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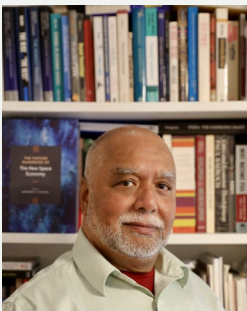
RESEARCH SEMINAR

6 OCTOBER 2026

10:00–11:30 | McKim Hall 10F Meeting Room

Industrial Life Cycles, Innovations, and the Emergent New Space Economy

A research seminar on the forces shaping the emerging New Space Economy



SPEAKER

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ABSTRACT

This keynote lecture is based on *The Oxford Handbook of the New Space Economy* (2026). Rather than summarize its 42 chapters, it asks what is driving the emergence of the “new” space economy (NSE). Using an industrial life-cycle framework, the lecture highlights innovations, economies of scale, new markets based on Say’s law, and changes in the role of the state as forces behind NSE growth. It concludes with two contradictory outcomes: the Kessler Syndrome and a top-heavy industry structure detrimental to competition.

Book Info:

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/the-oxford-handbook-of-the-new-space-economy-9780198881049?cc=jp&lang=en&>

BIOGRAPHY

Anthony P. D'Costa is an Honorary Professorial Fellow at the University of Melbourne. He has taught at the University of Washington, National University of Singapore, Copenhagen Business School, University of Melbourne, and the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He has published fourteen books on development, industrial transformation, globalization, innovation, employment, and professional migration. Recent publications include *The Oxford Handbook of the New Space Economy* (2026) and *Indian Business, Economic Development, and the Jobs Dilemma in the Twenty-first Century* (OUP 2026). He has received numerous fellowships, including Fulbright-Hays, UNU-WIDER, Korea Foundation, and POSCO at the East West Center. As an Abe Fellow of the Japan Foundation, he published *International Mobility, Global Capitalism, and Changing Structures of Accumulation: Transforming the Japan-India IT Relationship* (Routledge 2016).

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