

2019 NOVAFRICA Conference on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

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June 3, 2019

09.00 Pre-Conference Event: 2019 NOVAFRICA PhD Workshops

14.00 Conference Registration

14.30 Opening Session (Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

15.00 Keynote Speech (Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

The Strength of Weak Ties: Educational Externalities and Intergenerational Mobility in Benin
Leonard Wantchekon, Princeton University

16.00 Coffee Break

16.30 Parallel Sessions A

A1 | Policy Roundtable (Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Economic Development in Africa

Chair:

Gameela Ismail

Speakers:

Miguel Geraldes, Unitel

Ricardo Santos, BEI

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A2 | Infrastructure and Land

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B131)

Incentives for joint land titling: Experimental evidence from Uganda

Presenter: Michael O'Sullivan, World Bank

Discussant: Ximena Játiva, Université de Fribourg

Better roads, better off? Evidence of improving roads in Tanzania

Presenter: Ximena Játiva, Université de Fribourg

Discussant: Steven Poelhekke, University of Auckland

Priority roads: The political economy of Africa's interior-to-coast roads

Presenter: Steven Poelhekke, University of Auckland

Discussant: Michael O'Sullivan, World Bank

A3 | Entrepreneurship

(Room B132)

The effect of personalized feedback on small enterprises' finances in Uganda

Presenter: Helke Seitz, DIW Berlin

Discussant: Mattea Stein, Paris School of Economics

Know-how and know-who: Effects of a randomized training on network changes among small urban entrepreneurs

Presenter: Mattea Stein, Paris School of Economics

Discussant: Julia Seither, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Reference points and micro-entrepreneurship

Presenter: Julia Seither, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Helke Seitz, DIW Berlin

A4 | Climate Change

(Room B130)

Weather shocks and self esteem

Presenter: Angela Doku, University of Geneva

Discussant: Francesca Marchetta, Université Clermont Auvergne

Fertility after the drought: Theory and evidence from Madagascar

Presenter: Francesca Marchetta, Université Clermont Auvergne

Discussant: Angela Doku, University of Geneva

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June 4, 2019

09.00 Parallel Sessions B

B1 | Natural Resources

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

The local political resource curse

Presenter: Stephan Kyburz, Center for Global Development

Discussant: Victoire Girard, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Natural resources and ethnic identity

Presenter: Victoire Girard, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Luis Becerra-Valbuena, Paris School of Economics

Formalizing land rights can reduce forest loss: Experimental evidence from Benin

Presenter: Luis Becerra-Valbuena, Paris School of Economics

Discussant: Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Does information break the political resource curse? Experimental evidence from Mozambique

Presenter: Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Stephan Kyburz, Center for Global Development

B2 | Behavioral

(Room B131)

Media and motivation: The effect of performance pay on writers and content

Presenter: Jared Gars, OECD

Discussant: Brais Álvarez Pereira, Bissau Economics Lab

Group size and the use of skills diversity in production

Presenter: Brais Álvarez Pereira, Bissau Economics Lab

Discussant: Ines Vilela, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Networks and technology adoption

Presenter: Ines Vilela, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Amma Renate Serwaah Panin, World Bank

God insures those who pay? Formal insurance and religious offerings in Ghana

Presenter: Amma Renate Serwaah Panin, World Bank

Discussant: Jared Gars, OECD

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B3 | Finance

(Room B132)

**The role of gender in agent banking for a highly under-developed financial sector:
Evidence from Democratic Republic of Congo**

Presenter: Richard Chamboko, International Finance Corporation

Discussant: Douglas Scott, University of Nottingham

Income shocks and poverty traps: Asset smoothing in rural Ethiopia

Presenter: Douglas Scott, University of Nottingham

Discussant: Andre F. Silva, Federal Reserve Board

Financial access under the microscope

Presenter: Andre F. Silva, Federal Reserve Board

Discussant: Miri Stryjan, Ben-Gurion University

Loan contract structure and adverse selection: Survey Evidence from Uganda

Presenter: Miri Stryjan, Ben-Gurion University

Discussant: Richard Chamboko, International Finance Corporation

11.00 **Coffee Break**

11.30 Special Session: On the occasion of the 70th birthday of Paul Collier

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Keynote Speech: *The Future of Capitalism*

