Growth and Development Workshop
*Economic Growth and Development: The Structural and Institutional Factors*

and

Money and Finance Workshop
*The Great Recession: Moving Ahead*

**May 21-22, 2015 - Rimini, Palacongressi**

Program
Workshop Location

Palacongressi di Rimini
Via della Fiera, 23,
47923 Rimini RN, Italy
www.riminipalacongressi.it
Workshop Rooms

GROUND FLOOR:
• Sala del Castello 2

Entrance
Wednesday May 21

FIRST FLOOR:
• Sala del Lavatoio
• Sala dell’Orologio
• Sala Bastioni
• Sala Squero
• Breakout Room 1
• Breakout Room 2
• Breakout Room 3
• Breakout Room 4

Entrance
Thursday May 21
Friday May 22
REGISTRATION

The 21-22 May RCEA Workshops “Economic Growth and Development: The Structural and Institutional Factors” and “The Great Recession: Moving Ahead” will run simultaneously with the 16th edition of the IT-FORUM.

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RCEA workshops delegates need to register to ITForum to get the conference badge and welcome kit.

Registration to ITForum can be done:
On Wednesday May 20 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm at RCEA registration desk Rimini Palacongressi, 1st floor, in front of Room SALA DEL LAVATOIO, jointly with RCEA registration.
On Thursday May 21 from 8:15 am at “VGATE” (main entrance of Palacongressi) – desk RCEA WORKSHOPS DELEGATES
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COFFEE BREAKS, LUNCHES and Cocktail Party

Workshop lunches and coffee breaks for RCEA delegates take place on May 21 and May 22 in BREAKOUT ROOMS (First floor)
The conference Cocktail Party will take place on Thursday 21 May starting from 19:30 at Area Foyer (First Floor).

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Workshops Acronyms:

**G&D**: Economic Growth and Development: The Structural and Institutional Factors.

**GR**: The Great Recession: Moving Ahead.
Conference Schedule

Wednesday, May 20

5:00 - 6:00 pm: REGISTRATION

6:00 - 7:00 pm: G&D and GR Plenary session: CIGI-RCEA lecture
Room: Sala del Lavatoio

Corruption and Economic Growth
Chair: Philippe Aghion (Harvard University, USA and RCEA, Italy)
Speaker: Costas Azariadis (Washington University in St. Louis, USA and RCEA, Italy)

Thursday, May 21

8:00 am - 8:30 am: REGISTRATION

8:30 am - 10:00 am: SESSIONS

G&D: Cross Country Analyses
Room: SALA SQUERO
Chair: Andros Kourtellos (University of Cyprus, Cyprus)

1. The effect of services trade restrictiveness on manufacturing productivity: A cross-country analysis
   Cosimo Beverelli (WTO, Switzerland), Matteo Fiorini (EUI, Italy) and Bernard Hoekman (CEPR, UK)

2. Empirics of Financial Sector Liberalization and Capital Flows
   Marta Paczos (University of Bologna, Italy)

3. Growth and income distributions in four EU economies
   Keshab Bhattarai (University of Hull and RCEA)

G&D: Theory
Room: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO
Chair: Lorenzo Rotunno (Oxford University, UK)

1. Political Competition over Property Rights Enforcement
   Jan U. Auerbach (University of Exeter, UK)

2. Endogenous labour supply, endogenous lifetime and economic growth: Local and global indeterminacy
   Luca Gori (University of Genoa, Italy) and Mauro Sodini (University of Pisa,
3. **A game-theoretic traverse analysis: Price competition and strategic investment**
   Andrea Mantovi (University of Parma, Italy) and Augusto Schianchi (University of Parma, Italy)

**GR**: The Credit Channel  
**Room**: SALA DEI BASTIONI  
**Chair**: Peter Benczur (European Commission, Central European University and IE-CERS, HAS)

