

9th Annual Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference

May 17-20, 2018

LOCATION: Faculty of Social Science 1006 (FSS1006)
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Session 1: Friday May 18, 2018 9am-12:15pm

Chair: Eugene Beaulieu, University of Calgary

1. **Jessica Leight**, American University, "[Exporting out of Agriculture: Impact of WTO Accession on Structural Transformation in China](#)"
Discussant: **Alex Chernoff**, Bank of Canada
 2. **Adam Jakubik**, European University Institute, "[The China Shock revisited: Insights from value added trade flows](#)"
Discussant: **Patrick Alexander**, Bank of Canada
- Coffee break: 11:00-11:15**
3. **Peter M Morrow**, University of Toronto "[Is Processing Good?](#)"
Discussant: **Zi Wang**, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFE)

Session concludes

Lunch from 12:15-1:30

Session 2: Friday May 18, 2018 1:30-4:45pm

Chair: Jason Garred, University of Ottawa

1. **Stela Rubinova**, WTO "[Exporters' suppliers: Shining bright in the superstars' light](#)"
Discussant: **Bernardo Blum**, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto
 2. **Zi Wang**, SUFE "[Multinational Production and Corporate Taxes: A Quantitative Assessment](#)"
Discussant: **Tommaso Aquilante**, Bank of England
- Coffee break: 3:30-3:45**
3. **Alex Chernoff**, Bank of Canada "[Retailers, Importing and Exchange Rate Dynamics: Firm-level Evidence from Canada](#)"
Discussant: **Jen Baggs**, University of Victoria

Adjourn for the day

Session 3: Saturday May 19, 2018 9am-12:15pm

Chair: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

1. **Woan Foong Wong**, University of Oregon “[The Round Trip Effect: Endogenous Transport Costs and International Trade](#)”
Discussant: **Rui Zhang**, Peking University and Yale University
 2. **Volodymyr Lugovskyy**, Indiana University “[Internal Geography and the Effect of Imports on Non-Homothetic Consumption](#)”
Discussant: **Florian Mayneris**, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM)
- Coffee break: 11:00-11:15**
3. **James Sayre**, UC Berkeley “[Commodity Trade Matters](#)”
Discussant: **Dominick Bartelme**, University of Michigan

Session concludes

Lunch from 12:30-1:45: Lunch address by Meredith Crowley, University of Cambridge (Markets, markups and international trade: Exporting firms and the transmission of shocks)

Session 4: Saturday May 19, 2018 1:45-5:00pm

Chair: Jevan Cherniwchan, University of Alberta

1. **Rui Zhang**, Peking University “[Quality Choice and Trade Costs beyond Iceberg](#)”
Discussant: **Alexandre Skiba**, University of Wyoming
 1. **Michael Blanga-Gubbay**, Université Libre de Bruxelles “[Globalization for sale](#)”
Discussant: **Woan Foong Wong**, University of Oregon
- Coffee break: 3:45-4:00**
2. **Dominick Bartelme**, University of Michigan “[External Economies of Scale and Industrial Policy: A View from Trade](#)”
Discussant: **Peter M Morrow**, University of Toronto

Adjourn for the day

Session 5: Sunday May 20, 2018 9am-12:15pm

Chair: Runjuan Liu, University of Alberta

1. **Florian Mayneris**, UQÀM “[One Way to the Top: How Services Boost the Demand for Goods](#)”
Discussant: **Stela Rubinova**, WTO
 2. **Tommaso Aquilante**, Bank of England “Internationalization through servitization: evidence from German Firms”
Discussant: **Adam Jakubik**, European University Institute
- Coffee break: 11:00-11:15**
3. **Maria Tito**, Federal Reserve Board “[Exporting and Frictions in Input Markets: Evidence from Chinese Data](#)”
Discussant: **Trevor Tombe**, University of Calgary

Conference Adjourns