

National Institute of Economic and Social Research

NIESR appoints two new Deputy Directors

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The National Institute of Economic and Social Research is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Hande Kucuk and Prof Adrian Pabst as the Institute's Deputy Directors.

Dr Hande Kucuk has been appointed as Deputy Director for Macroeconomics, Modelling and Forecasting. She will be taking the reins from Dr Garry Young, who is retiring from the role but will stay on at NIESR. Dr Kucuk holds a PhD in Economics from the London School of Economics and previously worked as Deputy Director at the Central Bank of Turkey in the Research and Monetary Policy Department. She has extensive experience in central banking in emerging market economies, policy analysis, macroeconomic modelling and forecasting. Dr Kucuk has published research on topics in international macroeconomics and finance and applied macroeconomics.

Prof Adrian Pabst joins the Institute as Deputy Director for Social and Political Economy from the University of Kent, where he is currently Professor of Politics. His research is at the interface of political theory, political economy and public policy. Prof Pabst will lead the Institute's research on social and political economy, with a focus on economic populism, the interaction between states, markets and civic institutions as well as questions of relational prosperity and human flourishing.

Dr Hande Kucuk said: "I am truly excited to be joining NIESR as a Deputy Director for Macroeconomics, Modelling and Forecasting. I look forward to using my policy experience to develop NIESR's critical role in modelling and explaining macroeconomic developments. Our work will improve understanding of major economic and social challenges and influence policy."

Prof Adrian Pabst said: "I am delighted to join NIESR at such an exciting time in its history. Working with a talented team on questions of social and political economy is a wonderful opportunity as we seek to make a contribution to policy-making at the service of the public good."

NIESR Director, Prof. Jagjit Chadha, said: "I warmly welcome Dr Kucuk and Professor Pabst and look forward to working with them and their teams on research-based answers to the social and economic problems we face. The list is long, and time is short: let's get to work."

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