1. **The Macroeconomic Implications of Sovereign Debt Liquidity**
   Andrea Gazzani (European University Institute, Italy) and Alejandro Vicondoa (European University Institute, Italy)

2. **The bank lending channel in monetary transmission in the euro area: evidence from Bayesian VAR analysis**
   Matteo Bondesan (University of Turin and Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy)

3. **Collateral channel and small business lending**
   Ari Hyytinen, Jyväskylä (Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics, Finland) and Ilkka Ylhäinen, (Jyväskylä University School of Business and Economics, Finland)

10:00 am-10:30 am: Coffee Break

10:30 am - 12:00 pm: SESSIONS

**G&D**: Trade and Globalization I  
**Room**: SALA SQUERO  
**Chair**: Emanuela Randon (University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy)

1. **The Role of Trade and Offshoring in the Determination of Child Labour**
   Alessandro Cigno (University of Florence and RCEA, Italy), Giorgia Giovannetti (University of Florence and DISEI, Italy), and Laura Sabani (University of Florence and DISEI, Italy)

2. **Judiciary efficiency and trade in tasks**
   Antonio Accetturo (Bank of Italy), Andrea Linarello (Bank of Italy), and Andrea Petrella (Bank of Italy)

3. **Knowledge spillovers: The impact of genetic distance and data revisions**
   Tim Deeken (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany)

4. **Cooperation between the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. The role of competition and domain dissent in communication and decision making**
   Laura Sabani (University of Florence and DISEI, Italy)

**G&D**: Culture and Religion I  
**Room**: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO  
**Chair**: Shaun Larcom (University of London, UK)
1. **Sex-selection, inheritance rights and ultrasound technology in India**  
   Sonia Bhalotra (University of Essex, UK), Rachel Brule (NYU Abu Dhabi, UAE) and Sanchari Roy (University of Sussex, UK)

   Jeanet S. Bentzen (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)
   **Economic attitudes and religion**  
   Lenka Filipova (University of Ostrava, Czech Republic)

**GR:** Speculation, Monetary Policy and the Housing Market  
**Room:** SALA DEI BASTIONI  
**Chair:** Georgi Krustev (European Central Bank)

1. **The Impacts of US Quantitative Easing on Housing Market**  
   Elham Saeidinezhad (Institute for New Economic Thinking, USA)

2. **Speculation and the U.S. Housing Boom**  
   Pascal Towbin (Swiss National Bank) and Sebastian Weber (International Monetary Fund)

3. **Leaning Against the Credit Cycle**  
   Paolo Gelain (Norges Bank, Norway), Kevin J. Lansing (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, USA) and Gisle J. Natvik (BI Norwegian Business School, and Norges Bank, Norway)

12:00 am - 1:00 pm  
**G&D and GR Plenary session: Morningstar-RCEA lecture**  
**Room:** SALA DEL CASTELLO 2

**Innovation and top income inequality**  
**Chair:** Costas Azariadis (Washington University in St. Louis, USA and RCEA, Italy)  
**Speaker:** Philippe Aghion (Harvard University, USA And RCEA, Italy)

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm: Lunch

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm: SESSIONS

**G&D:** Inequality & Income Distribution I  
**Room:** SALA SQUERO  
**Chair:** Evangelos V. Dioikitopoulos (Brunel University London, UK)

1. **Robust correlates of growth spells: Do inequality and redistribution matter?**  
   Andros Kourtellos (University of Cyprus, Cyprus) and Charalampos G. Tsangarides (International Monetary Fund, USA)

2. **The drivers of inequality across European Regions**  
   Davide Fiaschi (University of Pisa, Italy), Lisa Gianmoena (IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Italy) and Angela Parenti (IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Italy)

3. **Health and income inequality: An analysis of public versus private health expenditure**
Ayova Bhattacharjee (IIM Bangalore, India), Jong Kook Shin (Newcastle University Business School, UK) and Chetan Subramanian (IIM Bangalore, India)

