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University of Nottingham
26th and 27th April, 2012

**in Lecture Theatres A45 and A48, Sir Clive Granger Building,
University of Nottingham, University Park**

P R O G R A M M E

Thursday 26th April

08.45 – 09.00 Arrival and coffee in room A45, Sir Clive Granger Building

In A48:

Session 1: Introduction and Keynote Speaker

09.00 – 09.10 Introduction and Welcome

09.10 – 09.50 **Keynote speaker: Professor Sourafel Girma**, Professor of Industrial
Economics, GEP, University of Nottingham

Session 2:

09.50 – 10.25 **Gravity with Unemployment**
Presenter: Benedikt Heid (University of Bayreuth and ifo Institute)
Discussant: Zouheir El-Sahli

10.25 – 11:00 **A Unified Analysis of International Migration and Cross-Country
Inequality**
Presenter: Joël Machado C (Université Catholique de Louvain)
Discussant: Daniel Bernhofen

11.00 – 11.20 *Coffee break in A45*

Session 3:

11.20 – 11.55 **Newtoning Financial Development with Heterogeneous Firms**
Presenter: Rafael Cezar (Université Paris Dauphine)
Discussant: Spiros Bougheas

11.55 – 12.30 **The Impact of Preferences on Multilateral Tariff Cuts – Evidence for Canada**
Presenter: Tobias Ketterer (GEP, University of Nottingham)
Discussant: Sohaib Shahid

12.30 – 13.05 **Price Convergence after the Eastern EU Enlargement? Evidence from European Retail Food Prices**
Presenter: Andreas Lindenblatt (University of Heidelberg)
Discussant: Fabrice Defever

13.05 – 14:00 *Lunch in A45*

Session 4:

14.00 – 14.35 **Does the Nature of Regional Trade Agreements Matter in Promoting Trade?**
Presenter: Sohaib Shahid (Graduate Institute, Geneva)
Discussant: Tobias Ketterer

14.35 – 15.10 **An Oligopolistic Theory of Regional Trade Agreements**
Presenter: Christian Soegaard (GEP, University of Nottingham)
Discussant: Florian Molders

15.10 – 15.45 **Trade Persistence and the Limits of Trade Agreements**
Presenter: Florian Molders (German Institute for Economic Research)
Discussant: Christian Soegaard

15.45 – 16.00 *Coffee break in A45*

Session 5:

16.00 – 16.35 **Quota Restrictions and Intra-Firm Reallocations**
Presenter: Zheng Wang (GEP, University of Nottingham)
Discussant: Felipe Starosta de Waldemar

16.35 – 17.10 **Product Relatedness and Firm Exports in China**
Presenter: Felipe Starosta de Waldemar (Université Paris 1)
Discussant: Zhihong Yu

17.10 – 17.45 **Trade Liberalization, Firm Productivity and the Role of Trade Intermediaries: Evidence from China**
Presenter: Michele Imbruno (GEP, University of Nottingham)
Discussant: Zheng Wang

17.45 **Award of the ‘Best Paper’ Prize**

17.45 Break. Opportunity for drink in University Staff Club bar

19.10 Transport to the restaurant will leave from the University Staff Club:

19.30 Conference Dinner at Antalya Turkish restaurant, Nottingham City Centre
For Conference speakers and discussants only

Friday, 27th April

08.45 – 09.00 Coffee available in A45

In A48:

Session 6:

09.00 – 09.35 **Boon or bane: The impact of Intellectual Property Rights on Innovation**
Presenter: Sebastian Benz (ifo Institute)
Discussant: Andreas Hoefele

09.35 – 10.10 **Trade Agreements and Bilateral Trade in Sub-Saharan Africa:
Estimating the ex post Bilateral Trade Effect of the EU-ACP
Preferential and Regional Trade Agreements in SSA?**
Presenter: Festus Turkson (University of Nottingham)
Discussant: Alejandro Riaño

10.10 – 10.45 **Does Industry Concentration Matter for Pollution Haven Effects?**
Presenter: Svetlana Batrakova (University College Dublin)
Discussant: Richard Kneller

10.45 – 11.00 *Coffee in A45*

Session 7:

11.00 – 11.35 **Wage Bargaining Systems and International Trade**
Presenter: Daniel Etzel (University of Bayreuth)
Discussant: Inger Sommerfelt Ervik

11.35 – 12.10 **Union Wage Equalization and Welfare**
Presenter: Inger Sommerfelt Ervik (University of Bergen)
Discussant: Marta Aloi

12.10 – 12.45 **The Impact of Globalization on the Firm-internal Matching Process**
Presenter: Michael Koch (University of Bayreuth)
Discussant: Sebastian Benz

12.45 – 13.45 *Lunch in A45*

Session 8:

- 13.45 – 14.20 **Environmental Standards and Trade: Evidence from Indian Textile and Leather Industry**
Presenter: Pavel Chakraborty (Graduate Institute, Geneva)
Discussant: Sourafel Girma
- 14.20 - 14.55 **Productivity Heterogeneity and Firm Level Exports: Case of Indian Manufacturing Industry**
Presenter: Ronny Thomas (Indian Institute of Technology Bombay)
Discussant: Benedikt Heid
- 14.55 - 15.30 **FDI, Heterogeneity of Firms and Exports: An Examination of Evidence in India**
Presenter: Maitri Ghosh (Jadavpur University, Kolkata, West Bengal)
Discussant: Joel Stiebale
- 15:30 Concluding Comments