



Oxford Development Economics Workshop

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**The Centre for the Study of African Economies
and The University of Oxford Department of Economics**

29 and 30 September 2025, Mary Sunley Suite, St Catherine's College, Oxford, UK

MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

0900 **Arrival and coffee**
0915 **Welcome and introductions: Stefan Dercon**
0930 **Session 1 Chair: Stefano Caria**

Anvita Ramachandran (Oxford): Missing or Quitting? The Costs of Worker Absenteeism and Turnover in an Indian Textile Firm

Sebastian Espinoza Rojas (UCL): Market Power, Commuting Costs and Local Labor Markets

1130 **COFFEE**

1200 **Session 2 Chair: Julien Labonne**

Priyama Majumdar (Warwick) Governance by Discussion: Evidence from the Indian Parliament

1300 **lunch**

1400 **Session 3 Chair: Karen Macours**

Carolina Kansikas (Warwick): Carbon Capture in the Northern Kenya Rangelands

Iván Kim Taveras (Bocconi): Shifting Seasons: Agricultural Adaptation and Resilience in Africa

1600 **break**

1630 **Session 4 Chair: Niccolò Meriggi**

Lucile Dehouck (PSE): Thirsting for Solutions: How Climate-Induced Well Failures drive School Absenteeism

Alina Imping (Friedrich Alexander Universität [DeNeB]): Medical and Cost Uncertainty in Health Care Seeking: A Survey Experiment

1830 **close**
1900 **dinner**

TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

0830 **Arrival and coffee**

0900 **Session 5** **Chair: Alison Andrew**

Andres Martignano (Nottingham): Can migrants shape local preferences? Evidence from Argentina

Ayah Bohsali (Universitat Pompeu Fabra): Conflict, Forced Displacement and Growth: Evidence from Uganda

1100 **COFFEE**

1115-1315 **Session 6** **Chair: Christopher Adam**

Davide Zufacchi (UCL): Violent Competition in Illegal Sectors

Karthik Abhiramapuram Sridhar (Oxford): Macroeconomic Effects of Scheduled and Unscheduled Monetary Policy Surprises

1315 **lunch**

1415 **Session 7** **Chair: David Nagy**

Paola Mallia (PSE): Color-Blind to the Obvious: Salience, Misperception, and Technology Adoption in Uganda

Samuel Siewers (Goettingen): The (Other) China Shock and the Brazilian Agricultural Boom: Cui Bono?

1615 **break**

1630 **Session 8: ONE-TO-ONE FEEDBACK**

In this session all presenters will have the opportunity to circulate between all attending faculty, for 5-10 minute one-to-one conversations. These conversations will focus on providing suggestions for refining both papers and presentations in advance of the academic job market.

1800 **close**

1900 **dinner**