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**International Economic Integration:  
Past Experience and Future Prospects**

**15-16 April 2010  
Geneva**

### ***PROGRAMME***

**15 April 2010, Thursday at LES SALONS**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

08:30 – 09:00 Registration and refreshments

09:00 – 09:05 Welcome address by Professor Nicolas **Levrat**, Director of the European Institute

09:05 – 09:10 Welcome address by a member of the Council of State of Geneva

09:10 – 09:15 Member of the Rectorate of the University of Geneva

09:15 – 09:25 Welcome address by Petko **Draganov**, Deputy Secretary-general of UNCTAD

09:25 – 09:30 Opening address by Miroslav **Jovanović**, European Institute

## **Session 1 GENERAL ISSUES**

*Moderator:* Victoria Curzon Price, Professor Emerita

09:30 – 12:30

- Roberto **Fiorentino** - The never ending story of regional trade agreements
- Richard G. **Lipsey** and Murray **Smith** – Multilateral versus regional trading arrangements: substitutes or complements?
- Jaime **de Melo** – Understanding the barriers to entry effects of rules of origin in preferential trading arrangements with an application to Asian FTAs
- Frans **Vanistendael** – Fiscal Integration in the European Union
- Richard G. **Lipsey** – Technology and globalisation
- Miroslav N. **Jovanović** – Globalisation: an anatomy
- Discussion and closing remarks

12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH BREAK at the “Foyer – Les Salons” for the speakers

## **Session 2 – COMPETITION AND GEOGRAPHY**

*Moderator:* Richard G. Lipsey, Professor Emeritus

13:30 – 16:00

- Victoria **Curzon Price** – Institutional competition in the European Union: causes and consequences of the drive to harmonize
- Christos **Pitelis** – European industrial policy
- Pierre-André **Buigues** - European economic integration and network industries
- Fulvio **Castellacci** - Theoretical models of heterogeneity, growth and competitiveness: insights from the mainstream and evolutionary economics paradigms
- Roberto **Camagni** - Spatial effects of economic integration: a conceptualization from regional growth and location theories
- Gert-Jan **Linders** – Persistent distance decay effects in the space-economy
- Discussion and closing remarks

## **Dinner for the speakers**

19:30 – 22:30 **Restaurant Vieux-Bois** (A bus transport is organized from Hotel Longemalle – Departure at 19:00)

Restaurant Vieux-Bois  
12, avenue de la Paix  
1202 Genève

Tel : + 41 22 919 24 26

<http://www.restaurants-geneve.ch/vieux-bois/vieux-bois.htm>

**16 April 2010, Friday at UNI-DUFOUR (Room 159 – Yves Fricker – 1<sup>st</sup> floor)**

### **Session 3 FINANCE AND FACTOR MOBILITY**

*Moderator:* James Zhan, Director of Investment and Enterprise Division, UNCTAD

09:00 – 12:00

- Franco **Praussello** – Flaws in the design of EMU: The role of asymmetric shocks of federal and national origin
- Killian J **McCarthy** - Tax Competition and the Harmonisation of Corporate Tax Rates in Europe
- Jeremy **Clegg** – An enlarged EU, institutional challenges and European competitiveness
- Grazia **Ietto-Gillies** - The integration and fragmentation role of transnational companies

10h30-10h45 – Coffee break – outside of the conference room – same floor

- Christos **Pitelis** – Foreign direct investment and economic integration
- Ken-ichi **Ando** - Economic integration from above and below with the evidence of Japanese MNEs in Europe
- Slobodan **Djajic** - Reforming the system of international migration
- Discussion and closing remarks

12:00 – 13:30 LUNCH BREAK (at the ground floor of the cafeteria - same building)  
for the speakers

### **Session 4 – REGIONAL GROUPS AND QUANTIFICATION OF EFFECTS**

*Moderator:* Richard Pomfret, Professor

13:30 – 17:15

- Richard **Pomfret** – Regional integration in East Asia
- Andreas **Theophanous** and Yannis **Tirkides** – From the Barcelona Process to the Union for the Mediterranean: rhetoric vs. the record
- Murray **Smith** – NAFTA
- Lisa **Borgatti** – Economic integration in sub-Saharan Africa
- Mohieddine **Hadhri** – Globalisation challenges and new Arab regionalism

15h30-15h45 – Coffee break – outside of the conference room – same floor

- Joachim **Möller** and Nicole **Litzel** - Industrial clusters and economic integration – theoretic concepts and an application to the European metropolitan region Nuremberg

- Nigel **Grimwade** - Estimating the effects of integration
- Vo Phuong Mai **Le** and Patrick **Minford** - Measuring the extent and costs of EU protectionism
- Juan **Marchetti** – Do economic integration agreements lead to deeper integration of services markets?
- Discussion and closing remarks
- Conference closing remarks

### **Dinner for the speakers**

#### **19:30 – 22:30 Restaurant du Parc des Bastions** **Final meeting of the participants**

Location: Inside the Parc des Bastions in front of UNI DUFOUR  
 Restaurant du Parc des Bastions  
 1, Promenade des Bastions  
 1205 Genève  
 Tel: +41 22 310 86 66  
<http://www.bastions.ch/>

### **MEMORANDUM ITEMS**

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#### **Venue of the conference:**

**15 April 2010, Thursday**

**LES SALONS** (<http://www.les-salons.ch/location/cadrelocation.htm>)  
 6, rue Bartholoni  
 1204 Geneva  
 Tel: +41 22 807 06 30

Map: [http://www.les-salons.ch/contact/img\\_contact/plan.gif](http://www.les-salons.ch/contact/img_contact/plan.gif)

**16 April 2010, Friday**

**UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA**

**UNI-DUFOUR Room 159 – Yves Fricker – 1<sup>st</sup> floor** (<http://www.unige.ch/presse/static/plan/>)

24, rue du Général-Dufour

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Map:

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The conference shall be video recorded.

**Participation and attendance:**

- Speakers and contributors to the International Handbook of Economic Integration
- Staff of the University of Geneva; Swiss and Geneva public authorities; and international organisations
- There is *no* participation/attendance fee

**Language:** English

**Useful links:**

Geneva <http://www.geneva.ch/>

Geneva hotels [http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/index.php?rubrique=0000000000&lang=\\_eng](http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/index.php?rubrique=0000000000&lang=_eng)

Geneva map <http://w3public.ville-ge.ch/Ville-ge/adrge.nsf>

<http://www.geneve-ville.ch/en/outils/maps.htm>

Geneva airport <http://www.gva.ch/en/Desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-11/>