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Rupa Chanda is a Professor of Economics at IIM Bangalore since 1997. Prior to joining IIMB, she was an economist at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, DC. She briefly served as the Head, UNESCAP Sub-regional Office for South and South-West Asia in New Delhi, while on leave from IIMB.

Interests

- Her research interests concern the WTO, international trade in services, regional integration and migration.

Research grants and professional assignments

- Received several research grants including from the British High Commission's India Prosperity Fund, the British Council, the European Commission and the Ministry of Finance, Govt of India.
- Undertaken research and professional assignments for international organizations such as the ILO, WHO, UNDP, UNCTAD, ADB, ADBI, OECD, World Bank, World Trade Institute, South Centre, IOM, Petersen Institute for International Economics and for Indian organizations such as ICRIER, CUTS, CENTAD and IIFT.

Publications

- She has published extensively and has presented her work at conferences, workshops, and seminars, both nationally and internationally.
- She has authored two books, namely, *Integrating Services in South Asia: Trade, Investment, and Mobility* (OUP) and *Globalization of Services: India's Opportunities and Constraints in 2002* (OUP), co-authored a book titled, *Legal Services Liberalization and Reforms in India: Perspectives and Dynamics* (Sage), edited a book titled, *India's Trade in Services: Prospects and Strategies in 2006* (Wiley-India) and co-edited two books titled *Trade in Services and Trade Agreements: The Case of India and the European Union* (Sage) and *India-EU People Mobility: Historical, Economic and Regulatory Dimensions* (Cambridge University Press).
- She has written journal articles, working papers, and chapters in books and handbooks in her areas of research interest, such as on globalization, trade, services, the Indian economy, health and the WTO.

Teaching

- At IIMB, she has taught courses in Macroeconomics, International Trade, Managerial Economics and modules on Trade, Investment and Industry in courses on Current Economic Scenario and on Globalization.
- Taught sessions on the Indian Economy, the WTO and Economics for Managers in executive development programmes.

Undertaken consulting and professional assignments for international organizations such as the ILO, WHO, UNDP, UNCTAD, ADB, ADBI, OECD, World Bank, World Trade Institute, South Centre, IOM, Petersen Institute for International Economics and for Indian organizations such as ICRIER, CUTS, CENTAD and IIFT.

Awards

- RBI Chair Professor (Dec 2016-April 2018, Aug 2018-present)
- Dewang Mehta Award for Best Economics Teacher (2008)
- ICFAI Best Teacher Awards from the Association of Indian Management Schools (2006)
- Alumni Award for Best Faculty at IIMB (2012)
- Research Chair Award (2005-2007)
- US Presidential Award for Academic Fitness
- New York State Governor's Committee for Scholastic Achievement Award
- Phi Beta Kappa distinction
- Harvard Scholarship
- Elizabeth Gary Agassiz Award, Harvard University
- Faculty Fellow distinction, Columbia University.

Service

At IIM Bangalore

- Chairperson, Internal Committee (March 2017-18)
- Chairperson, ESS Area (2007-11)
- Board Member (2008-10)
- Member of the Faculty Development and Evaluation Committee (2006-07, 2008-11)
- Chairperson, Financial Aid Committee (June 2000-March 2002)
- Served as a member of various institute committees

External

- Currently a member of several external committees and councils, including the Ministry of Commerce's Taskforce on Services Sector Exports, the Advisory Board to the Services Export Promotion Council, CII Services Council, Working Group on the National Blue Economy and Sustainable Development Policy constituted by the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council, BR Ambedkar School of Economics Bangalore

- Some of her earlier professional engagements include membership of the MoIA's Academic Working Group on India-EU Labour Mobility Partnership, the Planning Commission's High Level Group on Services, the Board of Approval for Special Economic Zones, the Planning Commission's Subcommittee on Internationalization of Higher Education, the Advisory Group for a proposed Bangalore School of Economics and the Central Statistical Organization's Expert Group on Compilation of Data for International Trade in Services.
- She is currently a member of the editorial board for *Globalization and Health* (BioMed Central) and has served on the editorial board for the *Journal of International Commerce and Economic Policy* (World Scientific), *Migration and Development* (Routledge) and the *Journal of Indian Business Research* (Emerald).