

## DIE VORTRAGENDEN

## SPEAKERS



### Joaquín Almunia

Joaquín Almunia was born in Spain on June 17, 1948. He is married and has two children. He graduated in Law and Economics at the University of Deusto (Bilbao), studied at L'École Pratique des Hautes Études de Paris, then followed the “Senior Managers in Government” program at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He is an Associate Lecturer at the University of Alcalá de Henares (Madrid) on Employment and Social Security Law. Mister Almunia started his professional life as economist at the Council Bureau of the Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Brussels (1972–1975). He was then chief economist of the UGT, a Spanish trade union (1976–1979). His first political position was as a Member of the Spanish Parliament in 1979 (he remained a MP until 2004). From 1982 to 1986, Joaquín Almunia was Minister of Employment and Social Security and Minister of Public Administration from 1986 to 1991. He was also Spokesperson of the Socialist Parliamentary Group between 1994 and 1997. Joaquín Almunia then became Leader of the PSOE (1997–2000). Since April 26, 2004, he is a Member of the European Commission, responsible for Economic and Monetary Affairs.

### Christoph Badelt

Christoph Badelt, born in 1951, obtained his Ph.D. in economics in 1976. Since 2002, he has been the Rector of the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration. Before, he was engaged as professor of Economics and Social Policy at the Vienna University of Economics and BA (from 1989, currently on

leave). He also was Vice Rector for Infrastructure at the above mentioned university (1998–2002). In addition, Christoph Badelt is the President of the Austrian Rectors' Conference (since 2005). At an earlier time, he worked as Visiting Professor at the University of Klagenfurt, Austria and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, U.S.A. (1981–1982, 1984–1985). His numerous publications include Handbook of Nonprofit Organizations, Social Policy, The Economic Situation of Families in Austria, Evaluation of the System of Care Allowances, Eco-



conomic Relations between Generations, Costs of Long Term Care, Families between Equity and Discrimination, The Situation of Handicapped in Austria, Supported Employment, Market Incentives in the Public Sector, Political Economy of Volunteering, Economics of Self-Help Groups.

### Mario Cervantes

Mario Cervantes is a senior economist in the Science and Technology Policy Division of the OECD. He joined the OECD in 1993 where he worked in the Education, Employment, Labor and Social Affairs Directorate before moving to the Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry. During his years of service at the OECD he has worked on a variety

of issues related to human capital, notably the development of human resources in S&T, international migration of the highly skilled, and researcher careers. He participated in the *OECD Job Study* and the *OECD Growth Project* and has participated as an expert to the European Commission and the World Bank Institute. Mr. Cervantes has authored co-authored numerous reports on S&T policy and human resource issues. His current portfolio of activities includes industry-science relationships, intellectual property and innovation,



and the globalization of R&D and open innovation. He is a graduate of Columbia University in New York and the University of California at Santa Barbara and holds a Diploma from the Institut d'Études Politiques in Paris. In 1988, he was a Sloan fellow at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

### **Josef Christl**

Josef Christl has been Executive Director of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank since 2003. Moreover, he is Alternate Governor for the Republic of Austria to the International Monetary Fund and Member of the Supervisory Board of the Austrian Financial Market Authority. After two years of serving as an economist at

the Ministry of Social Affairs, he worked as Assistant Professor for Economics at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Vienna from 1980 to 1984. After that, he was Senior Economist (1984–93) and Chief Economist (1993–2001) with Creditanstalt-Bankverein. From 2001 to 2003 he served as Chief Economic Advisor to the Austrian Minister of Finance. Since 1992, Josef Christl has been professor at the University of Economics in Vienna. He holds a doctoral degree in economics from the University of Vienna.

