

Inaugural
Scotland and Northern England Applied Microeconomics Workshop
Crief Hydro Hotel, 19-20 April 2022

Preliminary Program
(presenters are in **bold**)

Tuesday, 19 April 2022

11:00 **Arrival**

12:00-13:15 **Lunch**

13:15-13:25 “Greeting,” **David Jaeger** (University of St Andrews), Room A

13:30-14:00 **Session 1**

Room A

“Forced Migration and Local Economic Development: Evidence from Postwar Hungary,” **Daniel Borbely** (University of Dundee), Ross McKenzie (University of Strathclyde)

Discussant: **David Escamilla-Guerrero** (University of St Andrews)

Room B

“The Impact of University Re-openings on COVID-19 Cases in Scotland,” Mirko Moro (University of Stirling), Eva Moore (University of Stirling), and **Hector Rufrancos** (University of Stirling)

Discussant: **Dimitris Christelis** (University of Glasgow)

14:00-14:30 **Session 2**

Room A

“The Human Cost of Externalizing Rescue Operations,” Emanuele Albarosa (University College Dublin and International Organization for Migration) and **Diego Zambiasi** (Newcastle University)

Discussant: **Michele Battisti** (University of Glasgow)

Room B

“Mortality Risk Information, Survival Expectations and Sexual Behaviors,” **Alberto Ciancio** (University of Glasgow), Adeline Delavande (University of Technology, Sydney), Hans Peter Kohler (University of Pennsylvania) and Iliana Kohler (University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: **Antonella Bancalari** (University of St Andrews)

14:30-15:00 **Session 3**

Room A

“Explaining Gender Differences in the Selection and Sorting of Migrants: Evidence from Canada-US Migration,” **David Escamilla-Guerrero** (University of St Andrews), Miko Lepsitö (University of Helsinki), Chris Minns (London School of Economics)
Discussant: Diego Battiston (University of Edinburgh)

Room B

“Exposure to Gun Violence *in Utero*,” **Bahadir Dursun** (Newcastle University), Janet Currie (Princeton University), Michael Hatch (American University), and Erdal Tekin (American University)
Discussant: Otto Lehnart (University of Strathclyde)

15:00-15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30-16:00 **Session 4**

Room A

“Where to Live? English Proficiency and Residential Location of UK Migrants,” **Yu Aoki** (University of Aberdeen) and Lualhati Santiago (UK Office for National Statistics)
Discussant: Cristina Tealdi (Heriot-Watt University)

Room B

“Long-run Health and Mortality Effects of Exposure to Universal Health Care in Infancy,” Melanie Luhrmann (Institute for Fiscal Studies and Royal Holloway) and **Tanya Wilson** (University of Glasgow)
Discussant: Diego Zambiasi (Newcastle University)

16:00-16:30 **Session 5**

Room A

“Micromotives and Macromoves: Political Preferences and Internal Migration in England and Wales,” Vincenzo Bove (University of Warwick), Georgios Efthymoulou (University of Sheffield), and **Harry Pickard** (Newcastle University)
Discussant: Agnese Romiti (University of Strathclyde)

Room B

“The Effects of Weather Shocks on Early Childhood Health in Guyana,” **Nichola Latoya Williams** (Newcastle University), Sara Maioli (Newcastle University), and Smriti Sharma (Newcastle University)
Discussant: Tanya Wilson (University of Glasgow)

16:30-17:00 **Session 6**

Room A

“Double-debiased Machine Learning in Econometrics,” Achim Ahrens (ETH, Zurich) and **Mark Schaffer** (Heriot-Watt University)

Discussant: **Andreas Steinhauer** (University of Edinburgh)

Room B

“The Causal Effect of Mask-wearing on Symptomatic Infection from COVID-19: Observational Data Evidence from 26 European Countries,” **Dimitris Christelis** (University of Glasgow), Loretta I. Dobrescu (University of New South Wales), and Anna Sanz-de-Galdeano (University of Alicante)

Discussant: **Hector Rufrancos** (University of Stirling)

