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# INVITATION KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

## The Future of Work: It's Not What You Think

The School of Business invites you to keynote presentation by Professor Jim Stanford

DATEThursday 15 November 2018TIME2:30-4:30pmVENUE1 PSQ, Level 9, Conference Room 3RSVPMonday 12 NovemberCONTACTbusiness.research@westernsydney.edu.au



### **BIOGRAPHY:**

Jim Stanford is Economist and Director of the Centre for Future Work, based at the Australia Institute. The Australia Institute is Australia's most influential progressive think tank; the Centre for Future Work is a new Institute initiative focusing on issues of work, labour markets, income, economic development, skills, and more. The Centre was founded in May 2016, and Jim is its inaugural Director.

Jim recently relocated to Sydney, Australia from Toronto, where he is one of Canada's best-known economic commentators. He served for over 20 years as Economist and Director of Policy with Unifor, Canada's largest private-sector trade union (formerly the Canadian Auto Workers). He still advises the union, and is also the Harold Innis Industry Professor in Economics at McMaster University in Hamilton, Canada (fractional appointment). He is also an Honorary Professor in the Department of Political Economy at the University of Sydney.

Jim received his Ph.D. in Economics from the New School for Social Research in New York. He also holds an M.Phil. from Cambridge University, and a B.A. (Hons.) from the University of Calgary.

Jim is the author of *Economics for Everyone: A Short Guide to the Economics of Capitalism* (second edition published by Pluto Books in 2015), which has been published in six languages. Stanford has written, edited or co-edited five other books, and dozens of articles and reports in both peer-reviewed and popular outlets. Jim maintains an active presence on social media through his Twitter (@jimbostanford) and Facebook (Jimbo Stanford) accounts.

Jim has designed and taught numerous courses on economics for academic and non-academic audiences, including a unique week-long popular education course in economics for trade union members he has delivered in Canada, the U.S., Australia, and New Zealand. He is recognized for his ability to communicate economic concepts in an accessible and humorous manner.Et iundae volupiendis sanduciam quost ped quoditatia dolor sinctur modi issedit ut ipsapit volor audi blaborehenem sed mil is eaquunt, quae voleni quo berehendi reriti blatus serio ducid moloratur, soluptis es dolliqui od millorest, occupta cum simus, sin etur.

#### **ABSTRACT:**

Great public concern has been expressed about how future trends in new technologies – like robots, AI, and digital platforms – are changing work and destroying jobs. In fact, the danger to jobs is more immediate, and driven not by technology but by changing human relationships. It is the evolution of employment relationships, more than advances in technology that are changing the world of work, often for the worse. Understanding the source of the problem is essential for visioning solutions.