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Timing and Arrangements: We begin at lunch time on Friday 23 November and finish late in the day on Sunday 25 November 2001. The annual conference of Economics Graduate Students is planned separately for most of the Sunday, and Workshop participants must contact the organisers if they wish to attend it. Details are available for that event on www.hetecon.com.

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Costs: The workshop will have a Fee which is charged to non-subsidised participants. We can contribute to the travel and accommodation costs of up to 60 participants (bed and breakfast in a local B&B and/or cheap rate bus or rail travel). A limit may be imposed on the subsidy per person.

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The HetEcon Workshop Nov. 23-25 Schedule

FRIDAY NOV. 23 2001

1.00 pm onwards Registration - Room B103

Each participant will receive a two-volume set of photocopied articles and lecture notes centred around the six presenters' topics and also covering the question of the supervisor's role and the *defining characteristics* of the social-science PhD as it now exists in the UK

Lunch – SOAS Refectory (£5 max subsidy per person. Please retain your receipts)

2.00-3.00 pm Laptop P.C. demonstrating techniques for triangulation for HetEconomists (e.g. SPSS-NUDIST Link)
Qualitative Software for Analysing Texts and Graphics: NUDIST
Qualitative Software Demo Copies (Ethnograph and NVIVO)
Room B103

3.00-4.30 pm - Room B102 Welcome by Wendy Olsen, then:

Lecture and Discussion with Tony Lawson on 'Causal Explanations'

4.30-5.30 pm - Room B102 (Chairperson: Alfredo Saad-Filho)

A debate about modelling with inputs from everybody who comes prepared, including Tony Lawson

5.30-6.00 pm Tea/coffee/juice - Room B103

6.00-7.30 pm - B102 (Chairperson: Wendy Olsen)

Sheila Dow gives a lecture on 'Pluralism in Heterodox Economics'

7.30 pm Dinner

Have your evening meal out in a nearby restaurant with some of your new acquaintances. Be sure to *meet someone new*.

See next page for Saturday's programme.

SATURDAY NOV. 24 2001

9.00-9.30 am - Room B103

Late Registrations; Meet Our Speakers; Try the Software on the Laptop

9.30-11.00 am - Room B102 (Chairperson: Wendy Olsen)

Fred Lee speaks on 'Grounded Theory and the Empirical Opportunities for PhDs in Economics Today'

Discussant: Alfredo Saad-Filho

11.00-11.30 Tea/coffee/juice - Room B103

11.30-12.30 - Room B102 (Chairperson: Alfredo Saad-Filho)

Tony Lawson will introduce a session on 'What Makes Heterodox Economics Heterodox?' (Regrettably our special guest speaker, Mathew Forstater, had to cancel his visit to the UK. Please read his paper which is in the pack.)

12.30-1.45 pm Lunch - pubs & cafes nearby (£5 max subsidy. Retain receipts)

2.00-3.00 pm - Room B102 (Chair: Alfredo Saad-Filho)

Wendy Olsen speaks on 'Statistical Analysis Revitalised'

3.00-4.00 pm - Room B104 & B111

Small-Group Discussions on 'Using Micro-Meso-Macro Analysis' (supported by materials from Wendy Olsen's and Derek Layder's work).

4.00-5.00 pm Split Into Streams - Room B104 & B111

Streams organised via your research interests, probably including:

Group A: Econometrics stream

Group B: Discussion of 'computerised analysis of qualitative data for inter-disciplinary economics' using NUDIST linked with SPSS (preparation: review the materials in Study Pack Volume II involving discourse-analytic coding of segments of text as well as grounded-theory coding). NOTE: NUDIST=Non-Numerical Data Indexing, Searching and Theorising software. You will get a chance to review bankers' interview transcripts.

5.00 pm - Room B104

Form-filling session in which the Workshop is verbally evaluated and the participants get to request a refund of their costs incurred. This session is required of all Participants because the ESRC are keen to ascertain exactly what is useful and what is not so useful to Workshop Participants.

6.30pm Dinner - details as Friday evening

SUNDAY 25 NOV. 2001

The Economics PhD Students' Annual Conference begins. Within it, one stream in the morning is offered as an alternative to listening to the papers:

10.00-11.00 am - Room B111 (Chairperson Alfredo Saad-Filho)

W. Olsen speaks on 'An Illustration of Qualitative Data Analysis: The Social Construction of Financial Exclusion and the Social Deconstruction of Free Choice in Banking' (based on Sri Lankan case study materials)

The schedule for Sunday is printed separately.

Juice and cold drinks will be available.

11.30-4.00 pm Paper streams

4.00-5.00 pm Plenary of Students' Conference

5.00 pm Departure

Details of the Workshop Speakers

- Wendy Olsen is a lecturer in development economics who has found qualitative methodology intermeshes nicely with quantitative methods -- but only if you give up the old idea of objectivity and start creatively formulating explanatory descriptions of problematic economic questions. She advocates triangulation.
- Tony Lawson teaches at Cambridge University and has written a well-known book, Economics and Reality (London: Routledge, 1997), which challenges the assumption that the things 'represented' in economic data simply exist in an unproblematic way over time. He argues that the workings of causal mechanisms are often masked so we have to look beyond quantitative data to find out what the multiple tendencies are that produce demi-regularities we observe.
- Sheila Dow of Stirling University has written widely on economic history and her paper (Dow, 2000) locates heterodox economists firmly in the margins of the currently dominant neoclassical paradigm (in Kuhnian terms). She argues, however, that there is scope for optimism for us who do inter-disciplinary economics.
- Alfredo Saad-Filho (SOAS) lectures in development economics and is a coorganiser of the Workshop. His own research includes marxist analysis of the financial sector.
- Fred Lee is one of the originators of the 'Association for Heterodox
 Economics' in the UK. He won a prize at the European Association for
 Evolutionary Political Economy for his book, Post-Keynesian Price
 Theory, in 2000. He is happy to talk about how we should be looking at price-setting processes. Like Andrew Sayer (1992) and Tony Lawson, he sees prices as occurring in a social, time-bound world with complex overlapping causal mechanisms.
- All your speakers would tend to argue that to pluck out one cause or explanation and focus attention on it is a political act with social ramifications. Therefore, we argue, political economy and social economy are inherently part of what economists do as analysts of society. We are not arguing that the world is so complex you can't describe it. Instead, we suggest that the description you write will have political and economic impacts so you need to consider the moral/political context whilst you develop your research instrument, choose multiple units of analysis, hone your data analysis technique, and phrase your results.

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