



**8th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and  
Development  
December 17-19, 2012  
Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi**

## Conference Programme

### Day 1: 17 December, Monday

**9.30 - 10.30: Registration, Coffee/Tea**

**10.30 - 11.00: Welcome Note: Arunava Sen (ISI, Delhi)**

**Opening Remarks: Kaushik Basu (Cornell University and Sr. Vice President & Chief Economist, The World Bank)**

**11.00 - 1.00: Plenary Session 1 (Conference Room)**

**Avinash Dixit (Princeton University):** "Prisoners of Strategy: Costly Ties and Dueling Party Machines" (with Edwin Camp and Susan Stokes, Yale University)

**M. Scott Taylor (University of Calgary):** "Back to the Future of Green Powered Economies" (with Juan Moreno Cruz, Georgia Institute of Technology)

Chair: Bhaskar Dutta (University of Warwick and ISI, Delhi)

**1.00 - 2.30: Lunch (Guesthouse Lawn)**

**2.30 - 4.15: Parallel Sessions 1**

- 1(a) Food and Agriculture (Conference Room)
- 1(b) Infrastructure (Seminar Room 1)
- 1(c) Environment I (Seminar Room 2)
- 1(d) India's Growth Experience (Class Room 13)
- 1(e) Human Capital: Education and Skill (Class Room 14)
- 1(f) Institutions I: Theory (Auditorium)

**4.15 - 4.45: Coffee/Tea Break**

**4.45 - 6.30: Parallel Sessions 2**

- 2(a) NREGA (Conference Room)
- 2(b) Prices, Inequality and Deprivation (Seminar Room 1)
- 2(c) Environment II (Seminar Room 2)
- 2(d) Empirical Issues in Macroeconomics (Class Room 13)
- 2(e) Institutions II (Class Room 14)
- 2(f) Topics in Microeconomics (Auditorium)

**7.30: Conference Dinner at the French Cultural Centre (2 Aurangzeb Road, New Delhi - 11)**

[The conference dinner is co-hosted with the Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi]

## Day 2: 18 December, Tuesday

**9.00 - 9.30: Coffee/Tea**

**9.30 - 10.30: Plenary Session 2 (Conference Room)**

**Vijay Krishna (Pennsylvania State University): "Majority Rule and Utilitarian Welfare"**  
(with John Morgan, University of California, Berkeley)

Chair: Arunava Sen (ISI, Delhi)

**10.30 - 11.15: High Tea (Guesthouse Lawn)**

**11.15 - 1.00: Parallel Sessions 3**

- 3(a) Gender (Conference Room)
- 3(b) Corruption (Seminar Room 1)
- 3(c) Political Economy I (Seminar Room 2)
- 3(d) Open Economy Macroeconomics (Class Room 13)
- 3(e) Fiscal Policy (Class Room 14)
- 3(f) International Trade I: Theory (Auditorium)

**1.00 - 2.30: Lunch (Guesthouse Lawn)**

**2.30 - 4.15: Parallel Sessions 4**

- 4(a) Education I (Conference Room)
- 4(b) Behavioural Issues (Seminar Room 1)
- 4(c) International Trade II: Empirics (Seminar Room 2)
- 4(d) Process of Development (Class Room 13)
- 4(e) Inequality and Mobility (Class Room 14)
- 4(f) Contracts and Information (Auditorium)

**4.15 - 4.45: Coffee/Tea Break**

**4.45 - 6.30: Parallel Sessions 5**

- 5(a) Education II (Conference Room)
- 5(b) Indian Manufacturing (Seminar Room 1)
- 5(c) Discrimination (Seminar Room 2)
- 5(d) Monetary Economics (Class Room 13)
- 5(e) Empirical and Data Issues (Class Room 14)
- 5(f) Political Economy II (Auditorium)

## Day 3: 19 December, Wednesday

9.00 - 9.30: Coffee/Tea

9.30 - 11.00: **Plenary Session 3** (*Conference Room*)

**Raghuram Rajan (University of Chicago and Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance, Government of India):** "Financial Development: Lessons from American Banking in the Early 20th Century"

