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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POLICY MODELING

OTTAWA, CANADA

JUNE 24-26, 2009

Conference Timetable

Session Room	Session A DMS1110	Session B DMS1120	Session C DMS1130	Session D DMS1150
Wednesday, June 24th:				
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome and Opening Session			
09:15 - 10:30	Plenary Session I			
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment Break			
11:00 - 12:30	Labor Market Issues	Energy and Environment	General Equilibrium Modeling	Finance
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch			
14:00 - 15:30	Public Finance	Sectoral Issues	General Equilibrium Modeling	Finance
15:30 - 16:00	Refreshment Break			
16:00 - 17:30	Agricultural Issues	Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling	Regional Modeling	Macroeconomic Modeling
18:00 - 20:00	Welcome Reception			
Thursday, June 25th:				
09:00 - 10:30	Labor Market Issues	Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling	General Equilibrium Modeling	
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment Break			
11:00 - 12:30	Public Finance	Energy and Environment	General Equilibrium Modeling	Trade Issues
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch			
14:00 - 15:30	Public Finance	Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling	Microsimulation	EU Enlargement
15:30 - 16:00	Refreshment Break			
16:00 - 18:00	Labor Market Issues	Energy and Environment	Developing Countries	Monetary Issues
Friday, June 26th:				
09:00 - 10:30	Agricultural Issues	CGE Modelling and Public Policy in Canada	General Equilibrium Modeling	Sectoral Issues
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment Break			
11:00 - 12:30	Permits, Flood and Wine Issues	Fiscal Issues	Macroeconomic Issues	
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch			
14:00 - 15:30	Plenary Session II			
15:30 - 15:45	Closing Session			
18:30 -	Gala Dinner			

CONFERENCE ROOMS

The sessions will take place in the Desmarais Building, 55 Laurier East, Ottawa

Plenary session: room DMS1160

Session A: room DMS1110

Session B: room DMS1120

Session C: room DMS1130

Session D: room DMS1150

REFRESHMENT BREAKS AND LUNCHESES

Refreshment breaks will take place in the hall next to the conference rooms.

Lunches will take place in the room DMS4101.

SOCIAL EVENTS PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 24th

18:00 – 20:00 Welcome Reception in front of the Tabaret Building

Friday, June 26th

18:30 – 22:30 Gala Dinner at the Château Laurier

Wednesday June 24th

8:15-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:15 Welcome and Opening Sessions (DMS1160)

Ali BAYAR (EcoMod and Free University of Brussels)

André DRAMAIS (EcoMod)

Marcel MÉRETTE (University of Ottawa)

9:15-10:30 Plenary Session (DMS 1160)

Chair: Marcel MÉRETTE

Thomas F. RUTHERFORD, Professor of Energy Economics, ETH Zürich,
Centre for Energy Policy and Economics, Department of Management,
Technology and Economics

10:30-11:00 Refreshment Break

11:00-12:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Labour Market Issues (DMS1110)

Chair: Maxime FOUGERE

Returns to Geographical Mobility: Evidence from HILDA Survey

Yury ANDRIENKO

**Family-Friendly Management in Britain under New Labour: Were
There Significant Changes Between 1998 and 2004?**

Lilian DE MENEZES, Stephen WOOD, Melina DRITSAKI

**Inter-provincial and Inter-industry Labour Mobility in Canada, 1994-
2005**

Maxime FOUGERE, Xuyang CHEN

Session B: Energy and Environment (DMS1120)

Chair: Karl FARMER

Tradable Permits Under Environmental and Cost-reducing R&D
Jianqiao LIU, Gamal ATALLAH

Does Carbon Affect European Oil Companies' Equity Values?
Mohamed Amine BOUTABA

External Balance, Dynamic Efficiency, and the Welfare Costs of Unilateral Permit Policy in Interdependent Economies
Karl FARMER, Birgit BEDNAR-FRIEDL

Session C: General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1130)

Chair: Patrick GEORGES

Value Chain in East Asia Production Network -An International Input-output Model Based Analysis
Zhi WANG, Shangjin WEI, Kei Mu YI

The Long Run-Effects of the Poland's Accession to the Eurozone. Simulation Using POLDYN - A Dynamic Computable General Equilibrium Model.
Jan HAGEMEJER, Tomasz DARAS

