

Professor John Hudson, PhD. (1947 – 2018)

With sadness in our hearts we regret to inform REPESEA friends and colleagues that the coordinator and the Steering Committee member of the REPESEA project at the University of Bath, UK, Professor John Hudson, PhD, suddenly passed away on Friday, July 13th, 2018.

Prof. Hudson was born on May 20th, 1947. In 1974, he received his bachelor degree in Economics from Queen Marry College, London University. In 1975, he obtained master degree in Economics (M.A) from the University of Warwick. He got his PhD degree from Warwick in 1982, having written a thesis "Wage Inflation in the UK: 1951-1975, A Switching Regimes Hypotheses".

Before enrolling to university as an undergraduate in 1971, John worked for several years in the industry. In academia, he held different positions, as a Research Assistant (Durham University, 1975-1976), Temporary Lecturer (University of Sheffield, 1976-1977), Lecturer in Econometrics, Advanced Econometrics, Mathematical Economics and Macroeconomic Modelling (University of Bath, 1978-1990), Reader in Economics (1990-2002) and Professor of Economics at the University of Bath since 2002 until his sudden death.

During his active life, John Hudson published several books and chapters in books, more than 120 journal articles, contributed to many conference papers and government reports. Also, he was very helpful in giving advice to other authors and younger collegues. He refereed articles for over 20 journals including The American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Economic Journal, Applied Economics, Journal of Development Economics, World Development and many others. He also referred grant applications for the Economic & Social Research Council (ESRC), Czech Institute of Science and Centre for Economic Research and Graduate Education (CERGE).

Professor John Hudson devoted his life to research, teaching and transfer of knowledge. Among other positions he was also a Member of the Panel of Economic Advisors to the South West Regional Development Agency and served as a Member of the Editorial Board of the European Yearbook of Standardization. He was involved in several EU programs, including Tempus and REPESEA.

In his passing the REPESEA project lost a leader, an expert, a keen collaborator and an honest friend. His ideas and initiatives will be remembered and followed upon by the whole REPESEA team.