**Jean-Charles Rochet (University of Zurich):** "Using Private Politics to Discipline Biased Regulators" (with Julien Daubanes, Center of Economic Research at ETH Zurich)

Chair: Shubhashis Gangopadhyay (India Development Foundation and Shiv Nadar University)

11.00 – 11.45: **High Tea** (*Guesthouse Lawn*)

11.45 – 1.30: **Parallel Sessions 6**

- 6(a) **Health** (*Conference Room*)
- 6(b) **Networks** (*Seminar Room 1*)
- 6(c) **Labour Market** (*Seminar Room 2*)
- 6(d) **Topics in Macroeconomics** (*Class Room 13*)
- 6(e) **Growth Theory** (*Class Room 14*)
- 6(f) **Industrial Organization** (*Auditorium*)

1.30 – 2.45: **Lunch** (*Guesthouse Lawn*)

2.45 – 4.30: **Parallel Sessions 7**

- 7(a) **Poverty** (*Conference Room*)
- 7(b) **Political Economy and Corruption** (*Seminar Room 1*)
- 7(c) **Microfinance and Debt** (*Seminar Room 2*)
- 7(d) **Emerging Economies** (*Class Room 13*)
- 7(e) **Topics in Applied Microeconomics** (*Class Room 14*)
- 7(f) **Game Theory** (*Auditorium*)

4.30 – 5.00: **Coffee/Tea Break**

5.00 – 6.30: **Panel Discussion on *Obstacles to High Growth in India*** (*Conference Room*)

**Panelists:**

**Abheek Barua** (HDFC Bank)

**M. Govinda Rao** (NIPFP and Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister)

**Partha Sen** (South Asian University)

**Alok Sheel** (Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister)

**Moderator: Chetan Ghate** (ISI, Delhi)

[The Panel Discussion is co-organized with the Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi]

6.30 – 6.45: **Vote of Thanks**

## Parallel Sessions 1

17 December, Monday, 2.30 - 4.15 PM

**Session 1(a): Food and Agriculture (Conference Room)** **Chair: Ethan Ligon**

**Nirupam Datta** (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research): "Evaluating the Impacts of Micro-Watershed Development Project on Agriculture in Bardhaman, West Bengal"

Menale Kassie (CIMMYT), Simon Wagura Ndiritu (University of Gothenburg and CIMMYT) and **Jesper Stage** (Mid Sweden U.): "Gender Inequalities and Food Security in Kenya: Application of Switching Regression and Matching Methods"

Pierre Dubois (Toulouse School of Economics) and **Ethan Ligon** (University of California, Berkeley): "Nutrition & Risk Sharing within the Household"

**Session 1(b): Infrastructure (Seminar Room 1)** **Chair: Takashi Kurosaki**

Ujjayant Chakravorty (Tufts University), **Martino Pelli** (University of Alberta) and Beyza Ural Marchand (University of Alberta): "Impacts of Reliable Electricity Supply: Evidence from Rural India"

JV Meenakshi (DSE); Abhijit Banerji (DSE); **Aditi Mukherji** (International Water Management Institute, New Delhi) and Anubhab Gupta: "Does Marginal Cost Pricing of Electricity Affect Groundwater Pumping Behavior of Farmers?"

**Takashi Kurosaki** (Hitotsubashi University): "Urban Transportation Infrastructure and Poverty Reduction: Delhi Metro's Impact on the Cycle Rickshaw Rental Market"

**Session 1(c): Environment I (Seminar Room 2)** **Chair: Parkash Chander**

**Prodyumna Goutam** (Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore) and Hema Swaminathan (Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore): "Women's Assets and Household Fuel Choice in Karnataka".

