Empirical Investigations in International Trade

20th Annual Conference

October 18-20, 2013
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, VA

Conference Website:
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Friday, October 18, 2013

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast – Monroe Hall, Room 120

Session 1: Trade Policy
Chair: Jon Haveman, FREIT

Monroe Hall, Room 130

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  Trade Liberalization and the Environment: Evidence from NAFTA & U.S. Manufacturing
➢ Jevan Cherniwchan, University of Alberta
  Discussant: Nico Voigtlaender, UCLA

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.  Is There and Efficiency Case for International Labor Standards?
➢ Raymond Robertson, Macalester College
  Discussant: James Harrigan, University of Virginia

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.  Break – Beverages provided

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  Policy Uncertainty, Trade and Welfare: Theory and Evidence for China
➢ Kyle Handley, University of Michigan
  Discussant: Tim Schmidt-Eisenlohr, University of Illinois
12:15 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch – light lunch provided for registered participants
1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Keynote Speech: Elhanan Helpman

Garrett Hall

Session 2: Firms and Trade I

Monroe Hall, Room 122
2:15 – 3:15 p.m. Exporting and Plant-Level Efficiency Gains: It’s in the Measure
Nico Voigtlaender, UCLA
Discussant: Natalya Volchkova, New Economic School

3:15 – 3:30 p.m. Break – Beverages provided

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Productivity As If Space Mattered: An Application to Factor Markets Across China
John Morrow, London School of Economics
Discussant: John McLaren, University of Virginia

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Break – Beverages provided

4:45 – 5:45 p.m. Market Reallocation and Knowledge Spillover: Gains from Multinational Production
Maggie Chen, George Washington University
Discussant: Walker Hanlon, UCLA

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Saturday, October 19, 2013

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast - Monroe Hall, Room 120

Session 3: Firms and Trade II

Monroe Hall, Room 130
9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Trade protection and Input Switching: Firm-level Evidence from Indian Importers
Christian Viegelahn, Catholic University of Louvain
Discussant: Paul Piveteau, Columbia University

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break – Beverages provided
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<td><strong>A New Method for Quality Estimation using Trade Data: An Application to French Firms</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Globalization and Organization of the Firm</strong></td>
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<td>- Susan Chun Zhu, Michigan State University</td>
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<td><em>Discussant: Wenjie Chen, George Washington University</em></td>
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### Session 4: Trade and Labor

Chair: James Harrigan, University of Virginia

**Monroe Hall, Room 130**

**2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** 
**Trade Liberalization and Labor Shares in China**  
- Fariha Kamal  
  *Discussant: Dennis Yang, University of Virginia*

**3:00 – 3:15 p.m.** 
Break – Beverages provided

**3:15 – 4:15 p.m.** 
**The Surprisingly Swift Decline in U.S. Manufacturing Employment**  
- Justin Pierce, Federal Reserve Board  
  *Discussant: Mina Kim*

**4:15 – 4:30 p.m.** 
Break – Beverages provided

**4:30 – 5:30 p.m.** 
**Capital Imports Composition, Complementarities, and the Skill Premium in Developing Countries**  
- Ariell Reshef, University of Virginia  
  *Discussant: Emily Blanchard, Dartmouth College*

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Sunday, October 20, 2013

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast - Monroe Hall, Room 120

**Session 5: Geography and Trade**

Chair: Peter Debeare, University of Virginia

Monroe Hall, Room 130

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  **Industry Connections and the Geographic Location of Economic Activity**

- Walker Hanlon, UCLA

  *Discussant: William Lincoln, Johns Hopkins University*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.  Break – Beverages provided

10:15 – 11:15 a.m.  **Local Transmission of Trade Shocks**

- Ferdinando Monte, Johns Hopkins University

  *Discussant: Katheryn Russ, UC - Davis*

11:15 – 11:30 a.m.  Break – Beverages provided

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  **The Comparative Advantage of Cities**

- Jonathan Dingel, Columbia University

  *Discussant: Daniel Murphy, University of Virginia*

**Conference Adjourn**