

FEEM Lectures

Partha Dasgupta, Biography

Partha Dasgupta, who was born in Dhaka (at that time in India) and educated in Varanasi, Delhi, and Cambridge, is the Frank Ramsey Professor of Economics at the University of Cambridge, Fellow of St John's College, Cambridge, and Professor of Environmental and Development Economics at the University of Manchester (2008-).

He taught at the London School of Economics, Stanford University and he was Chairman of the (Scientific Advisory) Board of the Beijer International Institute of Ecological Economics, Stockholm.

Since 1999 he has been a Founder Member of the Management and Advisory Committee of the South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE), Kathmandu.

Professor Dasgupta's research interests have covered welfare and development economics, the economics of technological change, population, environmental and resource economics, the theory of games, and the economics of undernutrition.

Professor Dasgupta is a Fellow of the Econometric Society (1975), Fellow of the British Academy (1989), Fellow of the Royal Society (2004), Member of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences (1997), Fellow of the Third World Academy of Sciences (2001), Foreign Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (1991), Foreign Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (1991), Foreign Associate of the US National Academy of Sciences (2001), Foreign Member of the American Philosophical Society (2005), Foreign Member of Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti (2009), Honorary Fellow of the London School of Economics (1995), Honorary Member of the American Economic Association (1997), Honorary Professor at the University of Copenhagen (2008-), and Andrew D. White Professor-at-Large (2007-) at Cornell University. He is a past President of the Royal Economic Society (1998-2001), the European Economic Association (1999), Section F (Economics) of the BA (British Association for the Advancement of Science) Festival of Science (2006), and President-elect of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (he will be President during 2010-11).

Professor Dasgupta was named Knight Bachelor by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in her Birthday Honours List in 2002 for "services to economics"; was co-winner (with Karl-Goran Maler of the Beijer International Institute of Ecological Economics, Stockholm) of the 2002 Volvo Environment Prize and of the 2004 Kenneth E. Boulding Memorial Award of the International Society for Ecological Economics; and was the recipient of the John Kenneth Galbraith Award, 2007, of the American Agricultural Economics Association.