

7th Annual Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference

May 20-22, 2016

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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](#)

➤ **Dennis Novy**, University of Warwick

Discussant: Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

[Exporter Heterogeneity and Price Discrimination: A Quantitative View](#)

➤ **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](#)

➤ **Brian McCaig**, Wilfrid Laurier University

Discussant: Joel Rodrigue, Vanderbilt University

11:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Lunch: Provided

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](#)

➤ **Luca Macedoni**, University of California, Davis

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](#)

➤ **David Jacks**, Simon Fraser University

Discussant: **Olena Ivus**, Queen's University

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

[The Dynamics of Multinational Activity: Evidence from U.S. Firms](#)

➤ **Stefania Garetto**, Boston University

Discussant: **Bee-Yan Roberts**, Penn State University

Adjourn for the day

Saturday, May 21, Morning: Session 3

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](#)

Olena Ivus, Queen's University

Discussant: **Stefania Garetto**, Boston University

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

[Endogenous Border Times](#)

➤ **Georg Schaur**, University of Tennessee

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](#)

➤ **German Pupato**, Ryerson University

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

Saturday afternoon: Session 4

Chair: Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

[Managing Export Complexity: the Role of Service Outsourcing](#)

- **Giuseppe Berlingieri**, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics

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](#)

- **Hylke Vandenbussche**, University of Leuven

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?](#)

- **Anna Maria Mayda**, Georgetown

Discussant: Andrey Stoyanov, York University

Adjourn for the day

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](#)

- **Joel Rodrigue**, Vanderbilt University

Discussant: German Pupato, Ryerson University

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

[Population aging and comparative advantage](#)

- **Andrey Stoyanov**, York University

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](#)

- **Deborah Swenson**, University of California, Davis

Discussant: Jason Garred, University of Ottawa

Adjourn Conference