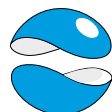




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WEDNESDAY, 11th September 2019

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THURSDAY, 12th September 2019

8:30–9:00 Registration of participants *building Q, ground floor*

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10:30–11:00 Coffee Break *building Q, ground floor*

11:00–12:00 Keynote Speaker *Room Q01, building Q, ground floor*
Paul de Grauwe, *Behavioural Macroeconomics: A New Way to Think About the Macroeconomy*

12:00–13:00 Lunch *Building X, ground floor*

13:00–14:30 Parallel Sessions II. *4th floor, building Q*

14:30–15:00 Coffee Break *building Q, ground floor*

15:00–16:30 Parallel Sessions III. *4th floor, building Q*

16:30–17:00 Coffee Break *building Q, ground floor*

17:00–18:30 Discussion Policy Panel *Room Q01, building Q*
 Perspectives of the European Economic Integration,
 chair: **Paul de Grauwe**
 Panelists:
 • **Marek Mora**, Deputy Governor of the Czech National Bank
 • **Lubos Pastor**, Board Member of the National Bank of Slovakia
 • **Anna Trzecinska**, Vice President of National Bank of Poland
 • **Szabolcs Fazakas**, advisor to the Minister of the PM's Cabinet, Hungary

19:00–23:00 Social Reception *Building X, 1st floor*

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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11:00–12:00 **Keynote Speaker** *room Q02, building Q*
Ľuboš Pástor – Rational Backlash Against Globalization

12:00–13:00 **Lunch** *Building Q, ground floor*

13:00–14:30 **Parallel Sessions V.** *4th floor, building Q*

14:30–15:00 **Farewell drink** *building Q, ground floor*

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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9⁰⁰-10³⁰ THURSDAY, 12th September**SESSION I-A: Inequality and Labor Markets**

Chair of the session: Michal Páleník (APVV-15-0722 „Social trap - costs and the way out“) / Room: Q41

Magdolna Csath: How to avoid middle-income trap in the V4 countries (Discussant: Michal Páleník)

Gábor Túry: New challenges thirty years after the economic and political transition – Consequences of Technological Changes in the Central European Automotive Industry as part of the Global Value Chains (Discussant: György Szapáry)

György Szapáry and Dániel János Plósz: Geopolitical shifts in the evolving new world order (Discussant: Gábor Túry)

Michal Páleník: Precarious work and tax evasion in Slovakia: case of employees below minimal wage (Discussant: Magdolna Csath)

SESSION I-B: Financial Stability

Chair of the session: Zuzana Fungáčová / Room: Q43

Laure de Batz: Financial Crime Spillovers. Does one gain to be avenged? (Discussant: Dominika Kolcunová)

Václav Brož and Evžen Kočenda: Mortgage-related bank penalties and systemic risk among U.S. banks (Discussant: Zuzana Fungáčová)

Dominika Kolcunová and Simona Malovaná: The Effect of Higher Capital Requirements on Bank Lending: The Capital Surplus Matters (Discussant: Laure de Batz)

Zuzana Fungáčová, Eeva Kerola and Laurent Weill: Does Experience of Banking Crises Affect Trust in Banks? (Discussant: Václav Brož)

SESSION I-C: Finance

Chair of the session: Aleš Maršál / Room: Q42

Tanja Artiga Gonzalez, Iman van Lelyveld and Katarina Lucivjanska: Pension fund equity performance: Patience, activity or both? (Discussant: Silvester van Koten)

Jozef Kiselač, Štefan Lyócsa, Neda Todorova and Tomáš Výrost: Exploiting highs and lows for volatility forecasting (Discussant: Katarina Lucivjanska)

Silvester van Koten: Forward Premia in Electricity Markets: a replication study (Discussant: Aleš Maršál)

Aleš Maršál: Trend Inflation and Asset Pricing in a DSGE Model: Comment (Discussant: Tomáš Výrost)

SESSION I-D: Behavioral Economics

Chair of the session: Zuzana Kučerová / Room: Q45

Tomas Jagelka: Separating True Preferences From Noise in Observed Decisions Using the Random Preference Model (Discussant: Svatopluk Kapounek)

