

CHRISTOPHER PISSARIDES



Nobel Laureate in Economics

Christopher Pissarides is winner of the 2010 Nobel Prize in economics, Professor of Economics and holder of the Norman Sosnow Chair at the London School of Economics.

He was educated at the University of Essex and the London School of Economics (LSE), and he spent the bulk of his career at the LSE. He had long visits in the US Universities of Harvard, Princeton and California at Berkeley.

Sir Christopher Pissarides is the Regius Professor of Economics at the London School of Economics, a Professor of European Studies at the University of Cyprus and Chairman of the Council of National Economy of the Republic of Cyprus, and the Helmut & Anna Pao Sohmen Professor-at-Large of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. In 2000-07 he was external member of the Cyprus Monetary Policy Committee, which successfully saw the introduction of the euro to that country, and in 2002-03 he was a member of the influential European Commission Employment Taskforce.

Sir Christopher specialises in the economics of labour markets, macroeconomic policy, economic growth and structural change.

He is winner of the 2010 Nobel Prize in economics jointly with Peter Diamond of MIT and Dale Mortensen of Northwestern University. Prior to that, in 2005, he became the first European economist to win the IZA Prize in Labor Economics, sharing it again with his collaborator Dale Mortensen. His publications on unemployment, including his book *Equilibrium Unemployment Theory*, are standard references in the field and have influenced policy in Europe and elsewhere.

He has written extensively in professional journals, magazines and the press and his book *Equilibrium Unemployment Theory* is an influential reference in the economics of unemployment that has been translated in many languages. He is frequently quoted in the press on issues concerning the Eurozone and the future of European integration.

He is an elected Fellow of the British Academy, the Academy of Athens, the Academia Europaea and several other learned societies, and he is a Lifetime Honorary Member of the American Economic Association. In 2011 he served as the President of the European Economic Association. In 2011 he received the Grand Cross of the Republic of Cyprus, the highest honour of the Republic. He was knighted in 2013.



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Topics (Selection):

- Macroeconomics of Labour Markets
- Structural Change
- Economic Growth Indicators
- Comparative Economic Performance
- The Economics of Unemployment
- Wage Inequality
- Labour Market Policy

Publications (Selection):

- Job Matching, Wage Dispersion and Unemployment, with Dale T. Mortensen, Konstantinos Tatsiramos and Klaus F. Zimmermann, 2011
- After The Crisis: The Way Ahead, with Jean-Paul Fitoussi, Edmund S. Phelps, 2010