

# Agenda

# Empirical Investigations in International Trade

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

October 18-20, 2013  
University of Virginia  
Charlottesville, VA

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*Organizers:*

*Ariell Reshef, Univ. of Virginia*  
*Peter Debaere, Univ. of Virginia*  
*James Harrigan, Univ. of Virginia*  
*John McLaren, Univ. of Virginia*  
*Jon Haveman, FREIT*

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## Friday, October 18, 2013

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast – Monroe Hall, Room 120

### Session 1: Trade Policy

Chair: Jon Haveman, FREIT

Monroe Hall, Room 130

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. [Trade Liberalization and the Environment: Evidence from NAFTA & U.S. Manufacturing](#)

- Jevan Cherniwchan, University of Alberta  
*Discussant: Nico Voigtlaender, UCLA*

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. [Is There an Efficiency Case for International Labor Standards?](#)

- Raymond Robertson, Macalester College  
*Discussant: James Harrigan, University of Virginia*

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Break – Beverages provided

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. [Policy Uncertainty, Trade and Welfare: Theory and Evidence for China](#)

- Kyle Handley, University of Michigan  
*Discussant: Tim Schmidt-Eisenlohr, University of Illinois*

12:15 – 12:45 p.m.	Lunch – light lunch provided for registered participants
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Keynote Speech: Elhanan Helpman Theory and Empirics in the Evolution of Research on International Trade.
	Garrett Hall

## **Session 2: Firms and Trade I**

Chair: Ariell Reshef, University of Virginia

Monroe Hall, Room 122

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.	<a href="#">Exporting and Plant-Level Efficiency Gains: It's in the Measure</a> ➤ Nico Voigtlaender, UCLA
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*Discussant: Natalya Volchkova, New Economic School*

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.	Break – Beverages provided
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3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Productivity As If Space Mattered: An Application to Factor Markets Across China</a> ➤ John Morrow, London School of Economics <i>Discussant: John McLaren, University of Virginia</i>
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4:30 – 4:45 p.m.	Break – Beverages provided
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4:45 – 5:45 p.m.	<a href="#">Market Reallocation and Knowledge Spillover: Gains from Multinational Production</a> ➤ Maggie Chen, George Washington University <i>Discussant: Walker Hanlon, UCLA</i>
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**Adjourn**

## **Saturday, October 19, 2013**

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast - Monroe Hall, Room 120
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## **Session 3: Firms and Trade II**

Chair: John McLaren, University of Virginia

Monroe Hall, Room 130

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	<a href="#">Trade protection and Input Switching: Firm-level Evidence from Indian Importers</a> ➤ Christian Viegelaehn, Catholic University of Louvain <i>Discussant: Paul Piveteau, Columbia University</i>
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10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Break – Beverages provided
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10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	<a href="#">A New Method for Quality Estimation using Trade Data: An Application to French Firms</a> ➤ Gabriel Smagghue, Sciences Po Paris 2013 EIIT Graduate Student Award <i>Discussant: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology</i>
11:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Break – Beverages provided
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Globalization and Organization of the Firm</a> ➤ Susan Chun Zhu, Michigan State University <i>Discussant: Wenjie Chen, George Washington University</i>
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch – A light lunch will be provided to registered participants

### **Session 4: Trade and Labor**

Chair: James Harrigan, University of Virginia

Monroe Hall, Room 130

2:00– 3:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Trade Liberalization and Labor Shares in China</a> ➤ Fariha Kamal <i>Discussant: Dennis Yang, University of Virginia</i>
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Break – Beverages provided
3:15 – 4:15 p.m.	<a href="#">The Surprisingly Swift Decline in U.S. Manufacturing Employment</a> ➤ Justin Pierce, Federal Reserve Board <i>Discussant: Mina Kim</i>
4:15 – 4:30 p.m.	Break – Beverages provided
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Capital Imports Composition, Complementarities, and the Skill Premium in Developing Countries</a> ➤ Ariell Reshef, University of Virginia <i>Discussant: Emily Blanchard, Dartmouth College</i>

**Adjourn**

## **Sunday, October 20, 2013**

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast - Monroe Hall, Room 120

### **Session 5: Geography and Trade**

Chair: Peter Debeare, University of Virginia

Monroe Hall, Room 130

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. [Industry Connections and the Geographic Location of Economic Activity](#)

➤ Walker Hanlon, UCLA

*Discussant: William Lincoln, Johns Hopkins University*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break – Beverages provided

10:15 – 11:15 a.m. [Local Transmission of Trade Shocks](#)

➤ Ferdinando Monte, Johns Hopkins University

*Discussant: Katheryn Russ, UC - Davis*

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break – Beverages provided

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. [The Comparative Advantage of Cities](#)

➤ Jonathan Dingel, Columbia University

*Discussant: Daniel Murphy, University of Virginia*

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