

PERI CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Global Inflation Today: What Is to Be Done?

■ FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

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

9:30 – 10:00 AM Welcome and Introduction
Jerry Epstein and **Robert Pollin**, Political Economy UMass Amherst, PERI

10:00 – 12:00 PM **PANEL I: SETTING THE STAGE** — Moderator: **Jerry Epstein**
Bob Pollin and **Hanae Bouazza**, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Considerations on Inflation, Economic Growth, and the 2% Inflation Target”
Josh Bivens, Economic Policy Institute
“Lessons from the Inflation of 2021-202(?)”
Tom Ferguson, UMass Boston and INET and **Servaas Storm**, TU Delft
“Myth and Reality in the Great Inflation Debate: A Critical Reappraisal”
Discussant: **Robert Kuttner**, *The American Prospect*

12:00 – 1:00 PM Lunch (Gordon Hall Atrium)

1:00 – 3:00 PM **PANEL II: GLOBAL INFLATION** — Moderator: **Robert Pollin**
Hasan Comert, Trinity College
“Structural Differences in Inflation Dynamics between Developing and Advanced Countries and Policy Implications”
C. P. Chandrasekhar, Jawaharlal Nehru U. and PERI and
Jayati Ghosh, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Inflation in an Unequal World Economy: How Can Low-and-Middle Income Countries Respond?”
Ozlem Onaran, U. of Greenwich
“A Green, Purple, and Red New Deal against Multiple Crises: Cost-of-Living, Environmental Damage, Care Deficit, and Inequalities”
Discussant: **James Heintz**, UMass Amherst, PERI

3:00 – 3:30 PM Break (Snacks and coffee will be available in the Atrium)

3:30 – 5:30 PM **PANEL III: INFLATION VIA SUPPLY-SIDE AND COMPETITION CHANNELS**
— Moderator: **Isabella Weber**
Kate Bahn and **Michael Madowitz**, Washington Center for Equitable Growth
“Some Deeper Questions about Competition and Monetary Policy for Addressing Inflation”
Marc Jarsulic, Center for American Progress
“Inflation Control and Supply-Side Policy”
Josh Mason, John Jay College and Roosevelt Institute
“Rethinking Supply Constraints”
Discussant: **Eileen Appelbaum**, Center for Economic and Policy Research

■ SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

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

9:00 – 11:00 AM **PANEL IV: LABOR MARKET AND INSTITUTIONAL INFLATION CHANNELS**

— Moderator: *Michael Ash*

Jae Sim, Federal Reserve Board
“Who Killed the Phillips Curve? A Murder Mystery”

Nancy Folbre, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Inflation and Care Services in the U.S.”

Isabella Weber and *Jesus Lara Jauregui*, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Inflation in Times of Overlapping Emergencies: Systemically Significant Prices from an Input-Output Perspective”

Discussant: *Lawrance Evans*, Government Accountability Office

11:00 – 11:15 AM Break (Snacks and coffee will be available in the Atrium)

11:15 – 1:00 PM **PANEL V: WEALTH, POLITICS, AND THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF MONETARY POLICY** — Moderator: *Kate Bahn*

Jamie Galbraith, U. of Texas Austin
“The Fed’s Real Reaction Function: Monetary Policy, Inflation, Unemployment, Inequality – and Presidential Politics”

Jerry Epstein and *Aaron Medlin*, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Federal Reserve Anti-inflationary Policy and Wealth Protection for the 1%”

Gregor Semieniuk, UMass Amherst, PERI
“Who Profits from Energy Price Inflation in the United States?”

Discussant: *Michael Ash*, UMass Amherst, PERI

1:00 – 2:00 PM Lunch (Gordon Hall Atrium)

LUNCH REMARKS — Introduction: *Robert Pollin*

William Spriggs, Howard University and AFL-CIO
“Is Full Employment a Better Target than Price Stability? The Challenge of Global Warming to Monetary Policy”

2:00 – 3:00 PM *Closing Discussion: What Is to Be Done?* (Moderated by *Jerry Epstein* and *Bob Pollin*)

3:00 – 4:30 PM Reception (Gordon Hall Atrium)

All events are located at Gordon Hall, 418 N. Pleasant Street, UMass Amherst 3rd Floor Conference Room unless otherwise stated.