

Centre for Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (CSTI)

Seminar Series



Manufacturing matters - The myth of the post-industrial knowledge economy

27 February, 5:00pm to 6:30pm, Lecture Theatre 1 and 2 at the Institute for Manufacturing.

Dr. Ha-Joon Chang

Biography



Ha-Joon Chang teaches economics at the University of Cambridge. In addition to numerous journal articles and book chapters, he has published 16 authored books (five co-authored) and 10 edited books. His main books include *The Political Economy of Industrial Policy*, *Kicking Away the Ladder*, *Bad Samaritans*, *23 Things They Don't Tell You About Capitalism*, and *Economics: The User's Guide*. By 2018, his writings will have been translated and published in 41 languages and 44 countries. Worldwide, his books have sold around 2 million copies. He is the winner of the 2003 Gunnar Myrdal Prize and the 2005 Wassily Leontief Prize. He was ranked no. 9 in the Prospect magazine's World Thinkers 2014 poll.

Abstract

Many countries have experienced de-industrialisation on a large scale in the last few decades. Should they be worried? The dominant view is that they shouldn't be, because we now live in the post-industrial knowledge economy, in which 'making things' is not important any more. In this talk, Ha-Joon Chang will debunk this myth by showing how it is based on weak theories and flawed interpretation of the evidence and assert that manufacturing still remains the most important sector of the economy.

The seminar will be a 1 hour talk, followed by a 30 minute Q&A session. Drinks and snacks will be served for everyone after the event.

These lectures are free to attend.

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