



ITALIAN TRADE STUDY GROUP (ITSG)

Workshop 'Catania 2012'

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCE: FOCUS ON THE MEDITERRANEAN

June 15-16, 2012

University of Catania - Department of Economics and Business

Palace of the Sciences, Room1 - Corso Italia 55, Catania (Italy)

10.30 Welcome Address

*Speaker

11.00 - 13.15

SESSION I - FIRM PERFORMANCE AND COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE

Chair: B. Quintieri

Matthieu Crozet, Federico Trionfetti* - Paris School of Economics, Aix-Marseille School of Economics

1 | FIRM-LEVEL COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE

Discussant: A. Accetturo

Filomena Pietrovito, Alberto Franco Pozzolo, Luca Salvatici* – University of Molise, Centro Studi Luca D'Agliano and MoFiR, University of "Roma Tre"

2 INTERNATIONALIZATION CHOICES: A MULTINOMIAL PROBIT ANALYSIS

Discussant: V. Tomaselli

Alessia Lo Turco*, Daniela Maggioni - Università Politecnica delle Marche

3 ON THE ROLE OF IMPORTS IN ENHANCING MANUFACTURING

Discussant: A. Minerva

13.15 - 14.15 Lunch

14.30 -16.00

SESSION II - MIGRATION AND TRADE

Chair: G. Barba Navaretti

Nicola D. Coniglio*, Giovanni Pesce - University of Bari "Aldo Moro"

CLIMATE VARIABILITY AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION: WHAT ARE THE

4 LINKS?

Discussant: L. Rotunno

Cosimo Beverelli*, Gianluca Orefice, Nadia Rocha - Economic Research Division,

World Trade Organization, CEPII

5 SPILLOVER EFFECTS AND MIGRANT EMPLOYMENT

Discussant: N. Coniglio

16.00 - 16.10 Break

16.15 - 18.30

SESSION III - FIRM PERFORMANCE, PRODUCTION PATTERNS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Chair: M. Caserta

Matthias Buerker, Chiara Franco, G. Alfredo Minerva* - University of Bologna

FOREIGN OWNERSHIP, FIRM PERFORMANCE, AND THE GEOGRAPHY OF CIVIC

6 CAPITAL

Discussant: G. Cafiso

Antonio Accetturo*, Matteo Bugamelli, Andrea R. Lamorgese, Andrea Linarello -

Bank of Italy and UPF

7 † INNOVATION AND TRADE. EVIDENCE FROM ITALIAN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Discussant: F. Trionfetti

Anna Falzoni, Lucia Tajoli* – University of Bergamo and Politecnico di Milano

INTERNATIONAL FRAGMENTATION OF PRODUCTION AND TRADE VOLATILITY: AN

8 ANALYSIS FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

Discussant: C. Beverelli

Saturday June 16th

08.45 - 10.15 SESSION IV - CHINA'S INFLUENCE ON OTHER COUNTRIES' TRADE Chair: G. Basevi	
9	Lorenzo Rotunno*, Pierre-Louis Vézina, Zheng Wang - Graduate Institute, Geneva; University of Oxford and University of Nottingham THE RISE AND FALL OF (CHINESE) AFRICAN EXPORTS Discussant: M. Sanfilippo
10	Giorgia Giovannetti, Marco Sanfilippo* - University of Florence and European University Institute HAS CHINA AFFECTED EXPORT PRICE STRATEGIES OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES? A FOCUS ON ITALY Discussant: A. Felettigh

10.15-10.25 Break

10.30 - 12.45 SESSION V - INTERNATIONAL TRADE and MACROECONOMICS Chair: R. Cellini	
11	Alberto Felettigh - Bank of Italy ENTRY DYNAMICS AS A SOLUTION TO THE PUZZLING BEHAVIOUR OF REAL MARGINAL COSTS IN THE GHIRONI-MELITZ MODEL Discussant: P. Bombarda
12	Giacomo Saibene - Politecnico di Milano TRADE SURPLUSES: THE BYPRODUCT OF A DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY Discussant: A. Lo Turco
13	Pamela Bombarda - Universitè de Cergy-Pontoise and THEMA SPATIAL NETWORKS AND HETEROGENEOUS FIRMS Discussant: I. Mazza

12.45 Lunch

The scientific committee of this meeting includes: Giorgio Basevi (*University of Bologna*), Giorgio Barba Navaretti (*University of Milan*), Gianluca Cafiso (*University of Catania*), Roberto Cellini (*University of Catania*), Giuseppe De Arcangelis (*Sapienza University of Rome*), Giorgia Giovannetti (*University of Florence*).

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