CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Advancing Wellbeing and Power Among Low-Wage Workers: U.S. and Global Opportunities

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2023

5:00PM  
SESSION 1: PLENARY SESSION  
Successes and Challenges in Organizing Low-Wage Workers: The Coalition of Immokalee Workers Model in Agriculture  
- Lupe Gonzalo, Coalition of Immokalee Workers  
(Translated from Spanish by Marley Monacello, Coalition of Immokalee Workers)  
- Discussant: Patrick Mason, PERI

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023

8:30–9:30AM  
Breakfast (Gordon Hall Atrium)

9:30–11:00AM  
SESSION 2  
Approaches to Organizing, Policy-Setting, and Action-Focused Research  
- Greg Asbed, CIW  
- Thea Lee, U.S. Labor Department  
- Maggie Gray, Adelphi University  
- Jen Sherer, Economic Policy Institute  
- Moderator: Patrick Mason, PERI

11:30AM–12:30PM  
Lunch (Gordon Hall Atrium)

12:30–2:30PM  
SESSION 3  
Defending and Expanding Workers Rights in Organizing and on the Job  
- Laura Safer Espinoza, Fair Foods Standards Council  
- James Brudney, Fordham University  
- Claudia Quintero, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Project  
- Lily Huang, Massachusetts Jobs with Justice  
- Moderator: Lenore Palladino, PERI

2:30–3:00PM  
Coffee Break (Gordon Hall Atrium)

3:00–5:00PM  
SESSION 4  
International Perspectives on Organizing Workers  
- Seema Kulkarni, MAKAAM (Forum for Women Farmers' Rights, India)  
- Lynda Pickbourn, Mt. Holyoke College and PERI  
- Jess Sparks, Tufts University  
- Liana Foxvog, Workers’ Rights Consortium and UMass Amherst  
- Moderator: Jayati Ghosh, PERI

5:00 – 6:30PM  
General Reception (Gordon Hall Atrium)
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023

8:00–9:00AM Breakfast (Gordon Hall Atrium)

9:00–10:30AM SESSION 5 Perspectives on Fighting Inequality
  - Fernando Lozano, Claremont College
  - Kyle Moore, Economic Policy Institute
  - Janice Fine, Rutgers University
  - Moderator: Jerry Epstein, PERI

10:30AM–11:00AM Coffee Break (Gordon Hall Atrium)

11:00AM–1:00PM SESSION 6 Advances and Challenges in Organizing Campaigns
  - Claudia Rosales, Pioneer Valley Workers Center
  - Anna Canning, Worker-Driven Social Responsibility Network
  - Kate Paarlberg-Kvam, Vermont Milk with Dignity Campaign
  - Keith Bullard, Union of Southern Service Workers
  - Moderator: Jeannette Wicks-Lim, PERI

1:15–2:30PM SESSION 7 & LUNCH General Informal Wrap-Up Discussion During Lunch
  - Moderators: Patrick Mason and Bob Pollin, PERI