**Aditya Goenka** (NUS), Saqib Jafarey (City University London) and William Pouliot (University of Birmingham): "Pollution, Mortality and Optimal Environmental Policy"

**Parkash Chander** (NUS): "Subgame-Perfect Cooperation in a Dynamic Game of Climate Change"

**Session 1(d): India's Growth Experience (Class Room 13)** **Chair: Peter E. Robertson**

**Mainak Mazumdar** (CSH, India), Matthieu Teachout (Ecole Polytechnique, France), Basudeb Chaudhuri (CSH, India) and Velayoudom Marimoutou (Universite de la Mediterranee): "Growth, Regional Disparity and Convergence Clubs in India: A Sectoral Level Analysis and Decomposition"

Chetan Ghate (ICRIER and ISI, Delhi) and **Stephen Wright** (Birkbeck College, University of London): "Why was the Participation of Indian States in the Growth Turnaround So Patchy? Some Evidence Based on Robustness Analysis"

Samarjit Das (ISI, Kolkata), Chetan Ghate (ISI, Delhi) and **Peter E. Robertson** (The University of Western Australia): "Growth and the Bright City Lights: Convergence and Divergence Across Indian Districts"

**Session 1(e): Human Capital: Education and Skill (Class Room 14)** **Chair: Itzhak Zilcha**

**Fabio Cerina** (University of Cagliari) and Fabio Manca (IPTS): "Catch Me If You Learn: Development-Specific Education and Economic Growth"

German Cubas (Central Bank of Uruguay and FCS-UDELAR), **B. Ravikumar** (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis) and Gustavo Ventura (Arizona State University): "Talent, Labor Quality and Economic Development"

Jean-Marie Viaene (Erasmus University, Tinbergen Institute and CESifo) and **Itzhak Zilcha** (College of Management Academic Studies and Tel Aviv University): "Public Funding of Higher Education"

**Session 1(f): Institutions I: Theory (Auditorium)** **Chair: Mukesh Eswaran**

Rajesh Bhattacharya (South Asian University, New Delhi) and **Anirban Mukherjee** (Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur): "Encroachment as Redistribution: Optimal Security of Property"

Pascal Billand (Universite de Lyon), Christophe Bravard (Universite Grenoble 2) and **Sudipta Sarangi** (Louisiana State University): "Mutual Insurance Networks within Communities"

Chris Bidner (University of New South Wales) and **Mukesh Eswaran** (University of British Columbia): "A Gender-Based Theory of the Origin of the Caste System of India"

**Parallel Sessions 2****17 December, Monday, 4.45 - 6.30 PM****Session 2(a): NREGA (Conference Room)****Chair: Shamika Ravi**

Stefan Klöner (University of Heidelberg) and **Christian Oldiges** (University of Heidelberg): "Employment Guarantee and its Welfare Effects in India"

Farzana Afridi (ISI, Delhi), Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay (ISI, Delhi) and **Soham Sahoo** (ISI, Delhi): "Female Labour Force Participation and Child Education in India: The Effect of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme"

**Shamika Ravi** (ISB), Mudit Kapoor (ISB) and Rahul Ahluwalia: "The Impact of NREGS on Urbanization in India"

**Session 2(b): Prices, Inequality and Deprivation (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Ranjan Ray**

Sripad Motiram (IGIDR) and **Karthikeya Naraparaju** (IGIDR): "Growth and Deprivation in India: What Does Recent Data Say?"

Amita Majumder (ISI, Kolkata), **Ranjan Ray** (Monash University) and Kompal Sinha (Monash University): "Estimating Purchasing Power Parities from Household Expenditure Data Using Complete Demand Systems with Application to Living Standards Comparison: India and Vietnam"

**Manisha Chakrabarty** (IIM, Kolkata), Amita Majumder (ISI, Kolkata) and Ranjan Ray (Monash University): "Preferences, Spatial Prices and Inequality"

**Session 2(c): Environment II (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Nidhiya Menon**

Basanta K Pradhan (IEG) and **Joydeep Ghosh** (Institute of Economic Growth): "Are the Costs of Climate Change Mitigation Policies Higher Than the Costs of Climate Change Induced Agricultural Productivity Shocks? A CGE Analysis of India"

**Deepti Goel** (DSE) and Sonam Gupta (University of Florida): "The Effect of Metro Rail on Air Pollution in Delhi"

Elizabeth Brainerd (Brandeis University) and **Nidhiya Menon** (Brandeis University): "Seasonal Effects of Water Quality on Infant and Child Health in India"

**Session 2(d): Empirical Issues in Macroeconomics (Class Room 13)****Chair: Anurag N. Banerjee**

Pami Dua (DSE) and **Vineeta Sharma** (DSE): "Spectral Analysis of International Synchronization of Cycles"

Claude Diebolt (Louis-Pasteur University of Starsbourg), Prashant Gupta (Swansea University), **Tapas Mishra** (Swansea University) and Mamata Parhi (Swansea University): "Do Social Polarization and Stochastic Shocks Matter for Convergence Speed of Income?"

