

**Thursday, March 27, 2014**

6:30 – 9:00 PM (Note **New GW Location**)

Meet and Greet at 6:30 pm, Program at 7:15 pm

## Creating Economies That Work: What We Can Learn From the Economic Policies of Brazil, Russia, Chile, Israel, and Uruguay”



The Leadership of the *National Capital Chapter of the World Future Society* is pleased to announce our first evening meeting held at George Washington University...Please join us on Thursday, March 27 for a stimulating presentation by Rick Docksai.

Austerity and cost-cutting have been popular economic-recovery strategies over the last six years in the United States, Western Europe, and other “Global North” economies. And most have tepid growth, at best, to show for it. Other economies, many of them in

the developing world, are surging ahead with higher job-creation and GDP growth than they had pre-2008. Rick Docksai will profile five successful economies: Brazil, Chile, Russia, Israel, and Uruguay. And he will show why they have succeeded: robust public investment into ventures that give money directly to people who spend it or use it to create jobs. The five are not perfect, to be clear. Russia, in particular, bears significant flaws that could impede its future growth. Mr. Docksai will describe what each of the five are doing well now and what further improvements each could make. Then he will assess whether—and how—the Global North might formulate similar policies.

**Rick Docksai** is the World Future Society’s senior editor, and in that position he tracks and reports on breaking and long-term developments in global business, governance, anti-poverty efforts, social reforms, and technology innovation for the Society’s Web site, its e-newsletter *Futurist Update*, and its publications the *Futurist* and *World Future Review*. He also writes and edits on a freelance basis for businesses, nonprofits, and media organizations across the globe, with specialized focuses on technical writing, science-related news reporting, and coverage of social issues. *Inside Philanthropy*, *Nursing Licensure*, and *Science Recorder* are among the other Web sites where his work has appeared. Rick earned a Master’s Degree in Journalism at the University of Maryland in College Park and a Bachelor’s in English at Washington College.

Cost: Members \$8, non-members \$12, GW students and faculty free with valid ID. Students elsewhere (under 26) \$5.

Note: This is NOT a dinner meeting.

**Register at <http://www.natcapwfs.org/events.htm>.** We request that all register online, in advance. **GW students and Faculty should not register online, instead send an Email to Ron Muller at [r-bmuller@comcast.net](mailto:r-bmuller@comcast.net) stating that you plan to attend.** If unavoidable, we will accept cash and personal checks at the door; but no credit cards, please. If you would prefer to mail a check, send check payable to: WMAC of the WFS.

Mail To:

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9904 Frank Tippet Rd.  
Upper Marlboro, Md. 20772

Location: George Washington University,  
Duques Building, Room 453,  
Entrance on 22 St between G and H Streets NW, Washington DC

Metro: Foggy Bottom

**Parking:** Parking on campus is currently a challenge due to ongoing construction, so we strongly encourage the use of public transportation. On-campus street parking is available, but it is also limited, and time limits are *strictly enforced*. Visitors and guests of the GWU Campus will be accommodated at:

- **Academic Center Garage** (located on I 'Eye' Street between 21st and 22nd Streets), is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.
- **Marvin Center** (located on H Street between 21st and 22nd Streets) is open 7 days a week from 7 a.m. until midnight daily.
- **G Street Garage** (entrances located on 20th and 21st Streets in the alley way between F and G Streets) is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.. *The G Street Garage is a self-service garage, and only accepts MasterCard and Visa for payment.*

**1 hour - \$10 / Up to 2 hours - \$16 / Daily Max. - \$22 / Weekend Daily Max. - \$12 / Evening Max. Rate (after 5 p.m. until midnight): \$10 / Overnight Rate (midnight till 2am): \$10**

There is also DC parking in the immediate vicinity.

We look forward to seeing YOU there!

**WFS National Capital Chapter Leadership Team**