17:30-19:00 **Happy Hour**

19:00-21:30 **Dinner and Keynote Address**

Lindsey Macmillan (Director, Centre for Education Policy and Equalising Opportunities, University College London)

Wednesday, 20 April 2022

8:00-9:00 **Breakfast**

9:00-9:30 **Session 7**

Room A

“The Effect of Weather on the Willingness to Pay for Energy-Efficiency: Evidence from the UK Housing Market,” Mirko Moro (University of Stirling), **Rodolfo Sejas-Portillo** (University of Stirling), and Till Stowasser (University of Stirling)

Discussant: **Stuart McIntyre** (University of Strathclyde)

Room B

“Cognitive Skills among Adults: An Impeding Factor for Gender Convergence?” **Michele Battisti** (University of Glasgow), Alexandra Fedorets (DIW Berlin), and Lavinia Kinne (ifo Institute Munich)

Discussant: **Yu Zhu** (University of Dundee)

9:30-10:00 **Session 8**

Room A

“Heterogeneous Path to Stability,” Edoardo Di Porto (Istituto Nazionale della Previdenza Sociale and University Federico II Naples) and **Cristina Tealdi** (Heriot-Watt University)

Discussant: Irina Merkurieva (University of St Andrews)

Room B

“International Student Applications in the United Kingdom After Brexit,” Catalin Amuedo-Dorantes (University of California Merced) and **Agnese Romiti** (University of Strathclyde)

Discussant: Ian Walker (Lancaster University)

10:00-10:30 **Session 9**

Room A

“Implicit Contracts and Pass-through of Asymmetric Productivity Shocks,” Andy Snell (University of Edinburgh), Heiko Stueber (Institute for Employment Research Nuremberg), and **Jonathan Thomas** (University of Edinburgh)

Discussant: David Jaeger (University of St Andrews)

Room B

“The Organizational Economics of School Chains,” **Lorenzo Neri** (University of St Andrews), Elisabetta Pasini (Alma Economics), and Olmo Silva (London School of Economics)

Discussant: Lindsey Macmillan (University College London)

10:30-11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00-11:30 **Session 10**

Room A

“Resource Windfalls and Local Labor Markets: Evidence from Peru,” **Antonella Bancalari** (University of St Andrews) and Juan Pablo Rud (Royal Holloway, University of London)

Discussant: Daniel Borberely (University of Dundee)

Room B

“Earnings and Undergraduate Degree Class: Evidence of Grade Inflation in UK Universities,” Jack Britton (York University), **Ian Walker** (Lancaster University), and Yu Zhu (University of Dundee)

Discussant: Margaret Leighton (University of St Andrews)

11:30-12:00 **Session 11**

Room A

“Labor Mobility and the Affordable Care Act: Heterogenous Impacts of the Preexisting Conditions Provision,” Laura Connolly (Michigan Technological University) Matt Hampton (Austin Peay State University), and **Otto Lehnart** (University of Strathclyde)

Discussant: **Bahadir Dursun** (Newcastle University)

Room B

“Does It Pay to Attend Elite High Schools? RDD Evidence from China,” Bin Huang (Nanjing University), Bo Li (Nanjing University), Ian Walker (Lancaster University), and **Yu Zhu** (University of Dundee)

Discussant: **Lorenzo Neri** (University of St Andrews)

12:00-12:30 **Session 12**

Room A

“Spatial Spillover Effects of Conflict: Propagation through Food Prices in Somalia,” Thomas Cornelissen (Essex University) and **Marco Alfano** (University of Strathclyde)

Discussant: **Harry Pickard** (Newcastle University)

Room B

“The Effects of Longer Secondary School Days on Parents' Labour Market Outcomes: Evidence from the Jornada Escolar Completa Reform in Peru,” Erkal Ersoy (Heriot-Watt University), **Rachel Forshaw** (Heriot-Watt University), and Patricio Valdivieso Massa (Heriot-Watt University)

Discussant: **Soledad Giardili** (University of Edinburgh)

12:35-12:45 “Closing,” **David Jaeger** (University of St Andrews), Room A

13:00-14:00 **Buffet Lunch**

14:00 **Departure**

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