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François Bourguignon is back in France, following four years as the Chief Economist and first Vice President of the World Bank in Washington. He has returned to his former position of Professor of Economics at the EHESS (advanced school in Social Sciences) and has been appointed as Director of the recently created Paris School of Economics. Initially trained as a statistician, he obtained a Ph D. in Economics at the University of Western Ontario, followed by a State Doctorate at the University of Orleans in France. His work is both theoretical and empirical and principally aims at the distribution and the redistribution of revenue in developing and developed countries. He is the author of a great number of books and articles in specialized national and international economic journals. He has taught throughout Universities worldwide. He has received, during the course of his career, a number of scientific distinctions/decorations/has been decorated. Through his experience, he is often sought for counsel to Governments and international organisations throughout

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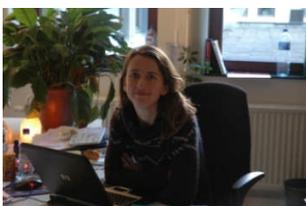
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