

**International Conference on
Asian Regionalism: Responding to Globalisation and China**

**Leverhulme Centre for Research on Globalisation and Economic
Policy (GEP), University of Nottingham**

16th and 17th January, 2008

at the Kuala Lumpur Teaching Centre, the University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus,
2nd Floor, Chulan Tower, Jalan Chulan, Kuala Lumpur

Wednesday, 16th January, 2008

09.00 – 09.30 Opening addresses

Session 1 (Chair: David Greenaway)

09.30 – 10.50 *Proliferating RTAs in East Asia: why and whither*
Innwon Park, Korea University
Discussant: Richard Pomfret

*Endogenous Regionalism and its Consequences on Interdependent
Economies*

Peter Egger, University of Munich
Discussant: Zhihong Yu

10.50 – 11.10 Coffee

Session 2 (Chair: Cassey Lee)

11.10 – 12.30 *What Kind of Currency and Financial Cooperation will emerge in
Asian Economic Integration?*
Wing Thye Woo, University of California at Davis
Discussant: Eduard Bomhoff

*Ownership and Technical Efficiency in Malaysia's Automobile
Industry: A Stochastic Frontier Analysis*

Noor Aini Khalifah, Universiti Kebangsaan, Malaysia
Discussant: Hui-Boon Tan

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

Session 3 (Chair: Zhihong Yu)

13.30 – 14.50 *Economic Growth and Environmental Sustainability: Some Key Challenges for Asian Governments*

Euston Quah, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Discussant: Subramanian Pillay

Foreign Direct Investment, Pollution and Economic Growth: Evidence from Malaysia

Lee Chew Ging, Nottingham University Business School, Malaysia

Discussant: Wai-Mun Chia

14.50 – 15.10 Coffee

Session 4 (Chair: Chris Milner)

15.10 – 17.10 *China and Asian regionalism*

Richard Pomfret, University of Adelaide

Discussant: A.K.M. Azhar

Economic Convergence of Greater China

Shujie Yao, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Yothin Jinjarak

The issue of balance or imbalance of China's economy versus the world

Eden Yu, City University Hong Kong

Discussant: Lina Song

17.10 – 18.30 Break

Session 5 (Chair: Brian Atkin)

18.30 – 19.30 ***Boustead Annual Globalisation Lecture:***
The WTO and Developing Countries' Policy Space
Chris Milner, GEP, University of Nottingham

19.30 – 20.30 Reception, sponsored by Boustead

Thursday, 17th January, 2008

Session 6 (Chair: Subramaniam Pillay)

08.30 – 10.30 *Structural breaks in the opening up of Japan: evidence from 19th century micro level price data* (with Laura Bernhofen and John Brown)

Daniel Bernhofen, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Toshiyuki Matsuura

Import Competition and Employment Growth: Evidence from Japanese Establishment Data (with Toshiyuki Matsuura and Kazuma Edamura)

Tomohiko Inui, Nihon University

Discussant: Cassey Lee

Globalisation and the Euro Area

Bob Anderton, European Central Bank

Discussant: David Greenaway

10.30 – 10.50 Coffee

Session 7 (Chair: Shujie Yao)

10.50 – 12.50 *Does China Displace Exports of Other Asian Economies?*

Chris Milner, GEP University of Nottingham

Discussant: Bob Anderton

The Quality of Chinese Exports

Zhihong Yu, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Richard Baldwin

Gravitating with Free Trade Agreements in Singapore

Shandre Thangavelu, National University of Singapore

Discussant: Chris Milner

12.50 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.00 Transfer to the University of Nottingham campus at Semenyih

15.00 – 15.45 Tour of campus

15.45 – 16.00 Refreshments

Session 8 (Chair: David Greenaway)

- 16.00 – 17.00 ***The World Economy Asia Lecture*** sponsored by Blackwell
Publishing:
 Agricultural Policies and Economic Development
 Kym Anderson, University of Adelaide and World Bank
- 17.30 Return to Kuala Lumpur
- 19.30 Conference dinner at JW Marriott Hotel, Jalan Bukit Bintang,
Kuala Lumpur, sponsored by YTL