

Eric Maskin

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Eric Maskin is an Economic Theorist best known for his work on the theory of mechanism design. For laying the foundations of this field, he shared the 2007 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics.

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