XVIII Villa Mondragone International Economic Seminar on "Europe: A New Economic Agenda?"
CEIS - University of Rome "Tor Vergata"
June 26th – 27th 2006

PROGRAMME

MONDAY, June 26th

9.00  Registration of Participants
9.30  Welcoming Address A. FINAZZI AGRO*, Rector, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”
9.45  Opening Address L. PAGANETTO, Dean, Faculty of Economics, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

FIRST SESSION (Sala degli Svizzeri)
Structural Changes in the European International Scenario

Chairman: F. PERACCHI, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS

10.00 M. BUTI, W. ROEGER, A. TURRINI, European Commission- Fiscal discipline and structural reforms: complements or substitutes?
10.20 D. SALVATORE, Fordham University- Twin Deficits and Structural imbalances in the G-7 Countries
10.40 P. VANDENNOORD, OECD, Paris- Are house prices nearing a peak? A probit model for 17 OECD countries
11.00 M. GIANNELLI, University of Rome ‘La Sapienza’, D. FEDERICI, University of Cassino - The Schengen Treaty Effect On Foreign Direct Investment Flows
11.20 F. FARINA, University of Siena, R. RICCIUTI, University of Florence – Fiscal Rules and Evaluation of Fiscal Stances in Europe
11.40 GENERAL DISCUSSION

FIRST SESSION (Parallel - Sala del Terrazzo)
Europe, R&D, Patents and Growth

Chairman: E GIOVANNINI, OECD, Paris and University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS

10.20 G. SIRILLI, ISRDS, CNR, Rome - The measurement of R&D: challenges and new developments
10.40 F. LISSONI, Brescia University, S. BRESCHI, Cespr. F. MONTOBBIO, Bocconi University, Milan- The Scientific Productivity of Academic Inventors: New Evidence from Italian Data
11.00 GENERAL DISCUSSION INTRODUCED BY R. WALDMANN, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

12.30 – 13.30

ROUND TABLE “QUALE AGENDA PER LA POLITICA ECONOMICA EUROPEA?”
(in lingua italiana)

Chairman: Jean Paul FITOUSSI, OFCE, Paris

SPEAKERS: Giuliano Amato*, Mario Baldassarri, Lorenzo Bini Smaghi, Renato Brunetta, Rocco Cangelosi*, Giorgio La Malva, Nicola Rossi.
* in attesa di conferma

13. 20 CONCLUSIONS

13.30- 14.30 LUNCH
SECOND SESSION
(Sala degli Svizzeri)
The Productivity Slowdown Puzzle

Chairman: P. L Scandizzo, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS:

14.30 D. Jorgenson, Harvard University - The Second Surge in U.S. Productivity Growth: Can It Be Sustained?
15.00 R.J. Gordon, I. Dew- Becker Northwestern University - The Slowdown in European Productivity Growth: A Tale of Tigers, Tortoises, and Textbook Labor Economics
15.30 F. Daveri, Parma University, C. Jona Lasinio, Istat - Italy’s Decline: Getting the Facts Right
15.50 G. Nicoletti, OECD, Paris - Competition and Productivity Convergence in the age of ICT
16.10 R. Inklaar, University of Groningen - Mind the Gap! International Comparisons of Productivity in Services and Goods Production
16.30 E. Saltari, La Sapienza University, G. Travaglini, Urbino University - The Productivity Slowdown Puzzle: Technological and non technological shocks in the labour market
16.50 GENERAL DISCUSSION INTRODUCED BY L. Becchetti, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

THIRD SESSION
(Parallel- Sala del Terrazzo)
Enlarged Europe and the Integration of New Member States

Chairman: M. Bagella, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS:

15.00 M. Marchesi, European Commission - Enlargement, Two years after: an Economic Evaluation
15.20 F. Heinz, ECB, M. Ward-Warmedinger ECB and CEPR - Cross-border labour mobility within an enlarged EU
15.40 I. Arratibel, F. Heinz, R. Martin, L. Rawdanowicz, R. Serafini, ECB - Real convergence in the new EU Member States – trends, prospects and challenges
16.00 G. Monti, Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance, M. Flad, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt, F. Mongelli, ECB - Economic and monetary integration of the new Member States: helping to chart the route
16.20 DISCUSANTS: G.Y. Szapary, Magyar Nemzeti Bank, F. Mattesini, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

