

PAFTAD 35: June 6 -8, 2012, Vancouver, BC, Canada
Seminar for PAFTAD Young Fellows

Date: June 5, 2012

Venue: Executive Room 370, Wosk Centre for Dialogue

Draft Programme

Presentations: Paper writers should limit their presentation to **10 minutes**.

Discussants: Young Fellows will serve as discussants for each session. Discussants will have no more than **10 minutes** for their initial comments.

June 4		Young Fellows check in at Delta Suits Hotel (no scheduled dinner)
June 5	8:30am	<i>Breakfast</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre, outside Room 370, third floor.
	9:00-9:10am	<i>Opening Remarks</i> Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto) Peter Drysdale (The Australian National University)
	9:10-9:55am	Paper 1: Labour Markets in Models of Economic Development: Micro Empirical Evidence from Thailand Chair: Peter Drysdale (The Australian National University) Paper writer: La-Bhus (Fah) Jirasavetakul (University of Oxford) Discussant: Duc Anh Dang (The Australian National University)
	9:55-10:40am	Paper 2: Ethnic diversity and village level institutions: evidence from Indonesia under dictatorship and democracy Chair: Peter Petri (Brandeis) Paper writer: Patrick Doupé (The Australian National University) Discussant: Tianran Dai (Brown University)
	10:40-10:55am	<i>Coffee Break</i> Venue: Outside the meeting room 370
	10:55 – 11:40am	Paper 3: Quality, Input Choices and Learning by Exporting: Evidence from Chinese Exporters Chair: Hugh Patrick (Columbia University) Paper writer: Luhang Wang (University of Toronto) Discussant: Patrick Doupé (The Australian National University)

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11:40 – 12:25am	<p>Paper 4: The Impact of Young Cohort Size on Adult Educational Upgrading: Evidence from Population Control Policies in China</p> <p>Chair: Bruce Chapman (The Australian National University)</p> <p>Paper writer: Tianran Dai (Brown University)</p> <p>Discussant: Rong Zhu (Flinders University)</p>
12:25 – 1:25pm	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p> <p>Venue: Outside the meeting room 370</p>
1:25 – 2:10pm	<p>Paper 5: Cooperation makes beliefs climate variation and sources of social trust in Vietnam</p> <p>Chair: Sherry Kong (Peking University)</p> <p>Paper writer: Duc Anh Dang (The Australian National University)</p> <p>Discussant: La-Bhus (Fah) Jirasavetakul (University of Oxford)</p>
2:10 – 2:55pm	<p>Paper 6: Economic Restructuring, Heterogeneous Returns to Schooling and the Evolution of Wage Inequality in Urban China</p> <p>Chair: Shiro Armstrong (The Australian National University)</p> <p>Paper writer: Rong Zhu (Flinders University)</p> <p>Discussant: Luhang Wang (University of Toronto)</p>
2:55 – 3:00pm	<p><i>Closing remarks</i></p> <p>Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto)</p>
3:00pm	Group Photo, Location TBD
5:30 – 7:00pm	<p>Welcome reception for all PAFTAD participants</p> <p>Venue: Delta Suites Hotel, Level 2</p>

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Human Capital and Economic Growth in Asia and the Pacific

Date: June 6-8, 2012

Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Asia Pacific Hall

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June 6	8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Breakfast and registration</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	9:00 – 9:35am	Opening Session 09:00 – 09:05 Moderator: Yuen Pau Woo (Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada) 09:05 – 09:10 Welcome Remarks: Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto) <u>The Issues</u> 09:10 – 09:35 Keynote Address: Human capital formation and economic growth Emmanuel Jimenez (The World Bank)
	9:35 – 11:20am	Session 1: Human Capital Formation and Economic Growth in a Labor Search Model: Positive Analysis and Policy Evaluation This paper will reevaluate the effectiveness of some forms of human capital-related policies by developing an endogenous growth model in which the labor market is no longer frictionless. There are substantial informational and institutional barriers to labor search, recruiting, and job creation. While it is well-documented that these types of frictions can have important effects on individual decisions and economic performance in business cycles, the macroeconomic consequences and policy implications of labor-market frictions in a perpetually growing economy have not been fully explored. Chair: Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto) Paperwriter: Been-Lon Chen (Academia Sinica) Discussants: David Green (University of British Columbia), Xiaodong Zhu (University of Toronto)
	11:20 – 11:40am	<i>Coffee Break and Group Photo</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	11:40 – 1:25pm	<u>Improvements in Knowledge: Sources of Learning and Implications</u> Session 2: The demand for human capital in China’s industrial transformation: future challenges

