



## **EU KLEMS Final Conference – 19 and 20 June 2008**

### ***Productivity in the European Union: A Comparative Industry Approach***

(version: 16 June 2008)

**Location:** 'Het Kasteel' ([www.hetkasteel.com](http://www.hetkasteel.com))

### **Thursday 19 June:**

09.00: **Opening: Bart van Ark**

09.05: **Keynote presentation: Nicholas CRAFTS** (University of Warwick)

#### Plenary Session 1: The Drivers of Productivity in Europe: Past, Present and Future

09.45: **Keynote Presentation: Joaquim OLIVEIRA MARTINS** (OECD)

10.30: **Coffee Break**

11.00-12.30: **Parallel Sessions 1**

##### Session 1.a:

- **Antonio Bassanetti, Roberto Torrini and Francesco Zollino**, (Bank of Italy) "Changing institutions and productivity across Europe"
- **Georg Erber and Reinhard Madlener**, (DIW Berlin & RWTH Aachen University) "Impact of ICT and Human Skills on the European Financial Intermediation Sector"
- **F. Daveri, and C. Jona-Lasinio**, (University of Parma, IGER, ISTAT & LUISS) "Off-shoring, R&D, and Productivity Growth in a Declining and a Growing Economy"

*Room: "Collegezaal"*

*Chair: Bart van Ark*

##### Session 1.b:

- **Hyun Jeong Kim and Hak Kil Pyo**, (Bank of Korea & Seoul National University) "International Comparison of Productivity in Market Services: Korea with EU KLEMS Member Countries"
- **Robert Inklaar and Marcel Timmer**, (University of Groningen) "International Comparisons of Productivity at the Industry Level"
- **Nicholas Oulton and Ana Rincon**, (LSE & NIESR) "Rates of Return and Alternative Measures of Capital Input for 14 Countries"

*Room: "Congreszaal"*

*Chair: Robert Stehrer*

12.45: **Lunch**

#### Plenary Session 2: Labour Markets and Productivity

14.00: **Keynote presentation: Michael BURDA** (Humboldt University)

14.45: **Tea Break**

15.15-16.45: **Parallel Sessions 2**

Session 2.a:

- **Kurt Kratena**, (WIFO) "International Outsourcing and the Demand for Skills"
- **Piero Esposito and Robert Stehrer**, (University of Rome & WIIW) "Effects of High-Tech Capital, FDI, and Outsourcing on Demand for Skills in West and East"
- **Mary O'Mahony and Fei Peng**, (University of Birmingham) "Skill Bias, Age and Organisational Change"

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*Chair: Bernd Görzig*

Session 2.b:

- **Sebastian Leitner and Robert Stehrer**, (WIIW) "Changes in the Composition of Labor"
- **Mari Kangasniemi, Matilde Mas, Catherine Robinson and Lorenzo Serrano**, (NIESR & IVIE) "The Economic Impact of Migration: Productivity Analysis for Spain and the UK"
- **Esben Anton Schultz, Battista Severgnini and Anders Sørensen**, (CEBR) "Skill-Biased Technological Change vs. Capital-Skill Complementarity: Evidence from OECD Countries"

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*Chair: Marcel Timmer*

16.45: **Drinks**

19.30: **Dinner - Dinner speech: Dale JORGENSON** (Harvard University)

**Dinner Location:** 'Restaurant de Pauw'

## **Friday 20 June:**

Plenary Session 3: Technology, Innovation and Productivity

09.15: **Keynote Presentation: Jacques MAIRESSE** (CREST, University of Maastricht)

10.00: **Coffee Break**

10.30-12.00: **Parallel Session 3**

Session 3a:

- **Tomohiko Inui, Atsushi Kawakami and Tsutomi Miyagawa**, (Nihon & Gakushuin) "Do Competitive Markets Stimulate Innovation? An Empirical Analysis Based on Japanese Manufacturing Industry Data"
- **Francesco Venturini**, (Marche) "Information Technology, Research and Development, or Both? What Really Drives a Nation's Productivity"
- **Carolina Castaldi and Bart Los**, (University of Utrecht & University of Groningen) "Europe's Performance as a Generator of Important Innovations: Industry-Level Explorations"

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*Chair: Mary O'Mahony*

Session 3b:

- **Esteban Fernández Vázquez and Bart Los**, (University of Oviedo & University of Groningen) "Addressing Keller's Critique: More on The Identification of Productive Technology Spillovers"
- **Janet X. Hao, Vlad Manole and Bart van Ark**, (The Conference Board & University of Groningen) "Intangible Assets in Europe: Measurement and International Comparability"
- **Daniel Cerquera and Gordon Klein**, (ZEW) "Endogenous Firm Heterogeneity, Competitive Advantage and ICT"

*Room: "Congreszaal"*

*Chair: Robert Inklaar*

12.00: **Lunch**

Plenary Session 4: Micro Dynamics and Productivity

13.00: **Keynote presentation: Jonathan HASKEL** (Queen Mary's College)

13.45- 15.15: **Session 4**

- **Bernd Görzig, Martin Gornig and Axel Werwatz**, (DIW Berlin) "The Impact of Introducing New Products on Firm Productivity - Evidence from German Manufacturing Firms"
- **Eric Bartelsman, Enrico Perotti and Stefano Scarpetta**, (University of Amsterdam & OECD) "Barriers to Exit, Experimentation and Comparative Advantage"
- **Henry van der Wiel, Harold Creusen, George van Leeuwen, Michael Polder and Eugene van der Pijl**, (CPB) "Going Beyond the Dutch Borders"

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*Chair: Matilde Mas*

15.15: **End of Conference**