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Monday, September 14, 2026

Session 1 – Chair: Anna Maria Pinna, University of Cagliari and CRENoS

9:00 – 10:00

The Distorting Effects of Rules of Origin: A Firm-Level Analysis

Gianluca Orefice – University of Paris Dauphine. *Discussant: Elsa Leromain*

10:00 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:30

Evading Sanctions

Feodora Teti – ifo Institute, LMU. *Discussant: Nathalie El-Bazzal*

11:30 – 11:45

Break

11:45 – 12:45

Keynote Lecture: Discrete Choice, Gravity and Welfare

Cajal Grossi Julia

12:45 – 14:00

Lunch

Session 2 – Chair: Andrea Ariu, University of Milan

14:00 – 15:00

Mind the Break-Up: When Policy Disrupts Firms' Supply Chains

Elsa Leromain – University of Antwerp. *Discussant: Malte Thie*

15:00 – 15:30

Break

15:30 – 16:30

Trading Under Fire: Houthi Attacks and the Disruption of Global Shipping

Nathalie El-Bazzal – Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. *Discussant: Maurizio Zanardi*

16:30 – 16:45

Break

16:45 – 17:45

The Pro-Competitive Effects of Importing Intermediates

Malte Thie – Université Paris-Dauphine-PSL; CEPII. *Discussant: Marco Matani*

19:00

Aperitivo and Pizza, Stabilimento il Lido – kindly offered by Garanzia Etica

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Session 3 – Chair: Tibor Besedeš, Georgia Tech and FREIT

9:00 – 10:00

Chinese Industrial Policy and International Spillovers: Evidence from 70,000 Policy Documents

Farid Toubal – University of Paris Dauphine. *Discussant: Gianluca Orefice*

10:00 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:30

Cross-Border Flows of Construction

Andrew Bernard – Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. *Discussant: Sebastian Sotelo*

11:30 – 11:45

Break

11:45 – 12:45

Reassessing EU Comparative Advantage:

The Role of Technology – Further Evidence from a Single Market Perspective

Marco Matani – Aix-Marseille University. *Discussant: Vincenzo Marella*

12:45 – 14:00

Lunch

Session 4 – Chair: Vania Licio, University of Cagliari

14:00 – 15:00

Commodity Booms and Industrialization: The Case of Brazil Before World War II

Sebastian Sotelo – University of Michigan. *Discussant: Farid Toubal*

15:00 – 15:30

Break

15:30 – 16:30

Air or Sea? Quality-Driven Sorting in International Trade

Vincenzo Merella – VSE, University of Cagliari, CRENoS. *Discussant: Luca De Benedictis*

16:30 – 16:45

Break

16:45 – 17:45

Political Violence, Memory, and National Bias in Consumption: Evidence from Postwar Italy

Maurizio Zanardi – University of Sussex. *Discussant: Tibor Besedes*

20:30

Social Dinner at Agriturismo Sa Mandra – meeting point: Piazza Sulis, 20:00