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*FREIT: Forum for Research in Empirical  
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Organizers:

*Joze P. Damijan, University of Ljubljana*

*Jon Haveman, FREIT*

## Thursday, June 8, 2017

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration

### Session 1

Chair: Joze Damijan, University of Ljubljana

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. “‘Smile Curve’: Where Value is Added Along Supply Chains” [\(pdf\)](#)

- Armando Rungi, IMT Institute for Advanced Studies

*Discussant: Rasmus Jorgenson, University of Copenhagen*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

10:15 – 11:15 a.m. “Export Intermediaries and Adjustments to Exchange Rate Movements” [\(pdf\)](#)

- Marco Grazzi, University of Bologna

*Discussant: Juan De Lucio, Universidad Nebrija*

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:30 – 12:30 p.m. “Seller Buyer Matching in International Goods Markets”

- Lenoir Clemence, CREST

*Discussant: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology*

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Lunch**

## Session 2

Chair: Jon Haveman, FREIT

- 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. “Export Platforms and Multinational Demand Risk Diversification”  
➤ Ekaterina Kazakova, University of Mannheim  
*Discussant: Jeronimo Carballo, University of Colorado - Boulder*
- 2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 2:45 – 3:45 p.m. “Ownership Structure and Productivity of Multinationals” (pdf)  
➤ Cagatay Bircan, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development  
*Discussant: Armando Rungi, IMT Institute for Advanced Studies Lucca*
- 3:45 – 4:00 p.m. Break – Beverages provided
- 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. “Like Father like Son: Quantifying within MNE Productivity Transfers” (pdf)  
➤ Bruno Merlevede, Ghent University  
*Discussant: Cagatay Bircan, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development*

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## Friday, June 9, 2017

## Session 3

Chair: Crt Kostevc, University of Ljubljana

- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. “One-off Export Events” (pdf)  
➤ Ingo Geishecker, European University Viadrina - Frankfurt  
*Discussant: Mattia Di Ubaldo, The Economic and Social Research Institute*
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. “From Innovation to Exporting in Times of Crisis”  
➤ Mattia Di Ubaldo, The Economic and Social Research Institute  
*Discussant: Ekaterina Kazakova, University of Mannheim*
- 11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m. “Product Quality, Duration, and Trade Growth” (pdf)  
➤ Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology  
*Discussant: Balasz Murakozy, Hungarian Academy of Sciences*

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch**

## **Session 4**

Chair: Tibor Besedes, Georgia Institute of Technology

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. “Trust No One? Security and International Trade” [\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Jeronimo Carballo, University of Colorado - Boulder

*Discussant: Stijn Vanormelingen, Ku Leuven*

2:30 – 2:45 a.m. Break – Beverages provided

2:45 – 3:45 p.m. “The Superstar and the Followers: Intra-Firm Product Complementarity in International Trade” [\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Bjorn Thor Arnarson, University of Copenhagen

*Discussant: Marco Grazi, University of Bologna*

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## **Saturday, June 10, 2017**

## **Session 5**

Chair: Jeronimo Carballo, University of Colorado - Boulder

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. “The Granular and Fundamental Components of Export Specialization” [\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Juan De Lucio, Universidad Nebrija

*Discussant: Bjorn Thor Arnarson, University of Copenhagen*

9:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “The Impact of Service and Goods Offshoring on Employment: Firm-Level Evidence” [\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Stijn Vanormelingen, Ku Leuven

*Discussant: Bruno Merlevede, Ghent University*

10:45 – 11:00 p.m. Break – Snacks and beverages provided

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. “Globalization and the Markups of European Firms” [\(pdf\)](#)

➤ Balazs Murakozy, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

*Discussant: Lenoir Clemence, CREST*

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