



# FIW

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## 17<sup>th</sup> FIW-Research Conference 'International Economics' Program

**Policy Panel: February 20, 2025, 16:15h**

Geopolitical Shifts and Global Trade:  
The Role of the WTO and U.S. Leadership

**Keynote Lecture: February 21, 2025, 09:30h**

The Future of Trade in a Fragmenting World  
Meredith Crowley (University of Cambridge)

**Keynote Lecture II: February 21, 2025, 15:30h**

Europe and the world economy  
Philipp Lane (ECB)

The 17<sup>th</sup> FIW Research Conference on 'International Economics' will take place on Thursday, **20<sup>th</sup> February 2025** and Friday, **21<sup>st</sup> February 2025** at the **Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Vienna)**, Welthandelsplatz 1, 1020 Vienna, Austria.

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## Schedule Overview

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### Thursday, February 20, 2025

Registration and Welcome Coffee	D5	08:30
Opening Remarks	D5.0.001	09:00 – 09:30
Parallel Sessions 1	D5	09:30 – 11:00
Coffee Break	D5	11:00 – 11:30
Parallel Sessions 2	D5	11:30 – 13:00
Lunch Break	D5	13:00 – 14:00
Parallel Sessions 3	D5	14:00 – 15:30
Coffee Break	D5	15:30 – 16:00
Policy Panel	EA	16:15 – 18:00
Conference Dinner for Speakers	DasCampus	19:00

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### Friday, February 21, 2025

Keynote Lecture I: Meredith Crowley	EA Foyer	09:30 – 10:30
Coffee Break	D5	10:30 – 11:00
Parallel Sessions 4	D5	11:00 – 12:30
Lunch Break	D5	12:30 – 13:30
Parallel Sessions 5	D5	13:30 – 15:00
Award Ceremony	D5	15:15 – 15:30
Keynote Lecture II: Philip Lane	D5.0.001	15:30 – 16:30

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Registration and Welcome Coffee open at 8:30 a.m.

### Opening Remarks

Room: **D5.0.001**

Time: 09:00-09:30

Rupert Sausgruber (WU Vienna)

Cynthia Zimmermann (BMAW)

### Session 1a – Trade Policy: Regional Impacts and Democracy

Room: **D5.1.001**

Time: 09:30 – 11:00

09:30 ***A Structural Regional Trade and Migration Framework for Policy Evaluation:  
Quantifying the Regional Effects of the 2004 EU Enlargement***  
Hanna Luise Adam, Mario Larch

10:00 ***Trade Agreements and Informality in Africa***  
Julian Hinz, Oliver Krebs, **Hendrik Mahlkow**, Joschka Wanner

10:30 ***The Democracy Dividend in Trade: Evidence from a Flexible Gravity Implementation***  
Rodolphe Desbordes, Markus Eberhardt, **Mario Larch**

### Session 1b – Foreign Direct Investment

**Room: Room: D5.1.002**

**Time: 09:30 – 11:00**

- 09:30 ***How does FDI transmit into domestic investment? Exploring intra-industry and financial channels***  
**Tim de Leeuw**, Konstantin Wacker
- 10:00 ***FDI spillovers in the presence of political connections: Evidence from Bulgaria***  
Marc Schiffbauer, **Dea Tusha**
- 10:30 ***Firm-level Investment Responses to a Trade Shock - Evidence from the 2015 Swiss Exchange Rate Shock***  
Andreas Dibiasi, **Katharina Erhardt**

### Session 1c – Energy and Climate Change

**Room: D5.1.003**

**Time: 09:30 – 11:00**

- 09:30 ***Revisiting the Dynamics and Elasticities of the U.S. Natural Gas Market***  
**Markos Farag**
- 10:00 ***The Impact of Natural Disasters on Capital Flows: Preparedness and Exposure Matter***  
**Viktoria Vidahazy**
- 10:30 ***The Heterogeneous Impacts of Firm Upgrading on Energy Intensity***  
Ziran Ding, **Mustapha Douch**, Povilas Lastauskas

