



"Humanising the Economy – Political Economy for People & Planet"



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Around the world, there is a growing awareness that we are living through a unique moment in human history. Never before has the need for systemic change been more obvious or more urgent. The next 20-30 years portend massive implications for future generations, and radically re-shaping human systems to function within ecological limits while fostering social and economic justice is now imperative for people and planet. This seminar explores how democratising and humanising our economies is central to any viable alternative for the kind of system change that puts people and the planet before profits.

Using examples from co-operative economies around the world, John Restakis reflects on the principles, practices, and pathways that underpin a transformative vision for a new political economy.

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