Demographic Changes and the Gains from Globalisation: An Overlapping Generations CGE Analysis
Patrick GEORGES, Marcel MÉRETTE

Session D: Finance (DMS1150)

Chair: Durmuş ÖZDEMİR

Are Gap Models Policy Consistent? A Quarterly Prediction Model for Monetary Policy In Nigeria

Fred IKLAGA

Exploratory Empirical Analysis on Financial and Productivity Sources of Microfinance Institutions in the West African Economic and Monetary Union

Nasser ARY TANIMOUNE, Marie PIER CLOUTIER

Interest Rate Risk Assessment in Financial Markets: The Case of Turkey

Durmuş ÖZDEMİR, Harald SCHMIDBAUER

12:30-14:00 Lunch at DMS 4101

14:00-15:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Public Finance (DMS1110)

Chair: Sebastian HAUPTMEIER

Evaluation of Deadweight Spending in Regional Enterprise Financing

Anu TOKILA, Mika HAAPANEN

Vehicle Ownership and Usage Charges

Subhashini MUTHUKRISHNAN

Tax and Public Input Competition - Evidence from Germany

Sebastian HAUPTMEIER, Johannes RINCKE

Session B: Sectoral Issues (DMS1120)

Chair: Nebile KORUCU GUMUSOGLU

Impact of Information and Communication Technology on Economic Growth in Selected Islamic Countries

Mohammad Ali MORADI, Meysam KEBRYAEE

Diversification into Farm Tourism

Abayomi OREDEGBE, Isaac FADEYIBI

The Determinants of Out-of-Pocket Payments: Evidence from Selected Hospitals In Ankara, Turkey

Nebile KORUCU GUMUSOGLU, Julide YILDIRIM, Erdogan YILMAZ

Session C: General Equilibrium and Macroeconomic Issues (DMS1130)

Chair: Florina Cristina BADARAU

Social Inequalities, Collaterals and Macroeconomic Instability

Mohanad ISMAEL

Consumption Externalities, Endogenous Discounting, Heterogeneity and Cycles

Riham BARBAR, Jean-Paul BARINCI

Dynamic Analysis of Macroeconomic Policies in an Asymmetric Monetary Union. Lessons for the EMU

Florina Cristina BADARAU

Session D: Finance (DMS1150)

Chair: Can ERBIL

The Impact of Financial Repression on Interest Rate Spreads in Venezuela

Adriana ARREAZA-COLL, Wegner HUSKEY, Jesús ZUMETA

Survival Analysis of Private Banks in Brazil

Karina ALVES, Aquiles KALATZIS, Alberto BORGES MATIAS

Relaxing the Financial Constraint: The Impact of Banking Sector Reform on Firm Performance - Emerging Market Evidence from Turkey

Can ERBIL, Ferhan SALMAN

15:30-16:00 Refreshment Break

16:00-17:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Agricultural Issues (DMS1110)

Chair: Surabhi MITTAL

Policy Modeling Framework for Groundwater Management for Irrigated Agriculture in the Northern Texas High Plains

Lal ALMAS

Comparisons of Linear Item Pricing Methods for Iterative Multi-Unit Reverse Combinatorial Auctions

M S IFTEKHAR, A. HAILU, R. K. LINDNER

Will OECD Agricultural Trade Reforms Impact India's Crop Prices and Farmers Welfare?

Surabhi MITTAL

Session B: Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1120)

Chair: Makena COFFMAN

Analysis of Potential Canada-USA Emission Bubble and Tariff Harmonization Environmental Policies: A post-Kyoto Perspective
Muhammad Shahid SIDDIQUI, Yazid DISSOU

Environmental and Economic Effects of Carbon Tax in the Base of a General Equilibrium Model
Hassan MOEEN NEAMATI

An Assessment of Bioenergy in an Island Economy
Makena COFFMAN

Session C: Regional Modeling (DMS1130)

Chair: Alain MAURIN

Methodological Framework for the Analysis and Development of a Sustainable, Integrated, Regional Energy Plan – A French Region Case Study
Atom MIRAKYAN, Laurent LELAIT, Nikolai KHOMENKO, Igor KAIKOV