## Session 1d – International Macroeconomics and Monetary Policy

**Room: D5.1.004**

**Time: 09:30 – 11:00**

- 09:30 ***Sovereign default and international trade: The mitigating effects of export credit insurance***  
**Thilo Kroeger**
- 10:00 ***Global Political Ties and the Global Financial Cycle***  
**Gene Ambrocio, Iftekhar Hasan, Xiang Li**
- 10:30 ***Monetary Policy and the Redistribution Channel in the Euro area***  
**Atanas Pekanov**

## Session 2a – Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

**Room: D5.1.001**

**Time: 11:30 – 13:00**

- 11:30 ***The nexus between EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism and WTO legal framework: implications and options for the least developed countries***  
**Octavia Cerchez, Umberto Setter**
- 12:00 ***The potential of carbon border adjustments to foster climate cooperation***  
**Timothé Beaufigli, Joschka Wanner, Leonie Wenz**
- 12:30 ***EU carbon border tax: General equilibrium effects on income and emissions***  
**Javier Flórez Mendoza, Oliver Reiter, Robert Stehrer**

## Session 2b – Cross-Border Capital Flows and Corporate Restructuring

**Room: D5.1.002**

**Time: 11:30 – 13:00**

11:30 ***Beyond the Fundamentals: How Media-Driven Narratives Influence Cross-Border Capital Flows***

Isha Agarwal, Wentong Chen, Eswar Prasad

12:00 ***Shocks to Firm Organization – The Case of Foreign Acquisitions***

Michael Koch, Luca Macedoni, **Angelina Odintsova**

## Session 2c – Trade Policy and Firm Behavior

**Room: D5.1.003**

**Time: 11:30 – 13:00**

11:30 ***Foreign Profit Shifting and The Welfare Responses to The US-China Trade War: Evidence from Manufacturers in Vietnam***

Sung-Ju Wu

12:00 ***Negotiating Efficient Trade Agreements***

Malachy James Gavan, Maria Ptashkina

12:30 ***Exporter Influence and Globalization Backlash***

David R. DeRemer

## Session 2d – Exchange Rates and International activities

**Room: D5.1.004**

**Time: 11:30 – 13:00**

11:30 **Testing the efficiency of oil price forecast revisions in times of COVID-19 and the Russia-Ukraine conflict**

Ana Maria Iregui, Hector Nunez, **Jesus Otero**

12:00 **Exchange Rate Pass-Through and the Mode of Foreign Market Entry**

Hartmut Egger, Peter Egger, Katharina Erhardt, **Leandro Navarro**

## Session 3a – Climate Change

**Room: D5.1.001**

**Time: 14:00 - 15:30**

14:00 **Foreign Demand and Soy Exports: Evidence and Implications for Deforestation**

Léa Crepin, **Clément Nedoncelle**

14:30 **Climate change increases bilateral trade cost**

**Maximilian Huppertz**

15:00 **Decarbonization in an Interdependent World with Nominal Wage Rigidities**

**Paul Ko**, Mario Larch, Yuta Suzuki, Joschka Wanner, Han Yang

### Session 3b – Export Subsidies and Modes of Entry

**Room: D5.1.002**

**Time: 14:00 - 15:30**

14:00 ***Who Benefits From The Export-Import Bank Aid?***

Efraim Benmelech, **Joao Monteiro**

14:30 ***The Impact of Export Credit Subsidies on Exports***

**Álmos Telegdy**, Gábor Tóth, Szilárd Benk

### Session 3c – Multiproduct and Multinational Firms

**Room: D5.1.003**

**Time: 14:00 - 15:30**

14:00 ***Schumpeterian Dynamism or Socialization: Persistence of Firm Dominance***

**Dieter Van Esbroeck**

14:30 ***Divestment strategies in multinational firms: the role of peer effects and geographical distance***

**Chiara Castelli**

15:00 ***Multiproduct Firms and Monopsony Power***

Jackie M.L. Chan, **Michael Irlacher**, Michael Koch, Luca Macedoni



### Session 3d – Geopolitical Risks

**Room: D5.1.004**

**Time: 14:00 - 15:30**

14:00 ***Do Transport Markets and Endogenous Trade Costs Mitigate The Impact of Houthi Attacks on International Trade?***

