**Friday, October 4, 2013**
12:30 PM - Rome 200

**Development Beyond 2015: After the Millennium Development Goals**

**Dr. Homi Kharas**  
Senior Fellow and Deputy Director, Global Economy and Development, Development Assistance and Governance Initiative, Brookings Institution

It is two years from 2015, the deadline set by the United Nations for achieving the Millennium Development Goals and by the international community for agreement on a new climate convention, and progress is at best uneven on both fronts. Brookings Senior Fellow Homi Kharas will examine whether the two agendas should be combined into a new set of Sustainable Development Goals and if so how the international community can come to agreement. Prior to his work at Brookings, Dr. Kharas was a chief economist for the East Asia & Pacific region at the World Bank and an advisor to the Secretary General at the United Nations.

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**Friday, October 18, 2013**
12:30 PM - Rome 200

**A Historical Perspective of Social Movements in Brazil (Past, Present, and Future) and Their Contribution for Reducing Sexual Exploitation Against Children and Adolescents.**

**Jair Meneguelli**  
President, National Industrial Social Services Council (SESI), Brazil

The massive protests that have persisted in its major cities this year have served as a reminder of the potency of labor and social movements in transforming Brazil over the past several decades. Jair Meneguelli has been at the forefront of these movements, beginning his career as an automotive worker before founding the United Workers Central (CUT) union, and serving two terms in Congress. Now he is the President of the National Council of SESI and the person behind ViraVida, a program that aims to reintegrate and rehabilitate sexually exploited youth. Mr. Meneguelli will discuss the ways in which social movements have mobilized various segments of Brazilian society and created the possibility of programs like ViraVida.

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**Friday, November 1, 2013**
12:30 PM - Kenney Auditorium

**The Governance Reform Agenda at the IMF**

**Dr. John Lipsky**,  
Distinguished Visiting Scholar of International Economics and former acting Managing Director, IMF

Its interventions during the ongoing Euro crisis have reestablished the IMF as an essential backstop governing international capital markets. But the institution’s rescue of once-rich countries like Greece and Ireland and the rise of emerging markets and underscored the need to reform the IMF to reflect the world economy’s new center of gravity. As the former acting Managing Director of the IMF, Dr. John Lipsky is uniquely qualified to offer insight into the IMF’s ongoing efforts to remake itself. Prior to his leadership of the IMF, Dr. Lipsky served for a decade at the IMF and has extensive experience on Wall Street. In addition to his teaching position at SAIS, he serves as the co-director of the Aspen Institute’s Program on the Global Economy.

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**Thursday, November 14, 2013**
12:30 PM - Rome Auditorium

**Why Nations Fail**

**Dr. James Robinson**,  
David Florence Professor of Government, Harvard University

Why do nations that have the same geography and endowments meet such different fates? What explains the economic differences between Botswana and Zimbabwe, or even between American border towns and their Mexican counterparts just yards away? In their vital new book *Why Nations Fail*, Harvard’s James Robinson and MIT’s Daron Acemoglu single out the inclusiveness and centralization of political institutions as the dominant factors shaping a nation’s development. The book is the culmination of fifteen years of research in the comparative development of nations; one that even Jared Diamond has deemed “required reading for politicians and anyone concerned with economic development.”

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**Wednesday, December 4, 2012**
12:30 PM - Rome 203

**Drivers of Growth in Middle and Low-Income Sub-Saharan Africa**

**Dr. Antoinette Sayeh**,  
Director of Africa Department, IMF and former Minister of Finance of Liberia

What are the factors contributing to a multi-speed Africa? Why have many Africans states emerged from the global financial crisis stronger than they entered it while others have been left behind by the continent’s investment boom? IMF Africa Department Director Dr. Antoinette Sayeh will address these questions, examining the role that natural resources, governance, and debt play in driving growth in sub-Saharan Africa. Prior to her appointment to the IMF, Dr. Sayeh served as Minister of Finance of Liberia and has served as a country director at the World Bank.

This event is cosponsored by the African Studies Program.