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What is Service Revolution? Can service be as dynamic as manufacturing? Can late comers to development take advantage of globalization of service? Can service be a driver of sustained growth, job creation, and poverty reduction? Is service led growth in India and manufacturing led growth in China converging or diverging? What kind of policies and institutions do countries need to benefit from a service-led growth? This seminar will try to address these questions. The growth experience of India suggest that a Service Revolution—rapid income growth, job creation, gender equality, and poverty reduction led by services—is now possible. The promise of the Service Revolution is that countries do not need to wait to get started with rapid development.

Brief Profile

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