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| **7th Annual** **Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference****May 20-22, 2016**Hosted by:**University of Calgary,** **Venue:** [**Banff Centre**](http://www.banffcentre.ca/)**, Banff Canada**http://www.freit.org/RMET*Organizing committee:**Eugene Beaulieu and Trevor Tombe: University of Calgary**Jen Baggs: University of Victoria**Bernardo Blum: University of Toronto**Matilde Bombardini, Keith Head, John Ries and Hiro Kasahara: University of British Columbia**Runjuan Liu: University of Alberta**Jason Garred: University of Ottawa* *Jon Haveman: Haveman Economic Consulting* | ***uofc_a_logo BUSI-rev_-horiz-logo187C_07*** |

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| **Thursday May 19, 2016:** 7–10 pm: Informal reception Maclab Bistro**Friday May 20, 2016**: 8:00-8:30 Registration: Morning sessions start at 8:30 am sharp |
| **Friday, May 20, Morning: Session 1** Chair: Eugene Beaulieu, University of Calgary |
| 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. | [Estimating Border Effects: The Impact of Geographic Aggregation](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/staff/dnovy/coughlin_novy.pdf)* **Dennis Novy**, University of Warwick
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|  | *Discussant:* **Trevor Tombe**, University of Calgary |  |
| 9:30 –10:30 a.m. | [Exporter Heterogeneity and Price Discrimination: A Quantitative View](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Ariel_Weinberger00.pdf)* **Ariel Weinberger**, University of Oklahoma

*Discussant:* **Hylke Vandenbussche**, University of Leuven |  |
| 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. | Break – Snacks and beverages provided |  |
| 10:45 – 11:45 p.m. | [Export markets and household business performance: Evidence from Vietnam](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Brian_McCaig98.pdf) |  |
|  | * **Brian McCaig**, Wilfrid Laurier University

*Discussant:* **Joel Rodrigue**, Vanderbilt University |  |
| 11:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. | **Lunch: Provided** |  |

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| **Friday afternoon: Session 2** |
| Chair: Jevan Cherniwchan, University of Alberta |
| 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. | [Multiproduct Firms across Rich and Poor Countries. Theory and Evidence](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapersG/Luca_Macedoni37.pdf)* **Luca Macedoni**, University of California, Davis
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|  | *Discussant:* **Georg Schaur**, University of Tennessee |  |
| 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. | **Break** – Beverages provided |  |
| 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. | [Market Potential and Global Growth over the Long Twentieth Century](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/David_Jacks02.pdf)* **David Jacks**,Simon Fraser University
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|  | *Discussant:* **Olena Ivus,** Queen’sUniveristy |  |
| 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. | [The Dynamics of Multinational Activity: Evidence from U.S. Firms](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Stefania_Garetto96.pdf)* **Stefania Garetto**, Boston University
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|  | *Discussant:* **Bee-Yan Roberts**, Penn State University  Adjourn for the day |  |
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| **Saturday, May 21, Morning: Session 3** |
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|  Chair: John Ries, University of British Columbia |
| 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. | [Patent Protection and the Industrial Composition of Multinational Activity: Evidence from U.S. Multinational Firms](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Olena_Ivus08.pdf)**Olena Ivus**, Queen’s University |  |
|  | *Discussant:* **Stefania Garetto**, Boston University |  |
| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. | [Endogenous Border Times](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Georg_Schaur23.pdf)* **Georg Schaur**, University of Tennessee
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|  | *Discussant:* **Dennis Novy**, University of Warwick |  |
| 10:30 – 10:45 p.m. | **Break** – Snacks and beverages provided |  |
| 10:45 – 11:45 p.m. | [Performance Pay, Trade and Inequality](http://www.freit.org/WorkingPapers/Papers/FirmLevelGeneral/FREIT1021.pdf)* **German Pupato**, Ryerson University
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|  | *Discussant:* **Giuseppe Berlingieri**, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics |  |
| 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. | **Keynote Lunch Talk**: **Lunch Provided****Chad P. Bown** “The Empirical Landscape of (21 Century) Trade Policy”Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics in Washington, DC and a Research Fellow at CEPR in London |  |

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| **Saturday afternoon: Session 4**  |
| Chair: Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary |
| 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. | [Managing Export Complexity: the Role of Service Outsourcing](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Giuseppe_Berlingieri71.pdf)* **Giuseppe Berlingieri**, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics
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|  | *Discussant:* **Deborah Swenson**, University of California, Davis |  |
| 2:30 – 2:45 p.m. | **Break** – Snacks and beverages provided |  |
| 2:45 – 3:45 p.m. | [Trade Protection and Input switching](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Hylke_Vandenbussche13.pdf)* **Hylke Vandenbussche**, University of Leuven
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|  | *Discussant:* **Ariel Weinberger,** University of Oklahoma |  |
| 3:45– 4:45 p.m. | [Immigration to the U.S.: A problem for the Republicans or the Democrats?](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/MaydaPeriSteingressMay2016.pdf)* **Anna Maria Mayda**, Georgetown
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|  | *Discussant:* **Andrey Stoyanov**, York University |  |
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| **Sunday, May 22, 2016** |
| **Session 5**  |
| Chair: Jen Baggs, University of Victoria |
| 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. | [Price and Quality Dynamics in Export Markets](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Joel_Rodrigue84.pdf)* **Joel Rodrigue,** Vanderbilt University

*Discussant:* **German Pupato**, Ryerson University |  |
| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. | [Population aging and comparative advantage](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapersG/Andrey_Stoyanov03.pdf)* **Andrey Stoyanov**, York University
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|  | *Discussant:* **Brian McCaig**, Wilfrid Laurier University |  |
| 10:30 – 10:45 p.m. | **Break:** Snacks and beverages provided |  |
| 10:45 – 11:45 p.m. | [Trade Policy Uncertainty and Exports: Evidence from China's WTO Accession](http://www.freit.org/RMET/2016/SubmittedPapers/Deborah_Swenson86.pdf)* **Deborah Swenson**, University of California, Davis

*Discussant:* **Jason Garred**, University of Ottawa |  |
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|  | ***Adjourn Conference*** |  |