



Fifth Annual GEP Postgraduate Conference

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To be held in Lecture Theatre A42 and A48, Sir Clive Granger Building
University of Nottingham, University Park

PROGRAMME

Friday 21st April

9.00-9.20 **Arrival and Coffee in Room A42**

Session 1: Globalisation and Technological Transfer in India and China (Room A48)

9.20-9.50 [Are Foreign Firms Allocatively Inefficient? A Study of Selected Manufacturing Industries in India](#)

Presenter: Sabita Tripathy, University of Dundee

Discussant: Mauro Pisu, GEP, University of Nottingham

9.50-10.20 [FDI Spillovers, Firm Heterogeneity and Degree of Ownership: Evidence From Chinese Manufacturing](#)

Presenter: Veerle Sloodmaekers, Catholic University of Leuven

Discussant: Alex Hijzen, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.20-10.40 **Coffee in Room A42**

Session 2: Labour Market Adjustments to Globalisation (Room A42)

10.40-11.40 Poster Session

- *Trade and Labour Market Adjustment: Education and Experience*
Presenter: **Joana Silva, GEP, University of Nottingham**
Discussant: **Brindusa Anghel, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona**
- [Trade liberalization and labour market: Evidence from Morocco](#)
Presenter: **Novella Bottini, University of Sussex**
Discussant: **Charles Ackah, University of Nottingham**
- *Unionised Labour Markets and Economic Integration in General Oligopolistic Equilibrium*
Presenter: **Paulo Bastos, GEP, University of Nottingham**
Discussant: **Damiaan Persyn, LICOS, Catholic University of Leuven**
- [Analysis of firm-level productivity differences among foreign and host firms: Evidence from Germany](#)
Presenter: **Yama Temouri, Aston University, Birmingham**
Discussant: **Veerle Slootmaekers, Catholic University of Leuven**
- [Technological Asymmetries and Strategic Plant Location by a Multinational](#)
Presenter: **Kullapat Suetrong, University of Nottingham**
Discussant: **Spiros Bougheas, GEP, University of Nottingham**

Session 3: The Gains from Inward Foreign Direct Investment (Room A48)

11.40-12.10 [Foreign direct investment and poverty in Latin America](#)
Presenter: **Marco Hernandez, Jesus College, University of Oxford**
Discussant: **Pedro Moncarz, GEP, University of Nottingham**

12.10-12.40 [Growth effects of foreign direct investment: What role for liberalisation and absorptive capacity?](#)
Presenter: **Sam Hill, Australian National University**
Discussant: **David Greenaway, GEP, University of Nottingham**

12.40-13.40 Lunch in Cripps Hall

Session 4: Trade And Developing Countries (Room A48)

13.40-14.10 [Rethinking the role of domestic support in distorting trade](#)
Presenter: **Poornima Varma, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi**
Discussant: **Oliver Morrissey, University of Nottingham**

14.10-14.40 [Is Trade Policy Openness Good for Growth?](#)
Presenter: **Charles Ackah**, University of Nottingham
Discussant: **Richard Kneller**, GEP, University of Nottingham

Session 5: Institutions and Contracts as Determinants of Globalisation Outcomes (Room A48)

14.40-15.10 [Institutional Quality and Comparative Advantage: An Empirical Assessment](#)
Presenter: **Marcella Nicolini**, University of Milan
Discussant: **Daniel Bernhofen**, GEP, University of Nottingham

15.10-15.40 [Globalisation, Vertical Linkages and Relational Contracts](#)
Presenter: **Gregory Corcos**, Paris School of Economics
Discussant: **Arijit Mukherjee**, GEP, University of Nottingham

15.40-16.10 [Trade and Race-to-the Bottom Wage Competition](#)
Presenter: **Damiaan Persyn**, LICOS, Catholic University of Leuven
Discussant: **Peter Wright**, GEP, University of Nottingham

16.10-16.30 Coffee in Room A42

Session 6: Topics in International Trade (Room A48)

16.30-17.30 Poster Session

- [Did US safeguard protection on steel affect market power of European steel producers?](#)
Presenter: **Ziga Zarnic**, Catholic University of Leuven
Discussant: **Sarut Wittayarungruang**, GEP, University of Nottingham
- [The microstructure of indigenous Irish manufacturing exports, 1985-2003](#)
Presenter: **Anne Marie Gleeson**, Trinity College, Dublin
Discussant: **Luca David Opromolla**, New York University
- [Country-Specific Determinants of Horizontal and Vertical Intra-Industry Trade in Portugal](#)
Presenter: **Nuno Carlos Leitão**, Lusíada University of Lisbon and Polytechnic Institute of Santarém
Discussant: **Poornima Varma**, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- *A search and matching model of international trade*
Presenter: **Benjamin Jung**, University of Tübingen
Discussant: **Gregory Corcos**, Paris School of Economics

- [Environmental regulation: A boon or bane for foreign direct investment?](#)
Presenter: Anuj Mathew, University of Nottingham
Discussant: Marcella Nicolini, University of Milan

17.30 **Drinks in Staff Club Bar**

Dinner

Saturday 22nd April

Session 7: What Drives a Firm's Decision to Export or Invest Abroad?

9.00-9.30 [Foreign Direct Investment in the Transition Countries: A Dynamic Analysis at Firm and Sector Level](#)

Presenter: Brindusa Anghel, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Discussant: Alessandra Guariglia, GEP, University of Nottingham

9.30-10.00 [Hysteresis in Export Markets](#)

Presenter: Luca David Opromolla, New York University

Discussant: Rod Falvey, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.00-10.10 **Coffee in Room A42**

Session 8: What does attract FDI? (Room A48)

10.10-11.10: **Poster Session**

- *A behavioural approach to tax competition for FDI*
Presenter: Ricardo Pinheiro Alves (University of Bath)
Discussant: Saileshsingh Gunessee, GEP, University of Nottingham
- [Environmental regulations and foreign direct investment: Provincial level evidence from China](#)
Presenter: Jing Zhang, University of Birmingham
Discussant: Zhihong Yu, GEP, University of Nottingham
- [An empirical investigation of the determinants of foreign direct investment in the Central and Eastern European countries using multi-level data](#)
Presenter: Simona Rasciute, Loughborough University
Discussant: Sabita Tripathy, University of Dundee
- [Industry relocation, linkages and Spillovers across the Baltic Sea: Extending the footloose capital model](#)
Presenter: Dirk Ehnts, University of Oldenburg, Germany
Discussant: Sam Hill, Australian National University

Session 9: Financial Interdependencies in a Globalised World (Room A48)

11.10-11.40 [Financial Contagion in a Dynamic Bayesian Context: The Role of Public and Private Signals](#)

Presenter: **Ashwin Moheput, University of Warwick**

Discussant: **Daniel Seidmann, University of Nottingham**

11.40-12.10 [Exchange Rates and Exports: Evidences from Manufacturing Firms in the UK](#)

Presenter: **Xufei Zhang, University of Nottingham**

Discussant: **Sara Maioli, GEP, University of Nottingham**