Libor Dušek and Christian Traxler: Swiftiness of Punishment (Discussant: Zuzana Kučerová)

Jan Janků, Zuzana Kučerová and František Dařena: Behavioural Insights from Crowdfunding Financing: Power of Nudges (Discussant: Tomas Jagelka)

Svatopluk Kapounek and Zuzana Kučerová: Overfunding and Signalling Effects of Herding Behaviour in Crowdfunding (Discussant: Libor Dušek)

SESSION I-E: Labor Markets and Social Capital

Chair of the session: Dominika Špolcová / Room: Q48

Filip Ostrihoň: Asymptotic Variance Adjustment of k-Step M-Estimator and the Sample Selection While Modeling Labor Supply with Emphasis on Aging and Retirement Using EU-SILC Data (Discussant: Tommaso Reggiani)

Olga Zajkowska: Child Care Strategies Among Young Mothers. The Case of Poland (Discussant: Dominika Špolcová)

Tommaso Reggiani, Andrea Geraci, Mattia Nardotto and Fabio Sabatini: Broadband Internet and Social Capital (Discussant: Filip Ostrihoň)

Barbara Pertold-Gebická and Dominika Špolcová: Family Size and Subjective Well-being in Europe: Do More Children Make Us (Un)Happy? (Discussant: Olga Zajkowska)

PARALLEL SESSIONS II.

13⁰⁰-14³⁰ THURSDAY, 12th September

SESSION II-A: Analysis of Regional Development and Policy

Chair of the session: Marek Radvanský (APVV-16-0630 „Forecasting of Regional Development and Assessment of Effectiveness of Regional Policies Using the Structural HERMIN Model“) / Room: Q41

Tomas Miklosovic and Miroslav Stefanik: Modelling foreign labour inflows using a microsimulation model (Discussant: Ivan Lichner)

Ivan Lichner, Štefan Lyócsa and Marek Radvanský: Regional Real Income Convergence: Evidence from Households in Slovakia (Discussant: Tomas Miklosovic)

Marek Radvanský and Ivan Lichner: Integrated econometric Input/Output model of Slovakia (Discussant: Štefan Lyócsa)

Ivan Lichner, Marek Radvanský and Jakub Zachar: Regional input-output model for Slovakia – labor market application (Discussant: Tomas Miklosovic)

SESSION II-B: International Finance

Chair of the session: Evžen Kočenda / Room: Q43

Maria Siranova: Exit from Exchange Rate Regimes and Length of Economic Recovery: Propensity Score Matching Approach (Discussant: Evžen Kočenda)

Tomáš Miklánek and Miroslav Zajíček: Why do you trade? An experimental study (Discussant: Bohdan Vahalík)

Bohdan Vahalík: The Effects of Trade Policy Measures on Bilateral Imports among the EU and BRICS Countries (Discussant: Tomáš Miklánek)

Jozef Barunik and Evžen Kočenda: Total, asymmetric and frequency connectedness between oil and forex markets (Discussant: Maria Siranova)

SESSION II-C: Corporate Finance

Chair of the session: Jan Hanousek / Room: Q42

Veronika Svobodová and Jan Vavřina: Economic performance of food producers settled in the Czech Republic under EU food safety and quality standards (Discussant: Péter Juhász)

Jana Fidrmuc, Kostas Koufopoulos and Chunling Xia: Asset complementarity and optimality of private negotiations when selling firms (Discussant: Jan Hanousek)

Péter Juhász and László Reszegi: The myth of convergence – Trends of economic dualities in the Hungarian manufacturing industry (Discussant: Jan Vavřina)

Jan Hanousek, Anastasiya Shamshur and Jiri Tresl: Corporate policies of private firms with concentrated ownership (Discussant: Jana Fidrmuc)

SESSION II-D: History of Economic Thought

Chair of the session: Tomáš Křištofory / Room: Q45

Oliver Kovacs: An Old Theory in the Age of Industry 4.0 – Propelling Productivity Right Now? (Discussant: Andrej Svorenčík)