G&D: Political Institutions I
Room: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO
Chair: Agnieszka Wysokinska (Univeristy of Warsaw, Poland)
1. Endogenous institutions and conflict in the model of transition from stagnation to growth
Dimitriy A. Veselov (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia) and Alexander M. Yarkin (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia)
2. Group violence, ethnic diversity and citizen participation: Evidence from Indonesia
Christophe Muller (Aix-Marseille, EHESS and CNRS) and Marc Vothknecht (German Institute for Economic Research, Germany)
3. Tales from the South Pacific: Do precolonial institutions explain ethnic fractionalization?
Shaun Larcom (University of London, UK)

G&D: Optimal Taxation and Public Economics
Room: SALA DELI BASTIONI
Chair: Katsufumi Fukuda (Hiroshima University, Japan)
1. Optimal commodity taxation and income distribution
Corrado Benassi (University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy) and Emanuela Randon (University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy)
2. A scale free model of vertical innovation under optimal taxation, Alessandra Pelloni (University of Rome and RCEA, Italy) and Valentina Antonaroli (University of Rome, Italy)
3. Inequality, public good provision and the composition of trade
Mahsa Jahan Dididh (Tilburg University, The Netherlands)

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm: Coffee Break

4:15- 5:45 pm: SESSIONS

GR: Empirical Studies of EU Economies
Room: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO
Chair: Jelena Zivanovic (Humboldt-Universitat, Berlin)
1. Unemployment Hysteresis and Structural Change in Europe
Kurmas Akdoğan (Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey)
2. Interest Premium, Sudden Stop, and Adjustment in a Small Open Economy
Peter Benczur (European Commission, Central European University and IE-CERS, HAS) and Istvan Konya (Hungarian Academy of Sciences and Central European University)
3. **Unemployment fluctuations and the predictability of currency returns**, Federico Nucera (LUISS Guido Carli University, Italy)

**GR**: Consumption and Unemployment  
Room: **SALA DEI BASTIONI**  
Chair: *Adam Golinski (University of York, UK)*

1. **Debt Overhang and Deleveraging in the US Household Sector: Gauging the Impact on Consumption**  
   Bruno Albuquerque (Banco de Portugal and European Central Bank) and Georgi Krustev (European Central Bank)

2. **Animal Spirits, Investment and Unemployment: An Old Keynesian View of the Great Recession**  
   Marco Guerrazzi (University of Genoa, Italy)

3. **Downward wage rigidities, credit frictions and unemployment**  
   Mirko Abbritti (Universidad de Navarra, Spain), Stephan Fahr (European Central Bank) and Tommaso Trani (Universidad de Navarra, Spain)

**G&D Plenary Session**  
The ROTMAN-RCEA lecture on Growth and Development  
Room: **SALA DEL LAVATOIO**

**Theories of poverty traps and antipoverty policies**  
Chair: *Pranab Bardhan (University of California, Berkeley, USA and RCEA, Italy)*  
Speaker: *Maitreesh Ghatak (London School of Economics, UK)*

**WOKSHOPS ADJOURN**
Friday, May 22

8:00 - 8:15 am: Registration

8:15 - 9:45 am: SESSIONS

**G&D: Technological Change and Diffusion**  
Room: SALA SQUERO  
Chair: Davide Fiaschi (University of Pisa, Italy)

1. **Skill-biased technology diffusion through intersectoral linkages**  
   Patrick Schulte (Centre for European Economic Research and Goethe University, Germany)

2. **How powerful are trade unions? A skill-biased technological change approach**  
   Antonio Neto (Universidade do Porto, Portugal), Oscar Afonso (Universidade do Porto, Portugal), and Sandra T. Silva (Universidade do Porto, Portugal)

3. **ICT and economic growth. Comparing developing, emerging and developed countries**  
   Thomas Niebel (Centre for European Economic Research, Germany)