**Anurag N. Banerjee** (Durham University): "Sensitivity of Growth Rate Estimates to Long Memory Process"

**Session 2(e): Institutions II (Class Room 14)****Chair: Chongwoo Choe**

**Jeanet Sinding Bentzen** (University of Copenhagen), Nicolai Kaarsen (University of Copenhagen) and Asger Moll Wingender (University of Copenhagen): "Irrigation and Autocracy"

**Ashok S. Guha** (Jawaharlal Nehru University) and Brishti Guha (Singapore Management University): "Transport Costs, Geopolitics and Economic Incentives in Medieval Eurasia and their Role in Shaping Modern Economic Growth"

**Chongwoo Choe** (Monash University) and Paul A. Raschky (Monash University): "Media, Institutions, and Government Action: Prevention vs. Palliation in the Time of Cholera"

**Session 2(f): Topics in Microeconomics (Auditorium)****Chair: Rajat Deb**

Olivier Morand (University of Connecticut), Kevin Reffett (Arizona State University) and **Suchismita Tarafdar** (ISI, Delhi): "A Generalized Approach to Envelope Theorems"

**Kuntal Banerjee** (Florida Atlantic University) and Ram Sewak Dubey (Montclair State University): "Do All Constructive Strongly Monotone Inter-temporal Orders Exhibit Impatience?"

Bo Chen (Southern Methodist University), Laura Razzolini (Virginia Commonwealth University) and **Rajat Deb** (Southern Methodist University): "Co-ordination Failure in a Dynamic Game with Imperfect Information: An Application to Healthcare"

**Parallel Sessions 3****18 December, Tuesday, 11.15AM - 1.00 PM****Session 3(a): Gender (Conference Room)****Chair: Sonia Bhalotra****Kanika Mahajan** (ISI, Delhi): "Impact of Rainfall Shocks on Gender Wage Differential in Agriculture"**Sofia Amaral** (University of Birmingham): "Do Improved Property Rights Decrease Violence Against Women in India?"**Sonia Bhalotra** (University of Bristol), **Irma Clots-Figueras** (Carlos III Madrid) and **Lakshmi Iyer** (Harvard Business School): "Path-breakers: How Does Women's Political Participation Respond to Electoral Success"**Session 3(b): Corruption (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Tarun Jain****Girijashakar Mallik** (University of Western Sydney) and **Shrabani Saha** (Edith Cowan University): "Growth and Corruption: A Complex Relationship"**Sandip Sukhtankar** (Dartmouth College): "Much Ado about Nothing? Corruption in the Allocation of Wireless Spectrum in India"**Klaus Abbink** (Monash University), **Utteeyo Dasgupta** (Franklin & Marshall College), **Lata Gangadharan** (Monash University), **Tarun Jain** (ISB, Hyderabad): "Letting the Briber Go Free: An Experiment on Mitigating Harassment Bribes"**Session 3(c): Political Economy I (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Graziella Bertocchi****Laura Zimmermann** (University of Michigan): "Jai Ho? The Impact of a Large Public Works Program on the Government's Election Performance in India"**Nishant Chadha** (University of British Columbia): "Technological Change and Political Mobilization: Evidence from India"**Graziella Bertocchi** (Universita di Modena and CEPR) and **Arcangelo Dimico** (Queen's University Belfast): "De Jure and De Facto Determinants of Power: Evidence from Mississippi"**Session 3(d): Open Economy Macroeconomics (Class Room 13)****Chair: Poonam Gupta****Samrat Roy** (St. Xavier's College, Kolkata) and **Kumarjit Mandal** (University of Calcutta): "Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Growth: A Cross-Country Exploration in Asia using Panel Cointegration Technique"**Abhijit Sen Gupta** (ADB) and **Rajeswari Sengupta** (IFMR): "Management of Capital Flows in India: 1990-2011"**Sabyasachi Kar** (IEG): "Global Rebalancing: Limitations of the East-Asia-Centric Approach and the Role of Europe"**Poonam Gupta** (NIPFP) and **Barry Eichengreen** (University of California, Berkeley): "Real Exchange Rate and Services Export"**Session 3(e): Fiscal Policy (Class Room 14)****Chair: Sugata Ghosh****Sanchit Arora** (IGIDR): "Monetary and Fiscal Policy Games under Adaptive Learning"**Santanu Chatterjee** (University of Georgia) and **Azer Mursagulov** (IMF): "Fiscal Policy and the Real Exchange Rate"**Evangelos V. Dioikitopoulos** (Brunel University London) and **Sugata Ghosh** (Brunel University London): "Intertemporal Substitution and Fiscal Policy Indeterminacy in a Growth Model of the Environment"**Session 3(f): International Trade I: Theory (Auditorium)****Chair: Kala Krishna****Debasmita Basu** (ISI, Kolkata): "Opening Up of the Agricultural Sector in the Presence of Single Voting Rights"**Satya P.Das** (ISI, Delhi) and **Anuradha Saha** (ISI, Delhi): "Trade in Goods and Services and Economic Growth"**Kala Krishna** (Pennsylvania State University, NBER and CES-IFO) and **Yelena Sheveleva** (The Pennsylvania State University): "Wheat or Strawberries? Intermediated Trade with Limited Contracting"

