



## NWSSDTP PhD Conference

**19-20 May 2022**

**Department of Economics**

**University of Manchester**

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**Thursday 19 May 2022**

<b>10:00 – 10:50</b>	<b>Arrival and Registration</b> <b>Lobby/Barnes Wallis Room</b>
<b>10:50 – 11:00</b>	<b>Welcome Speech</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b>
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>SESSION 1: Development</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mbakile Seabe (Lancaster):</b> “The Macroeconomic Effects of External Shocks on Developing Commodity-Exporting Economies: A GDFM Approach”</li><li>• <b>Antara Mandal (Liverpool):</b> “Does Patriarchal Decision Making Impact the Sterilization Skew in India?”</li><li>• <b>Sukanya Honkote (Manchester):</b> “Should Exports be Given a Free Hand? A Study of Local Labour-Market Effects of India’s Special Economic Zones”</li></ul>
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch &amp; Posters</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Safaa Basabreen (Liverpool):</b> “Does Subjective Well-Being Affect Personal Saving Behaviour?”</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kriti Arora (Manchester):</b> “Women’s Inheritance Rights and their Intergenerational Effects: Evidence from India”</li> <li>• <b>Nathan Nabil (Lancaster):</b> “Why The House Always Wins: Empirical Evidence Exposing What Drives Dynamic Inconsistencies in Risky Choices”</li> <li>• <b>Panagiotis Veneris (Liverpool):</b> “Credit Crunches with Recursive Preferences”</li> <li>• <b>Gerald McQuade (Lancaster):</b> “Effects of Exposure to Early Life Rainfall Shocks on Personality Trait Formation: Evidence from Peru”</li> </ul>
<b>14:00 – 15:30</b>	<p><b>Session 2: Macro and Trade</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Afnan Al-Malk (Lancaster):</b> “The Gravity of Distance: Evidence from a Trade Embargo”</li> <li>• <b>Asif Iqbal (Liverpool):</b> “Risk Aversion Heterogeneity and the Instability of Money Demand”</li> <li>• <b>Aristotelis Margaritis (Lancaster):</b> “Monetary Policy and Regional Housing Markets of the UK”</li> </ul>
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<p><b>Coffee Break</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b></p>
<b>16:00 – 17:30</b>	<p><b>Session 3: Applied Econometrics</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mariol Jonuzaj (Lancaster):</b> “Partial Adjustment Effects in Panel Stochastic Frontier Models”</li> <li>• <b>Michael Grebe (Manchester):</b> “Portfolio Allocation Using Echo State Networks”</li> <li>• <b>Harrison Rolls (Lancaster):</b> “Testing the Drift-Diffusion Model Under Prospect Theory”</li> </ul>
<b>19:00</b>	<p><b>Dinner</b> <b>Pendulum Hotel, Pendulum Suite</b></p>

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**Friday, 20 May 2022**

<b>8:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Coffee</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b>
<b>9:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>SESSION 4: Microeconomic Theory</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Zining Huang (Liverpool):</b> “Spiteful Preferences and the Group Size Paradox”</li><li>• <b>Jessica Alam (Lancaster):</b> “Quantifying Wishful Thinking in Various Games”</li><li>• <b>Zihan Yin (Liverpool):</b> “Strategic Obfuscation Through Contracts Design”</li></ul>
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b>
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>SESSION 5: Environmental, Macro and Political Economy</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mingyuan Chen (Lancaster):</b> “Director Appointments, Boardroom Networks, and Firm Environmental Performance”</li><li>• <b>Yevhenii Skok (Liverpool):</b> “Interest-Rate Smoothing and Financial Stability”</li><li>• <b>Amanda De Pirro (Lancaster):</b> “The Political Economy of Innovation: Evidence from the Fascist Regime in Italy”</li></ul>
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch &amp; Posters</b> <b>Barnes Wallis Room</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Carlos Javier Charotti (Manchester):</b> “The Macroeconomics of a Government’s Investment in Infrastructure”</li><li>• <b>Rubab Ahmed (Lancaster):</b> “Child Health and Maternal Work Outcome”</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tien Nguyen (Liverpool):</b> “The Value of Privacy in Cryptocurrencies”</li> <li>• <b>Shuya Luo (Lancaster):</b> “Trade War Between China and the US: A Quantitative Investigation of the Role of (Imported) Intermediate Inputs”</li> <li>• <b>Utsa Banerjee (Lancaster):</b> “Can a Trade Policy Increase Gender Inequality – New Evidence from Chile”</li> </ul>
<b>14:00 – 14:30</b>	<p><b>Session 6: Applied Economics</b></p> <p><b>Barnes Wallis Room</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chiara Costi (Lancaster):</b> “Does Caring for Others Benefit Our Own Mental Health? Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic in the UK”</li> </ul>

The conference will take place in the Barnes Wallis Room in the Barnes Wallis Building, University of Manchester. The conference dinner will take place at the Pendulum Hotel, Sackville Street, Manchester M1 3BB.

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