

5th Annual Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference

May 16-18, 2014

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Thursday May 15, 2013: 7–10 pm: Informal reception Maclab Bistro

Friday May 16, 2010: 8:30-8:50 Registration

Friday Morning: Session 1

Chair: Eugene Beaulieu, University of Calgary

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

[Tariffs, Competition, and the Long of Firm Heterogeneity Models](#)

➤ Alan Spearot, UC Santa Cruz

Discussant: Kensuke Teshima, Instituto Tecnológico
Autónomo de México (ITAM)

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

[Tariffs and the Organization of Trade](#)

➤ Peter Morrow, University of Toronto

Discussant: Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:15 – 12:15 p.m.

[Trade Liberalization, Internal Migration and Regional Income
Differences](#)

➤ Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary

Discussant: All participants

12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch: Provided

Friday afternoon: Session 2

Chair: Hiro Kasahara, University of British Columbia

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

[Domestic Road Infrastructure and International Trade: Evidence from Turkey](#)

- Kerem Cosar, University of Chicago Booth
Discussant: Anca Cristea, University of Oregon

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Break – Beverages provided

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

[Endogenous Transportation Costs](#)

- Jose Asturias, Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service in Qatar
Discussant: Kerem Cosar, University of Chicago Booth

4:15– 5:15 p.m.

[Multinational Production and Comparative Advantage](#)

- Vanessa I Alvarez, University of Michigan
Discussant: Pat Alexander, Queen’s University
- Adjourn for the day

Saturday Morning May 17: Session 3

Chair: Runjuan Liu, University of Alberta

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

[Moving Up the Value Chain](#)

- Ben Li, Boston College
Discussant: Sara Formai, Bank of Italy

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

[The Internationalization Process of Firms: from Exports to FDI](#)

- Paola Conconi, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ECARES) and CEPR
Discussant: Garth Frazer, University of Toronto

11:00 – 11:15 p.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:15 – 12:15 p.m.

[Learning to Export from Neighbors](#)

- Heiwai Tang, Johns Hopkins University
Discussant: Peter Morrow, University of Toronto

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch: Provided

Saturday afternoon: Session 4

Chair: Trevor Tombe, University of Calgary

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

[Wage Effects of Trade Reform with Endogenous Worker Mobility](#)

➤ Mine Z. Senses, Johns Hopkins University

Discussant: Runjuan Liu, University of Alberta

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Break – Beverages provided

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

[Imports, Import Sources and Skill Utilization](#)

➤ Garth Frazer, University of Toronto

Discussant: Hiro Kasahara, University of British Columbia

4:15 – 5:15 p.m.

[Assortative Matching of Exporters and Importers](#)

➤ Kensuke Teshima, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)

Discussant: Heiwai Tang, Johns Hopkins University

Adjourn for the day

Sunday, May 18, 2010

Session 5

Chair: John Ries, University British Columbia

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

[No Guarantees, No Trade: How Banks Affect Export Patterns](#)

➤ Friederike Niepmann, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Discussant: Mine Z. Senses, Johns Hopkins University

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

[Bank Credit and Firm Export: Is There Really a Link?](#)

➤ Sara Formai, Bank of Italy

Discussant: Friederike Niepmann, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

11:00 – 11:15 p.m.

Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:15 – 12:15 p.m.

[Transfer Pricing by Multinational Firms: New Evidence from Firm Ownership](#)

➤ Anca Cristea, University of Oregon

Discussant: Alan Spearot, UC Santa Cruz

Adjourn Conference