### **Angel de la Fuente**

Angel de la Fuente has been a member of the Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC) Barcelona since 1991. His areas of specialization are the economics of growth and regional economics. He is a member of the editorial boards of "Revista Española de Economía" and "Moneda y Crédito" and a CEPR Research Affiliate. In the area of growth economics his recent research has focused on the empirical analysis of the determinants of the rate of economic growth and, in particular, on the impact of investment in human and technological capital (Human Capital and Growth) and on the effects of fiscal policies on growth (Fiscal Policy and Growth in the OECD). He has also analyzed the process of convergence among the Spanish regions (On the Sources of Convergence: a Close Look at the Spanish Regions) and the theoretical and policy implications of the existing empirical evidence on national and regional growth (Convergence and other Tales: Regional Growth from a Neoclassical Perspective, The Empirics of Growth and Conver-

gence: a Selective Review). Other recent papers explore the comparative growth experience of different OECD countries (Real Convergence? Spain in the OECD, and The Sources of Irish Growth, with Xavier Vives), the use of convergence equations as a tool to analyze the dynamics of the international income distribution (Convergence Equations and Income Dynamics) and the possible impact of various instruments of regional redistribution (Some Reflections on the Redistributive Role of Public Investment). Finally, he has completed a textbook on mathematics for economists at Ph.D. level (Mathematical Methods and Models for Economists). In addition, Angel de la Fuente does consultancy work for the European Commission, the OECD, the World Bank, the Spanish Ministry of Finance and several Spanish regional governments.

### **Wolfgang Duchatzek**

Wolfgang Duchatzek has been serving as Vice Governor of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB) since 2003. He joined the OeNB in 1976, and the Office of the Governor in 1978. He was appointed Chief of the Office of the Governor in 1982 and Deputy Executive Director of the Foreign Research Department in 1987. In addition, he served as Representative of the OeNB on the EC Integration Committee of the Austrian Federal Government. Mr. Duchatzek was appointed Director of the Area International Relations of the OeNB in 1992 and represented the OeNB during Austria's EU accession negotiations. He was nominated Chairman of the European Commission's Committee on Monetary, Fi-

nancial and Balance of Payments Statistics (CMFB) and served as the OeNB's Second Alternate on the Committee of Alternates of the European Monetary Institute (EMI). In 1997, he was appointed to the OeNB's Board of Executive Directors as Deputy Chief Executive Director of the Liquidity and Portfolio Management and Internal Services Department, and in 1998 he joined the OeNB's Governing Board as Executive Director of the Money, Payment Systems and Information Technology Department. Mr. Duchatzek holds a



doctorate in economics and social sciences and has been awarded the Grand Decoration of Honor in Gold for Services to the Republic of Austria.

### **Alfred Gusenbauer**

Alfred Gusenbauer, born in 1960, studied political sciences, philosophy and law at the University of Vienna (Ph.D. in 1987). From 1981 till 1990, he was executive secretary for the Socialist Youth of the Social Democratic Party of Austria. Alfred Gusenbauer was Federal Chairman of the Socialist Youth (SJ) from 1984 to 1990 and Vice President of the International Union of Socialist Youth (IUSY) from 1985 till 1989. He then became senior research fellow in the economic policy department of the Chamber of Labor from 1990 to 1999. He has

been Chairman of the Social Democratic Party in the district Melk (Lower Austria) since 1990 and Member of the Austrian Parliament since 1991. Alfred Gusenbauer was Chairman of the Committee for development cooperation of the Austrian Parliament (1996–1999). Since 1991, he has been a Member of the Austrian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. In addition to his other obligations, Alfred Gusenbauer was Chairman of the Social, Health and Family Affairs Committee of the Council of Europe



from 1995 to 1998. He was Secretary General of the Social Democratic Party in Lower Austria from 1999 until 2000. Subsequently, Mister Gusenbauer has been the leader of the Social Democratic Group in the Austrian Parliament and leader of the Social Democratic Party of Austria since 2000. He was appointed Federal Chancellor of Austria on January 11, 2007.

### **Günter Haider**

Günter Haider is the National Manager of the International Association for the Evolution of Educational Achievement (PISA). Between 1971 and 1987, Günter Haider completed several teaching training courses: teaching certificate for elementary and secondary schools, teaching cer-

