





International Trade, Agglomeration and the Competitiveness of Firms

EHESS-Keio University Workshop Organized by the Fondation France Japon de l'EHESS

February 20th 2018, from 10:20 to 17:00

EHESS, Room 737 (54 boulevard Raspail 75006 Paris)

Trade liberalization and sagging local economies are becoming one of the central policy issues in developed countries. While recent academic studies recognize that both of them are the key factors in determining the productivity of firms, the interaction between them has not been fully examined yet. The objective of this workshop is to facilitate the discussion on these issues and to foster the interaction between researchers from France and Japan from the area of international trade, economic geography, and industrial organization.

Program

10:00-10:20: Registration

10:20-10:30: Opening Remarks by **Sebastien Lechevalier** (President of FFJ-EHESS)

Session I: Chair Kozo Kiyota (Keio University)

10:30-11:10: Identifying Neighborhood Effects among Firms: Evidence from the Location Lotteries of the Tokyo Tsukiji Fish Market

Speaker: **Kentaro Nakajima** (Hitotsubashi University)

11:10-11:50: Agglomeration Economies and Labour Productivity: What can we Expect from the "Greater Paris" Automatic Rail Project?

Speaker: **Miren Lafourcade** (Université Paris Sud & Paris School of Economics)

11:50-12:10: Coffee Break

12:10-12:50: Regional and Multilateral Trade Agreements with Harmonization of Standards

Speaker: **Yasuhiro Takarada** (Nanzan University)

12:50-13:50 Lunch Meeting

Facilitator: Kozo Kiyota (Keio University)







Session II: Chair Toshiyuki Matsuura (Keio University)

13:50-14:30: The Digital Divide: Universal Broadband Access and Firm Performance

Speaker: **Timothy Destefano** (OECD)

14:30-15:10: On Quantitative Spatial Economic Models

Speaker: Yasusada Murata (Nihon University)

15:10-15:30 Coffee Break

Session III: Chair Yasuhiro Takarada (Nanzan University)

15:30-16:10: **Revisiting Foreign Direct Investment and Technology Diffusion**Speaker: **Toshiyuki Matsuura** (Keio University and FFJ-EHESS)

16:10-16:50: Local Product Space and Firm Level Churning in Exported Products

Speaker: Flora Bellone (University of Nice-Sophia-Antipolis)

16:50-17:00 Closing Remarks by Kozo Kiyota