The Application of an Endogenous-Migration OLG-GE Model
Guohan ZHU, Marcel MÉRETTE

Are Caribbean Countries Diverging or Converging? Evidence from Spatial Econometrics
Alain MAURIN, Roland CRAIGWELL

Session D: Macroeconometric Modeling (DMS1150)

Chair: André DRAMAIS

Fiscal Sustainability and Economic Growth in Bolivia
Jose PINEDA, Rodolfo MÉNDEZ

S3BE: A Small Supply-Side Model for the Belgian Economy
Igor LEBRUN

OVERGEN: An Overlapping Generation Model for Part of the Eurozone
André DRAMAIS

18:00-20:00 Welcome Reception in front of the Tabaret Building

Thursday June 25th

9:00-10:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Labour Market Issues (DMS1110)

Chair: Dirk HOORELBEKE

Layoff Taxes and Minimum Wage. Two Complementary Public Policies.

Thérèse REBIÈRE, Frédéric GAVREL, Isabelle LEBON

Jobless Recovery, Idle Productivity, and the Role of Capital

Jinpeng MA

Wages and Phillips Curves in the Belgian Regions

Dirk HOORELBEKE

Session B: Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1120)

Chair: Luc SAVARD

Linking a Dynamic CGE Model and a Microsimulation Model: Climate Change Mitigation Policies and Income Distribution in Australia

Hielke BUDELMEYER, Nicolas HÉRAULT, Guyonne KALB, Mark VAN ZIJLL DE JONG

Modeling Russia for Climate Change Issues

Ali BAYAR, Frederic DRAMAIS, Cristina MOHORA, Masudi OPESE, Bram SMEETS

Distributional Impact of CC Policies in Senegal: A Macro-Micro CGE application

Luc SAVARD, Dorothée BOCCANFUSO, Antonio ESTACHE

Session C: General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1130)

Chair: Henning TARP JENSEN

Service Oligopolies and Economy-wide Performance in Taiwan: A CGE Analysis

Ping-Kun HSU

Dynamic Multi-Household General Economic Models for Policy Simulations: France, Germany, Spain and UK

Keshab Raj BHATTARAI

General Equilibrium Impact Evaluation of Road Sector Investment Projects in Ghana

Henning TARP JENSEN

10:30-11:00 Refreshment Break**11:00-12:30 Parallel Sessions****Session A: Public Finance (DMS1110)**

Chair: Amir KIA

Does Altruism Allow for Low-Skilled Immigrants to Sustain Fiscal Policy?

Catherine MILOT

Sustainable Government Debt in a Two-Country, Two-Good Overlapping Generations Model

Karl FARMER, Jacopo ZOTTI

Analyzing the Fiscal Process under a Stochastic Environment: Evidence from Egypt

Amir KIA

Session B: Energy and Environment (DMS1120)**Chair:** Yazid DISSOU**How Much Greener is Really Green? - Carbon Taxation Design and Resource Extraction**

Darko JUS, Markus ZIMMER

Urban Water in the North of Mexico: Prospective Scenarios for Demand and Management.

Alejandro SALAZAR-ADAMS, Nicolás PINEDA PABLOS

Energy Substitutability in Canadian Manufacturing: Econometric Estimation with Bootstrap Confidence Intervals

Yazid DISSOU, Reza GHAZAL

Session C: General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1130)**Chair:** Marcel MÉRETTE**The Joint Impact of Specific Tariffs and Preferential Trade Agreements: Do Low Income Countries Gain or Lose?**

Sohini CHOWDHURY

The Impact of the 2008 German Corporate Tax Reform: A Dynamic CGE Analysis

Michael STIMMELMAYR, Doina RADULESCU

BRIC's Economic Perspectives in a Global Ageing Economy

Marcel MÉRETTE, Patrick GEORGES, Aylin SECKIN

Session D: Trade Issues (DMS1150)**Chair:** Jean Louis BRILLET**Explaining Industrial Localization and Countries' Specialization in the European Union: An Empirical Investigation**

Astrid KRENZ, Gerhard RÜBEL

Partial Equilibrium Modeling of Trade Zeros

James FETZER

Exporting or Investing Abroad: Which Is Most Profitable?

