

The Thomas Guggenheim Program in the History of Economic Thought
Ben Gurion University, Israel

1st Bi-annual Symposium

“Perspectives on Keynesian Economics”

Date: July 14th -15th, 2009

**Place: The sessions will take place at the Rotem Seminar Hall.
Ben-Gurion University, Beer Sheva, Israel**

PROGRAM

Lunch 12:00 - 13:00 (at the Rotem Seminar Hall)

Opening Session, Tuesday, July 14th, 2009

13:00 - 15:00

**Greetings: Rector of BGU, Prof. Jimmy Weinblatt,
Prof T. Guggenheim, University of Geneva, Switzerland**

Chair: Arie Arnon

Samuel Hollander, BGU, Israel

**“Making the Most of Anomaly in the History of Economic Thought:
Smith, Marx-Engels, and Keynes”**

Discussant: Prof D. Laidler, The University of Western Ontario, Canada

Maria Cristina Marcuzzo, Sapienza Universita Di Roma, Italy

“Reason and Reasonableness: Lessons from *The Economic Consequences of the Peace* Ninety Years Later”

Discussant: Moshe Justman, BGU, Israel

Coffee Break 15:00 - 15:20

Second Session, Tuesday, July 14th, 2009

15:20 - 17:00

Chair: Warren Young

**David Laidler, The University of Western Ontario, Canada
“Lucas, Keynes and the Current Crisis”**

Discussant: Ephraim Kleiman, Hebrew University, Israel

**Mauro Boianovsky, Universidade de Brasilia, Brazil
“Was Patinkin a Keynesian Economist?”**

Discussant: Michel De Vroey, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

17:15 -18:45 Panel (at the Senate Hall)

Chair: Prof. Jimmy Weinblatt

“The Current Economic Crisis – Keynesian and non-Keynesian Themes”

Round I: Karnit Flug, David Colander, David Laidler, Alex Cukierman, June Flanders.

Questions from the public

Round II: Maria Cristina Marcuzzo, Robert Dimand, Russ Boyer, Ephraim Kleiman, Michel De Vroey.

Dinner 19:00

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Third Session, Wednesday, July 15th, 2009

9:00 - 10:40

Chair: Suleiman Abu Bader

**Warren Young, Bar Ilan University, Israel
“The Keynesian Revolution and IS\LM”**

Discussant: M June Flanders, Tel Aviv University, Israel

**Amos Witztum, London Metropolitan Business School, UK
“Keynes, Robbins and the Nature of Economics”**

Discussant: Mauro Boianovsky, Universidade de Brasilia, Brazil

Coffee Break

10:40 – 11:00

Fourth Session, Wednesday, July 15th, 2009

11:00 - 12:40

Chair: Mark Gradstein

Arie Arnon, BGU, Israel

“Keynes, Wicksell and Active Monetary Policy”

Discussant: Warren Young, Bar Ilan University, Israel

Michel De Vroey, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

“The Marshallian Roots of Keynes' *General Theory*”

Discussant: David Colander, Middlebury College, USA

Lunch 12:40 – 14:00

Fifth Session, Wednesday, July 15th, 2009

14:00 - 15:40

Chair: Elise Brezis

Russell S. Boyer, The University of Western Ontario, Canada

“Keynesianism at Chicago: 1959-1977”

Discussant: Dror Goldberg, Bar Ilan University, Israel

David Colander, Middlebury College, USA

“Keynes, Complexity, and Mill’s Half Truths”

Discussant: Amos Witztum, London Metropolitan Business School, UK

Coffee Break

15:40 – 16:00

Sixth Session, Wednesday, July 15th, 2009

16:00 - 17:40

Chair: David Colander

Robert Dimand, Brock University, Canada

“The Consequences to the Banks of the Collapse of Money Values', 1931 and 2009”

Discussant: Elise Brezis, Bar Ilan University, Israel

Alex Cukierman, Tel Aviv University, Israel

**“The Great Depression, the Current Crisis and Old vs. New Keynesian Thinking:
What have we Learned and What Remains to be learned?”**

Discussant: Avia Spivak, BGU, Israel

**17:40 Concluding Remarks: Prof T. Guggenheim, University of Geneva, Switzerland
End**

Participants:

Dr. S. Abu Bader, BGU, Israel
Prof M. Boianovski, Universidade de Brasilia, Brazil
Prof R. S. Boyer, The University of Western Ontario, Canada
Prof. E. Brezis, Bar Ilan University, Israel
Prof D Colander, Middlebury College, USA
Prof A Cukierman, Tel Aviv University, Israel
Prof M.De Vroey, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium
Prof R. Dimand, Brock University, Canada
Mr. G. Eshet, Economic Commentator, Yedioth Ahronoth
Dr. K Flug, Director of Research Department, Bank of Israel
Prof M June Flanders, Tel Aviv University, Israel
Dr. B. Gliksberg, University of Haifa, Israel
Dr. D. Goldberg, Bar Ilan University, Israel
Prof M. Gradstein, BGU, Israel
Prof T. Guggenheim*, University of Geneva, Switzerland
Prof S. Hollander*, BGU, Israel
Prof. M. Justman, BGU, Israel
Prof E. Kleiman, Hebrew University, Israel
Prof D. Laidler, The University of Western Ontario, Canada
Prof K Metzer, Hebrew University, Israel
Prof M. C. Marcuzzo, Sapienza Universita Di Roma, Italy
Prof J. Mokyr*, Northwestern University, USA - invited
Prof. A. Spivak, BGU, Israel
Prof A. Witztum, London Metropolitan Business School, UK

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