

Australasian Development Economics Workshop 2025

DAY 1 - THURSDAY, 5 JUNE

8:45-9:00 Opening Remarks

9:00-10:00 Policy Session: Gender and Development

Chair: Rosalind Dixon (UNSW)

Panel: Pauline Grosjean (UNSW), Pelin Akyol (e61), Ben Kybert (DFAT), Caroline Mary Sage (World Bank)

10:00-10:10 Introduction to the Australasian Development Economics Association (ADEA)

10:00-10:30 Morning Tea

10:30-12:30 Parallel Session 1A: Child Human Capital (Tyree Room)

Chair: Victoria Baranov

Do Parental Peer Effects Encourage or Deter Educational Investment? Evidence from a Field Experiment in China

Presenter: Lu Xing

Parental Paternalism and Patience

Presenter: Shyamal Chowdhury

Child Human Capital Production: A Field Experiment in Timor-Leste

Presenter: Victoria Baranov

Misery and Prosociality: the Long-run Impact of Early-life Adversity on Prosocial Behavior in China's 1959-1961 Great Famine

Presenter: Shaoda Wang

Parallel Session 1B: Migration (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Quoc-Anh Do

Communities of Commerce: The Legacy of Chinese Immigration on Java, Indonesia

Presenter: Quoc-Anh Do

Selection and Heterogeneity in the Returns to Migration

Presenter: Emilia Tjernstrom

De-localizing the Local Impacts of Trade through Migration: Evidence from Vietnam

Presenter: Anh Nguyen

The effects of internal migration on manufacturing firms: Evidence from Vietnam

Presenter: Truong Nguyen

12:30-1:30 Lunch

1:30-3:30 Parallel Session 2A: Political Economy (Tyree Room)

Chair: Pauline Grosjean

Causal Impact of Inter-ethnic Group Contact and Quantifying Self-Selection Bias

Presenter: Sharunya Gnanasubramaniam

Political alignment and misallocation of public resources

Presenter: Bishal Chalise

Interethnic Proximity and Political Development

Presenter: Chun Chee Kok

The Political Value of Resistance

Presenter: Pauline Grosjean

Parallel Session 2B: Health & Social Protection (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Sundar Ponnusamy

Remoteness and State Capacity: Healthcare Provision and Informal Payments in Vietnam

Presenter: Quoc-Anh Do for Anh Trinh

Staying put: Social protection reduces migration and consumption growth

Presenter: Thanh Dang

The Impact of Internal Migration on Health

Presenter: Asep Nurwanda

Technology and Vaccine Hesitancy: Effects of Mobile Internet on Measles Immunization in Developing Countries

Presenter: Sundar Ponnusamy

3:30-3:45 Afternoon Tea

3:45-5:45 Parallel Session 3A: Labour (Tyree Room)

Chair: Ieda Matavelli

Anticipating Misperceptions: Labour Market Outcomes of Muslim Minorities

Presenter: Elif Hafalir

Improving women's work opportunities: The role of skills in a digital world

Presenter: Tanu Gupta

Institutions, Policies, and Investments: Contextual Drivers of Agricultural Labor Productivity Across Stages of Rural Transformation

Presenter: Yu Sheng

Expected Discrimination and Job Search

Presenter: Ieda Matavelli

Parallel Session 3B: Environment (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Ore Koren

Rohingya refugee camps and land cover change in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

Presenter: Colette Salemi

Lakes and Economic Development: Evidence from the Permanent Shrinking of Lake Chad

Presenter: Federico Haslop

Heat, climate control, and worker absences: Evidence from India

Presenter: Ridhima Gupta

Agricultural Growth, Deforestation, and Infectious Disease

Presenter: Ore Koren

6:30 Dinner for speakers and invited guests

DAY 2 - FRIDAY, 6 JUNE

9:00-10:00 Keynote Address: "Payments for Conservation in Developing Countries"

Seema Jayachandran (Princeton University)

10:00-10:30 Morning Tea

10:30-12:30 Parallel Session 4A: Conflict & Colonialism (Tyree Room)

Chair: Olga Shemyakina

Armed Conflict and Women's Economic Empowerment

Presenter: Xiao Hui Tai

Economic Shock, and Civil Conflict: Evidence from Geocoded Data in Africa

Presenter: Dessie Ambaw

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Presenter: Sotiris Kampanelis

The Long-Term Consequences of Armed Conflict: Women's Agency and the Sri Lankan Civil War

Presenter: Olga Shemyakina

Parallel Session 4B: Public Economics (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Ricardo Dahis

Devolution and Household Venture

Presenter: Zhiming Cheng

Horizontal Inequity of Taxation: Citizen Perceptions and Policy Preferences

Presenter: Christopher Hoy

Locational aspects of linking social capital in India

Presenter: Ayona Bhattacharjee

The Political Effects of Structural Transformation: Agro-business, Misallocation, Deforestation

Presenter: Ricardo Dahis

12:30-1:30 Lunch

1:30-3:30 Parallel Session 5A: Gender & Human Capital (Tyree Room)

Chair: Pelin Akyol

Substitution and Complementarity of Daycare, Playgroup, and Kindergarten on Maternal Employment in Indonesia

Presenter: Lolita Moorena

Long-Term Reductions in Depression and Intimate Partner Violence Over 8 Years: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial

Presenter: Michelle Escobar

HeforShe: Bargaining Power, Parental Beliefs, and Parental Investments

Presenter: Sarah Walker

Targeting the Gender Placement Gap: Marks versus Money

Presenter: Pelin Akyol

Parallel Session 5B: Finance & Digital Economy (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Russell Toth

Does Rural E-Commerce Improve Agricultural Scale? Evidence from a Quasi-Natural Experiment in China

Presenter: Qinlei Jing

Food one click away: The impact of online food delivery platforms on food security in Indonesia

Presenter: Pyan Muchtar

Religious-Based Financial Regulations and Access to Finance: Evidence from Aceh, Indonesia

Presenter: Firman Witoelar

Incentivizing Customer Referrals for Bank Loans to Female Entrepreneurs: Evidence from Vietnam

Presenter: Russell Toth

3:30-3:45 Afternoon Tea

3:45-5:45 Parallel Session 6A: Agriculture & Environment (Tyree)

Chair: David Ubilava

Environmental Impact of Poverty Reduction Programs: Evidence from the World's Largest Cash Transfer Program in India

Presenter: Pallavi Shukla

Local Economic Shocks and Conflict: Evidence from Maize Markets across Africa

Presenter: David Ubilava

Impacts of the agricultural land holding limit in Vietnam

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen

Fire in the Fields, Crime in the Air

Presenter: Digvijay Negi

Parallel Session 6B: Labour (Galleries 1&2)

Chair: Sarthak Basu

Unseen Costs of Efficiency: Do Efficient Courts Hinder Formal Employment Growth in India?

Presenter: Nabeel Maqsood

Restrict or Let Them Go? The Impact of Raising the Minimum Working Age on Education and Labor Market Outcomes

Presenter: Ashiq Hussain

Robots and wage inequality: Evidence from individuals in China

Presenter: Rentao Rao

Labour Market Deregulation and Reallocation: Evidence from India

Presenter: Sarthak Basu

5:45 Concluding Remarks