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“Country Size and Border Effects in a Globalised World”

Business School, University of Edinburgh, 29 Buccleuch Place, EH8 9JS

June 26-27, 2014

JUNE 26

08:30-09:00 *Registration and welcome*

Session 1: The Border Effect I

09:00-09:45 DAVID COMERFORD (University of Stirling) – “Regions Are Not Countries: A New Approach to the Border Effect” (with Sevi Rodríguez-Mora)

09:45-10:30 DENNIS NOVY (University of Warwick) – “Estimating Border Effects: The Impact of Geographic Aggregation” (with Cletus C. Coughlin)

10:30-11:00 *Coffee break*

Session 2: Trade Costs and Borders

11:00-11:45 CECILIA HORNOK (Hungarian Academy of Sciences) – “Need for Speed: Is Faster Trade in the EU Trade-Creating?”

11:45-12:30 INGO BORCHERT (University of Sussex) – “Modelling Services Trade, Trade Costs and Output” (with James E. Anderson and Aaditya Mattoo)

12:30-14:00 *Lunch*

Session 3: The Border Effect II

14:00-14:45 YOTO V. YOTOV (Drexel University) – “Growth and Trade: A Structural Approach” (with James E. Anderson and Mario Larch)

14:45-15:30 NICHOLAS MYERS (University of Edinburgh) – “Social Ties and the Border Puzzle”

15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*

Keynote Lecture 1

16:00-17:00 JAMES E. ANDERSON (Boston College) – “TBC”

Panel “The Economics of New Borders: Implications for Scotland”

18:00-19:00 JAMES E. ANDERSON (Boston College)
ENRICO SPOLAORE (Tufts University)
STEPHEN FARRINGTON (HM Treasury)
Venue: St. Cecilia’s Hall, Niddry Street, Cowgate, EH1 1NQ

Dinner: The Tower Restaurant

20:30- Venue: National Museum of Scotland, Chambers St, EH1 1JF

JUNE 27

Session 4: The Political Economy of Centralization

09:30-10:15: GIACOMO A. M. PONZETTO (CREI, UPF and Barcelona GSE)
– “Centralization and Accountability: Theory and Evidence from
the Clean Air Act” (with Federico Boffa and Amedeo Piolatto)

10:15-11:00 ROBERTO BONFATTI (University of Nottingham) – “The
Sustainability of Empire in Global Perspective: The Role of
International Trade Patterns”

11:00-11:30 *Coffee break*

Keynote Lecture 2

11:30-12:30 ENRICO SPOLAORE (Tufts University) – “The Political
Economy of National Borders”

12:30-14:00 *Lunch*

Session 5: Long-Run Perspectives on Borders

14:00-14:45 JAUME VENTURA (CREI, UPF and Barcelona GSE) –
“Globalization and Political Structure” (with Gino Gancia and
Giacomo A. M. Ponzetto)

14:45-15:30 ROBERT ZYMEK (University of Edinburgh) – “Home Bias in
Trade Since 1870” (with Mariko Klasing and Petros Milionis)