Workshop on ‘Testing Trade Models with Labour Market Heterogeneity’

held at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm

5th and 6th December, 2008

co-organised by the Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm;
GEP, University of Nottingham;
and CIBER (Center for International Business Education and Research),
Michigan State University

Friday 5th December

10.00 Coffee

10.15 Welcome

Steven Matusz – Michigan State University

Chair: Peter Wright

10.30–11.30 Session I: Testing Trade Models

1. Carl Davidson – Michigan State University
   "Labor Market Adjustment to Globalization with Heterogeneous Agents"

2. Susan Zhu – Michigan State University
   "Labor Market Adjustment to Globalization with Heterogeneous Agents – Data and Empirical Specifications"

11.30–12.30 Session II: Empirical Studies 1

1. Fredrik Sjöholm – Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN)
   "Multinational Firms and Job Tasks"
2. **Alexander Hijzen** – OECD
   "Do Multinational Firms Provide Better Working Conditions than Their Domestic Counterparts? A Comparative Analysis"

12.30–13.30 **Lunch**

**Chair: Fredrik Sjöholm**

13.30–14.30 **Session III: Theoretical Developments 1**

1. **Devashish Mitra** – Syracuse University, and **Priya Ranjan** – University of California, Irvine
   "Offshoring, Firm Heterogeneity and the Labor Market: Some Testable Implications"

2. **Udo Kreickemeier** – Nottingham University
   "Fairness, Trade, and Inequality"

14.30–15.00 **Coffee**

15.00–16.00 **Session IV: Theoretical Developments 2**

1. **Nicholas Sly** – Michigan State University
   "International Trade, Wages and Unemployment with Endogenous Firm Scope"

2. **Stephen Redding** – Yale University
   "Inequality and Unemployment in a Global Economy"

16.00–17.00 **Session V: Matched Worker-Firm Data 1**

**Chair: Carl Davidson**

1. **Pedro Martins** – Queen Mary
   "Brazilian and Portuguese Data"

2. **Peter Wright** – University of Nottingham
   "UK Data"

3. **Thorsten Schank** – University of Nurnberg
   "German Data"
Saturday 6th December-

**Chair: Carl Davidson**

09.00–10.00  **Session VI: Empirical Studies 2**

1. **Fredrik Heyman** – Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN)
   "FDI and Wages"

2. **Richard Upward** – University of Nottingham
   "Estimating Worker and Firm Heterogeneity using Linked Employer-Employee Data"

10.00  **Coffee**

**Chair: Steven Matusz**

10.20–11.20  **Session VII: Theoretical Developments 3**

1. **Pehr-Johan Norbäck** and **Lars Persson** – Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN)
   "Privatization, Investment and Ownership Efficiency"

2. **Gabriel Felbermayr** – University of Hohenheim
   "Unemployment in an Interdependent World"

11.20–12.20  **Session VIII: Matched Worker-Firm Data 2**

1. **Anders Åkerman** – Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN)
   "Swedish Data"

2. **Katariina Nilsson Hakkala** – Helsinki School of Economics
   "Finnish Data"

3. **Fabrice Defever** – University of Nottingham
   "French Data"

12.20–12.30  **Summarizing of the Conference**