tificate for polytechnic secondary schools and teaching certificate for informatics for secondary and polytechnic schools. He worked as teacher in several elementary, secondary and polytechnic schools in Upper Austria and performed as teacher trainer at the Federal Pedagogical Academy from 1983 to 1987. In addition, Günter Haider studied educational science, journalism and communication science at Paris Lodron and the University of Salzburg and obtained his Ph.D. in 1987 (*summa cum laude*). Subsequently, he has performed as lecturer and assistant professor at the University of Salzburg until these days. His courses focus on research methods, statistics, comparative education, educational research strategies, assessments and computers in schools, system evaluation (TIMSS, PISA). In 1990, he co-founded the Austrian International Association for the Evolution of Educational Achievement (IEA) Research Center Salzburg. The mission of this center is to design and implement large-scale and international achievement assessments in Austria; between 1990 and 1996 Günter Haider wrote all the scientific reports of IEA on comparative education, achievement tests and surveys in large-scale assessments, content related evidence of validity in international assessments. In 1995, he completed his second studies of social psychology, cognitive and applied psychology (*Sc. D. summa cum laude*).

### **Jeanne M. Hogarth**

Jeanne M. Hogarth is the Manager for the Consumer Education and Research Section of the Division of Consumer and Community Affairs at the Federal Reserve Board. She joined

the Federal Reserve in 1995. Her previous experience includes 7 years of high school teaching, a year on the Extension faculty at the University of Illinois, and 13 years on the consumer economics faculty at Cornell University. During her tenure at Cornell, she was responsible for community education programs related to family financial management and consumer economics through Cornell Cooperative Extension. At the Federal Reserve Board, she is responsible for research and outreach initiatives related to consumer financial services. She manages the Board's consumer information materials on financial services, both in print and on the web. She is the author of numerous scholarly research articles as well as consumer education resources on financial management. Both her research and her consumer education programs have received awards for their excellence. She is the recipient of the AFCPE Mary Ellen Edmondson Educator Award and was named a Mentor and a Distinguished Fellow by the American Council on Consumer Interests. Jeanne M. Hogarth serves on the editorial boards of the Federal Reserve Bulletin, Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal, Journal of Consumer Affairs, Journal of Consumer Policies. She also serves on advisory boards for the Villanova University Center for Marketing and Public Policy, the Take Charge America Institute for Consumer and Financial Education at the University of Arizona, and the National Forum to Promote Low-Income Household Savings. She is an active member of the American Council on Consumer Interests and the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Ed-

ucation and she volunteers in the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. Ms. Hogarth received a BS in education from Bowling Green State University and an MS and Ph.D. in family and consumer economics from The Ohio State University.

### **Emmanuel Jimenez**

Emmanuel Jimenez, from the Philippines, has held a variety of positions as an economist and manager in the Policy, Research and Operational units of the World Bank. He is currently Staff Director of the World Development Report 2007 team. Since early 2002, he has also been Sector Director, Human Development, in the World Bank's East Asia Region, where he is responsible for managing operational staff working on education and health issues. Prior to this position, he held a similar position in the Bank's South Asia Region. Before that he served for many years in the Bank's Development Economics Staff, where he managed staff and also engaged in research on a variety of topics, including education and health finance, the private provision of social services, the economics of transfer programs and urban development. He has served both formally and informally on several teams preparing World Development Reports. Before joining the World Bank, Mr. Jimenez was on the faculty of the economics department at the University of Western Ontario in London, Canada.

### **Klaus Liebscher**

Klaus Liebscher is presently serving as Governor of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB). Moreover, since the foundation of the European Central Bank (ECB) in June 1998 he

has been an independent member of both the ECB Governing Council and the ECB General Council. He also represents the OeNB at the Bank for International Settlements Governors' Meeting and is Austria's Governor to the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Before joining the OeNB on June 1, 1995 and presiding the General Council of the Bank as its President until August 31, 1998, he started his career at Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG in 1968, where he was a member of the Executive Board as from 1980 and Chief Executive Offi-



cer and Chairman of the Board from 1988 to 1995. He served as President of the Vienna Stock Exchange Council from 1990 to 1995 and on the supervisory boards of several banks and other corporations in Austria and abroad. Mr. Liescher earned his law degree (Dr. iur.) from the University of Vienna.

### **Leslie Julian Lipschitz**

Leslie J. Lipschitz became Director of the IMF Institute in December 2003. He joined the IMF in 1974, and during his 30 years of service at the International Monetary Fund has held increasingly senior positions in four area departments (Western Hemisphere, Asian and Pacific, European, and African) and the Policy Development and Review Department (PDR).

