

PROGRAMME

Thursday 19 to Friday 20 March 2020 St Catherine's College, Oxford, UK

THURSDAY 19 MARCH 2020

8:45am Coffee and Registration, 9:15 Welcome
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9:30-11:00am Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

11:00am Coffee Break

11:30am-1:00pm

Parallel Session 1

Aid Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

Weathering the Storm with China's Support. A Study over Time of China's Health and Humanitarian Aid to the African Continent in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters

Pascal Jaupart (World Bank)

Estimating China's Foreign Aid: 2017-2018 Preliminary

Naohiro Kitano (Waseda University)

Foreign Aid and Deforestation: Are Chinese Projects Particularly Harmful?

Tim Wegenast (Konstanz University)

Chair: Tim Wegenast (Konstanz University)

Foreign Direct Investment 1 Private Dining Room

Foreign Direct Investments in Africa: Are Chinese Investors Different?

Anna D'Ambrosio (TBC)

Comparing the Determinants of Western and Chinese Commercial Ties with Africa (TBC) David G. Landry (Duke University)

Chair: David G. Landry (Duke University)

1:00pm Lunch in Dining Hall

2:30-4:00pm

Parallel Session 2

Political Economy Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

- China and the World Bank How Contrasting Development Approaches Affect the Stability of African States
- **Lennart Kaplan (German Development Insitute)**
- A Study on the Role of Human Rights in the Aid Allocations of China and the United States

Shazmeen Maroof (University of Strathclyde)

China's Foreign Aid and Public Opinion: Evidence from 1,980 Jurisdictions within 125 Countries Lukas Wellner (Georg-August University)

Chair: Lukas Wellner (Georg-August University)

Trade 1 Private Dining Room

- Determinants of China-Africa Bilateral Trade
- Kafilah Gold (College Education, Ilorin)
- Export Volatility and Diversification: Evidence from Sino-African Trade

Michael Olabisi (Michigan State University)

Chair: Michael Olabisi (Michigan State University)

4:00pm Tea Break

4:30-6:00pm

Keynote Speech: Is the Belt and Road Initiative Risky Business for Africa and China?

Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

Deborah Bräutigam (Johns Hopkins University SAIS-CARI) Discussant: Michele Ruta (World Bank)

7:00pm Dinner in Dining Hall

9:00am Coffee

11:00am Coffee Break

9:30-11:00am

Parallel Session 3

Foreign Direct Investment 2 Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

• The Impact of Chinese FDI in Africa: Evidence From Ethiopian Firms and Districts

Riccardo Crescenzi (London School of Economics)

 Growth effects of Chinese FDI and FDI from other sources in Africa: The Role of Institutional Quality
Marvellous Ngundu (University of Johannesburg)

 Malaria and Chinese Economic Activities in Africa Song Yuan (University of Warwick)

Chair: Marvellous Ngundu

• Infrastructure Private Dining Room China in Africa: Building Access to Resources?

Jason Garred (University of Ottawa)

- Who Wins, Who Loses? Understanding the Spatially Differentiated Effects of the Belt and Road Initiative Mathilde Lebrand (World Bank)
- Do China-Financed Dams in Sub-Saharan Africa Improve the Region's Social Welfare? A Case Study of the Impacts of Ghana's Bui Dam Keyi Tang (Johns Hopkins University)

Chair: Mathilde Lebrand

11:30am-1:00pm

Parallel Session 4

Firms Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

 Where Africa Could Learn from the Chinese Urbanisation Story

Nicolas Lippolis (University of Oxford)

- Dancing with Dragons: Chinese Import Penetration and the Performances of Manufacturing Firms in South Africa Sofia Torreggiani (SOAS)
- Chinese Imports Penetration and Firms Performance in Sub-Saharan Africa

Enrico Vanino (University of Sheffield)

Chair: Enrico Vanino (University of Sheffield)

People Private Dining Room

- Systematic Facilitation for African Student Mobility from Africa to China - South-to-South Higher Education Cooperation under FOCAC and BRI
 - Lin Chen (KU Leuven)
- Aid and Health at the Regional Level Johannes Matzat (Heidelberg University)

Chair: Johannes Matzat (Heidelberg University)

1:00pm Lunch in Dining Hall

2:30-4:00pm

Parallel Session 5

Public Finance Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

- Resource Backed Lending: A Sustainable Financing Opportunity for Developing Countries
 Jyhjong Hwang (Ohio State University)
- Effects of Renminbi (RMB) Internationalization on Africa's State-owned Enterprises Balance-sheet and Sovereign Debt: Evidence with a DSGE Model of RMB Trade Settlement and RMB-led Financial Instruments.
 Thierry Kame Babilla (University of Yaounde II)
- The Evolution of Institutional Capabilities to Manage Chinese Financing in Africa: the Role of African Ministries of Finance

Danielle Serebro (CABRI)

Chair: Danielle Serebro (CABRI)

Trade 2 Private Dining Room

- The Effects of China's Accession to the WTO on Nigeria and Other Developing Economies
 - Yewande Olapade (University of Houston)
- Chinese Credit Lines in Kenya: Linked to Natural Resources?

Oscar Meywa Otele (University of Nairobi)

 Trading with China: Preferential Trade Agreements and Opportunities for Africa to Expand and Diversify Exports Zainab Usman (World Bank)

Chair: Zainab Usman (World Bank)

4:00pm Afternoon Tea

4:30-7:00pm

Special Event – Screening of the Documentary Film Africans in Yiwu,

Mary Sunley Lecture Theatre

Chief Director: Zhang Yong (Institute of African Studies, Zhejiang Normal University)