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Challenges in A New Era

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7:30 – 9:00 p.m.  Reception Dinner

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8:00 – 8:40 am  Registration

8:40 – 8:55 am  Welcome Session

Günter Heiduk, Gerhard-Mercator-University Duisburg
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9:00 – 10:30 am  Session I: Technology Transfer and FDI

Chair: Kar-yiu Wong, University of Washington, Seattle, USA

Non-Drastic Technology Transfer in an international Oligopoly
Ngo Van Long, McGill University, Montreal, Canada
Comment: Theo Eicher, University of Washington, Seattle, USA

Free Trade and Foreign Capital: Income Redistribution in Simulated Trade Models
Henry Thompson, Auburn University, Auburn, USA
Comment: Roland Döhrn, Rhine-Westfalia Institute for Economic Research, Essen, Germany

For Whom is MAI? A Theoretical Perspective on Multilateral Agreements on Investment
Dieter Urban, London School of Economics, London, UK
Alessandro Turrini, Bocconi University, Milano, Italy
Comment: Albert G. Schweinberger, University of Konstanz, Konstanz, Germany

10:30 – 10:45 am  Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:15 pm  Session II: Political Economy and Welfare

Chair: Ngo Van Long, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

Political Support or Contributions: An Empirical Investigation of US Trade Policy
Theo Eicher, University of Washington, Seattle, USA
Thomas Osang, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, USA
Comment: Volker Clausen, University of Essen, Essen, Germany

Official Versus Private Foreign Aid: The Role of Crowding Out, Free Riding, and Political Economy
Albert G. Schweinberger, University of Konstanz, Konstanz, Germany
Sajal Lahiri, University of Essex, Essex, UK
Comment: Kala Krishna, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA

The Welfare Effect of Monetary Shocks in an Economy with Internationalized Production
Hsiao-Lei Chu, National Chi-Nan University, Nantou, Taiwan
Comment: Peter Anker, University of Giessen, Germany

12:15 – 2:15 pm  Lunch

2:15 – 3:45 pm  Session III: China’s Accession to the WTO

Chair: Volker Clausen, University of Essen, Essen, Germany

What’s Next for China and Taiwan After WTO: A Preemptive Assessment of GATS in the post-WTO Era
Peter C.Y. Chow, City University of New York, New York, USA
Zhi Wang, Economic Research Service, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington D.C., USA
Comment: Markus Taube, Gerhard Mercator University Duisburg, Duisburg, Germany

Modeling the Impact of China’s WTO Membership on Investment and Growth: A New Flexible Keynesian Approach
Tran Van Hoa, University of Wollongong, Wollongong, Australia
Comment: Pawel Kulpaka, Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw, Poland

Is the IPRs Protection Working Effectively in Developing Countries? – Some Empirical Findings from Japanese FDI in China
Seiichi Katayama, Kobe University, Kobe, Japan
Kegang You, Southern Osaka University, Osaka, Japan
Comment: Gunther Schnabl, University of Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany

3:45 – 4:00 pm  Coffee Break
Session IV: WTO Dispute Settlements

Chair: Markus Taube, Gerhard-Mercator-University Duisburg, Germany

WTO Dispute Settlement from an Economic Perspective – More Failure than Success?
Fritz Breuss, Austrian Institute for Economic Research, Vienna, Austria
Comment: Nicole Pohl, Gerhard-Mercator-University Duisburg, Germany

On the Economic Success of GATT/WTO Dispute Settlement
Chad P. Bown, Brandeis University, Waltham, USA
Comment: Peter C.Y. Chow, City University of New York, New York, USA

The Role of Contingent Protection in WTO Agreements
Philippe Kohler, GEM – Institut d’Etudes Politiques, Paris, France
Comment: Tran van Hoa, University of Wollongong, Wollongong, Australia
Session V: Trade Policies and Trade in Services

Chair: Nicole Pohl, Gerhard-Mercator-University, Duisburg, Germany

Minimum Quality Standard and International Rivalry in Quality and Price
Kar-yiu Wong and Pei-Cheng Liao, University of Washington, Seattle, USA
Comment: Ngo Van Long, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

Globalization under WTO Rules and Crisis Prevention: A Ricardo-Vanek Analysis
Henry Wan, Jr., Cornell University, Ithaca, USA
Jakrapong Uchupalanun, Thammasat University, Thailand
Comment: Chad P. Bown, Brandeis University, Waltham, USA

Market Access and Competition in the Service Sector
Ian Wooton, University of Glasgow and CEPR, United Kingdom
Joseph Francois, Tinbergen Institute, Rotterdam, Netherlands, and CEPR
Comment: Fritz Breuss, Austrian Institute for Economic Research, Vienna, Austria

Coffee Break

Session VI: Trade Liberalization and Developing Countries

Chair: Günter Heiduk, Gerhard-Mercator-University Duisburg

A Note on Two Elementary Propositions on Customs Unions
Alan D. Woodland, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia,
Pascalis Raimondos-Møller, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
Comment: Ian Wooton, University of Glasgow and CEPR, United Kingdom

Reforms of Quantitative Import Restrictions and Fair Wage Unemployment
Udo Kreickemeier, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz, Germany
Comment: Henry Thompson, Auburn University, Auburn, USA

Trade with Labor Market Distortions and Heterogeneous Labor: Why Trade Can Hurt
Kala Krishna and Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay and Cemile Yavas, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA
Comment: Henry Wan, Jr., Cornell University, Ithaca, USA

Closing Session

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