



"Achievements and Challenges for the Emerging Economies of Central Europe"
Economics and Business Conference
Provisional Programme (29/05/2015)

Monday 22 June 2015			
9.00-9.35	Registration		
9.35-9.45	Welcome: Jan Kubik and Elodie Douarin		
9.45- 11.00	Keynote 1: Convergence, Divergence and the Problem of External Imbalances in the European Economy. Michael Landesmann (WIIW) Chair and discussants: TBC		
11.00-11.30	Comfort break		
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16.35-17.00	Break		
17.00-18.15	Round Table: TBC		

Tuesday 23 June 2015		
	Finance Morning, co-organised with Bournemouth University	
9.00-10.00	Keynote 2: Financial Inclusion and Risk Management of Individuals and Entrepreneurs in Central Europe. Leora Klapper (WB) Chair and discussants: TBC	
10.00-11.10	Paper Session 3	
	3. Finance 1 Loans and SME Performance – the case of Indian Manufacturing. <i>Jens Holscher, Peter Howard-Jones and Allan Webster (Bournemouth University)</i> Black Spots in Capital Structure Studies: the Case of non-existing Debt. <i>Eugene Nivorozhkin (SSEES UCL)</i>	
11.10-11.30	Break	
11.30-13.15	Paper Session 4	
	4. Finance 2 Bank Funding Models and Credit Growth in Central and Eastern Europe: Digging into the effects of Foreign Ownership. <i>Gregorio Impavido (IMF), Jerome Vandenbussche and Li Zeng</i> Show me yours and I'll show you mine: Sharing Borrower information in a competitive credit market. <i>Jaap Bos, Ralph De Haas and Matteo Millone (EBRD)</i> Real Investment Finance of Entrepreneurial Firms in Emerging Markets: Evidence for BEEP's data. <i>Natalia Isachenkova, Julia Korosteleva (SSEES UCL) and Yulia Rodionova.</i>	
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14.15-15.30	Keynote 3: Schumpeterian Analysis of Catch-up and Catch-up Cycles. <i>Keun Lee (Seoul National University)</i> Chair: Slavo Radosevic	
15.30-16.00	Break	
16.00-18.20	Paper Session 5	
	5.1. Innovation II A new metric of Technology Upgrading: the Central and East European countries in a Comparative Perspective. <i>Slavo Radosevic and Esin Yoruk (SSEES UCL)</i> Institutions, Innovations and Growth: Cross-country evidence. <i>Florent Silve and Alexander Plekhanov (EBRD)</i> TFP across Europe: specialisation and Catch up. <i>Randolph Bruno (SSEES UCL), Elodie Douarin, Julia Korosteleva and Slavo Radosevic</i> The Limits of lending: banks and technology adoption across Russia. <i>Cagatay Bircan and Ralph De Haas (EBRD).</i>	5.2. European Integration? Interdependence between Core and Peripheries of the European Economy: Secular stagnation and growth in the Western Balkans. <i>Will Bartlett (LSE) and Ivana Prica</i> Which Way goes Romanian Capitalism? Making a case for Reforms, inclusive institutions and a better functioning EU. <i>Daniel Daianu (National bank of Romania) and Bogdan Murescu.</i> Could euro-integration Substitute Economic Ties with Russia? <i>Igor Yegorov (National Academy of Sciences, Ukraine)</i> The Political Economy of a European Unemployment Scheme. <i>Raphael Espinoza and Filipa Figueira (SSEES UCL)</i>

7.30 pm : Conference Dinner

Wednesday 24 June 2015

9.00-10.45	Paper Session 6	
	<p>6.1. Labour Market Regulation and Restructuring</p> <p>The Growth Effects of Labour Market Regulation in CESEE. <i>Jiri PodPiera (IMF) and Jiae Yoo</i></p> <p>Integration and workers rights in CEE: Opportunity or Threat? <i>Sara Kahn-Nisser (Open University of Israel)</i></p> <p>Productivity and Inequality effects of Rapid Labour Reallocation – Insights from a Meta-Analysis of Studies in Transition. <i>Jan Svejnar, Joanna Tyrowicz and Lucas van der Velde (University of Warsaw)</i></p>	<p>6.2. Social Capital and Corruption</p> <p>How Persistent is Social Capital? <i>Jan Fidrmuc (Brunel University)</i></p> <p>A Comparative study of Market and Network Corruption. <i>Maria Kravtsova and Aleksey Oshchepkov. (High School of Economics, Moscow)</i></p> <p>How city Characteristics, Trust, and Technology affect Corruption. A Multilevel Comparative Study. <i>Julia Korosteleva (SSEES UCL), Tomasz Mickiewicz and Paulina Stepien</i></p>
10.45-11.10	Break	
11.10 – 13.30	Paper Session 7	
	<p>7.1. Labour Force</p> <p>Is self-employment equivalent to a bad job in developing countries? Empirical answers from self-employment and life satisfaction in China <i>Chizheng Miao (Linnaeus University)</i></p> <p>Talent Workers as entrepreneurs: a new approach to aspirational self-employed. <i>Barbara Liberda, Magdalena Smyk (University of Warsaw) and Joanna Tyrowicz</i></p> <p>Labour Market Effects of EU immigration to the UK: Individual Level Analysis. <i>Cigdem Borke Tunali and Jan Fidrmuc (Brunel University)</i></p>	<p>7.2. Currency</p> <p>Hungary – A Case for Monetary Sovereignty? <i>Vladan Hodulak (Mazaryk University) and Oldrich Krpec</i></p> <p>Euro Adoption – Macroeconomic Benefits and Challenges. <i>Jiri Podpiera (IMF), Johannes Wiegand and Jiae Yoo</i></p> <p>A Central Bank's Dilemmas in Highly Uncertain Time. <i>Daniel Daianu (National Bank of Romania)</i></p> <p>Will the Euro ever be Adopted in East-central Europe? <i>Katya Kocourek</i></p>
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	Departure	