Andrej Svorenčík: Doctoral Origins of Economics Faculty and Job Market Candidates 1993–2019 (Discussant: Oliver Kovacs)

Bence Varga: The Hungarian Financial Trilemma between 1867–1924 (Discussant: Tomáš Křištofory)

Tomáš Křištofory: Hayek on Morals: The Fatal Conceit and its Roots (Discussant: Bence Varga)

SESSION II-E: Labor Markets

Chair of the session: Kamil Galuščák / Room: Q48

Isabela Manelici and Smaranda Pantea: Industrial Policy at Work: Evidence from Romania's Income Tax Break for Workers in IT (Discussant: Kamil Galuščák)

Jakub Lonsky: Does Immigration Decrease Far-Right Popularity? Evidence from Finnish Municipalities (Discussant: Smaranda Pantea)

Smaranda Pantea: Self-employment in Eastern and Western Europe: quality work, precarious work or both? (Discussant: Jakub Lonsky)

Kamil Galuščák, Jan Šolc and Paweł Strzelecki: Labour Market Flows over the Business Cycle: The Role of the Participation Margin (Discussant: Smaranda Pantea)

15⁰⁰-16³⁰ THURSDAY, 12th September**SESSION III-A: Behavioral and Experimental Economics**

Chair of the session: Jana Péliová / Room: Q41

Martin Dufwenberg, Maroš Servátka, Jorge Tarraso and Radovan Vadovič: Honesty in the City (Discussant: Jana Péliová)

Michal Ďuriník: Group Identity, Internal Promotions, and External Hiring (Discussant: Matej Lorko)

Matej Lorko, Maroš Servátka and Le Zhang: Do people strategically inflate project schedules? (Discussant: Michal Ďuriník)

Zuzana Brokesova, Erika Pastorakova and Jana Péliová: Experimenting with motivation factors of generation Z (Discussant: Maroš Servátka)

SESSION III-B: Fiscal Policy

Chair of the session: Jan Janků / Room: Q43

Tomas Domonkos, Stefan Domonkos and Katarína Jardeková: The Effects of Ageing on Life-Cycle Deficit: The Case of the Slovak Republic (Discussant: Reinhart Neck)

Yuliya Petrenko and Matej Boór: Impact of sub-central governments fiscal rules on degree of fiscal decentralization in OECD countries (Discussant: Jan Janků)

Reinhard Neck and Dmitri Blueschke: Every Country for Itself, and the Central Bank for Us All? (Discussant: Tomas Domonkos)

Jan Janků: Political Drivers of European Fiscal Deficits: Why are Some Governments Fiscally Irresponsible? (Discussant: Yuliya Petrenko)

SESSION III-C: Monetary Policy

Chair of the session: František Brázdík / Room: Q42

Eszter Boros: A Fair Solution or Pure Theory: Price Adjustment in the Euro Area (Discussant: Jose David Garcia Revelo)

Eugen Kováč, Daniel Kráhermer and Tymon Tatur: Optimal stopping in a principal-agent model with hidden information and no monetary transfers (Discussant: František Brázdík)

Jose David Garcia Revelo, Yannick Lucotte and Florian Pradines-Jobetz: Macroprudential and Monetary Policies: The Need to Dance the Tango in Harmony (Discussant: Eszter Boros)

František Brázdík, Tonner, Martonosí, Humplová, Ryšánek, Tvrz, Šestořád, Žáček and Musil: Update of the CNB core forecasting model: g3+ model (Discussant: Eugen Kováč)

SESSION III-D: European Integration

Chair of the session: Svatopluk Kapounek / Room: Q45

Balázs Ferkelt and Tünde Gergics: Ready for the euro in Visegrad Group: Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary ante portas? (Discussant: Svatopluk Kapounek)

Benoit Dicharry and Lubica Štíblárová: How to Make EMU More Synchronous? Role of ESI funds in Merging Europe (Discussant: Balázs Ferkelt)