**Parallel Sessions 4****18 December, Tuesday, 2.30 - 4.15 PM****Session 4(a): Education I (Conference Room)****Chair: Karthik Muralidharan**

**Anindya Sen** (IIM, Bangalore), Prodyumna Goutam (IIM, Bangalore) and Chirantan Chatterjee (IIM, Bangalore): "Peer Effects in Graduate Education: Evidence from India"

Tarun Jain (Virginia University and ISB) and **Mudit Kapoor** (ISB): "The Impact of Formal and Informal Peers on Academic Performance"

**Karthik Muralidharan** (University of California, San Diego, NBER, J-PAL, BREAD) and Nishith Prakash (University of Connecticut, IZA, CReAM): "Cycling to School: Increasing Secondary School Enrollment for Girls in India"

**Session 4(b): Behavioural Issues (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Mamata Parhi**

**Veronique Gille** (Universite Paris 1): "Stigma in Positive Discrimination Application? Evidence from Quotas in Education in South India"

**Diego Ubfal** (Bocconi University): "How General Are Time Preferences? Eliciting Good-Specific Discount Rates"

Peter Huxley (Swansea University), Tapas Mishra (Swansea University), Bazoumana Ouattara (Swansea University) and **Mamata Parhi** (Swansea University): "Happiness Under Uncertainty"

**Session 4(c): International Trade II: Empirics (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Pushan Dutt**

Maria Bas (CEPII) and **Antoine Berthou** (Banque de France): "Does Input-Liberalisation Affect Firms' Decision to Import Capital Goods?"

Ana M. Fernandes (World Bank), Ejaz E. Ghani (World Bank), Stephen O'Connell (World Bank and CUNY Graduate Center) and **Gunjan Sharma** (University of Missouri): "Sourcing and Sophistication Decisions: Importing Behavior of Indian Plants"

**Pushan Dutt** (INSEAD), Ilian Mihov (INSEAD and CEPR) and Timothy Van Zandt (INSEAD and CEPR): "The Effect of WTO on the Extensive and the Intensive Margins of Trade"

**Session 4(d): Process of Development (Class Room 13)****Chair: J. Rodrigo Fuentes**

Rahul Anand (IMF), **Saurabh Mishra** (IMF) and Nikola Spatafora (IMF): "Structural Transformation and the Sophistication of Production"

**Piyusha Mutreja** (Syracuse University), B. Ravikumar (Federal Reserve Bank of St Louis) and Michael Sposi (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas): "Capital Goods Trade and Economic Development"

**J. Rodrigo Fuentes** (Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile) and Veronica Mies (Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile): "Productivity Differences in Developing and Developed Countries: Where are the Bottlenecks?"

