



## **13th Annual GEP Postgraduate Conference**

hosted by the Nottingham Centre for Research on Globalisation and  
Economic Policy (GEP),  
University of Nottingham  
**1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2014**

**in A02 and A09, Highfield House  
University of Nottingham, University Park**

## **P R O G R A M M E**

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

08.45 – 09.00 Arrival and tea/coffee in The Cloisters, Highfield House

#### **In A02:**

#### **Session 1: Introduction and Keynote Speech**

09.00 – 09.10 **Introduction and Welcome**  
Professor Giovanni Facchini, Professor of International  
Economics, Director of GEP, University of Nottingham

09.10 – 09.50 **Keynote Speech**  
Dr. Holger Breinlich, University of Essex

#### **Session 2:**

09.50 – 10.25 **Climbing Rungs of the Quality Ladder: FDI and  
Domestic Exporters in Romania**  
Presenter: Matej Bajgar (University of Oxford)  
Discussant: Zhihong Yu

10.25 – 11:00 **The Impact of Information Technology on Firm Level  
Productivity in the UK**  
Presenter: Timothy DeStefano (University of Nottingham)  
Discussant: Markus Eberhardt

11.00 – 11.20 *Coffee/Tea break in The Cloisters*



### **Session 3:**

- 11.20 – 11.55 **Capacity Utilization and Employment Protection: Evidence From the European Manufacturing**  
Presenter: Maria Teresa Trentinaglia (University of Milan)  
Discussant: Jonathan Timmis
- 11.55 – 12.30 **Productivity Gains from Outward FDI: Evidence from Slovenia**  
Presenter: Stefaan Decramer (University of Leuven)  
Discussant: Sourafel Girma

*12.30 – 14:00 Lunch The Cloisters + Poster sessions*

#### **Remittances and Inequality in Eastern European Countries**

Presenter: Kinzica Laura Soldano (University of Milan)  
Discussant: Maria Teresa Trentinaglia

#### **Migration Experience, Aspirations and the Brain Drain Theory and Empirical Evidence**

Presenter: Toni Glaser (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)  
Discussant: Michal Burzynski

#### **Trade, Innovation, and Skill Structure of Firms**

Presenter: Mojca Lindič (University of Ljubljana)  
Discussant: Enrico Vanino

#### **The Impact of Diplomatic Visits on China's International Trade**

Presenter: Bing Liu (University of Birmingham)  
Discussant: Huasheng Song

#### **Technological Progress with Segmented Factor Markets and Welfare Implications for the Urban Poor**

Presenter: Soumyatanu Mukherjee (University of Nottingham)  
Discussant: Timothy DeStefano

#### **Financial Constraints and Export Engagement: Evidence from Chinese Pure Exporters**

Presenter: Marco Giansoldati (University of Birmingham)  
Discussant: Esther Ann Bøler

## **MNE to Local Supplier Knowledge Transfer Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa**

Presenter: Lucia Pérez-Villar (Kiel University)

Discussant: Bajgar Matej

## **Exchange Rate Exposure: Firm Level Evidence from China**

Presenter: Opartpunyasarn Rungnapa (University of Nottingham)

Discussant: Joschka Wanner

### **In A02**

#### **Session 4:**

14.00 – 14.35 **Is Chinese Trade Policy Motivated by Environmental Concerns? An Empirical Analysis**

Presenter: Sabrina Eisenbarth (University of Nottingham)

Discussant: Jason Garred

14.35 – 15.10 **Export Taxes, Industrial Policy and the Value Chain in China After WTO**

Presenter: Jason Garred (London School of Economics)

Discussant: Sabrina Eisenbarth

15.10 – 15.30 *Coffee/Tea break in The Cloisters*

#### **Session 5:**

15.30 – 16.05 **Export Performance and Access to Intermediate Inputs: the case of Rules of Origin Liberalisation**

Presenter: Anna Andersson (Lund University)

Discussant: Christian Viegelaahn

16.05 – 16.40 **Trade Protection and Input Switching: Firm-level Evidence from Indian Importers**

Presenter: Christian Viegelaahn (Universite Catholique de Louvain)

Discussant: Anna Andersson

16.40 Break. Opportunity for drink at "The Hemsley" bar

18.30 Transport to Antalya restaurant will leave from The Hemsley

19.00 Conference Dinner at Antalya Restaurant, Nottingham City Centre

**For Conference Speakers and Discussants Only**

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**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

08.45 – 09.00 *Coffee/Tea available in The Cloisters*

**In A09:**

**Session 6:**

09.00 – 09.35 **Spending a Windfall: American Precious Metals and Euro-Asian Trade 1492-1807**

Presenter: Nuno Palma (London School of Economics)

Discussant: Roberto Bonfatti

09.35 – 10.10 **The Welfare Impact of Global Migration in the OECD Countries**

Presenter: Michal Burzynski (Université Catholique de Louvain)

Discussant: Giovanni Facchini

10.10 – 10.25 *Coffee/Tea in the Cloisters*

**Session 7:**

10.25 – 11:00 **The Impact of Innovation on Trade Margins, Evidence from French Firms**

Presenter: Enrico Vanino (University of Birmingham)

Discussant: Richard Kneller

11.00 – 11.35 **Globalization: A Woman's Best Friend? Exporters and the Gender Wage Gap**

Presenter: Esther Ann Bøler (University of Oslo)

Discussant: Maria Garcia De La Vega

11.35 – 12.10 **Carbon Tariffs: An Analysis of the Trade, Welfare and Emission Effects**

Presenter: Joschka Wanner (University of Bayreuth)

Discussant: Alejandro Riano

12:10 – 12:20 **Award of the 'Best Paper' Prize and Concluding Comments**

12.20 – 13.30 *Lunch in the Cloisters*