Rajmund Mirdala, Jozefína Semančíková and Anna Ruščáková: Determinants of Export and Import Functions in the EU Member Countries (Discussant: Lubica Štíblárová)

Svatopluk Kapounek and Martin Šuster: Impact of the Euro Adoption on International Trade within the Heterogeneous EU (Discussant: Rajmund Mirdala)

SESSION III-E: Education and Culture

Chair of the session: Radek Náplava / Room: Q48

Michal Tomčo and Nikola Simkova: Education on the app market (Discussant: Radek Náplava)

Marcela Veselkova: After-School Programs for Disadvantaged Students in Slovakia: Impact on Mathematics Test Scores (Discussant: Nicolae Bogdan Ianc)

Nicolae Bogdan Ianc: How can culture affect taxation? Evidences from both advanced and developing countries (Discussant: Marcela Veselkova)

Radek Náplava: Changes in Employment according to Education Criterion in the EU: Skill-Upgrading or Skill-Polarization? (Discussant: Michal Tomčo)

SESSION III-F: Economic Research with Bureau Van Dijk

Chair of the session: Tomáš Karchutňák / Room: Q46

Tomáš Karchutňák: Presentation of research databases from the BvD portfolio

Lenka Hluchá: Practical examples-workshop

PARALLEL SESSIONS IV.

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SESSION IV-A: Inequality

Chair of the session: Roman Horváth / Room: Q41

Martin Labaj and Daniel Dujava: Economic growth and convergence during the transition to production using automation capital (Discussant: Roman Horváth)

Sona Badalyan: The Gender Wage Gap in Hungary: an Unconditional Quantile Regression-based Decomposition Approach (Discussant: Zuzana Brixiová)

Zuzana Brixiová, Marian Gencev and Susumu Imai: The Digital Gender Gap and Entrepreneurship in Emerging Europe (Discussant: Sona Badalyan)

Iftekhar Hasan, Roman Horváth and Jan Mares: Finance and Wealth Inequality (Discussant: Martin Labaj)

SESSION IV-B: Experimental Economics

Chair of the session: Rostislav Staněk / Room: Q43

Ondřej Krčál, Rostislav Staněk and Martin Slanicaý: Made for the job or by the job? A lab-in-the-field experiment with firefighters (Discussant: Alla Kachur)

Alla Kachur and Barbora Baisa: Inducing pride as a way to fill the gap in competition (Discussant: Ondřej Krčál)

Qin Wu and Ralph-C Bayer: Does Joint Liability Reduce Cheating in Contests with Agency Problems? Theory and Experimental Evidence (Discussant: Rostislav Staněk)

Rostislav Staněk, Ondřej Krčál and Katarína Čellárová: Do People Prefer Inefficient Rules Over Discretion? (Discussant: Ralph-C Bayer)

SESSION IV-C: Finance

Chair of the session: Jolana Stejskalová / Room: Q42

Marton Szabolcs Bokay and Adam Banai: Energy and carbon cost of mining cryptocurrencies (Discussant: Jolana Stejskalová)

Krishna Prasad and Nandan Prabhu: Does Earnings Surprise Determine the Timing of the Earnings Announcement? Evidence from Earnings Announcements of Indian Companies (Discussant: Blanka Francová)

Blanka Francová: The Exchange Rate and the U.S. International Bond Market (Discussant: Marton Szabolcs Bokay)

Jolana Stejskalová: Forecasting with Google Trends: Evidence from the Auto Industry (Discussant: Krishna Prasad)

SESSION IV-D: Macroeconomic Policy

Chair of the session: Vladimír Peciar / Room: Q45

Erika Stracová and Martin Lábaj: Drivers of Deindustrialisation in Internationally Fragmented Production Structures (Discussant: Serhiy Moroz)

Jarko Fidrmuc, Fabian Reck and Serhiy Moroz: Regional Risk-Sharing in Ukraine (Discussant: Erika Stracová)

Pavol Minárik: Persistence of opposition in an oppressive regime: The case of the underground Catholic Church in Czechoslovakia (Discussant: Vladimír Peciar)