He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of London. Lipschitz has worked extensively in Asia, Africa, the United States, and Europe and has led numerous IMF missions. He has participated in the Fund's work on surveillance over the major industrial countries, led program negotiations for both emerging and developing countries, and, most recently, been closely involved in the Fund's policy development work in surveillance and conditionality. Lipschitz has been a guest scholar at the Brookings Institution and has taught at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies. His publications are primarily in open economy macroeconomics and exchange rate policy.

### **Susanne Lohmann**

Susanne Lohmann is a professor of political science and public policy; director of the Center for Governance; and founding faculty member of the Interdisciplinary Degree Program on Human Complex Systems at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). Professor Lohmann received her Ph.D. in economics and political economy from Carnegie Mellon University in 1991. She was John M. Olin Fellow at Carnegie Mellon University from 1986 to 1989; Alfred P. Sloan Fellow from 1989 to 1990, also at Carnegie Mellon University; James and Doris McNamara Fellow at Stanford University from 1991 to 1992; John M. Olin Fellow at the University of Southern California in 1996; Fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences from 1998 to 1999; and Fellow of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation from 2000 to 2001.

Professor Lohmann has published extensively on collective action and central banking. Her current research interests include the ethics, governance, administration, and political oversight of human complex systems such as research universities, school systems, academic health centers, and intelligence agencies. She is currently completing a book titled *How Universities Think: The Hidden Work of a Complex Institution*.

### Wilhelm Molterer

Wilhelm Molterer, born in 1955, completed his studies of economic sciences at the Johannes Kepler University in Linz in 1981. After his studies, he started his professional career as research assistant and subsequently as assistant professor at the Department of Agricultural Policy at Johannes Kepler University (1979–1981). Between 1981 and 1984, he was engaged as senior economic advisor of the Austrian Farming Union and he then changed to the office of State Councilor Leopold Hofinger in 1985. Afterwards, Wilhelm Molterer became advisor to Minister Josef Riegler and in 1989, he became Head of Franz Fischler's Minister's Office. Then he headed the Austrian Farming Union and he also was Member of Parliament between 1990 and 1994. In the following years, Wilhelm Molterer served as the Austrian Federal Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Environment and Water Resources Management (1994–2003). In 2003, he was elected Fraction Leader of the Austrian People's Party in Parliament. Since January 2007, Wilhelm Molterer has been the Vice Chancellor and Federal Minister of Finance of the Republic of Austria.

### Lucas D. Papademos

Lucas D. Papademos has been the Vice President of the European Central Bank since June 2002. He is also a Member of the Executive Board and of the Governing Council of the ECB. Previously, he was Governor of the Bank of Greece from 1994 to 2002, Deputy Governor from 1993 to 1994 and Economic Counselor (Chief Economist) from 1985 to 1993. From 1975 to 1984, he was a professor of economics at Columbia University in New York. In 1980, he also held the position of a Senior Economist at the



Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. He was elected professor of economics at the University of Athens in 1988 (currently on leave) and a member of the Academy of Athens in 2006. Lucas D. Papademos was born in Athens in 1947. He received a BS in physics (1970), an MS in electrical engineering (1972) and a Ph.D. in economics (1977), all from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has published numerous articles and essays in the fields of macroeconomic theory, the structure and functioning of financial markets, monetary analysis and policy as well as on subjects concerning the economy, financial stability and the conduct of economic policy in the European Union. His most recent articles include: *The Contribution of Monetary*



*Policy to Economic Growth*. In: Bank-Archiv Journal of Banking and Financial Research. 2004. *Economic Cycles and Monetary Policy*. In: Monetary Policy, Economic Cycle and Financial Dynamics. Paris: Banque de France. 2004. *Economic Heterogeneity, Convergence and Monetary Policy in an Enlarged Euro Area*. In: Journal of Economic Asymmetries. 2004. *Policy-making in EMU: Strategies, Rules and Discretion*. In: Economic Theory. 2006. *Monitoring Hedge Funds: a Financial Stability Perspective*. In: Financial Stability Review No. 10 – Special Issue on Hedge



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### **Claudia Schmied**

Claudia Schmied was born on May 10, 1959 in Vienna. She obtained her Ph.D. at the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration in 1983. She started her professional career as a corporate account manager in the Innovative Finance

