Eighth Annual GEP Postgraduate Conference
hosted by the Leverhulme Centre for Research on Globalisation and Economic Policy (GEP), University of Nottingham
26th and 27th March, 2009
to be held in Lecture Theatre A41 and A42, Sir Clive Granger Building, University of Nottingham, University Park

PROGRAMME

Thursday 26th March

08.45 – 09.00  Arrival and coffee in A42, Sir Clive Granger Building

Session 1:  Introduction and Keynote Speaker

09.00 – 09.10  Introduction and Welcome
Professor Daniel Bernhofen,
Leverhulme Professor of International Economics, GEP, University of Nottingham

09.10 – 09.50  Keynote speaker:
Dr Udo Kreickemeier, GEP, University of Nottingham
on ‘Redistributing Gains from Globalisation’

Session 2:  International Outsourcing

09.50 – 10.25 Information, Incentives and Multinational Firms
Presenter: Cheng Chen, Hitotsubashi University
Discussant: Fabrice Defever, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.25 – 11:00  Growth and Offshoring
Presenter: Andreas Hoefele, University of Strathclyde
Discussant: Cheng Chen, Hitotsubashi University
11.00 – 11.20  Coffee in Room A42

Session 3:  Foreign Direct Investment, Trade and Public Policies

Presenter: Estela Sáenz Rodriguez, University of Zaragoza
Discussant: Xufei Zhang, GEP, University of Nottingham

Presenter: Thomas Allen, University of Leicester
Discussant: Jennifer Abel-Koch, University of Mannheim

Presenter: Valeria Merlo, LMU Munich
Discussant: Liza Jabbour, GEP, University of Nottingham

13.05 – 14.15  Lunch in A42

Session 4:  Globalisation and Labour Markets

Presenter: Daniel Horgos, Helmut Schmidt University
Discussant: Arijit Mukherjee, GEP, University of Nottingham

Presenter: Priscila Ferreira, University of Essex
Discussant: Peter Wright, GEP, University of Nottingham

Session 5:  International Trade (I) (Room A41)

15.00 – 15.35  Networks and Trade: Evidence from the Jewish Diaspora
Presenter: Lisandra Flach, University of Mannheim
Discussant: Richard Upward, GEP, University of Nottingham

Presenter: Rodrigo Paillacar, University of Paris I
Discussant: Chris Milner, GEP, University of Nottingham
16.10 – 16.30 Coffee in Room A42

Session 6: Globalization and Firm Performance

16.30 – 17.05 Do Financial Factors Affect Firms’ Employment? Evidence from Chinese Manufacturing Firms 
Presenter: Minjia Chen, GEP, University of Nottingham
Discussant: Serafeim Tsoukas, University of Nottingham

17.05 – 17.40 Productivity Performance and Plant Exit: Evidence from Japan 
Presenter: Danny McGowan, GEP, University of Nottingham
Discussant: Agelos Delis, GEP, University of Nottingham

17.40 Award of the ‘Best Paper’ Prize

19.15 Mini-buses pick-up from University Staff Club to take speakers to dinner in Nottingham

19.30 Dinner: Antalya Turkish Restaurant, 33 Forman Street, Nottingham

Friday, 27th March

08.45 – 09.00 Coffee available in A42

Session 7: International Trade Theory and Methods (Room A41)

09.00 – 09.35 Intransparent Prices: A Model of Intra-Industry Trade Due to Incomplete Information 
Presenter: Christian Gormsen, Aarhus University
Discussant: Daniel Bernhofen, GEP, University of Nottingham

09.35 – 10.10 Uncertainty and Coordination Cost in Vertically Linked Industries: A Model of New Economic Geography 
Presenter: Sandrine Noblet, University of Corsica
Discussant: Toshihiro Atsumi, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.10 – 10.45 Trade Liberalization and Self-Control Problems 
Presenter: Jennifer Abel-Koch, University of Mannheim
Discussant: Spiros Bougheas, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.45 – 11.05 Coffee in Room A42
Session 8: Migration (Room A41)

11.05 – 11.40  Determinants of East-West Migration in Germany: A Macroeconometric Analysis  
Presenter: Sascha Wolff, University of Göttingen  
Discussant: Ralf Wilke, University of Nottingham

11.40 – 12.15  Determinants of Return and Circular Migration  
Presenter: Florin Vadean, University of Kent  
Discussant: Tom Ivels, GEP, University of Nottingham

12.15 – 12.50  Why don’t Labor and Capital Flow between Young and Old Countries  
Presenter: Philipp an de Meulen, Aachen University  
Discussant: Marta Aloi, GEP, University of Nottingham

12.50 – 14.00 Lunch

Session 9: International Trade(II) (Room A41)

14.00 – 14.35  The Effects of Liberalisation on Airline Passenger Traffic: An Event Study of the Enlargement of the Single European Aviation Market  
Presenter: Priit Vahter, GEP, University of Nottingham  
Discussant: Danny McGowan, GEP, University of Nottingham

14.35 – 15.10  Rethinking the Effect of Cutting Red Tape in Egypt: A Dynamic CGE Model  
Presenter: Chahir Zaki, University of Paris I  
Discussant: Christine Valente, University of Nottingham

15.10 – 15.45  Regional Heterogeneity and China’s International Trade: Sufficient Lumpiness  
Presenter: Meng Lu, GEP, University of Nottingham  
Discussant: Fangya Xu, GEP, University of Nottingham

15.45 – 16.05 Coffee in Room A42

Session 10: International Trade (III) (Room A41)

16.05 – 16.40  The Pollution Content in China’s Trade  
Presenter: Fangya Xu, GEP, University of Nottingham  
Discussant: Bouwe Dijkstra, GEP, University of Nottingham

16.40 – 17.10  Threshold and Interaction Effects in the Trade-Poverty Relationship  
Presenter: Vincent Leyaro, University of Nottingham  
Discussant: Meng Lu, GEP, University of Nottingham

17.10– 17.20 Concluding Comments