TUESDAY, June 27th

FOURTH SESSION
(Sala degli Svizzeri)
Europe, Competitiveness and Lisbon

Chairman: S. Fenoaltea, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS:

9.30 J.P. Fitoussi, OFCE, Paris - The size of Countries and Growth Strategies
9.50 A. Dierx, F. Izkowitz, European Commission - The Internal Market and the Innovative Performance of the European Economy
10.10 R. Espositi, Polytechnic University of Marche - The Impact of Objective 1 funds on Regional Growth Convergence in the EU: A Panel data approach
10.30 M. Heipertz, ECB - Does the EU need Political Union to regain Performance and Legitimacy?
10.50 GENERAL DISCUSSION
FIFTH SESSION
(Parallel- Sala del Terrazzo)
Energy and Environment: where do we go from here?

Chairman: L. CASTELLUCCI, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS

9.30 O. KNUDSEN, World Bank, P.L. SCANDIZZO, University of Rome Tor Vergata - Emissions Trading and Pricing under Regulatory Uncertainty
10.10 C. A BOLLINO, P. POLINORI, University of Perugia - An Assessment of Consumer Willingness to pay for Renewable Energy Sources use in Italy: a payment card approach.
10.30 A. D’AMATO, Tor Vergata University, E. VALENTINI, Chieti - Pescara University - The Allocation of Tradeable Emission Permits within Federal Systems (or Economic Unions)
10.50 M. SAPIENZA, S. STEFANONI, Tor Vergata University - EU Emission Trading Scheme and Investments under uncertainty in the power sector
11.10 GENERAL DISCUSSION INTRODUCED BY V. TERMINI, Cassino University, Tor Vergata University

SIXTH SESSION
(Parallel - Sala degli Svizzeri)
Empirical Evidence on the Immigration- Development Nexus

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I. Remittances and Development

Chairman: G. TRIA, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

SPEAKERS

11.00 M. SCHIFF, World Bank and IZA - Migration’s Income and Poverty Impact Has Been Underestimated
11.20 F. VADEAN, HWWA Hamburg - Determinants of Migrants’ Remittances: Evidence from German MicroData
11.40 M. SEMYONOV, A. GORODZIESKY, Tel Aviv University - Remittances and Economic Well-being of Households in the Sending Country: The Case of Filipino Overseas Contract Workers
12.00 F. DOCQUIER, H. RAPOPORT, I.L. SHEN, Université Catholique de Louvain - Remittances and inequality: A dynamic migration model
12.20 GENERAL DISCUSSION INTRODUCED BY P. SCARAMOZZINO, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”

12.30 – 13.30

ROUND TABLE: “L’EUROPA E LA POLITICA ECONOMICA IN ITALIA”
(in lingua italiana)
Chairman: Dominick Salvatore, Fordham University

SPEAKERS: Ignazio Angeloni, Riccardo Faini, Rainer Masera, Stefano Micossi, Pier Carlo Padoan, Luigi Spaventa.

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II. Migration, Trade, FDI and Development

Chairman: D. DEVORETZ, Simon Fraser University

SPEAKERS

14.30 G. TRIA, E. D’AGOSTO, N. SOLFERINO, University of Rome Tor Vergata - Migration and FDI: A Complementarity or a Substitutability Relationship?
14.50 G. S. EPSTEIN, Bar-Ilan University - I. N. GANG, Rutgers University - International Trade, Ethnic Networks and Strategic Assimilation
15.10 E. LODIGIANI, F. DOCQUIER IRES - Université Catholique de Louvain - Skilled migration and business networks
15.30 D. RADU, HWWA Hamburg - Economic Impact of Return Migration in Romania
15.50 FOCUS ON INDIA J. SCHIFF, IMF - Going Global: India's Expanding Role in the World Economy
16.10 GENERAL DISCUSSION INTRODUCED BY A. PELLONI, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”
16.30 CLOSING REMARKS D. DEVORETZ, Simon Fraser University, G. TRIA, University of Rome Tor Vergata

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