

Department Seminar Series Schedule: Summer 2015 thru Winter 2016



Prof. LESZEK BALCEROWICZ

Former Deputy Prime Minister and Former Finance Minister
Republic of Poland

08 July 2015 (12:00 – 2:00): DSQ-631 (Digital Media Zone)

Co-sponsored with Ryerson International

Title: “The Euro: Problems and Solutions”

A light lunch will be served

Please RSVP [HERE](#)* by Tuesday, June 30 as Space is limited.

Biography: Prof. Leszek Balcerowicz served as Deputy Prime Minister responsible for economic matters and as Finance Minister in the first and second post-communist governments. With a vast knowledge in economics and other social sciences, he stood behind the changes which led to the historical transformation from command economy to the market and from dictatorship to democracy. He successfully dealt with hyperinflation, foreign debt crisis, extreme imbalances in the economy, and social and political tensions related to the introduction of reforms. He is the only Central/Eastern European member of the prestigious financial advisory body Group of Thirty (G30 – international body of leading financiers and academics). He received the 2014 Milton Friedman Prize for Advancing Liberty, a biennial award presented by Cato Institute for achievement in promoting freedom and individual liberty. In early 2015 President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko invited Professor Balcerowicz to help reform Ukraine’s economy.



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Prospects for the Progressive City - A Forum

The *Department of Politics and Public Administration* at Ryerson University is hosting a forum on **Prospects for the Progressive City** to consider whether there is a progressive alternative vision for cities like Toronto that promotes equity, sustainability, and justice.

The forum will feature presentations by:

- Roger Keil** York Research Chair in Global Sub/Urban Studies
David Imbroscio Professor in the Department of Political Science and Urban and Public Affairs at the University of Louisville
Meghan Joy doctoral candidate, Policy Studies, Ryerson University
Ronald K. Vogel Professor, Politics and Public Administration, Ryerson University.

There is no admission charge, but please click on the "website" link below to indicate your attendance.

- DATE:** November 04 2015
TIME: 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. *Reception to follow.*
WHERE: Cara Commons (TRS 1-150)
Ted Rogers School of Management
Enter at 55 Dundas Street West; take elevator to the 7th floor (First floor of TRSM)
OPEN TO: Everyone welcome!
CONTACT: Ronald K. Vogel, Professor of Politics and Public Administration
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WEBSITE: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/prospects-for-the-progressive-city-tickets-17957239587>

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POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SRC FORUM: FROM AUSTERITY TO PROSPERITY

EXAMINING THE FEDERAL LIBERAL GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED FISCAL AND ECONOMIC
POLICIES

Panelists:



Sheila Block, Senior Economist at Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives' Ontario office (CCPA-Ontario).



Victor Severino, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Strategy Division, Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, Government of Ontario



John Smithin, Professor of Economics, Department of Economics and the Schulich School of Business, York University



Richard So, Associate Portfolio Manager, RBC Wealth Management and RBC Dominion Securities

Date: Wednesday 02nd March 2016

From 3pm-5pm

Reception to follow 5pm-6pm

Location: Oakham Lounge, Oakham House

Contact and RSVP: Link to Event Brite

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The 2016 annual [Phyllis Clarke Memorial Lecture](#)

Thursday 24 March 2016

7:00 pm

TRS1-003



The Methodology for a New Politics: Changing the ‘Operating System’ of the Left after the 2015 Greek Experience

Dr. Andreas Karitzis

Abstract:

The Greek case leaves no doubt about Europe's present situation: democracy has been successfully limited and a new kind of despotism is fast emerging. In this lecture Karitzis outlines key aspects of the current sociopolitical environment and presents a diagnosis regarding the time lag of the Left. The main focus is with the modifications needed to the political practice of the Left based on the “SYRIZA experience”. This entails an upgrade its operational capacities to meet the requirements of present day antagonisms. Building popular power, restructuring political representation and reviving the notion of “transformation of the state” are all major themes addressed. Lessons from the Greek case may be broadly valuable, facilitating the Left in other countries to initiate a process of systematic preparation and adaptation.

Biography:

Andreas Karitzis has a MSc in Mechanical Engineering and a PhD in Philosophy. He is the author of *Logic and Method of a Left Government* (in Greek) and a founding member of the “Hub” for social economy, empowerment and innovation. He was a member of the Political Secretariat of SYRIZA and of its Programme Committee until April of 2014. He was also a member of the SYRIZA’s Central Committee until August of 2015.