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In 2001, he received the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for his work in the field of information economics. He chaired the Commission on Growth and Development, an independent body that brought together 22 policymakers, academics, and business leaders to examine various aspects of economic growth and development which was launched in 2006.

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He was awarded the John Kenneth Galbraith Prize for excellence in teaching and the John Bates Clark Medal for a "significant contribution to economic thought and knowledge." The Clark Medal was awarded, at that time, every two years to an Economist under the age of 40.