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Conference on “Trade Costs”

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18th to 20th June, 2009

P R O G R A M M E

Thursday, 18th June

16.30 Minibus to collect conference participants from Rutland Square Hotel.

17.00 – 18.15

Professor Peter Neary (University of Oxford)
to present

The World Economy Annual Lecture 2009
on ‘**Two and a Half Theories of Trade**’

in Lecture Theatre A48, Sir Clive Granger Building, University Park, University of Nottingham]

Lecture sponsored by Wiley-Blackwell, publishers of The World Economy

18.30 Drinks reception at University Staff Club, followed by dinner for conference participants

19.15 Minibus to take conference participants from University Staff Club to restaurant

19.30 Dinner at ‘4550 Miles from Delhi’, Maid Marion Way, Nottingham

The remainder of the Conference to be held in the Arts Centre Lecture Theatre, University Park:

Friday, 19th June

08.45 Minibus to collect conference participants from Rutland Square Hotel.

Coffee available from 09.00.

09.25 – 09.30 Welcome and introduction – Daniel Bernhofen

09.30 – 11.20 **Session 1 (Chair: Daniel Bernhofen):**

“Gravity Redux: Structural Estimation of Gravity Equations, Elasticities of Substitution, and Economic Welfare under Asymmetric Bilateral Trade Costs”
Jeff Bergstrand, University of Notre Dame (with Peter Egger and Mario Larch)

Discussant: Agelos Delis, GEP, University of Nottingham

“Trade Costs, Comparative Advantage and the Pattern of Trade: Multi-country and Multi-product Panel Evidence”

Chris Milner, GEP, University of Nottingham (with Danny McGowan and David Greenaway)

Discussant: Xufei Zhang, GEP, University of Nottingham

11.20 – 11.45 Coffee

11.45 – 12.40 **Session 2 (Chair: Daniel Bernhofen):**

“Revenue Tariff Reform”

Peter Neary, University of Oxford (with James E. Anderson)

Discussant: Rod Falvey, GEP, University of Nottingham

12.40 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 15.50 **Session 3 (Chair: Zhihong Yu):**

“Railroads and the Raj: Estimating the Impact of Transportation Infrastructure”

David Donaldson, LSE

Discussant: Toshihiro Atsumi, GEP, University of Nottingham and GEP

“On the Decline of Trade Costs: the Natural Experiment of Suez”

Nikolaus Wolf, University of Warwick (with Daniel Bernhofen and Peter Egger)

Discussant: Doug Nelson, Tulane University and GEP, University of Nottingham

15.50 - 16.15 Coffee

16.15 - 17.10 **Session 4 (Chair: Rod Falvey):**

“Global Patterns of Services Trade Barriers”

Ingo Borchert, World Bank

Discussant: Richard Kneller, GEP, University of Nottingham

17.15 Minibus to take Conference Participants to Rutland Square Hotel.

19.00 Conference dinner at Le Mistral, Eldon Chambers, Wheeler Gate, Nottingham

Saturday, 20th June

08.30 Minibus to collect conference participants from Rutland Square Hotel.

Coffee available from 08.45

09.00 - 10.50 **Session 5 (Chair: Udo Kreickemeier):**

“The Trade Effects of Endogenous Preferential Trade Agreements”

Peter Egger, University of Munich (with Mario Larch, Kevin E. Staub and Rainer Winkelmann)

Discussant: Natalie Chen, University of Warwick

“Trade Booms, Trade Busts and Trade Costs”

Dennis Novy, University of Warwick (with David Jacks and Chris Meissner)

Discussant: Joana Silva, World Bank and GEP

10.50 - 11.10 Coffee

11.10 - 13.00 **Session 6 (Chair: Rod Falvey):**

“The Spatial Organisation of Multinational Firms”

Fabrice Defever, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Liza Jabbour, GEP, University of Nottingham

“Quality Selection, Chinese Exports and Theories of Heterogeneous Firms”

Zhihong Yu, GEP, University of Nottingham (with Richard Kneller)

Discussant: Spiros Bougheas, GEP, University of Nottingham

13.00 - 14.10 Lunch

14.10-16.00 **Session 7 (Chair: Peter Egger):**

“General Trading Costs in Pure Theory of International Trade”

Sugata Marjit, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta and GEP (with B. Mandal)

Discussant: Udo Kreickemeier, GEP, University of Nottingham

“Trade Cost Reduction and Foreign Direct Investment”

Arijit Mukherjee, GEP, University of Nottingham (with Kullapat Suetrong)

Discussant: Paulo Bastos (Inter-American Development Bank and GEP)

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19.00 Conference dinner at China China, Chapel Bar, Nottingham