Washington Area International Trade Symposium

Third Annual Conference, April 12, 2013

The Washington Area International Trade Symposium (WAITS) is a forum that highlights trade research at economic institutions in the Washington D.C. area. Its primary activity is sponsoring an annual research conference where scholars present their latest academic work. Researchers from George Washington University, University of Maryland, Georgetown University, American University, Johns Hopkins University (SAIS), the World Bank, U.S. International Trade Commission, the Federal Reserve Board, and the Census Bureau are all participants in the symposium.

The George Washington University's Institute for International Economic Policy (IIEP) will host the conference on Friday, April 12, 2013 from 8:30 am to 4:40 pm at 1957 E Street (Elliott School of International Affairs, Lindner Family Commons, 6th Floor).

For more information and to register, please see the conference website at http://www.gwu.edu/~iiep/waits/

Conference Program

8:30 – 8:50: Continental breakfast

8:50 – 9:00: Opening Comments, Michael Moore, GWU

9:00 – 9:40: Paulo Bastos (World Bank)
“Export Destinations and Input Prices: Evidence from Portugal”
Discussant: Mine Senses (SAIS)

9:45 – 10:25: Logan Lewis (Federal Reserve)
“Menu Costs, Trade Flows, and Exchange Rate Volatility”
Discussant: Wenjie Chen (GWU)

10:25 – 10:45: Coffee break
10:45 – 11:25: Kyle Handley (Michigan)
“Policy Uncertainty, Trade and Welfare: Theory and Evidence for China”
Discussant: Gisela Rua (Federal Reserve)

11:30 – 12:10: Olga Timoshenko (GWU)
“Product Switching in a Model of Learning”
Discussant: James Fetzer (USITC)

12:10 – 1:20: Lunch

1:20 – 2:00: Kara Reynolds (American University)
“Under the Cover of Antidumping: Does Administered Protection Facilitate Domestic Collusion?”
Discussant: Michael Moore (GWU)

2:05 – 2:45: Lindsay Oldenski (Georgetown)
“Diversification, Cost Structure, and the Stock Returns of Multinational Companies”
Discussant: Maggie Chen (GWU)

2:45 – 3:05: Coffee break

3:05 – 3:45: David Riker (USITC)
“Exchange Rate Pass-through in Global Value Chains: The Effects of Upstream Suppliers”
Discussant: Fariha Kamal (US Census Bureau)

3:50 – 4:30: Bill Lincoln (SAIS)
“Entry Costs and Increasing Trade”
Discussant: Illenin Kondo (Federal Reserve)

4:30 – 4:40: Closing Comments – Michael Moore, GWU