

## PRONTO Annual Conference:

### Quantifying Non-Tariff Barriers to Trade and Investment

Venue: Sky lounge, Economics Faculty at the University of Vienna  
Oskar-Morgenstern-Platz 1, 1090 Vienna, Austria

18-19 January 2018

#### Programme

##### Thursday 18 January

09.00-09.30 Registration

09.30-09.45 Opening remarks

09.45-10.45 PRONTO Data Overview Session

10.45-11.15 Coffee break

##### 11.15-12.15 SESSION 1

11.15 **Forensics, Elasticities and Benford's Law: Detecting Tax Fraud in International Trade**  
\*Beata Javorcik (University of Oxford and CEPR)  
Banu Demir Pikel (Bilkent University and CEPR)

11.45 **Exploiting the Information: Mapping and Analysing Q&As between WTO members**  
\*Roberta Piermartini (World Trade Organisation)  
Lee Ann Jackson (World Trade Organisation)  
Carlotta Nani (World Trade Organisation)

12.15-13.45 Lunch

##### 14.00-15.30 SESSION 2

14.00 **Business Perceptions on Burdensome Non-Tariff Measures and their Impact on International Trade**  
\*Cristian Ugarte Romero (International Trade Centre)  
Camille Reverdy (International Trade Centre)

14.30 **The Trade Restrictiveness Index under Monopolistic Competition**  
\*Eddy Bekkers (University of Bern)  
Joseph Francois (University of Bern, WTI and CEPR)

15.00 **Assessing the impact of NTMs in SSA**  
\*Magdalene Silberberger (Universität Witten/Herdecke)

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

**16.00-17.00** **SESSION 3**

**16.00** **ERs and Trade in Natural Resources: The Impact on Economic Growth and Poverty in LDCs**

\*Panagiotis T Konstantinou (Athens University of Economics and Business)  
Panos Hatzipanayotou (Athens University of Economics and Business)  
Ioanna Pantelaiou (Athens University of Economics and Business)  
Anastasios Xepapadeas (Athens University of Economics and Business)

**16.30** **Tit-for-Tat Trade Policy?**

\*Julia Grübler (Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies- wiiw)

**18.30** **Dinner (RSVP only)**

**Friday 19 January**

09.00-09.30 Coffee on arrival

**09.30-10.30** **SESSION 4**

**09.30** **Choked by Red Tape? The Political Economy of Wasteful Trade Barriers**

\*Monika Mrázová (University of Geneva and CEPR)  
Giovanni Maggi (Yale University)  
J. Peter Neary (University of Oxford and CEPR)

**10.00** **Border Processing, Trade Costs and New Trade Policy**

\*Jerónimo Carballo (University of Colorado, Boulder)  
Alejandro Graziano (University of Maryland)  
Georg Schaur (University of Tennessee)  
Christian Volpe Martincus (Inter-American Development Bank)

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

**11.00-12.30** **SESSION 5**

**11.00** **Non-Tariff Measures, Competitiveness and the Population of Exporters**

\*Giorgio Barba Navaretti (Università degli Studi di Milano and Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano)  
Giulia Felice (Politecnico di Milano)  
Emanuele Forlani (University of Bologna)  
Paolo Garella (Università degli Studi di Milano)

**11.30** **Firm adjustment to customs-driven administrative barriers**

\*Cristina Herghelegiu (Paris School of Economics)  
Evgenii Monastyrenko (Paris School of Economics)

**12.00** **The Costs of Trade Protectionism: Evidence from Spanish Firms and Non-Tariff Measures**

\*Enrique Moral-Benito (Banco de España)  
Dmitri Kirpichev (CEMFI)

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.00		SESSION 6
14.00	<b>No Double Standards: Quantifying the Impact of Standard Harmonization on Trade</b> *Julia Schmidt (Banque de France) Walter Steingress (Bank of Canada)	
14.30	<b>The Heterogeneous Impact of Brexit: Early Indications from the FTSE</b> *Ron Davies (University College Dublin) Zuzanna Studnicka (University College Dublin)	
15.00	<b>End of Conference</b>	
15.30-17.00	PRONTO Meeting (for Project team and Supervisory Board members only)	

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\* Indicates the speaker

Session timing: 30 minutes per paper (including questions from the floor)

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