**Session 4(e): Inequality and Mobility (Class Room 14)****Chair: Parantap Basu**

**Debasis Bandyopadhyay** (University of Auckland) and Xueli Tang (Deakin University): "Knowledge Spillover and Growth Promoting Redistribution"

Jeffrey Allen (University of Oregon) and **Shankha Chakraborty** (University of Oregon): "Inequality, Health and the Aspirations Gap"

**Parantap Basu** (Durham University) and Yoseph Getachew (Durham University): "An Adjustment Cost Model of Social Mobility"

**Session 4(f): Contracts and Information (Auditorium)****Chair: Murali Agastya**

Kieron Meagher (Australian National University) and **Suraj Prasad** (University of Sydney): "Implicit Incentives in Problem Solving Teams"

**Arijit Mukherjee** (Michigan State University) and Luos Vasconcelos (University of Essex): "On the Trade-Off between Efficiency in Job Assignment and Turnover: The Role of Break-Up Fees"

**Murali Agastya** (The University of Sydney) and Parimal Kanti Bag (National University of Singapore): "Leadership by Gradual Persuasion"

**Parallel Sessions 5****18 December, Tuesday, 4.45 – 6.30PM****Session 5(a): Education II (Conference Room)****Chair: Veronica Frisancho**

**Abhijeet Singh** (University of Oxford): "The Private School Premium: Size and Sources of the Private School Advantage in Test Scores in India"

**Rajesh Ramachandran** (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): "Language Use in Education and Primary Schooling Attainment: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Ethiopia"

**Veronica Frisancho** (Inter-American Development Bank), **Kala Krishna** (The Pennsylvania State University and NBER) and **Cemile Yavas**: "Learning Gains among Repeat Takers of the Turkish College Entrance Exam"

**Session 5(b): Indian Manufacturing (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Asha Sundaram**

**Vikash Gautam** (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research): "Evidence on Growth and Finance Constraint from Indian Manufacturing Firms"

**Aradhna Aggarwal** (Kobe University and National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi) and **Takahiro Sato** (Kobe University): "Firm Dynamics and Productivity Growth in Indian Manufacturing: Evidence from Plant Level Panel Dataset"

**Lawrence Edwards** (University of Cape Town) and **Asha Sundaram** (University of Cape Town): "Trade Liberalization and Reallocation of Production: An Analysis of Indian Manufacturing"

**Session 5(c): Discrimination (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Ashwini Deshpande**

**Paramita Dhar** (Central Connecticut State University): "Housing Discrimination and its Impact on Economic growth"

**Guilhem Cassan** (London School of Economics and Paris School of Economics): "The Impact of Positive Discrimination in Education in India: Evidence from a Natural Experiment"

**Ashwini Deshpande** (Delhi School of Economics) and **Dean Spears** (Princeton University): "Who is the Identifiable Victim?: Caste Interacts with Sympathy in India"

**Session 5(d): Monetary Economics (Class Room 13)****Chair: Prachi Mishra**

**Shesadri Banerjee** (University of Durham): "Inflation Volatility of Advanced and Developing Economies: A New Keynesian Perspective"

**Gurbachan Singh**: "Overcoming Zero Lower Bound on Interest Rate without any Inflation or Inflationary Expectations"

**Prachi Mishra** (IMF), **Peter Montiel** (Williams College), **Peter Pedroni** (Williams College) and **Antonio Spilimbergo** (IMF): "Monetary Policy and Bank Lending Rates in Low-Income Countries: Heterogenous Panel Estimates"

**Session 5(e): Empirical and Data Issues (Class Room 14)****Chair: Amartya Lahiri**

**Rashmi Barua** (SMU), **Gauri Kartini Shastry** (Wellesley College) and **Dean Yang** (University of Michigan): "Evaluating the Effect of Peer-Based Financial Education on Savings and Remittances for Foreign Domestic Workers in Singapore"

**Gopal Naik** (IIM, Bangalore), **K.P. Basavaraj** (IIM, Bangalore), **V.R. Hegde** (Zoomin Infotech, Bangalore), **Vijay Paidi** (IIM, Bangalore) and **Arjunan Subramanian** (University of Glasgow): "Reliability of Agricultural Statistics in Developing Countries: Reflections from a Comprehensive Village Survey on Crop Area Statistics in India"

