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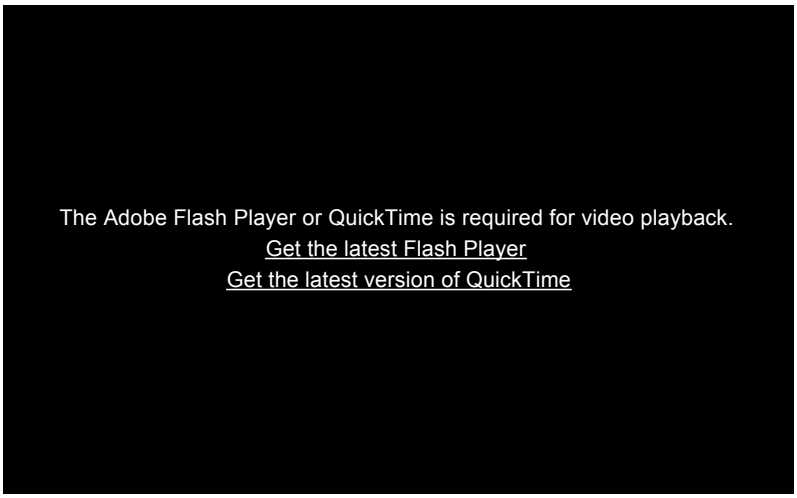
Miguel Castro Coelho, MSc in Public Service Management (2003) and PhD in Public Policy (2006)

Miguel studied for his MSc in Public Service Management in 2003 at the University and went on to complete his PhD in Public Policy here in 2006. Miguel has had an interesting and successful career since graduating from the University, he is currently a Senior Economist at the Institute for Government and coordinator of the LSE Growth Commission; he leads the institutes work on economic growth in partnership with the London School of Economics.

Miguel has extensive experience of working in and influencing policy-focused environments having held a variety of roles at the heart of government (advisor to HM Treasury, the Prime Minister's Strategy Unit, and 10 Downing Street); in government departments (strategy advisor to the Department for Education); and outside government (Institute for Public Policy Research, advisor to foreign think tanks, and commentator in international media) Miguel's main research interest include the drivers of growth, the economics of education, health and social security; and political economy.

It has been a genuine pleasure to return to the campus - I keep strong, positive memories of the time I spent there as a student. It's great to see there has been investment in some of the facilities and those changes seems to be going in the right direction. I am thankful for the generosity of the audience who attended my talk and for their engagement."



Alumni Roundtable Event

Alumnus, Miguel Castro Coelho hosted a **roundtable at the University of Birmingham (/schools/government-society/news/school-wide/2013/06/alumni-roundtable-event.aspx)** on Monday 10th June, 2013. Miguel gave current students and a fellow alumnus the opportunity to ask him questions about his time at Birmingham, his career to date as well as his thoughts on economic policies.

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