



Economics & Politics Special Issue Workshop

'Firms, States, and Global Production'

18-19 March 2019

Cardamom Room, Shaw Foundation Alumni House
National University of Singapore

Program

Monday, 18 March

8:45am – 9:00am Arrivals and Welcome

9:00am – 9:15am Opening Remarks

9:15am – 10:05am **Yilang Feng (University of Michigan)**
Lobbying, Offshoring, and Exit Threat: Domestic Regulation and Global Production of US Firms

Discussant – **Gabriele Spilker** (University of Salzburg)

10:05am – 10:55am **Ryan Weldzius (Washington University, St. Louis)**
Central Banks in Chains? Global Value Chain Integration and Monetary Policy Outcomes

Discussant – **Layna Mosley** (UNC Chapel Hill)

10:55am – 11:10am Break

11:10am – 12:00pm Carolina Moehlecke, Calvin Thrall and **Rachel Wellhausen (University of Texas- Austin)**
Supply Chains as a Driver of International Regulatory Coordination

Discussant – **Kai Stern** (UNC Chapel Hill)

- 12:00pm – 1:30pm Lunch: University Club, Shaw Foundation Alumni House
- 1:30pm – 2:20pm Edmund Malesky (Duke University) and **Layna Mosley (UNC Chapel Hill)**
Developing Country Firms, Preferential Trade Agreements and Labor Upgrading
- Discussant – **Ryan Weldzius** (University of Washington, St. Louis)
- 2:20 pm – 3:10pm **Ka Zeng (University of Arkansas), Yue Lu (University of International Business and Economics, China), and Ya-wei Li (University of International Business and Economics, China)**
The Effect of Heterogeneous Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) on Global Value Chain (GVC) Participation: Evidence from Chinese Industries
- Discussant – **Rachel Wellhausen** (University of Texas, Austin)
- 3:30 pm Pick-up from Shaw Foundation Alumni House (Transport to Hotel)
- 6:00 pm Meet at Orchard Rendezvous Hotel for transport to Chijmes
- 6:30 pm Dinner at Coriander Leaf, Chijmes

Tuesday, 19 March

- 8:45am – 9:00am Arrival at Shaw Foundation Alumni House
- 9:00am – 9:50am **Kai A. Stern (UNC-Chapel Hill)**
Preferential Trade Agreements and the Political Economy of Firm Internationalization
- Discussant – **Ka Zeng** (University of Arkansas)
- 9:50am – 10:40am Edmund Malesky (Duke University) and **Helen V. Milner (Princeton University)**
International versus Domestic Law: Government Credibility and Business Investments in Vietnam
- Discussant – **Yilang Fang** (University of Michigan)
- 10:40am – 10:55am Break

- 10:55am – 11:45am **Soo Yeon Kim (National University of Singapore) and Gabriele Spilker (University of Salzburg)**
Firms, Global Value Chains, and Compliance in WTO Disputes
Discussant – **Peter Rosendorff** (New York University)
- 11:45am – 12:15pm Closing Discussion
- 12:30pm – 1:45pm Lunch at Scholar, Kent Ridge Guild House
- 2:00pm Pick up from Kent Ridge Guild House
- 6:00pm Pick up at Hotel for dinner
- 6:30pm Dinner (Violet Oon's Satay Bar and Grill)