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	<p>This paper will examine the need to transform China’s human capital from raw labor-based to skill-based growth by showing the trend of industrial upgrading in the coastal areas and industrial transfer to the central and western regions. In the former case, current workers require higher skill attainment; in the latter case, rural transferred laborers at older ages should catch up in their human capital. Here, the authors will look into the education attainments of workers by age. This paper will depict the current stock of human capital by examining experiences of human capital accumulation in both forms of education and training, at macro, sectoral and firm levels. Various training programs will also be examined. Finally, it will explore challenges facing the present settings of human capital accumulation, including enrolment policy, incentives for families and enterprises to invest in human capital formation, inequality of opportunities, and forms of training.</p> <p>Chair: Hugh Patrick (Columbia University)</p> <p>Paperwriters: Cai Fang (CASS) & Du Yang (CASS)</p> <p>Discussants: Yao Yang (CCER), Nigel Haworth (University of Auckland)</p>
1:25 – 2:35pm	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p> <p>Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Concourse. One floor below Asia Pacific Hall</p>
2:35 – 4:20pm	<p>Session 3: Human capital and development in Indonesia</p> <p>This paper should examine experience of human capital formation in Indonesia, especially investment in education and the take-off in growth after the 1970s. This paper should include analysis of external sources of learning and knowledge (FDI, overseas training and the like) as well as domestic investment in human capital.</p> <p>Chair: David Hong (TIER)</p> <p>Paperwriters: Suahasil Nazara (University of Indonesia) & Daniel Suryadarma (SMERU & ANU)</p> <p>Discussant: Sherry Kong (Peking University), M. Chatib (Dede) Basri (University of Indonesia)</p>
5:00 – 6:30pm	<p>Public Event: Asia’s Medium-Term Growth Prospects</p> <p>Venue: Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Asia-Pacific Hall, with reception to follow</p>

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June 7	8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Breakfast</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	9:30 – 10:45am	<p>Session 4: The human capital dimensions of the demographic transition</p> <p>This paper should analyse the implications of approaches to human capital formation (growth in levels of schooling, development of life time learning and institutions and policies that promote re-tooling and participation including female participation) and better use of existing human capital in those economies completing their demographic transition and facing accelerating population ageing. The paper should consider the international aspects of this issue and the skill structure of migration that response to it might encourage.</p> <p>Chair: Edward Chen (University of Hong Kong)</p> <p>Paperwriter: Naohiro Yashiro (International Christian University)</p> <p>Discussant: Andrew Eungi Kim (Korea University)</p>
	10:45 – 11:00am	<i>Coffee Break</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	11:00 – 12:45pm	<p>Session 5: Higher Education Financing and Income Inequality</p> <p>One of the most important instruments governments have to alleviate poverty and decrease income inequality is associated with higher education student loan programs. Loans are necessary to facilitate the access of the disadvantaged to higher education by the provision of income support for prospective students from poor backgrounds. The paper explains the need for government intervention in this area, and considers in detail some of the advantages and shortcomings of student loan policies in many of the major economies in Asia and the Pacific, including Indonesia, Vietnam, Thailand, Australia, South Korea, Malaysia, the US and Canada. A critical point is that many of these loan programs are designed in such a way as to inhibit the participation of the poor, and this be explained with empirical reference to the implications of these countries' loan schemes. Ways to address the problems are explained and analysed.</p> <p>Chair: Peter Petri (Brandeis)</p> <p>Paperwriter: Bruce Chapman (The Australian National University)</p> <p>Discussants: Narongchai Akrasanee (Fiscal Policy Research Institute, Thailand), Shekhar Shah (NCAER)</p>

