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International Trade*

Organizers:

Joze P. Damijan, University of Ljubljana

Jon Haveman, Beacon Economics

Thursday, June 10, 2010

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Registration

Session 1

Chair: Joze Damijan, University of Ljubljana

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

“Trade as Engine of Creative Destruction: The Mexican Experience with Chinese Competition”

[\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Ferdinand Rauch, World Bank

Discussant: Tibor Besedes, Georgian Institute of Technology

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

“What Drives Latin American Survival? Export Duration in Latin America”

[\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

Discussant: Alessia Lo Turco, University Politecnica delle Marche

11:45 – 12:00 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

“Exporters in Services: New Evidence from Italian Firms”

[\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Alessia Lo Turco, University Politecnica delle Marche

Discussant: Balazs Murakozy, Institute of Economics, HAS

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

Session 2

Chair: Crt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana

- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. “Access to Finance and the Margins of Imports: Firm Level Evidence From India” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Antoine Berthou, CEPII
Discussant: Bruno Merlevede, Ghent University
- 3:00 – 3:15 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. “International Fragmentation of Production and Firm Productivity: Evidence from Slovenian Manufacturing Firms” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Anže Burger, University of Ljubljana
Discussant: Antoine Berthou, CEPII
- 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Break – Beverages provided
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. “Which Sectors of A Modern Economy Are Most Central?” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Eric Fisher, California Politechnic State University
Discussant: Ferdinand Rauch, World Bank

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Friday, June 11, 2010

Session 3

Chair: Joep Konings, Leuven Catholic University

- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. “Globalization and the Distance Puzzle” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Dieter Urban, RWTH Aachen University
Discussant: Joze Damijan, University of Ljubljana
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. “Does Exporting Promote New Product Introduction?: An Empirical Analysis of Plant.....”
➤ Chin Hee Hahn, Korea Development Institute
Discussant: Zhanar Akhmetova, Princeton University
- 11:45 – 12:00 p.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. “Why do Within Firm-Product Export Prices Differ Across Markets?” [\(pdf\)](#)
➤ Balazs Murakozy, Institute of Economics, HAS
Discussant: Eric Fisher, California Politechnic State University

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

Session 4

Chair: Eric Fisher, California Politechnic State University

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. “Effect of Restructuring on Employment in Multinational HQ and Their Affiliates” ([pdf](#))

➤ Joep Konings, Leuven Catholic University

Discussant: Dieter Urban, RWTH Aachen University

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break – Beverages provided

3:15 – 4:15 p.m. “Agglomeration Premium and Trading Activity of Firms” ([pdf](#))

➤ Gabor Bekes, Institute of Economics, HAS

Discussant: Joep Konings, Leuven Catholic University

4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Break – Beverages provided

4:30– 5:30 p.m. “The Role of Trade Cost in FDI Strategy in Heterogenous Firms” ([pdf](#))

➤ Toshiyuki Matsuura, Keio University

Discussant: Chin Hee Hahn, Korea Development Institute

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Saturday, June 12, 2010

Session 5

Chair: Jon Haveman, Beacon Economics

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. “Sequential Exporting” ([pdf](#))

➤ Hector Calvo, University of Southampton

Discussant: Crt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana

9:30 – 0:45 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “Empirical Application of A Model of Firm Experimentation in New Markets” ([pdf](#))

➤ Zhanar Akhmetova, Princeton University

Discussant: Hector Calvo, University of Southampton

10:45 – 11:00 p.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. “Knowledge Spillovers and the Timing of Foreign Entry” ([pdf](#))

➤ Bruno Merlevede, Ghent University

Discussant: Toshiyuki Matsuura, Keio University

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