

Trade, Growth and Economic Inequality in the Asia-Pacific Region
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Friday, May 20, 2016

9:30-9:45 Registration

9:45-10:00 Welcoming Remarks: Theresa Greaney (University of Hawai'i) and Kozo Kiyota (Keio University)

Session I. Economic Growth and Inequality

Session Chair: Siwook Lee (KDI)

10:00-11:00

Economic Growth and Economic Inequality in the Asia-Pacific Region, by Yi-wen Yang (University of Hawai'i) and Theresa Greaney (University of Hawai'i)
Discussant: Charles Horioka (Asian Growth Research Institute and Osaka University)

11:00-12:00

Industrialization and Poverty Reduction in East Asia: The Importance of Labor Movements from Informal to Formal Sectors, by Fukunari Kimura (Keio University and Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia) and Mateus Chang (Keio University)
Discussant: Masahiro Kawai (University of Tokyo)

12:00-1:00 Lunch

Session II. International Trade and Inequality

Session Chair: Kozo Kiyota (Keio University)

1:00-2:00

International Trade and Wage Inequality: The Case of South Korea from a Historical Perspective, by Sunghoon Chung (KDI), Minhoo Kim (KDI), and Siwook Lee (KDI School of Public Policy and Management)
Discussant: Doan Thi Thanh Ha (ADB)

2:00-3:00

Income Inequality Dynamics and the Role of Trade Liberalization in South Korea, by Baybars Karacaovali (University of Hawai‘i) and Chrysostomos Tabakis (KDI School of Public Policy and Management)
Discussant: Chul Chung (KIEP)

3:00-3:20 Coffee break

3:20-4:20

Trade, Supply Chain, and Wage Inequality: Evidence from Chinese Manufacturing Firms, by Bo Chen (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics) and Chaoqun He (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics)
Discussant: Kiichiro Fukasaku (Keio University)

Session III. Foreign Direct Investment and Inequality: Effects on Home Countries

Session Chair: Baybars Karacaovali (University of Hawai‘i)

4:20-5:20

ICT, Offshoring, and the Demand for Part-time Workers: The Case of Japanese Manufacturing, by Kozo Kiyota (Keio Economic Observatory, Keio University and RIETI) and Sawako Maruyama (Kobe University)
Discussant: Naoto Jinji (Kyoto University)

6:00-8:00pm Conference Dinner

Saturday, May 21, 2016

Session III. Foreign Direct Investment and Inequality: Effects on Home Countries (cont.)

9:30-10:30am

Foreign Direct Investment and Growth of Temporary Workers in Japan, by Ayumu Tanaka (Setsunan University and RIETI)
Discussant: Masahiro Endoh (Keio University)

10:30-11:30am

U. S. Outsourcing from East Asia: Patterns and Implications for Manufacturing Employment & Wages, by Mary E. Lovely (Syracuse University) and Fariha Kamal (U.S. Bureau of the Census)
Discussant: Hong Ma (Tsinghua University)

11:30-12:30am Lunch

Session IV. Foreign Direct Investment and Inequality: Effects on Host Countries

Session Chair: Bo Chen (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics)

12:30am-1:30pm

Foreign Direct Investment and Regional Disparities in Environmental Quality in China, by Theresa Greaney (University of Hawai'i), Yao Li (University of Electronic Science and Technology of China), and Dongmei Tu (University of Electronic Science and Technology of China)

Discussant: Eiichi Tomiura (Hitotsubashi University)

1:30-2:30pm

Multinationals, Trade and Regional Inequality in China, by Theresa Greaney (University of Hawai'i) and Yao Li (University of Electronic Science and Technology of China)

Discussant: Kazunobu Hayakawa (IDE-JETRO)

2:30-2:50 Coffee break

2:50-3:50pm

FDI and Inequality in Vietnam: An Approach with Census Data, by John McLaren (University of Virginia and NBER) and Myunghwan Yoo (University of Virginia)

Discussant: Ayako Kondo (Yokohama National University)

3:50-4:50pm **Panel Discussion:** What can trade economists contribute to inequality research? Are we asking the right questions? Using the right tools, the right data? What lessons can be learned from the Asia-Pacific region?

Moderator: Theresa Greaney (University of Hawai'i)

Panelists: Kiichiro Fukasaku (Keio University)

Masahiro Kawai (University of Tokyo)

Fukunari Kimura (Keio University and Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia)

John McLaren (University of Virginia)

4:50pm **Closing Remarks:** Baybars Karacaovali (University of Hawai'i)

5:00pm Conference Adjourns