

## IB ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL WORKSHOP AGENDA

DP Economics (Level 3)  
King George V School, Hong Kong  
2 – 4 October 2009, Friday - Sunday

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### Workshop Leader

#### **Dr. John Phillips**

John Phillips is one of the most experienced IB Economics teachers, having taught the subject for 30 years at the International School of Geneva in Switzerland. He is an Economics graduate of Manchester University, and has since obtained an MA in International Education and a Doctor of Education (EdD), both from the University of Bath, UK.

In parallel with his Economics teaching he has, at different times, been a university Guidance Counsellor and IB Diploma Coordinator, which is his current role. He can be contacted at [john.phillips@ecolint.ch](mailto:john.phillips@ecolint.ch) if you would like to feed in any agenda items or would like to offer to lead any small or whole group activities.

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### **All participants are requested to bring with them the following:**

- A copy of this Agenda
  - A hard copy of the IB Economics Guide
  - A hard copy of the May 2009 subject report (now available on the OCC)
  - A print out from the OCC of the latest curriculum review report (Report 2, May 2009)
  - Copies of the May 2009 HL and SL examination papers
  - A copy of the IB Learner Profile and IB guidelines on Academic Honesty
  - A USB memory stick to download resources
  - Precise details (websites; book titles & authors; reports etc.) of any resources you have found particularly useful
  - A copy of any Schemes of Work that you regularly use and which may be of interest to participants
  - Examples of any teaching ideas or practices that link with other areas of the IB hexagon, in particular with other Group 3 subjects, the Learner Profile and ToK.
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*Please note: session topics are subject to change based on needs of the group*

Friday, 2 October

0830 - 0900

**Welcome & Introduction**

0900 - 1000

**Session 1: Introduction**

- Aim of the workshop
- Introduction of participants
- Identifying key issues
- Approval of the agenda

1000 - 1030

Morning Break

1030 - 1200

**Session 2: Review of the May 2009 session**

- General data and trends
- Subject report
- Reflections, critical analysis

1200 - 1300

Lunch

1300 - 1430

**Session 3: Internal Assessment**

- The place of IA in learning & assessment – understanding & applying the criteria
- Practical issues (discussion)
- Sample marking of individual commentaries & whole portfolio
- Internal school moderation

1430 - 1500

Afternoon Break

1500 - 1630

**Session 4: Economics – subject review**

- Where we are in the review process
- Presentation of most recent proposals
- Discussion of most recent proposals
- Your input

1630

End of Day 1

Saturday, 3 October

0830 - 1000

**Session 5: External assessment Papers 1 & 2 HL and Paper 1 SL**

- Assessment issues
- Working with mark schemes (May 2009)
- Sample marking of scripts

1000 - 1030

Morning Break

1030 - 1200

**Session 6: External assessment Paper 3 HL and Paper 2 SL**

- Assessment issues
- Working with mark schemes (May 2009)
- Sample marking of scripts

1200 - 1300

Lunch

1300 - 1430

**Session 7: Teaching ideas 1**

- Section 1 – Introductory Economics
- Section 2 – Microeconomics

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Section 3 - Macroeconomics</li> </ul>
1430 - 1500	Afternoon Break
1500 - 1630	<b>Session 8: Teaching ideas 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Section 4 – International Economics</li> <li>▪ Section 5 – Development Economics</li> </ul>
1630	End of Day 2
<u>Sunday, 5 October</u>	
0830 - 1000	<b>Session 9: Extended Essays in Economics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Choice of suitable topics - exemplars</li> <li>▪ Following the subject guide</li> <li>▪ Sample marking exercise</li> </ul>
1000 - 1030	Morning Break
1030 - 1200	<b>Session 10: Resources</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use of Online Curriculum Centre</li> <li>▪ Texts &amp; websites – updating of lists</li> <li>▪ Text review – likes &amp; dislikes</li> </ul>
1200 - 1300	Lunch
1300 - 1430	<b>Session 11: Cross-curricular linkages</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Economics within Group 3</li> <li>▪ ToK</li> <li>▪ Strategies/ideas for promoting transdisciplinarity</li> <li>▪ Economics and the IB Learner Profile</li> </ul>
1430 - 1500	Afternoon Break
1500 - 1600	<b>Session 12: Topic</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Resolution of burning issues</li> <li>▪ Academic honesty</li> <li>▪ Conclusions</li> <li>▪ Workshop Leader evaluation</li> <li>▪ Farewells</li> </ul>
1600	Workshop Closes and Award of Certificates*

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\* An official "IB Certificate of Attendance" is awarded to participants who have attended all sessions of a workshop. Please ensure that travel arrangements do not preclude candidacy for a certificate.