

# Sardinia Empirical Trade Conference

# Agenda

**University of Cagliari**  
**Sardinia, Italy**

**September 7-9, 2017**

Host:

**Department of Business and Economics,**  
**University of Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy**

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International Trade*

## Thursday, September 7, 2017

### Session 1

Chair: Andrea Ariu, Ludwig-Maximilian Universität Munich

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

“[Intangible Assets and the Organization of Global Supply Chains](#)”

➤ Stefano Bolatto, University of Bologna

*Discussant: Rahul Mukherjee, The Graduate Institute*

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

“[Stability Through Value Chains?](#)”

➤ Črt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana

*Discussant: Saara Tamminen, VATT*

11:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:45 – 12:45 p.m.

“[Business Groups as Knowledge-based Hierarchies](#)”

➤ Carlo Altomonte, Bocconi University

*Discussant: Alessandro Sforza, London School of Economics*

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Lunch**

## Session 2

Chair: Črt Costevc, University of Ljubljana

- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.      [“Trade in unhealthy foods and obesity: Evidence from Mexico”](#)  
➤ Lorenzo Rotunno, Aix-Marseille School of Economics  
*Discussant: Hale Utar, Bielefeld University*
- 3:00 – 3:15 p.m.      Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m.      “Winners and losers of service offshoring: Firm and worker evidence”  
➤ Saara Tamminen, VATT  
*Discussant: Cedric Duprez, National Bank of Belgium*
- 4:15 – 4:30 p.m.      Break – Beverages provided
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.      “Globalization, Gender, and the Family”  
➤ Hale Utar, Bielefeld University  
*Discussant: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology*
- 5:30 – 5:45 p.m.      Break – Beverages provided
- 5:45 – 6:45 p.m.      **Keynote Lecture:**  
“Opening the Floodgates: Immigration and Structural Change”  
➤ Karen Helene Ulltveit-Moe, Oslo University

**Adjourn**

## Friday, September 8, 2017

## Session 3

Chair: Anna Maria Pinna, University of Cagliari

- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.      [“The imperial roots of global trade”](#)  
➤ Pierre Louis Vezina, Kings College London  
*Discussant: Vania Licio, University of Cagliari*
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m.      Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.      [“Infrastructure investment and economic shocks: Evidence from Germany”](#)  
➤ Marta Santamaria, Universitat Pompeu Fabra  
*Discussant: Tim Schmidt-Eisenlohr, Federal Reserve Board*
- 11:15 – 11:30 a.m.      Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.      [“The long-term effects of the historical Roman road network: Trade costs”](#)  
➤ Vania Licio, University of Cagliari  
*Discussant: Alireza Naghavi, University of Bologna*

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Lunch**

## **Session 4**

Chair: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

“[Shocks and the organization of the firm: who pays the bill?](#)”

- Alessandro Sforza, London School of Economics

*Discussant: Carlo Altomonte, Bocconi University*

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Break – Beverages provided

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

“[International Transfer Pricing and Tax Avoidance](#)”

- Tim Schmidt-Eisenlohr, Federal Reserve Board

*Discussant: Ron Davies, University College Dublin*

4:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Break – Beverages provided

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

“[Liquidity-Driven FDI](#)”

- Rahul Mukherjee, The Graduate Institute

*Discussant: Črt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana*

5:30 – 5:45 p.m.

Break – Beverages provided

5:45 – 6:45 p.m.

**Keynote Lecture:**

“Specialization in Bank Lending: Evidence from Exporting Firms”

- Veronica Rappoport, London School of Economics

**Adjourn**

## **Saturday, September 9, 2017**

## **Session 5**

Chair: Jon Haveman, FREIT

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

“[The heterogeneous impact of Brexit: Early indications from the FTSE](#)”

- Ron Davies, University College Dublin

*Discussant: Lorenzo Rotunno, Aix-Marseille School of Economics*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

“[Local sourcing and production efficiency](#)”

- Cedric Duprez, National Bank of Belgium

*Discussant: Marta Santamaria, Universitat Pompeu Fabra*

11:15 – 11:30 p.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

“[Experimenting with Ash: The Trade-Effects of Airspace Closures in the Aftermath of Eyjafjallajökull](#)”

- Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

*Discussant: Pierre-Louis Vezina, Kings College London*

**Adjourn Conference**