Measuring the Effects of Globalization  
February 28-March 1  

Conference Organizers:  
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Location: Sphinx Club  
1315 K Street NW  
Washington, DC 20005  

Agenda  

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28  

8:30-9:00  COFFEE AND PASTRIES  

9:00-9:15  Opening remarks  

9:15-10:45  SESSION I: Biases to Manufacturing Statistics from Trade—Evidence and Response  
Chair: Robert Atkinson (Information Technology and Innovation Foundation and Brookings)  

1.  U.S. manufacturing statistics: Problems of biases and interpretation  
   Susan Houseman (Upjohn Institute), Timothy Bartik (Upjohn Institute), and Timothy Sturgeon (MIT)  

2.  Offshoring bias in manufacturing productivity growth across advanced and emerging economies  
   Robert Inklaar (University of Groningen)  

3.  Methods and challenges in constructing an input price index: What can purchasing managers tell us?  
   Bill Alterman (BLS)  

Discussant: Ana Aizcorbe (BEA)  

10:45-11:00  BREAK  

11:00-12:30  SESSION II: Price Issues—Theory  
Chair: Michael Horrigan (BLS)  

1.  Bias due to input source substitutions: Can it be measured?
Erwin Diewert (U. of British Columbia) and Alice Nakamura (U. of Alberta)

2. *Pricing dynamics and price dispersion in frictional product markets*  
   Brian Kovak (Carnegie Mellon U.) and Ryan Michaels (Rochester U.)

3. *Specific Trade Costs, Quality and Import Prices*  
   Benjamin Bridgman (BEA)

Discussant: John Greenlees (BLS)

12:30-1:30 LUNCH

1:30-3:30 SESSION III: Measuring Import Use, Prices, and Competitiveness

Chair: John Ruser (BLS)

1. *Offshoring bias in Japan’s manufacturing sector*  
   Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University) and Sonoe Arai (METI)

2. *Import measurement, growth, and productivity in the BEA Industry Accounts: The baseline and an evaluation of two alternative methods.*  
   Thomas F. Howells III, Matthew Russell, Jon D. Samuels and Erich H. Strassner (BEA)

3. *Product replacement bias in import and export price indexes*  
   Mina Kim (BLS) and Marshall Reinsdorf (BEA)

4. *Constructing competitiveness measures*  
   James Thomas (BLS)

Discussants: Ron Jarmin (Census Bureau), Brian Kovak (Carnegie Mellon U.)

3:30-3:45 BREAK

3:45-5:15 SESSION IV: Factoryless Manufacturing

Chair: Sarahelen Thompson (BEA)

1. *Impact of manufacturing redefinitions on U.S. statistical system*  
   Maureen Doherty, BLS

   Fariha Kamal (Census), Brent Moulton (BEA), Jennifer Ribarsky (BEA)
3. *The scope of U.S. factoryless goods production*
   Kimberly Bayard, David Byrne, and Dominic Smith (Federal Reserve Board)

Discussant: William Powers (International Trade Commission)

**FRIDAY MARCH 1**

8:30-9:00 COFFEE AND PASTRIES

9:00-10:30 SESSION V: Trade in Value-Added

Chair: Susan Houseman (Upjohn Institute)

1. *Fragmentation, incomes and jobs. A new analysis of competitiveness*
   Marcel Timmer (U. of Groningen), Bart Los (U. of Groningen), Robert Stehrer (WIIW, Vienna), and Gaaitzen de Vries (U. of Groningen)

2. *Measuring trade in value added, and beyond*
   Nadim Ahmad (OECD)

3. *Import use and domestic value added in Chinese exports: What can we learn from Chinese micro data?*
   Hong Ma (Tsinghua University), Jiansuo Pei (University of International Business and Economics), Cuihong Yang (Chinese Academy of Sciences), Shinli Yao (University of International Business and Economics)

Discussant: Robert Koopman (International Trade Commission)

10:30-10:45: BREAK

10:45-12:15 SESSION VI: Services and Intangibles

Chair: Richard Brown (USITC)

1. *Internationalization of intangibles*
   Carol Corrado (Conference Board) and Charles Hulten (U. of Maryland)

2. *A Formulary Approach for Attributing Measured Output to Foreign Affiliates of U.S. Parents*
   Dylan Rassier and Jennifer Koncz-Bruner (BEA)

3. *Data, trade, and growth*
   Michael Mandel (Progressive Policy Institute)
Discussant: Brad Jensen (Georgetown U.)

12:15-2:00 Lunch and summary panel discussion

Panel members: Steven Landefeld (BEA), Michael Horrigan (BLS), Shirin Ahmed (Census), Marcel Timmer (U. of Groningen), and Michael Mandel (Progressive Policy Institute)

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