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Thomas G. Rawski focuses on the development and modern history of China's economy. His recent publications include broad studies of China's reform mechanism and achievements as well as analyses of recent developments in productivity, corporate governance, labor markets, and economic measurement. He is co-organizer with Loren Brandt (University of Toronto) of a major project on China's Economic Transition: Origins, Mechanism, and Consequences, which aims to produce a comprehensive and integrated analysis of China's recent economic growth spurt.

**Sweta Saxena, Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Public
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Sweta Saxena specializes in international economics and macroeconomics. Her research and publications focus on the causes of currency crises and the nature of their recovery; exchange rate movements and their impact on trade and competitiveness; and prospects for economic integration through monetary unions and trade agreements. She has recently been a Visiting Scholar at the International Monetary Fund in Washington DC, and has also visited at the Research Department of the IMF, Research and Information Systems for the Non-Aligned Developing and Other Developing Countries (New Delhi), and the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (New Delhi).

**William Brustein, Director, University Center for International
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William I. Brustein has published widely in the areas of political extremism and ethnic/religious/racial prejudice. He has served on the National Science Foundation Sociology Panel and is currently serving on the executive committee of the Association of International Education Administrators and on the NASULGC Task Force on International Education.

The University of Pittsburgh's Asian Studies Center of the
University Center for International Studies

Symposium

**Good, Bad, or Somewhere In Between?
Outsourcing to India and China**

Thursday, October 21, 2004 3-6 PM
Two Mellon Center

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Program

3:00 P.M. *Opening Remarks*
“Outsourcing: A Survey of the Issues”
Steven Husted

Speakers

“The Practical Realities of Offshore Outsourcing”
David Iwinski

“The Impact of Offshore Outsourcing on American Workers”
Ronil Hira

“Reform, Restructuring and Employment in China”
Thomas G. Rawski

“Perspectives on Outsourcing to India”
Sweta Saxena

4:15 P.M. *Break with Light Refreshments*

4:30 P.M. *Open Discussion*

Concluding Remarks
Steven Husted

Concluding Thoughts
William Brustein

Steven Husted, Professor of Economics, University of Pittsburgh, Chair of this Symposium

Steven Husted has published widely in the areas of international trade, international finance, and monetary economics and is co-author with Michael Melvin of a popular textbook on international economics. In 1986-87 he spent a year as a Senior Staff Economist specializing on trade policy issues on the President’s Council of Economic Advisers. He has had wide-ranging international experience, including visiting appointments to the Australian National University and the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland.

David Iwinski, CEO of Acusis LLC

David Iwinski Jr. is the Chief Executive Officer and President of Acusis LLC, which is a 650+ person medical transcription company with customers in the United States and a transcriptionist work force and software development team in India. Prior to joining Acusis, David Iwinski served as General Manager for Respiroics in Hong Kong, and later became Managing Director for China and South East Asia. In that role, he was responsible for all Asian manufacturing (including plants in China, Hong Kong and the Philippines) and for China sales and marketing. Preceding Respiroics, Mr. Iwinski worked as a lawyer at Daimler-Benz for 8 years as a Contract Negotiator and later as an International Commercial Coordinator.

Ronil Hira, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Rochester Institute of Technology

Ron Hira specializes in engineering workforce issues and technology policy. He is currently participating in the Council on Competitiveness’ National Innovation Initiative and the Council on Foreign Relations’ research roundtable on Technology, Innovation and American Primacy. A licensed professional engineer with ten years’ experience in control systems and program management at Sensytech, NIST, and George Mason University, he is currently Chair of the Career & Workforce Policy Committee of IEEE-USA and past Chair of the R&D Policy Committee of IEEE-USA. He has testified before the U.S. Congress twice on the implications of offshore outsourcing.