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DURHAM, N.H. - Sixty-five years ago, world leaders gathered at the United Nations Monetary and Financial Conference, also known as the Bretton Woods International Monetary Conference, to establish a post-World War II international monetary system. The historic conference resulted in the establishment of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), which is currently part of the World Bank.

Two experts from the University of New Hampshire are available to discuss this historic event, which took place in July 1944 at the Mount Washington Hotel in Bretton Woods, NH.

Ross Gittell, James R. Carter Professor and professor of management at the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics, is available to discuss how the New Hampshire economy and the state’s economic relationship with the world economy have changed since Bretton Woods. Gittell can be reached at 603-862-3340 and ross.gittell@unh.edu.

Carl Lindblade, adjunct professor of hospitality at the UNH Whittemore School, will discuss the historical significance of Bretton Woods in New Hampshire and worldwide, as well as some of the lesser known and fascinating facts about what happened at the conference. Lindblade can be reached at 603-731-0650 or carl.lindblade@unh.edu.

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