



EACES-AISSEC International Workshop

University of Perugia, Department of Economics, 2-3 October 2025

World in Transition: The Turbulent Beginning of the 3rd Millennium

2 October

13:00 – 14:00 Registration

[Second floor]

14:00 – 14:15 Welcome address

[Room 201, second floor]

Marcello Signorelli (University of Perugia), Director of the Department of Economics

Norberto Pignatti (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia), President of the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies (EACES)

Dario Sciulli (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara), President of the Italian Association for the Study of Comparative Economic Systems (AISSEC)

14:15 – 15:45 Parallel session I

I.A Evolving geoeconomic scenarios

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: Hartmut Lehmann (New Uzbekistan University, Tashkent)

Pompeo Della Posta (Beijing Normal University, China) *'Protectionism or protection? New Western economic policies against the backdrop of the current geoeconomic scenario'*

Anita Pelle (University of Szeged, Hungary) *'The impact of the geoeconomic and geopolitical shift on the integrity of the European Union, with special regards to economic strategic decisions'*

Sara Balestri (University of Perugia) *'Forest Governance in Practice: Comparative Trade Effects of EU VPAs in Cameroon and Indonesia'* (with L. Aldieri, L. Esposito and M. Signorelli)



I.B Economic policies

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: Richard Pomfret (Adelaide University, Australia)

Tania Masi (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara and CefES) *'Factor Income Taxation and the Governance Dividend'* (with A. Savoia and K. Sen)

Nemanja Vuksanovic (University of Belgrade, Serbia) *'Energy poverty in Europe: Cross-country evidence on persistence and policy implications'* (with J. Zarkovic, G. Krstic, and M. Vladislavljevic)

Debora Di Gioacchino (Sapienza University of Rome) *'Can Voluntary Health Insurance and Strong Primary Care Improve Health? Evidence from a Cluster Analysis of European Healthcare Systems'* (with E. Ghignoni and L. Sabani)

15:45 – 16:45 Parallel session II

II.A Labor market dynamics

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: Dario Sciulli (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara)

Hartmut Lehmann (New Uzbekistan University, Tashkent) *'The Cost of Job Loss for Coal Miners in Turkey'* (with S.H. Ayhan and J.C. Steckel)

Alina Verashchagina (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Gender Gap in Unpaid Care Work, Individual and Social Activities'* (with F. Bettio and D. Di Gioacchino)

II.B Innovation and competitiveness

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: Pompeo Della Posta (Beijing Normal University, China)

Silvan M. Hofer (Institute for European Policymaking, Bocconi University) *'Do EU Grants Boost Competitiveness?'* (with D. Gros, Ph.-L. Mengel, and G. Presidente)

Matteo Rapagna (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Do EU Funds Foster or Hinder Regional Convergence? Misallocation as a Transmission Channel'* (with M. Del Gatto and M. Peracchia)



III.A Social norms and values

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Karine Torosyan** (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia)

Richard Pomfret (Adelaide University, Australia) *'Evolving Economic Systems in the 21st Century: The Role of Populism'*

Elvisa Drishti (University of Shkodra "Luigj Gurakuqi", Albania, and CERGE-EI) *'The Moral Economy of Work: Social Norms, Values, and the Meaning of Work in Post-Transition Societies'* (with B. Kopliku)

III.B Demographic transition

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Debora Di Gioacchino** (Sapienza University of Rome)

Dario Sciulli (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Childbirth and the dynamics of female employment pay status in Europe'* (with Ch. Mussida)

Sean M. T. Elliot (University of Toronto, Canada) *'Marriage, Cohabitation, and Separation: A Dynamic Approach to the Second Demographic Transition'*

18:00 – 19:00 Keynote speech

[Room 2, ground floor]

Vittorio Valli (Professor Emeritus of Economic Policy at the University of Turin, the first President of EACES and AISSEC) *'Shifting powers in the world economy in the XXI Century'*

Chair: **Marcello Signorelli** (University of Perugia)

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08:30 – 09:30 Parallel session IV

IV.A Environment and climate change

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Roberto Ricciuti** (University of Verona)

Andrea Bacchiocchi (University of Urbino Carlo Bo) '*Mitigation and Adaptation in a Dynamic Climate-Economy Model*'

Kevin J. Lansing (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, USA) '*Modeling the Evolving Patterns of Global Temperature Anomaly Distributions*'

IV.B Sustainable development

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Sara Caria** (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia)

Anita Zombory (University of Szeged, Hungary) '*Growth at Any Cost? Contradictions Between the European Green Deal and Sustainability*'

Vincenzo Alfano (University of Napoli "Parthenope") '*A Matter of Political Horizons: Life Expectancy and Environmental Budgeting in Italian Regional Governments*' (with S. Capasso and M. Signorelli)

09:30 – 11:00 Parallel session V

V.A Natural resources and poverty dynamics

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Norberto Pignatti** (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia)

Roberto Ricciuti (University of Verona and CESifo) '*Natural Resources, Democracy and Public Sector*' (with T. Masi)

Evžen Kočenda (Charles University, Czech Republic, CESifo and IOS) '*Price and Income Elasticities of Industrial Energy Demand in New EU Member States*' (with S.F. Eshun, P. Okwochec, and M. Ščasný)

Milan Ščasný (Charles University, Czech Republic) '*Bridging the Gap: A Novel M2/LIHC Hybrid Indicator Unveils Energy Poverty Dynamics – case study of the Czech Republic*' (with M. Opatrný)



V.B Education and health

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Alina Verashchagina** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara)

Roberto Roson (Ca' Foscari University of Venice) '*Simulating Educational Mismatch for Impact Policy Assessment*' (with E. Ghignoni)

Matteo Migheli (University of Turin and OEET) '*Economic Freedom and Sex Health Gap in the E.U.*'

Elisa Ticci (University of Siena) '*Intimate partner violence during lockdown in Tuscany, Italy: economic shock or confinement-related stressors?*' (with F. Bettio and F. Flores Tavares)

11:30 – 13:00 Parallel session VI

VI.A Development policies

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Matteo Migheli** (University of Turin)

Sara Caria (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia) '*Evolving and differentiated strategy? A network approach to understand Chinese development finance in Africa*' (with S. Ghinoi)

Andrea Crippa (University of Perugia) '*A Latent Variable Approach to Food Security Dynamics in Africa*' (with S. Balestri and L. Pieroni)

Marta Marson (The Polytechnic University of Milan) '*Agri-tech innovation: a poverty trap for African countries?*' (with N. Belaid, I. Savin, and P. Mundt)

VI.B Economic shocks and uncertainty

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Sara Balestri** (University of Perugia)

Svatopluk Kapouněk (Mendel University in Brno, Czech Republic) '*Effects of Trade Uncertainty on Banking Groups*' (with G. Kutasi)

Evžen Kočenda (Charles University, Czech Republic, CESifo and IOS) '*Corporate Survival in Emerging European Markets: Impacts of COVID-19 Pandemic and Russo-Ukrainian War*' (with I. Iwasaki)

Iva Zverinova (Charles University, Czech Republic) '*Public Acceptability of the EU Emissions Trading System under Uncertainties in Three EU Countries*' (with M. Ščasný)

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