

**International Conference on
Globalisation, Growth and Development in Asia**

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

14th and 15th January, 2009

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

Wednesday, 14th January, 2009

08.30 – 09.00 Coffee/tea available

09.00 – 09.15 Opening addresses

Session 1 (Chair: Daniel Bernhofen)

09.15 – 10.45 *Consolidation and Harmonization of Regional Trade Agreements*
Innwon Park, Korea University
Discussant: David Greenaway, GEP, University of Nottingham

The political economy of trade reform in Indonesia
Muhammed Chatib Basri, University of Indonesia
Discussant: Chris Milner, GEP, University of Nottingham

10.45 – 11.00 Coffee/tea

Session 2 (Chair: Cassey Lee)

11.00 – 12.30 *Regional Heterogeneity and China's International Trade: Sufficient
Lumpiness or Not?* (with Meng Lu and Zhihong Yu)
Chris Milner, GEP, University of Nottingham
Discussant: Rod Tyers, Australian National University

*English Language and Economic Growth: Cross-Country
Empirical Evidence*
Chew Ging Lee, University of Nottingham, Malaysia
Discussant: Innwon Park, Korea University

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch

Session 3 (*Chair: Chris Milner*)

13.45 - 15.15 *Stock Market Effects of Emerging Markets Financial Liberalisation*
Wei Huang, University of Nottingham, Ningbo, China
Discussant: Subramaniam Pillay, University of Nottingham, Malaysia

Trade Liberalization and the Economy: Stock Market Evidence from Singapore (with Shandre M. Thangavelu, National University of Singapore)

Rasyad Parinduri, University of Nottingham, Malaysia
Discussant: Daniel Bernhofen, GEP, University of Nottingham

15.15 – 15.30 Coffee/tea

Session 4 (*Chair: Subramaniam Pillay*)

15.30 – 17.00 *Adoption of In-Work Benefit Programs: An Exploration on International Experiences* (with Yothin Jinjarak)
Kampon Adireksombat, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Discussant: Evelyn Shymala Devadason, University of Malaya

Economic Liberalization in India: Productivity and Learning-by-Export

Sanja Pattnayak and Shandre Thangavelu,
National University of Singapore
Discussant: Cheng Ming Yu, Multimedia University

17.00 – 18.30 Break

18.30 – 19.30 ***The World Economy Asia Lecture***
sponsored by Wiley-Blackwell Publishers:
Will Asia Save the World?
Danny Quah, London School of Economics

(*Chair: David Greenaway*)

19.30 - 20.30 Buffet Reception at Fidel's, Mezzanine Floor, Prince Hotel,
Jalan Conlay, Kuala Lumpur

Thursday, 15th January, 2009

Session 5 (Chair: Chew Ging Lee)

08.30 – 09.00 Coffee/tea available

09.00 – 10.30 *Testing the Price Version of the Heckscher-Ohlin Theorem: the Natural Experiment of Japan*

Daniel Bernhofen, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Ayako Obashi, Keio University

Slicing the Value Chain Internationally: Empirical Evidence on Offshoring by Manufacturing Firms in France

Liza Jabbour, GEP, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Jayant Menon, Asian Development Bank

10.30 – 10.45 Coffee/tea

Session 6 (Chair: Liza Jabbour)

10.45 – 12.15 *Competition Policy Corporate Saving and the Current Account*

Rod Tyers, Australian National University

Discussant: Cassey Lee, University of Nottingham, Malaysia

'Round Tripping' or 'Capital Augmenting' OFDI: Chinese Outward Investment and the Caribbean Tax Havens

Dylan Sutherland, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Loke Wai Heng, University of Malaya

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch

Session 7 (Chair: Shandre Thangavelu)

13.15 – 14.45 *Stability of Production Networks in East Asia: Duration and Survival of Trade*

Ayako Obashi, Keio University

Discussant: Jarita Duasa, International Islamic University

The Speed Intensity of Hong Kong's Manufactured Cotton Exports Relative to Japan During the Post-War Take-Off Period

Kelly Olds, National Taiwan University

Discussant: Cassey Lee, University of Nottingham, Malaysia

14.45 – 15.00 Coffee/tea

Session 8 (*Chair: Rod Tyers*)

15.00 – 16.30 *What to do about Asia's Spaghetti Bowl?*

Jay Menon, Asian Development Bank

Discussant: Shandre Thangavelu, National University of Singapore

On Volume Based Measures of RCA: An Empirical Test for ASEAN

AKM Azhar, Universiti Putra Malaysia

Discussant: Liza Jabbour, GEP, University of Nottingham

19.00 Conference dinner at Bon Ton restaurant, Jalan Conlay, Kuala Lumpur