LSE's Centre for Economic Performance is pleased to announce three big events this week:

1) **Lionel Robbins Memorial Lectures 2014**
   On three consecutive days: 9 December, 10 December and 11 December, Professor Angus Deaton (Dwight D. Eisenhower Professor of Economics and International Affairs at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and the Economics Department at Princeton University) will discuss his work on health and poverty.

2) **Honouring Professor Lord Richard Layard – Celebrating 50 years at the London School of Economics**
   To mark the 50th Anniversary of Richard Layard’s career at the LSE, CEP will be hosting a conference in his honour sponsored by the Department of Economics, CEP and STICERD. The all-day conference is taking place on Thursday 11 December 2014.

3) **Trade Unions, Inequality and Pay Stagnation Conference**
   This invitation only workshop is being held on Friday 12 December and Saturday 13 December 2014. Participants will be looking at some of the most recent research and thinking on the current situation facing unions as they seek to protect the interests of working people and their families.

1) **Lionel Robbins Memorial Lectures – “Poverty, Inequality and the Political Economy of Measurement”**
   - Lecture 1 - A menagerie of lines: how to decide who is poor?
   - Lecture 2 - Getting prices right: the mysteries of the index
   - Lecture 3 - Papal infallibility? Global poverty and the mystery of global inequality
   Venue: Old Theatre, Old Building, LSE; Time: 18:30-20:00.

   The lectures are free and open to all with no ticket or pre-registration required. For any queries contact events@lse.ac.uk. Link to more information.

2) **Richard Layard Anniversary Conference**
   - Session 1 – Inequality
   - Session 2 – Happiness and Wellbeing
   - Session 3 – Human Capital
   - Session 4 – Unemployment

   Location: LSE, Room 1.04, 32 Lincoln’s Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PH; Time: 09:00-17:30.

   Guest speakers at this celebratory conference include: Professor Richard B. Freeman, NBER/Harvard; Professors Angus Deaton and Danny Kahneman from Princeton University; Professors David Clark and Stephen Nickell, Oxford University; Olivier Blanchard, IMF; and Professors Stephen Machin, Christopher Pissarides and John Van Reenen, LSE.

   Attendance at the conference is primarily by invitation only, however there will be some spaces available for faculty and students/staff. Please contact Jo Cantlay (j.m.cantlay@lse.ac.uk) for more information. Or see.

3) **Trade Unions, Inequality and Pay Stagnation Conference**
   Friday Sessions:
   - Session 1 – Opening address
     *Professor Richard B. Freeman (NBER/Harvard)*
   - Session 2 – Rising inequality and pay stagnation
     *Professor Stephen Machin (CEP, LSE and UCL) and Carolin Vollman (ITUC)*
Session 3 – Unions, the State and social partnership
Professor Tito Boeri (Bocconi) and Erling Barth (Oslo)
Session 4 – Participation, skills and productivity
Professor Francis Green (IoE) and Philippe Askenazy (Paris School of Economics)
Session 5 – Structural problems facing unions
Professor Henry Farber (Princeton) and Professor Paul Willman (LSE)

Saturday Sessions:
Session 1 – Countering inequality: the role of Unions
Professor John-Paul Ferguson (Stanford) and Dr Karen Anderson (Nijmegen)
Session 2 – Panel: Agenda for the future
Dr Elaine Bernard (Harvard), Karen Nussbaum (Working America), Paul Nowak (TUC) and Damon Silver (AFL-CIO)

Location: LSE, Room 1.04, 32 Lincoln’s Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PH;
Time: Friday - 09:30-17:50; Saturday - 09:00-12:45

Please note that this conference is invitation only. Link to more information.

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Notes:
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