Jean Louis BRILLET

12:30-14:00 Lunch at DMS 4101

14:00-15:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Public Finance (DMS1110)

Chair: Ali BAYAR

Does Fiscal Decentralization Promote Fiscal Discipline?

Bilin NEYAPTI, Zafer AKIN, Nida CAKIR

Capital Mobility, Intertemporal Budget Constraint, Government Policy and Country Size

Sal AMIRKHALKHALI, Atul DAR

Budget Deficit Revisited

Ali BAYAR, Bram SMEETS

Session B: Environment and General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1120)

Chair: Motaz KHORSHID

When Free Trade is Good for the Environment?

Chahreddine ABBES

Towards a Functional Ecol-Econ CGE Model with a Forest as Biomass Capital

Örjan FURTENBACK

An Energy Economy Interaction Model for Egypt - Results of Alternative Price Reform Policies

Motaz KHORSHID

Session C: Microsimulations (DMS1130)

Chair: Jeff CARR

**The Food Crisis and its Impacts on Poverty in Senegal and Mali:
Crossed Destinies**

Dorothee BOCCANFUSO, Luc SAVARD

**Distribution of Government Expenditure and Demand for Education
Services: The Case of Indonesia**

Wawan JUSWANTO

**A Microsimulation Analysis of Public and Private Policies Aimed at
Increasing the Age of Retirement**

André LÉONARD, Jeff CARR

Session D: EU Enlargement (DMS1150)

Chair: Denise Eby KONAN

**Council, Commission and European Parliament Influence in
European Union Decision Making**

Frantisek TURNOVEC

**The Macroeconomic Effects of Losing Autonomous Monetary Policy
after the Euro Adoption in Poland**

Krzysztof MAKARSKI, Michal GRADZEWICZ

**Regional Integration and the (Re)distribution of Foreign Investment
between Asymmetric Hosts**

Denise Eby KONAN, Jeff HEINRICH

15:30-16:00 Break Refreshment

16:00-18:00 Parallel Sessions**Session A: Labour Market Issues (DMS1110)**

Chair: Thérèse REBIÈRE

Work Participation and Labour Supply of Married Women in Madurai District, South India

Mumtaj BEGUM

Female Work Participation and Gender Differential in Earning in West Bengal, India

Indrani CHAKRABORTY, Achin CHAKRABORTY

Human Capital Theory, Returns to Education and On-the-job Learning: Evidence from Canadian Data

Mohsen BOUAISSA

Formal Education Versus Learning-by-doing

Thérèse REBIÈRE, Frédéric GAVREL, Isabelle LEBON

Session B: Energy and Environment (DMS1120)

Chair: Leslie SHIELL

A System Dynamics Model for the German Electricity Market

Tobias JAEGER, Susanne SCHMIDT, Ute KARL

Effects of High Oil Prices on the Economy and GHG emissions: A Computable General Equilibrium Analysis for Canada

Madan Mohan GHOSH

Climate Policy and Induced R&D: How Great is the Effect?

Leslie SHIELL, Nikita LYSSSENKO

Session C: Developing Countries (DMS1130)

Chair: Dirk WILLENBOCKEL

Causality Between Non-Oil Exports and GDP Growth in Iran

Naser SHAHNOUSHI, Mohammad BAKHSHOODEH

Oil Resource Abundance, Economic Growth, and Income Distribution in Iran

Mohammad Ali MORADI

Public External Debt, Informality and Production Efficiency In Developing Countries

Drine IMED, Mahmoud Sami NABI

The Global Financial Crisis, LDC Exports and Welfare: Analysis with a World Trade Model

Dirk WILLENBOCKEL, Sherman ROBINSON

Session D: Monetary Issues (DMS1150)

Chair: Amir KIA

The Effect of Monetary Policy on House Price Inflation: A Factor Augmented Vector Autoregression (FAVAR) Approach

Alain KABUNDI, Rangan GUPTA

Monetary Policy and Long Term Interest Rate in South Africa

Lumengo BONGA-BONGA

Developing a Market-Based Monetary Policy Transparency Index and Testing Its Impact on Risk and Volatility in the United States

Amir KIA

Friday June 26th

9:00-10:30 Parallel Sessions

Session A: Agriculture Issues (DMS1110)