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12:45 – 1:45pm	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p> <p>Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Concourse. One floor below Asia Pacific Hall</p>
1:45 – 3:30pm	<p><u>International Linkages</u></p> <p>Session 6: International mobility, migration and human capital formation</p> <p>This paper would examine the human capital formation experience of migrant societies (the United States, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong, Singapore and New Zealand) and the transfer of human capital through immigration and recruitment strategies. It might also consider the case of Japan from this perspective. It would review the various strategies that have been used to manage migration through cross country comparisons. It should consider national and firm strategies to recruit external supplies of skilled human capital by attracting the return of diaspora populations and attracting internationally mobile talent.</p> <p>Chair: Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto)</p> <p>Paperwriter: Kangqing Zhang (Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada)</p> <p>Discussants: Akira Kohsaka (Kwansei Gakuin University), Josef Yap (Philippine Institute for Development Studies)</p>
3:15 – 3:30pm	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p> <p>Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium</p>
3:45 – 5:30pm	<p>Session 7: Knowledge diffusion: the transfer of human capital via international production and regional clustering</p> <p>This paper would examine the impact of regional integration on the diffusion of skills and know-how and whether the growth of the international production networks and foreign direct investment speeds this process or not; it would consider the channels by which knowledge is transferred from advanced to lower income economies and whether international technology differentials among countries are being narrowed via these mechanisms.</p> <p>Chair: M. Chatib (Dede) Basri (University of Indonesia)</p> <p>Paperwriters: Thomas Menkhoff (Singapore Management University) & Hans-Dieter Evers (Universiti Sains Malaysia)</p> <p>Discussants: Loren Brandt (University of Toronto), Juan Palacios (University of Guadalajara)</p>

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	6:00 – 7:30pm	ISC Private dinner at Terminal City Club (837 West Hastings Street) <i>No Scheduled event for Non-ISC Members</i>
June 8	8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Breakfast</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	9:00 – 10:45am	Session 8: Breaking out of the “Middle Income Trap” in Southeast Asia: the Role of Human Capital Formation This paper should examine experience of human capital formation in Thailand and Malaysia, with special focus on the issue of industrial upgrading and escaping the 'middle income trap'. It should examine relationships between changing priorities in education, especially investment in education, and the take-off in growth after the 1970s. This paper should include analysis of institutional and policy settings that promote or inhibit the acquisition of human capital in middle income developing countries which seek to upgrade industrially. Chair: Peter Drysdale (The Australian National University) Paperwriters: Emmanuel Jimenez (The World Bank), Vy Nguyen (The World Bank) & Harry Anthony Patrinos (The World Bank) Discussants: Vo Tri Thanh (Central Institute for Economic Management), Chia Siow Yue (Singapore Institute of International Affairs)
	10:45 – 11:00am	<i>Coffee Break</i> Venue: Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Atrium
	11:00 – 12:30pm	<u>Panel</u> Human capital development and international economic convergence in the Asia-Pacific region: issues for regional cooperation 11.00-12.30pm Possible issues for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As growth in emerging market economies/developing economies relies more heavily on human capital and innovation are there generalizable lessons from economies that are successfully making this transition? • What challenges face the more advanced aging economies and how will these be addressed? • If resource and commodity prices continue to rise what will be the

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		<p>differential impacts on innovation, migration and human capital accumulation among commodity importers and exporters in the Asia-Pacific region?</p> <p>Chair: Wendy Dobson (University of Toronto)</p> <p>Panellists: Josef Yap (Philippine Institute for Development Studies), Yang Yao (Peking University), David Hong (TIER), Loren Brandt (University of Toronto), Emmanuel Jimenez (The World Bank)</p>
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