessen, IEG Methods Adviser

9.15-9.45 **The Strategy of Economic Development at 60 – Luca Meldolesi, AC-HII**

9.45-11.15 **Session 1: Hirschman and the World Bank**

Chair: Brian Levy

- John Heath - *"Inherently incompatible"? Hirschman's thinking on projects from the perspective of the McNamara Years at the World Bank (1968-1981)*
- Nicoletta Stame - *Some observations on Hirschman's production line on projects and programs*
- Vijayendra Rao - *Implementing Hirschman: The Social Observatory experience*
- Osvaldo Feinstein – *Uncertainty as opportunity*

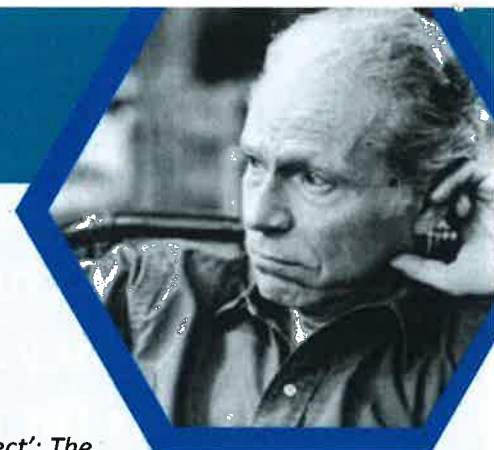
11.15-11.30 **Break**

11.30-13.00 **Session 2: Development interventions observed**

Chair: Osvaldo Feinstein

- David Ellerman– *Transforming the Old into a Foundation for the New: Lessons of the Moldova ARIA Project*
- Dan Honig - *Going out to the country: World Bank staff decentralization and aid project success*
- Tom Kenyon - *Program-for-Results: An early assessment of World Bank experience*
- Michael Woolcock - *Strategies for improving the quality of implementation of complex development interventions*

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13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.45 Session 3: Hirschman and development

Chair: Leslie Obiora

- Brian Levy - *The 21st century relevance of Albert Hirschman's 'tunnel effect': The case of South Africa*
- Paola Ridolfi - *The global migration crisis through the lenses of Hirschman's Voice and Exit paradigm*
- Shalini Randeria - *What kind of Voice do the poor in India have*
- Elena Saraceno - *Reviewing agricultural and rural policies for development: lessons from experience*
- Norman Birnbaum – *What is the Twenty-First Century? A ninety-two year old survivor of the twentieth century seeks an answer*

15.45-16.00 Break

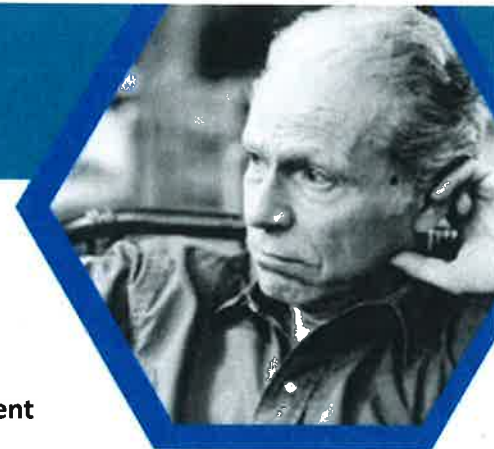
16.00-17.45 Session 4: Hirschman and specific policy options - the public sector

Chair: Salo Coslovsky

- Leslie Obiora - *Learning and innovation for governance reform sustainability*
- Raffaele Trapasso and Domenico Marino - *Stimulating policy complementarities in the Regional Development Process*
- Paolo di Nola - *Cases of reforming in the Public sector: Causes and effects*
- Tito Bianchi - *The sustainability of public sector innovation: The dilemma of maintaining Good Government over time, based on Italian experiences*
- Fabio Zilberstein – *Trust and communication in citizen dialogue*

Evening Conference dinner

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8.30-9.00 Registration and coffee

9.00-10.30 Session 5: Hirschman and social science in the field of development

Chair: Rob van den Berg

- Ilene Grabel - *It's a mess, and that's (mostly) a good thing: Global financial governance in the current Hirschmanian conjuncture*
- Philipp Lepenies - *Teaching and applying Hirschman - Thoughts from a practitioner turned academic*
- Luca Meldolesi - *How to complicate Economics: A few observations*
- Adriana Mica - *The importance of being a fit: Possibility Theory in Sociology and related Social Sciences*

10.30-10.45 Break

10.45-12.30 Session 6: Hirschman and specific policy options - the private sector

Chair: Meenu Tewari

- Vinni Marino - *Hirschman's Legacy findings in dealing with the private sector*
- Tommaso Di Nardo - *VAT gap, mandatory e-invoicing and a surprising Latin America: Where can Hirschman's strategy lead us today?*
- Maria Ariano - *Entrepreneurship education, is it possible? A case from the field*
- Renato Bruno - *Sailing against the wind: A view from below*
- Yevgeny Kuznetsov - *From exit to voice that creates a lasting song: Options diaspora talents (fail to) cultivate*

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.45 Session 7: Hirschman, evaluation and decision-making

Chair: Michael Woolcock

- Tessie Catsambas - *The value of applying appreciative and positive approaches to evaluation*
- Jos Vaessen - *Heeding Hirschman in evaluation: "Finding out fast versus finding out slow"*
- Meenu Tewari - *Sustaining reform: Especially pro-poor service delivery reform in a budget constrained environment*
- Laura Tagle and Viviana Fini - *Contribution of evaluation to democratic policies*
- Laura Orlando - *Reflections of a Sanitarian: Looking past the toilet*

15.45-16.15 Closing remarks

Chair: Jos Vaessen

- Nicoletta Stame
- Michael Woolcock