Chair: Andrzej TABEAU

Urban Agriculture: A Strategy for Poverty Reduction in Nigeria
Ngozi EGBUNA

Competitiveness of Russian Wheat Supply Chain under Stringent Food Safety Policy
Nune KHACHATRYAN, Heinrich SCHUELE, Armen KHACHATRYAN, Vitaly BUZOV

The Impact of Different Agricultural Labor Market Specifications on Agricultural Employment and Income Development under Different Agricultural Policies
Andrzej TABEAU, Geert WOLTJER

Session B: CGE Modelling and Public Policy in Canada (DMS1120)

Chair: Patrick GEORGES

The Skill Dimension of Labour Market Impacts of External Price Shocks: Numerical Calculations from a Canadian Regional Trade Model
Trien NGUYEN, Randall M. WIGLE

Pollution Control Policies, Carbon leakage and Border Tax Adjustment - A General Equilibrium Analysis
Yazid DISSOU, Terry EYLAND

Should Canada Diversify its Trade Pattern? An Overlapping-Generations CGE Analysis of Trade and Ageing
Patrick GEORGES, Marcel MÉRETTE, Aylin SECKIN

Session C: General Equilibrium Modeling (DMS1130)

Chair: Maxime FOUGERE

Productivity-Raising Interventions for the South African Economy: A CGE Analysis

Konstantin MAKRELOV, David FAULKNER

Influence of Reduction of Gas Supply on Economy – Case of Slovak Republic

Marek RADVANSKÝ, Lucia PÁNIKOVÁ

Inter-temporal and Inter-Industry Effects of Population Ageing: A General Equilibrium Assessment for Canada

Maxime FOUGERE, Nabil ANNABI, Simon HARVEY

Session D: Sectoral Issues (DMS1150)

Chair: Florian BUCK

Inward Foreign Investment, Corruption and Firm's Ability: Firm-level Evidence from the Transition Economies

Simin SEURY

The Impact of Capital Intensive Farming in Thailand: A Computable General Equilibrium Approach

Anuwat PUE-ON, Bert D WARD

Liability Regimes, Competition and the Subprime Crisis

Florian BUCK, Darko JUS

10:30-11:00 Refreshment Break

11:00-12:30 Parallel Sessions**Session A: Permits, Flood and Wine Issues (DMS1110)**

Chair: Marc SASSI

Output Based Allocation of Permits and Endogenous Technological Change

Faisal ARIF, Yazid DISSOU

Competitiveness of Vine and Wine Production in Argentina Under “Diversification” Policy

Nune KHACHATRYAN, Heinrich SCHUELE, Armen KHACHATRYAN

Modeling the Flood Risk Impact: a Regional SAM Analysis

Marc SASSI, Rashid SBIA

Session B: Fiscal Issues (DMS1120)

Chair: Eiji OKANO

Fiscal Rules in a Highly Distorted Economy

Luigi MARATTIN, Massimiliano MARZO

Tax Reforms and Tax Burdens in Selected OECD Countries

Katerina MAKOVA

The Role of Optimal Fiscal Policy in a Currency Union

Eiji OKANO

Session C: Macroeconomic Issues (DMS1130)

Chair: Aylin SECKIN

Monetary Policy Impacts in Bangladesh: A Macroeconometric Model Approach

Rabeya KHATOON, Mohammad MAHBUBUR RAHMAN

Quid of the Impact of the Interest Rate Differential on the Exchange Parity of Eurodollar?

Nicolas MOUMNI

A Macroeconomic Analysis of the "Unsold" Paintings at Art Auctions in Turkey: 2004-2008

Aylin SECKIN, Erdal ATUKEREN

12:30-14:00 Lunch at DMS 4101

14:00-15:30 Plenary Session (DMS 1160)

The Role of Economic Modeling in the Design of Economic Policy

Chair: Marcel MÉRETTE

Ali BAYAR (EcoMod and Free University of Brussels)

Claude LAVOIE (Director, Department of Finance, Canada)

Edgar RODRIGUEZ (Senior Program Specialist; Globalization, Growth and Poverty; The International Development Research Center)

15:30-15:45 Closing Ceremony (DMS 1160)

18:30 Gala Dinner at the Château Laurier