**Viktoria Hnatkovska** (University of British Columbia) and **Amartya Lahiri** (University of British Columbia): "Structural Transformation and Rural-Urban Divide"

**Session 5(f): Political Economy II (Auditorium)****Chair: Tapas Kundu**

**Anirban Mitra** (University of Oslo) and **Shabana Mitra** (World Bank): "Electoral Uncertainty, Income Inequality and the "Middle-Class""

**Debayan Pakrashi** (The University of Queensland) and **Paul Frijters** (The University of Queensland): "The Political Economy of Migration in China"

**Tapas Kundu** (University of Tromsø): "Accountability and Incentives"



**Parallel Sessions 6****19 December, Wednesday, 11.45AM – 1.30PM****Session 6(a): Health (Conference Room)****Chair: Anu Rammohan**

**Vibhuti Mendiratta** (Paris School of Economics): "The Impact of Climatic Shocks on Children's Health in India"

**Mousumi Dutta** (Presidency University, Kolkata) and **Zakir Husain** (Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi): "Does Health Insurance Ensure Equitable Health Outcomes? An Analysis of Hospital Services Usage in Urban India"

**Anu Rammohan** (University of Western Australia), **Kazi Iqbal** (University of Western Australia) and **Niyi Awofeso** (University of Western Australia): "Neonatal Mortality in Rural India: Does Access to Health Infrastructure Play a Role?"

**Session 6(b): Networks (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Devesh Roy**

**Tushar K. Nandi** (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta) and **Fabrice Rochelandet** (ADIS, Universite Paris-Sud, Paris): "Contribution to P2P Networks: The Role of Sharing Behaviour in Direct Social Networks"

**Tanika Chakraborty** (IIT, Kanpur), **Bakhrom Mirkasimov** (Humboldt University of Berlin and DIW Berlin) and **Susan Steiner** (DIW Berlin): "Migration and Social Networks in Kyrgyzstan: Informal Transfers in the Sending Communities"

**Abdul Munasib** (Oklahoma State University) and **Devesh Roy** (International Food Policy Research Institute): "Networks and Low Adoption of Modern Technology: The Case of Pearl Millet in Rajasthan, India"

**Session 6(c): Labour Market (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Dipanwita Sarkar**

**James Cust** (University of Oxford), **Andreas Kotsadam** (University of Oslo) and **Anja Tolonen** (University of Gothenburg): "Mines and Female Employment"

**Anirban Mukherjee** (IIT, Kanpur) and **Sourabh Bikas Paul** (NCAER): "Community Identity and Skill Mismatch: A Study on Indian Labour Market"

**Dipanwita Sarkar** (Queensland University of Technology): "A Distributional Analysis of the Native-Immigrant Earnings Gap: The Importance of Employment Discrimination"

**Session 6(d): Topics in Macroeconomics (Class Room 13)****Chair: Alok Johri**

**Kausik Gangopadhyay** (IIT, Kozhikode), **Atsushi Nishimura** (Ernst & Young Shinnihon Tax, Japan) and **Rupayan Pal** (IGIDR): "Co-movement of Skill Premium and Stock Prices"

**Rudrani Bhattacharya** (National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi) and **Ila Patnaik** (NIPFP, New Delhi): "Credit Constraints, Productivity Shocks and Consumption Volatility in Emerging Economies"

**Chris Gunn** (Carleton University) and **Alok Johri** (McMaster University): "Fear of Sovereign Default and Business Cycles"

**Session 6(e): Growth Theory (Class Room 14)****Chair: Alain Desdoigts**

**Mehdi Senouci** (Paris School of Economics): "Direction of Technical Change, Endogenous Fertility, and Patterns of Growth"

**Mo Pak-Hung** (Hong Kong Baptist University): "Entrepreneurs, Sticky Competition and the Schumpeterian Cobb-Douglas Production Function"

**Alain Desdoigts** (Universite Paris-Est) and **Fernando Jaramillo** (Universidad del Rosario): "Mass Consumption and Bounded Learning-By-Doing: Exploring Demand-Side Implications of Income Distribution for Growth"

**Session 6(f): Industrial Organization (Auditorium)****Chair: Kamal Saggi**

**Yuanzhu Lu** (Central University of Finance and Economics) and **Sougata Poddar** (AUT Business School): "Does Reliable Pirated Product Lead to More Piracy?"

