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## ITALIAN TRADE STUDY GROUP

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***INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCE:  
FOCUS ON THE MEDITERRANEAN  
June 15-16, 2012***

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University of Catania - Department of Economics and Business<sup>§</sup>

Palace of the Sciences, Room 1 - Corso Italia 55, Catania (Italy)

## Friday June 15<sup>th</sup>

### 10.30 Welcome Address

11.00 – 13.15

#### **SESSION I - FIRM PERFORMANCE AND COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE**

Chair: **B. Quintieri**

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| <b>1</b> | <b>Matthieu Crozet, Federico Trionfetti*</b> - Paris School of Economics, Aix-Marseille School of Economics<br><b>FIRM-LEVEL COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">A. Accetturo</a>  |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Filomena Pietrovito*, Alberto Franco Pozzolo, Luca Salvatici</b> – University of Molise, Centro Studi Luca D'Agliano and MoFiR, University of "Roma Tre"<br><b>INTERNATIONALIZATION CHOICES: A MULTINOMIAL PROBIT ANALYSIS</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">V. Tomaselli</a> |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Alessia Lo Turco*, Daniela Maggioni</b> - Università Politecnica delle Marche<br><b>ON THE ROLE OF IMPORTS IN ENHANCING MANUFACTURING EXPORTS</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">A. Minerva</a>  |

### 13.15 - 14.15 Lunch

14.30 – 16.00

#### **SESSION II - MIGRATION AND TRADE**

Chair: **G. Barba Navaretti**

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| <b>4</b> | <b>Nicola D. Coniglio*, Giovanni Pesce</b> - University of Bari "Aldo Moro"<br><b>CLIMATE VARIABILITY AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION: WHAT ARE THE LINKS?</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">L. Rotunno</a>                |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Cosimo Beverelli*, Gianluca Orefice, Nadia Rocha</b> - Economic Research Division, World Trade Organization, CEPII<br><b>SPILLOVER EFFECTS AND MIGRANT EMPLOYMENT</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">N. Coniglio</a> |

### 16.00 - 16.10 Break

16.15 – 18.30

#### **SESSION III - FIRM PERFORMANCE, PRODUCTION PATTERNS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

Chair: **M. Caserta**

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| <b>6</b> | <b>Matthias Buerker, Chiara Franco, G. Alfredo Minerva*</b> - University of Bologna<br><b>FOREIGN OWNERSHIP, FIRM PERFORMANCE, AND THE GEOGRAPHY OF CIVIC CAPITAL</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">G. Cafiso</a>                                    |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Antonio Accetturo*, Matteo Bugamelli, Andrea R. Lamorgese, Andrea Linarello</b> - Bank of Italy and UPF<br><b>INNOVATION AND TRADE. EVIDENCE FROM ITALIAN MANUFACTURING FIRMS</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">F. Trionfetti</a>                 |
| <b>8</b> | <b>Anna Falzoni, Lucia Tajoli*</b> – University of Bergamo and Politecnico di Milano<br><b>INTERNATIONAL FRAGMENTATION OF PRODUCTION AND TRADE VOLATILITY: AN ANALYSIS FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES</b><br>Discussant: <a href="#">C. Beverelli</a> |

### 20.30 Dinner

## Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>

<b>08.45 – 10.15</b> <b>SESSION IV - CHINA'S INFLUENCE ON OTHER COUNTRIES' TRADE</b> Chair: G. Basevi	
<b>9</b>	<b>Lorenzo Rotunno*</b> , Pierre-Louis Vézina, Zheng Wang - Graduate Institute, Geneva; University of Oxford and University of Nottingham <b>THE RISE AND FALL OF (CHINESE) AFRICAN EXPORTS</b> Discussant: M. Sanfilippo
<b>10</b>	<b>Giorgia Giovannetti, Marco Sanfilippo*</b> - University of Florence and European University Institute <b>HAS CHINA AFFECTED EXPORT PRICE STRATEGIES OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES? A FOCUS ON ITALY</b> Discussant: A. Felettingh

**10.15-10.25 Break**

<b>10.30 – 12.45</b> <b>SESSION V - INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND MACROECONOMICS</b> Chair: R. Cellini	
<b>11</b>	<b>Alberto Felettigh</b> - Bank of Italy <b>ENTRY DYNAMICS AS A SOLUTION TO THE PUZZLING BEHAVIOUR OF REAL MARGINAL COSTS IN THE GHIRONI-MELITZ MODEL</b> Discussant: P. Bombarda
<b>12</b>	<b>Giacomo Saibene</b> - Politecnico di Milano <b>TRADE SURPLUSES: THE BYPRODUCT OF A DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY</b> Discussant: A. Lo Turco
<b>13</b>	<b>Pamela Bombarda</b> - Université de Cergy-Pontoise and THEMA <b>SPATIAL NETWORKS AND HETEROGENEOUS FIRMS</b> Discussant: TBA

**12.45 Lunch**

**\*Speaker**

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**The scientific committee** of this meeting includes: Giorgio Basevi (*University of Bologna*), Giorgio Barba Navaretti (*University of Milan*), Gianluca Cafiso (*University of Catania*), Roberto Cellini (*University of Catania*), Giuseppe De Arcangelis (*Sapienza University of Rome*), Giorgia Giovannetti (*University of Florence*).

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