Trade Costs and International Trade Integration - Past, Present and Future

Conference Programme

Venue: Palazzo Pesaro-Papafava, Venice, Italy
Organisers: Dennis Novy, David Jacks, Christopher Meissner

Friday, June 25, 2010

9.00am Coffee
9.25am Welcoming remarks

Session 1: Trade Costs in Emerging Economies
Chair: Dennis Novy

9.30am Caroline Freund (World Bank)
What Constrains Africa’s Exports? (with Nadia Rocha)

10.30am Keith Head (University of British Columbia)
The Erosion of Colonial Trade Linkages after Independence
(with Thierry Mayer and John Ries)

11.30am Coffee

11.50am John Brown (Clark University)
A Ricardian Factor Content Characterization of the Welfare Effects from Trade: Evidence from Japan’s Opening Up
(with Daniel Bernhofen and Tanimoto Masayuki)

1.00pm Lunch: Trattoria Storica (Cannaregio 4858)

Session 2: New Empirical Methods
Chair: Christopher Meissner

2.30pm Michael Waugh (NYU Stern School of Business)
The Elasticity of Trade: Estimates and Evidence
(with Ina Simonovska)

3.30pm Volodymyr Lugovskyy (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Transportation Cost and Endogenous Quality Choice
(with Alexandre Skiba)

4.30pm Coffee
4.50pm Ivan Cherkashin (Pennsylvania State University)
Firm Heterogeneity and Costly Trade: A New Estimation Strategy and Policy Experiments
(with Svetlana Demidova, Hiao Looi Kee, Kala Krishna)

5.50pm Adjourn
7.00pm Dinner: Alla Madonna (Calle della Madonna San Polo 594)

Saturday, June 26, 2010

9.00am Coffee

Session 3: The Dynamics of International Trade and Trade Costs
Chair: David Jacks

9.30am Menzie Chinn (University of Wisconsin)
Supply Capacity, Vertical Specialization and Trade Costs: The Implications for Aggregate U.S. Trade Flow Equations

10.30am Beata Javorcik (University of Oxford)
Roll out the Red Carpet and They Will Come: Investment Promotion, Information Asymmetries and FDI Inflows
(with Torfinn Harding)

11.30am Coffee

11.50am Paul Bergin (University of California, Davis)
The Dynamic Effects of Currency Union on Trade
(with Ching-Yi Lin)

1.00pm Lunch: Trattoria Storica (Cannaregio 4858)

Session 4: Trade Policy
Chair: Dennis Novy

2.30pm James Anderson (Boston College)
Specialization: Pro- and Anti-Globalizing, 1990-2002
(with Yoto Yotov)

3.30pm Marcelo Olarreaga (University of Geneva)
Weak Governments and Trade Agreements
(with Jean-Louis Arcand and Laura Zoratto)

4.30pm Coffee

4.50pm Jeffrey Bergstrand (University of Notre Dame)
The Growth of Bilateralism
(with Scott Baier and Ronald Mariutto)

5.50pm Adjourn
8.00pm Dinner: Vecia Cavana (Cannaregio 4627)
List of participants:

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