**Haggay Etkes, Nizan Feldman**

14:30 **The Effects of Geopolitical Risks on Trade in Services: Evidence from UK Firm-level Data**

**Özgül Bilici**

15:00 ***Trade dynamics under geopolitical risk***

**Makram Khalil, David Osten, Felix Strobel**

### Policy Panel

**"Geopolitical Shifts and Global Trade: The Role of the WTO and U.S. Leadership"**

**Room: Foyer, EA (Executive Academy)**

**Time: 16:15 - 18:00**

#### Panelists:

- **Ignacio García Bercero (Bruegel)**
- **Meredith Crowley (U. Cambridge)**
- **Gabriel Felbermayr (WIFO)**
- **Manfred Schekulin (BMAW-Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy)**

**Moderation: Harald Oberhofer (FIW, WU Vienna, WIFO)**

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### **Keynote Lecture I: The Future of Trade in a Fragmenting World**

**Meredith A. Crowley (University of Cambridge)**

**Room: Foyer, EA (Executive Academy)**

**Time: 09:30- 10:30**

**Chair: Harald Oberhofer (FIW, WIFO, WU Vienna)**

Meredith A. Crowley is a Professor and Deputy Chair of the Faculty of Economics at the University of Cambridge, Fellow of St. John's College, and a Research Coordinator at the Janeway Institute at Cambridge. She is President of the International Economics and Finance Society, a co-investigator of the publicly-funded Centre for Inclusive Trade Policy, a Research Fellow at the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR - London), and a member of the Scientific Advisory Councils of CEPII and the Kiel Institute. Her research on international trade, multinational trade agreements, and trade policy has appeared in numerous peer-reviewed journals including the American Economic Review, the Canadian Journal of Economics, the European Journal of Political Economy, the Journal of Development Economics, the Journal of International Economics and World Trade Review. She has over 100 media citations or appearances, including the BBC, The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Financial Times, The Economist, The Guardian, The Telegraph, and The Times.

Prior to arriving at Cambridge in 2013, Crowley worked in the Research Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. She has held visiting positions at Georgetown University, the Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, and Nanjing University. Her research has been presented at central banks and international institutions around the world, including the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and the World Trade Organization.

### Session 4a – Production Networks and Labor market effects

**Room: D5.1.001**

**Time: 11:00 - 12:30**

- 11:00 ***Job Ladder and Dynamic Monopsony in Production Networks***  
**Toshiaki Komatsu**, Emmanuel Dhyne
- 11:30 ***Pennies from Haven: Employee Compensation and Profit Shifting***  
Annette Alstadsæter, Julie Brun Bjørkheim, Ronald B. Davies, **Johannes Scheuerer**
- 12:00 ***When Immigrants Meet Exporters: A Reassessment of the Immigrant Wage Gap***  
Léa Marchal, Guzmán Ourens and **Giulia Sabbadini**

### Session 4b – Technology and Perceptions

**Room: D5.1.002**

**Time: 11:00 - 12:30**

- 11:00 ***Do Public Perceptions Matter for International Trade? The Case of GMOs***  
**Marcus Biermann**, Gonzague Vannoorenberghe
- 11:30 ***3G Internet and Human Capital Development***  
**Ronak Jain**, Samuel Stemper

### Session 4c – Tax and Environmental Policies

**Room: D5.1.003**

**Time: 11:00 - 12:30**

- 11:00 ***Why do trade policies favor dirty industries? Cross-country evidence over time***  
**Teresa Hübel**
- 11:30 ***International Commodity-Tax Competition and Asymmetric Producer Prices***  
**Sezer Yasar**
- 12:00 ***Environmental Policy and Services Trade***  
Cosimo Beverelli, **Martin Breitkopf**, Matteo Fiorini, Enxhi Tresa

### Session 4d – Gravity Models

**Room: D5.1.004**

**Time: 11:00 - 12:30**

- 11:00 ***The Global Change in Corporate Production Function***  
Erica Xuenan Li, Guoliang Ma, **Dan Su**
- 11:30 ***Over-Distorted Gravity: Welfare Gains from Trade and Bilateral Elasticities***  
**Matteo Neri-Lainé**
- 12:00 ***The Estimation of the Universal Gravity Model - a Replication Study of Allen, Arkolakis and Takahashi (2020) and Some Extensions***  
**Michael Pfaffermayr**