4. **On the cyclical of R&D activities**  
   Matthias Mand (University of Hamburg, Germany)

**GR: Empirical Studies of Financial Markets**  
Room: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO  
Chair: Sebastian E. V. Werner (European University Institute)

1. **An agnostic SVAR approach to financial shocks**  
   Jelena Zivanovic, (Humboldt-Universitat, Berlin)

2. **Volatility co-movements: a time scale decomposition analysis**  
   Andrea Cipollini (University of Palermo, Italy), Iolanda Lo Cascio (University of Palermo, Italy) and Silvia Muzzioli (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy).
3. **US Monetary Policy Cointegration with Endogenous Markov-Switching VECM Regimes**

Giulia Ghiani (Politecnico di Milano, Italy), Max Gillman, (University of Missouri, St Louis, CERGE-EI and IEHAS, USA) and Michal Kejak (CERGE-EI, Czech Republic)

9:45- 10:00 am: Coffee Break

10:00-11:30 am: SESSIONS

**GR: Inflation, Inflation Targeting and Price Rigidities**
**Room:** SALA SQUERO  
**Chair:** Oleksiy Kryvtsov (Bank of Canada)

1. **What Helps Forecast U.S. Inflation?—Mind the Gap!**  
Ayse Kabukcuoglu (Koç University, Turkey) and Enrique Martínez-García (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, USA)

2. **Does Inflation Target Matter? Evidence from a Change In Persistence Test**  
Theologos Dergiades (International Hellenic University, Greece) Costas Milas (University of Liverpool, UK) and Theodore Panagiotidis (University of Macedonia, Greece)

3. **On the Importance of Sales for Aggregate Price Flexibility**  
Oleksiy Kryvtsov (Bank of Canada) and Nicolas Vincent (HEC Montreal, Canada)

**GR: Stock and Credit Markets, Frictions and Incomplete Information**
**Room:** SALA DELL’OROLOGIO  
**Chair:** Eddie Gerba (London School of Economics, UK)

1. **Stock Market Cycles and Supply Side Dynamics**  
Paul De Grauwe (London School of Economics, UK) and Eddie Gerba (London School of Economics, UK)

2. **Information and reputation across e-traded goods**  
Fabrizio Casalin (Newcastle University, UK) and Enzo Dia (Universita degli Studi di Milano Bicocca, Italy)

3. **Bank ownership and cost efficiency in Russia, revisited**  
Mikhail Mamonov (Russian Academy of Sciences and Higher School of Economics, Russia) and Andrei Vernikov (Higher School of Economics and Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)

**G&D Plenary Session**

The ROTMAN-RCEA lecture on Growth and Development  
**Room:** SALA DEL LAVATOIO

**Technology Adoption in Organizations**
**Chair:** Karim Abadir (Imperial College, UK and RCEA, Italy)
11:30am - 1pm  
G&D and GR Plenary Session: CIGI-RCEA Panel
Room: SALA DEL CASTELLO 2

New Challenges for Central Banks
Chair: Jerzy Konieczny (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada and RCEA, Italy)

Panelists:
Costas Azariadis (Washington University in St. Louis, USA and RCEA, Italy), Stephen Ambler (Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada and RCEA, Italy), John Murray (C.D. Howe Institute, Canada)
Pierre Siklos (Wilfrid Laurier University, CIGI, Canada and RCEA, Italy)

1:00-2:15 pm: Lunch

2:15 - 3:45 pm: SESSIONS

G&D: Trade and Globalization II
Room: SALA SQUERO
Chair: Umut Kilinc (STATEC, Luxembourg)
1. The effect of globalization in an endogenous growth model with firm heterogeneity, international spillover and trade  
Katsufumi Fukuda (Hiroshima University, Japan)
2. Factor prices and endowments in a globalised world  
Lorenzo Rotunno (Oxford University, UK) and Adrian Wood (Oxford University, UK)
3. Did Chinese outward activity attenuate or aggravate the great recession in developing countries  
Bastian Gawellek (University of Leipzig, Germany), Jingiing Lyu (University of Leipzig, Germany) and Bernd Suessmuth (University of Leipzig, Germany)