Department of Investkredit in 1983. Subsequently, she became Head of the Corporate Finance Department in 1995. In 1997, she took the position of economic-policy advisor in the Office of the Federal Minister and the State Secretary of Finance, before she returned to the Investkredit in 2000. Since July 2004, she has been a Member of the Executive Board of Kommunalkredit Austria and of Dexia Kommunalkredit Bank since 2005; she also served on the supervisory boards of several companies. Moreover, Claudia Schmied was a lecturer at the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration, her research priority was *The Role of the Economy in Literature*. Experience and acknowledgment she got also in cultural institutions as member of the Kuratorium of the Salzburg Festival, member of the supervisory board of the ART for ART Theaterservice and member of the executive board of the Association Wiener Symphoniker. Claudia Schmied is chairman of the Association for Society and Economic Science (VGW) and member of the executive board of the BSA (Federation of Social-Democratic University graduates) of which she was Vice President from 2002 to 2004. Since January 11, 2007, Claudia Schmied has been Federal Minister for Education, Arts and Culture.

### **Veit Sorger**

Veit Sorger was born in Graz in 1942. He studied law and economics (Ph.D.) in Vienna and started his professional career as assistant of the President of the insurance company Interunfall AG. In 1970, he joined the Salzer Group which is a leading

producer of paper. He managed the development of the plastics production and afterwards he was responsible for sales. In 1982, he became General Manager of the Salzer Papier and Plastics Group and five years later he was appointed General Manager of the Europapapier AG. From 1988 to 1993, Veit Sorger worked for Frantschach AG in the positions of Member of the Board of Management, Deputy CEO and CEO. In 2000, he became Vice President of the Federation of Austrian Industry to become President in 2004. Besides this obligation, Veit Sorger is the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Mondi Packaging AG (formerly Frantschach AG) and Mondi Business Paper Holding AG (formerly Neusiedler AG).

### **Herbert Tumpel**

Herbert Tumpel, born in 1948, studied economics at the University of Vienna and obtained his master's degree in 1973. Afterwards, he started his professional career at the Department of Economics of the Austrian Trade Union Federation (ÖGB). In 1983, he became head of the Department of Economics of the ÖGB. From 1987 to 1997, he served as executive secretary for economic and social policy and social affairs of the ÖGB. Since 1997, Herbert Tumpel has been in the position of President of the Austrian Federal Chamber of Labour.

### **Rick van der Ploeg**

Rick van der Ploeg is professor of economics at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy and professor of political economy at the University of Amsterdam. In 1981, he obtained his Ph.D. at King's Col-

lege, Cambridge, U.K. After working for eleven years at Cambridge (UK) and the London School of Economics, he moved in 1988 to be a research professor at CentER, Tilburg University and later Director of the Tinbergen Institute, University of Amsterdam. Before that he was a Founding Director of the Dutch National Network of Ph.D. Education. From 1994 to 1998, he was Chief Financial Spokesman in the Dutch Parliament and from 1998 to 2002 he was State Secretary for Culture, Heritage and Media in the Dutch cabinet under Prime Minister Wim Kok. He has presented a 13-part television series on international economics, has written numerous newspaper columns and books on economic policy for the general public in Dutch, and has published many academic papers and books. He has been a visiting professor in Princeton, Athens, Catania, Siena, Paris, Prague, Vienna, Munich, London and Berlin. His research interests are in public finance, macroeconomics, international economics, natural resources and in the economics of higher education. He is currently an elected member of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee.

### **Georg Winckler**

Georg Winckler has been the Rector of the University of Vienna since 1999 (re-elected in 2003 and 2007). In 2005, he was elected President of the European University Association (EUA). Previously, he was President of the Austrian Rectors Conference (2000–2005) and Vice President of the European University Association (2001–2005). Georg Winckler studied economics at the University of

Princeton and the University of Vienna. Since 1978, Georg Winckler has been a full professor at the University of Vienna, specializing in monetary and applied economics. He has also served as visiting professor (e. g. Georgetown University, Uni-

versité Fribourg, Comenius University of Bratislava) and he worked as a visiting scholar at the International Monetary Fund. In addition, Georg Winckler has been a member of the European Union Research Advisory Board (EURAB) since 2004. 