Vladimír Peciar: The Case of Missing Productivity: Determinants of Productivity and Misallocation in Slovakia (Discussant: Pavol Minárik)

SESSION IV-E: Health Economics

Chair of the session: Marian Šaling / Room: Q48

Richard Kališ, Daniel Dujava and Mikuláš Luptáčík: Decomposition of the potential gains from mergers: harmony effect revealed (Discussant: Martin Hulényi)

Martin Hulényi, Kristína Gardoňová, Jan Fidrmuc and Veronika Zlaczská: EU funds as a lubricant of change for the Slovak health care system? (Discussant: Richard Kališ)

Paola Bertoli, Veronica Grembi and Emilia Barili: Bundled Payments and Appropriate Health Care (Discussant: Marian Šaling)

Peter Klátik, Matej Tunega and Marian Šaling: A Microsimulation Model of the Healthcare Costs in Slovakia (Discussant: Paola Bertoli)

13⁰⁰-14³⁰ FRIDAY, 13th September**SESSION V-A: Migration**

Chair of the session: Jan Fidrmuc / Room: Q41

Mariola Pytlikova, Alicia Adsera, Boix Carles and Martin Guzi: Political Factors as Drivers of International Migration (Discussant: Štěpán Mikula)

Štěpán Mikula and Mariola Pytlikova: Air Pollution and Migration – exploiting a natural experiment from the Czech Republic (Discussant: Jan Fidrmuc)

Ruxanda Berlinschi and Jan Fidrmuc: Comfort and Conformity: A Culture-based Theory of Migration (Discussant: Mariola Pytlikova)

SESSION V-B: Financial Stability

Chair of the session: Jarko Fidrmuc / Room: Q43

Peter Gernát, Zuzana Košťálová and Štefan Lyócsa: What Drives U.S. Financial Sector Volatility? A Bayesian Model Averaging Perspective (Discussant: Jarko Fidrmuc)

Miroslav Palanský and Petr Janský: Piecemeal progress of financial transparency: Evidence from the Financial Secrecy Index 2009–2018 (Discussant: Zuzana Košťálová)

Jarko Fidrmuc, Makram El-Shagi and Steven Yamarik: Inequality and credit growth in Russian regions (Discussant: Miroslav Palanský)

SESSION V-C: Banking

Chair of the session: Reiner Martin / Room: Q42

Jozef Patrniciak: Hysteresis in Banking and Financial Industry (Discussant: Reiner Martin)

Roman Horvath, Martin Melecký and Boris Fišera: The Effect of Basel III Implementation on SME Financing in Developing Countries (Discussant: Zuzana Fungáčová)

Zuzana Fungáčová, Koen Schoors, Laura Solanko and Laurent Weill: Politics and Banking in an Electoral Autocracy (Discussant: Boris Fišera)

Reiner Martin, Ivan Huljak and Diego Moccero: The cost-efficiency and productivity growth of euro area banks (Discussant: Jozef Patrniciak)

SESSION V-D: Macroeconomic Policy

Chair of the session: Michal Mádr / Room: Q45

Fabian Reck: Impact of governance on FDI – Evidence from static and dynamic panel regression models (Discussant: Michal Mádr)

Magdalena Šuterová and Libor Židek: Institutional investors in the Czech voucher privatisation (Discussant: Fabian Reck)

Michal Mádr: The Political Environment and Economic Performance in the Last 120 Years: Granger Causality Test (Discussant: Magdalena Šuterová)

SESSION V-E: Econometrics

Chair of the session: Filip Staněk / Room: Q48

Stanislav Anatolyev: A ridge to homogeneity (Discussant: Lukáš Lafférs)

Arnab Bhattacharjee: Identifying the Causal Structure of Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs) (Discussant: Stanislav Anatolyev)

Lukáš Lafférs and Roman Nedela: Sensitivity of Bounds on ATEs under Survey Non-response (Discussant: Filip Staněk)

Filip Staněk: Affine Weighting Scheme for Tests of Predictive Ability and Time-Series Cross-Validation (Discussant: Arnab Bhattacharjee)

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