### Session 5a – The Global Economy

**Room: D5.1.001**

**Time: 13:30 - 15:00**

- 13:30 ***Oligopolies in Trade and Transportation: Implications for the Gains from Trade***  
Enrico Cristoforoni, Marco Errico, Federico Rodari, **Edoardo Tolva**
- 14:00 ***Structural Change in the Global Economy***  
**Hayato Kato**, Motoaki Takahashi, Kensuke Suzuki
- 14:30 ***Renminbi rising? Exporters' response to China's currency internationalization***  
**Sonali Chowdhry**

### Session 5b – Trade Restrictions

**Room: D5.1.002**

**Time: 13:30 - 15:00**

- 13:30 ***Trade War and Governmental Intervention***  
**Paul-Emile Bernard**, Jie Li, Gary Ziwen Zu
- 14:00 ***Modeling Semiconductor Export Restrictions and the US-China Trade Conflict***  
Michael Funke, **Adrian Wende**
- 14:30 ***International Trade when Ports are Blocked***  
**Mykola Ryzhenkov**, Oleksandr Shepotylo

### Session 5c – Global Value Chains

**Room: D5.1.003**

**Time: 13:30 - 15:00**

13:30 ***The Inflationary Effects of Global Supply Chain Shocks: Evidence from Swedish Microdata***

**Mathias Klein, David Finck, Peter Tillmann**

14:00 ***Go wide or go deep: Margins of new trade flows***

**Katharina Erhardt, Apoorva Gupta**

14:30 ***Shock-driven diversification of supply chains***

**Gábor Békés, Márta Bisztray, Miklós Koren, Balázs Lengyel, Martin Neubrandt**

### Final Session: Award Ceremony and Keynote Lecture II

**Room: D5.0.001**

**Time: 15:15 – 16:30**

#### **Award Ceremony**

**Chair: Harald Oberhofer (FIW, WU Vienna, WIFO)**

Two prizes for the best contributions to the Research Conference will be awarded – the **'Best Conference Paper Award 25'** and the **'Young Economist Award 25'**. Each award is worth € 1000.

The **'Young Economist Award 24'** is intended for Ph.D. students, young faculty members and young researchers in similar positions. To be considered for this award all authors of the paper have to be 34 or younger at the time of submission.

## Keynote Lecture II: Europe and the world economy

### **Philip Lane (European Central Bank)**

#### **Chair: Gabriel Felbermayr (WIFO, WU Vienna)**

Philip R. Lane joined the European Central Bank as a Member of the Executive Board in 2019. He is responsible for the Directorate General Economics and the Directorate General Monetary Policy. Before joining the ECB, he was the Governor of the Central Bank of Ireland. He has also chaired the Advisory Scientific Committee and Advisory Technical Committee of the European Systemic Risk Board and was Whately Professor of Political Economy at Trinity College Dublin. He is also a research fellow at the Centre for Economic Policy Research. A graduate of Trinity College Dublin, he was awarded a PhD in Economics from Harvard University in 1995 and was Assistant Professor of Economics and International Affairs at Columbia University from 1995 to 1997, before returning to Dublin. In 2001 he was the inaugural recipient of the Bernácer Prize for outstanding contributions to European monetary economics.

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## ORGANISATION

The 17<sup>th</sup> FIW-Research Conference 'International Economics' is organized by FIW with support from the Program Committee and the Austrian Federal Ministries for Education Science and Research (BMBFW) and Labour and Economy (BMAW).

There is no conference fee, however FIW does not cover travel or accommodation costs. The conference language is English.

For any questions please contact the FIW-Project Office: [fiw-pb@fiw.ac.at](mailto:fiw-pb@fiw.ac.at)

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## ABOUT FIW

**The FIW - Research Centre International Economics (<https://www.fiw.ac.at>) is a cooperation between the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU), the University Vienna, the Johannes Kepler University Linz and the University of Innsbruck, WIFO and wiiw. FIW is grateful for financial support by the Austrian Federal Ministries for Education, Research and Science (BMBFW) and Labour and Economy (BMAW).**

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