G&D: Political Institutions II
Room: SALA DELL’OROLOGIO
Chair: Christophe Muller (Aix-Marseille University, EHESS and CNRS)
1. Creative destruction and persistence of inefficient institutions in democracies  
Dimitriv A. Veselov (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia)
2. The Elimination of Common Rights and Comparative Economic Development in a Marthusan World
Evangelos V. Dioikitopoulos (Brunel University London, UK) and Ken Tabata (Kwansei Gakuin University, Japan)

3. **Invisible wall: Role of institutions and culture in long term development. Natural experiment**
   Agnieszka Wysokinska (Univeristy of Warsaw, Poland)

**GR: Monetary Policy**

**Room:** SALA DEI BASTIONI

**Chair:** Adam Golinski (University of York, UK)

1. **Monetary Policy Rules at the Zero Lower Bound**
   Adam Golinski (University of York, UK)

2. **Monetary policy of the Bank of Russia and economic growth in Russian Federation**
   Sergey Mitsek (University of Yekaterinburg, Russia)

3. **The Impact of US Unconventional Monetary Policy on the Portfolio Allocation of International Mutual Funds**
   Gino Cenedese (Bank of England, Menno Middeldorp and Ilaf Scheikh Elard Oxford University, UK)

4. **Bond risk premia, macroeconomic factors and financial crisis in the euro area**
   Juan Angel Garcia (European Central Bank) and Sebastian E. V. Werner (European University Institute, Italy)

3:45 - 4:00 pm: Coffee Break

4:00 - 5:30 pm: SESSIONS

**GR Plenary Session**

**Room:** SALA DEL LAVATOIO

**Great Recession Workshop Special Session**

**Chair:** John Murray (C.D. Howe Institute, Canada)

**Keynote Speech**

**Forecastable timings of recession & recoveries: Econometric implications of a GE model with heterogeneous firms**

Karim Abadir (Imperial College, UK and RCEA, Italy)

**Keynote Speech**

**Currency Premia and Global Imbalances**

Lucio Sarno (City University, UK and RCEA, Italy)

**G&D: Trade and Globalization III**

**Room:** SALA DEI BASTIONI
**Chair:** Antonio Neto *(Universidade do Porto, Portugal)*

1. **Productivity, markups and international trade: The case of small open economy**
   *Umut Kilinc* *(STATEC, Luxembourg)*

2. **Long-term growth forecast of the Russian economic union and dynamics of its positions in the world**
   *Catherine Gospodarik* *(Belarusian State University, Belarus)* and Mikhail Kovalev *(Belarusian State University, Belarus)*

3. **Resource price shocks, poor governance and private sector development. A simple model of resource curse**
   Natasa Bilkic *(University of Paderborn, Germany)* and Thomas Gries *(University of Paderborn, Germany)*

**G&D: Human Capital and Social Capital and Education**
**Room:** SALA DELL’OROLOGIO
**Chair:** Antonio Accetturo *(Bank of Italy)*

1. **Exploring the importance of cognitive skills in macroeconomic models of growth and development**
   *Eddie Gerba* *(London School of Economics, UK)* and Emmanuel V. Pikoulakis *(University of Hull, UK)*.

2. **Social Capital, Income and Immigration Aversion: A Structural Equation Modelling Approach**
   *Maurizio Mussoni* *(University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy)*, Roberto Patuelli *(University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy)* and Marco Savioli *(University of Bologna and RCEA, Italy)*

3. **Social Networks and Learning in the Work-Place: Evidence from Bangladeshi Garment Factories**
   *Andreas Menzel* *(University of Warwick, UK)*

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