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*FREIT: Forum for Research in Empirical
International Trade*

Organizers:

Joze P. Damijan, University of Ljubljana

Jon Haveman, Beacon Economics

Thursday, June 11, 2009

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Register

Session 1: Firm Heterogeneity

Chair: Jon Haveman, Beacon Economics

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

“Regulatory Harmonization and Trade in Services: Volumes and Choice of Mode” [\(pdf\)](#)

- Henk Kox, CPB Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis

Discussant: Rosario Crino, Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC)

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

“Firm Heterogeneity and Ricardian Trade” [\(pdf\)](#)

- Matilde Bombardini, University of British Columbia

Discussant: Anders Akerman, Stockholm University

11:45 – 12:45 a.m.

“Firm Heterogeneity, Trade Liberalization, and Duration of Trade and Production” [\(pdf\)](#)

- Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

Discussant: Martina Lawless, Central Bank of Ireland

12:45 – 2:15 p.m.

Lunch

Session 2: Trade Patterns

Chair: Jozef Damijan, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics

- 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. “Trade, Reallocation and Productivity: A Bridge Between Theory and Data in Oresun” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Anders Akerman, Stockholm University
Discussant: Lukas Mohler, University of Basel
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. “Export Intensity and Productivity” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Rosario Crino, Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC)
Discussant: Crt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana
- 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Break – Beverages provided
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. “Deconstructing Gravity: Trade Costs and Extensive and Intensive Margins” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Martina Lawless, Central Bank of Ireland
Discussant: Jose de Sousa, CREM U. Rennes 1 and CES U. Paris 1
- 5:30-6:15 Open Discussion of the Global Recession
Lead by: Jon Haveman, Beacon Economics

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Friday, June 12, 2009

Session 3: MNCs

Chair: Jose de Sousa, CREM U. Rennes I and CES U. Paris I

- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. “Multinational Exposure and the Quality of New Chinese Exports” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Deborah Swenson, University of California - Davis
Discussant: Leonardo Iacovone, World Bank
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. “Shipping good tequila out: Investment, domestic unit values & entry into exports” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Leonardo Iacovone, World Bank
Discussant: Saso Polanec, University of Ljubljana
- 11:15 – 12:15 a.m. “On the Sensitivity of Estimated Elasticities of Substitution” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Lukas Mohler, University of Basel
Discussant: Dieter Urban, RWTH Aachen

12:15– 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

Session 4: Trade Topics 1

Chair: Deborah Swenson, University of California - Davis

- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. “Offshoring, Firm Performance and Employment: Evidence from German Establishments” (pdf)
➤ Dieter Urban, RWTH Aachen
Discussant: Matilde Bombardini, University of British Columbia
- 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. “A Dual Definition for the Factor Content of Trade and its Effects on Factor Rewards in the U.S. Manufacturing Sector” (pdf)
➤ Agelos Delis, GEP, University of Nottingham
Discussant: Deborah Swenson, University of California – Davis
- 4:00 – 4:15 p.m. Break – Beverages provided
- 4:15 – 5:15 p.m. “Economic Integration and the Markups of European Electricity Firms” (pdf)
➤ Ziga Zarnic, Catholic University of Leuven
Discussant: Anze Burger, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics

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Saturday, June 13, 2009

Session 5: Trade Topics 2

Chair: Crt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics

- 8:45 – 9:45 a.m. “Does Trade Harm the Environment? An Empirical Analysis” (pdf)
➤ Mahvash Saeed Qureshi, IMF
Discussant: Ziga Zarnic, Catholic University of Leuven
- 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “Terrorism and Trade: Does the Neighbor Hurt?” (pdf)
➤ Jose de Sousa, CREM U. Rennes 1 and CES U. Paris 1
Discussant: Usha Nari-Reichert, Georgia Institute of Technology
- 10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 11:00 – 12:00 a.m. “Temporary trade” (pdf)
➤ Balazs Murakozy, IE-HAS
Discussant: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

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