

# *Economic and Social Challenges to China's Growth*

~ *East Asian Institute's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lectures* ~

**Shangri-la Hotel**  
**Island Ballroom, Lobby Level**  
22 Orange Grove Road, Singapore 258350

 **Tuesday, 19 June 2007** 

12.30 pm **Registration**

1.45 pm **Welcome Address**

1.50 pm **Prof Sir James Mirrlees**  
University of Cambridge, United Kingdom  
Nobel Laureate in Economics

## **Q & A**

**Prof Lawrence Lau**  
Professor of Economics, Stanford University &  
Vice Chancellor, Chinese University of Hong Kong

## **Q & A**

3.10 pm - 3.15 pm **Interval**

**Dr Yu Yongding**  
Director, Institute of World Economics and Politics,  
Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, China

## **Q & A**

**Dr Victor Fung**  
Group Chairman, Li & Fung Group, Hong Kong

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4.20 pm - 4.50 pm **Tea Break**

4.50 pm **All guests to be seated**

5.00 pm - 6.00 pm **Address by Minister Mentor Lee Kuan Yew**

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**Professor Sir James Mirrlees** was awarded a Nobel Prize in economics in 1996 for his contributions to the theory of asymmetric information. His research interests are welfare economics, contract theory, public finance and development economics. He was elected to the Professorship of Political Economy in Cambridge in 1995, from which he retired in 2003, and is once again a Fellow at the Trinity College there. Since 2002, he has been Distinguished Professor-at-large at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. He is also Distinguished Professor at the University of Macau and Laureate Professor at Melbourne University.

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**Professor Laurence Lau** is Vice Chancellor (President) at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He sits on the Executive Committee of the HKSAR Government's Commission on Strategic Development, the Advisory Committee on Corruption of the Independent Commission against Corruption, and the Steering Committee on Innovation and Technology. He specializes in economic development, economic growth, and the economies of East Asia, including China. He has a Ph.D. in economics from the University of California (Berkeley).

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**Dr Yu Yongding** is Director-General of the Institute of World Economics and Politics (IWEP) and Professor at the post-Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. He was an academic member of the Monetary Committee of the People's Bank of China and a member of the National Advisory Committee of the 11<sup>th</sup> Five-Year Plan of the National Reform and Development Commission. His research interests cover macroeconomics, international finance and world economics. He has a Ph.D. in economics from Oxford University.

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**Dr Victor Fung** is Group Chairman of the Li & Fung group of companies which includes major subsidiaries in trading, distribution and retailing. He is currently Chairman of the Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council, the Hong Kong Airport Authority, the Hong Kong University Council and the Hong Kong - Japan Business Co-operation Committee. He is also a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and the Hong Kong Government Judicial Officers Recommendation Committee. He has a Ph.D. in business economics from Harvard University.