Conference on ‘Globalisation and Firm Level Adjustment’

24th to 25th June, 2005
at
The Library, Lenton and Wortley Hall,
University Park, University of Nottingham

Programme

Friday, 24th June

9.50. – 10.00 Welcome and Conference Opening

10.00 – 11.30 Session 1:

Globalisation and Firm Level Adjustment with Imperfect Labour Markets
Carl Davidson (Michigan State University)

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

Does Exporting Increase Productivity? Firm Level Evidence from Slovenia
Joze Damijan (Ljublana University)

Discussant: Alessandra Guariglia (GEP, University of Nottingham)

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee in the Dining Room
12.00 – 13.30  **Session 2:**

*Does Foreign Ownership Increase Wage Dispersion?*
**Patrik Gustavsson** (Stockholm School of Economics)

*Discussant:* Oliver Morrissey (University of Nottingham)

*Industrial Linkages and Export Spillovers from FDI*
**Richard Kneller** and **Mauro Pisu** (GEP, University of Nottingham)

*Discussant:* Patrik Karpaty (Örebro University)

1.30 – 2.30  Lunch in the Dining Room

2.30 – 4.00  **Session 3:**

*Trading Partners and Trading Volumes*
**Marc Melitz** (Harvard University)

*Discussant:* Zhihong Yu (GEP, University of Nottingham)

*The Impact of Trade on Plant Scale, Production-Run Length and Diversification*
(with John Baldwin)
**Wulong Gu** (Statistics, Canada)

*Discussant:* Geoff Reed (GEP, University of Nottingham)

4.00 – 4.15  Coffee in the Dining Room

4.15 -5.00  **Session 4:**

*IT, Organisational Change and Productivity Growth: Evidence from UK Companies*
(with Gustavo Crespi and Chiara Criscuolo)
**Jonathan Haskel** (Queen Mary, University of London)

*Discussant:* Alex Hijzen (GEP, University of Nottingham)

7.30pm  Dinner at Council Dining Room, University Park
Saturday, 25th June

9.00 – 9.30  Coffee in the Library

9.30 – 11.00  **Session 5:**

- *Multinationals and the Creation of Chinese Trade Linkages*
  Deborah Swenson (University of California, Davis)

  *Discussant:* Chris Milner (GEP, University of Nottingham)

- *Comparative Advantage and Heterogeneous Firms*
  Steve Redding (London School of Economics)

  *Discussant:* Spiros Bougheas (GEP, University of Nottingham)

11.00 – 11.30  Coffee in the Dining Room

11.30 – 1.00  **Session 6:**

- *Intra- and Inter-Firm Technology Transfer in an International Oligopoly*
  Ben Ferrett (GEP, University of Nottingham)

  *Discussant:* Daniel Seidmann (University of Nottingham)

- *Multinationals Have Higher Domestic Investments Than National Firms*
  Peter Egger (University of Innsbruck)

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

1.00 – 2.00  Lunch in the Dining Room

2.00 – 3.30  **Session 7:**

- *Multi-Product Firms and Flexible Manufacturing in the Global Economy*
  Peter Neary (University College Dublin)

  *Discussant:* Arijit Mukherjee (GEP, University of Nottingham)
Market Structure in Services and Market Access in Goods
Ian Wooton (University of Strathclyde)

Discussant: Rod Falvey (GEP, University of Nottingham)

3.30 – 3.45 Coffee in the Dining Room

3.45 – 5.15 Session 8:

International Outsourcing, Foreign Ownership, Exporting and Productivity: An Empirical Investigation With Plant Level Data
Holger Görg (GEP, University of Nottingham)

Discussant: Saso Polanec (University of Ljublana)

Firm Heterogeneity and the Structure of US Multinational Activity: An Empirical Analysis
Stephen Yeaple (University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: Richard Kneller (GEP, University of Nottingham)

6.45 p.m. Pick up for Dinner at Opium Restaurant, Nottingham