**Arghya Ghosh** (University of New South Wales), **Hodaka Morita** (University of New South Wales), and **Chengsi Wang** (Mannheim): "Horizontal Mergers in the Presence of Vertical Relationships"

**Eric Bond** (Vanderbilt University) and **Kamal Saggi** (Vanderbilt University): "Compulsory Licensing, Price Controls, and Access to Patented Foreign Products"

**Parallel Sessions 7****19 December, Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.30PM****Session 7(a): Poverty (Conference Room)****Chair: Magnus Hatlebakk**

Swati Dutta (IFMR, Chennai): "Poverty to Vulnerability in Indian Rural States: An Asset Based Approach"

Rivayani Darmawan (University of Goettingen): "Elite Capture in Urban Society: Evidence from Indonesia"

Magnus Hatlebakk (CMI, Norway): "Poverty Dynamics in Rural Orissa: Transitions in Assets and Occupations over Generations"

**Session 7(b): Political Economy and Corruption (Seminar Room 1)****Chair: Vikas Kumar**

Ritwik Banerjee (Aarhus University) and Tushi Baul (Iowa State University): "Does Bureaucracy Attract More Corrupt People? An Experimental Evidence from India"

Michele Valsecchi (University of Gothenburg): "Local Elections and Corruption during Democratization: Evidence from Indonesia"

Ankush Agrawal (Institute of Economic Growth) and Vikas Kumar (Azim Premji University): "Nagaland's Demographic Somersault: An Empirical Investigation"

**Session 7(c): Microfinance and Debt (Seminar Room 2)****Chair: Ranjula Bali Swain**

Martin Kanz (World Bank): "What Does Debt Relief Do for Development? Evidence from India's Bailout Program for Highly-Indebted Rural Households"

Asadul Islam (Monash University) and Debayan Pakrashi (The University of Queensland): "The Micro Finance Puzzle: Who Takes It, Who Gets It and Who Does It?"

Ranjula Bali Swain (Uppsala University) and Adel Varghese (Texas A &amp; M University): "Evaluating the Impact of Training in a National Microfinance Program: Self Help Groups in India"

**Session 7(d): Emerging Economies (Class Room 13)****Chair: Abdul de Guia Abaid**

Ashima Goyal (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research) and Shruti Tripathi (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research): "Stability and Policy Rules in Emerging Markets"

Suparna Chakraborty (University of San Francisco) and Keisuke Otsu (University of Kent): "Business Cycle Accounting of the BRIC Economies"

Abdul de Guia Abaid (International Monetary Fund), John Bluedorn (International Monetary Fund), Jaime Guajardo (International Monetary Fund) and Petia Topalova (International Monetary Fund): "The Rising Resilience of Emerging Market and Developing Economies"

**Session 7(e): Topics in Applied Microeconomics (Class Room 14)****Chair: Rajdeep Sengupta**

Neha Jain (Delhi School of Economics) and Ram Singh (Delhi School of Economics): "A Theory of Cost Overruns"

Vinay Ramani (Indian Institute of Management, Udaipur) and Bibhas Saha (University of East Anglia): "Optimal Privatization and Entry in a Differentiated Mixed Oligopoly"

Rajdeep Sengupta (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis): "Lending to Uncreditworthy Borrowers"

**Session 7(f): Game Theory (Auditorium)****Chair: Tore Nilssen**

Herve Moulin (Rice University), Indrajit Ray (University of Birmingham) and Sonali Sen Gupta (University of Birmingham): "Improving Nash by Correlation in Quadratic Potential Games"

Kalyan Chatterjee (Pennsylvania State University), Manipushpak Mitra (Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata) and Conan Mukherjee (Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata): "Bidding Rings under Complete Information: A Bargaining Approach"

Derek J. Clark (University of Troms), Tore Nilssen (University of Oslo) and Jan Yngve Sand (University of Troms): "Motivating over Time: Dynamic Win Effects in Sequential Contests"