Paul Collier, University of Oxford

Roundtable Discussion

Chair: Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Mans Soderbom, University of Gothenburg

José Tavares, Nova SBE

13.00 **Lunch**

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14.30 Parallel Sessions C

C1 | Mobile Money

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Short-term impacts of improved access to mobile savings, with and without business training: experimental evidence from Tanzania

Presenter: João Montalvão, World Bank

Discussant: Emma Riley, University of Oxford

Hiding loans in the household using mobile money: Experimental evidence on microenterprise investment in Uganda

Presenter: Emma Riley, University of Oxford

Discussant: Cátia Batista, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Is mobile money changing rural Africa? Evidence from a field experiment

Presenter: Cátia Batista, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: João Montalvão, World Bank

C2 | Education I

(Room B131)

Female genital cutting and education: Causal evidence from Senegal

Presenter: Jorge García Hombrados, London School of Economics

Discussant: Stefan Leeffers, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Information and collective action in Angolan schools: Inside the black box of community-driven development

Presenter: Stefan Leeffers, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Ricardo Santos, UNU-WIDER

An analysis of school dropout in Mozambique, 2014-15

Presenter: Ricardo Santos, UNU-WIDER

Discussant: Jorge García Hombrados, London School of Economics

C3 | Political Economy I

(Room B132)

Mobilizing women voters: Experimental evidence from Pakistan

Presenter: Zain Chaudhry, Heidelberg University

Discussant: Matilde Grácio, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Social influence and political behavior in Mozambique

Presenter: Matilde Grácio, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Gianmarco León Ciliotta, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

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How effective are monetary incentives for turnout? Voters' multidimensional response to a nationwide policy

Presenter: Gianmarco León Ciliotta, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Discussant: Zain Chaudhry, Heidelberg University

16.00 Keynote Speech

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Financial Resilience

Tavneet Suri, MIT Sloan School of Management

17.00 Coffee Break

17.30 Parallel Sessions D

D1 | Health

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Build and they will come? Access to health facilities and maternal care usage in rural Ethiopia

Presenter: Fredrick Manang, University of Dodoma

Discussant: Teresa Molina, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Non-financial incentives of community health workers in Guinea-Bissau

Presenter: Teresa Molina, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Manuela Angelucci, University of Texas

Adverse selection in the marriage market: HIV testing and marriage in rural Malawi

Presenter: Manuela Angelucci, University of Texas

Discussant: Fredrick Manang, University of Dodoma

D2 | Migration I

(Room B131)

The ballot and the riot: South-South migration, elections and violence in South Africa

Presenter: Pascal Jaupart, University of Oxford

Discussant: Tijan Bah, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Understanding the willingness to migrate illegally: Evidence from a lab in the field experiment

Presenter: Tijan Bah, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Marion Mercier, Université Paris-Dauphine

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Fighting from abroad – Do refugees affect violence in the home country?

Presenter: Marion Mercier, Université Paris-Dauphine

Discussant: Pascal Jaupart, University of Oxford

D3 | Agriculture and Technological Adoption

(Room B132)

Indirect protection: the impact of cotton insurance on farmers' income portfolio in Burkina Faso

Presenter: Quentin Stoeffler, Istanbul Technical University

Discussant: Rute Caeiro, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

From learning to doing: Diffusion of agricultural innovations in Guinea-Bissau

Presenter: Rute Caeiro, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Olivia Bertelli, Université Paris-Dauphine

Investing in agriculture when it is worth it. Evidence from rural Uganda

Presenter: Olivia Bertelli, Université Paris-Dauphine

Discussant: Quentin Stoeffler, Istanbul Technical University

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June 5, 2019

09.00 Parallel Sessions E

E1 | Conflict

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Terror and birth weight: Evidence from Boko Haram attacks

Presenter: Arinze Nwokolo, Lagos Business School

Discussant: Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Preventing Violent Islamic Radicalization: Behavioral Evidence from Northern Mozambique

Presenter: Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Marijke Verpoorten, University of Antwerp

Would you fight? An inquiry among high-risk youth in Eastern Congo

Presenter: Marijke Verpoorten, University of Antwerp

Discussant: Arinze Nwokolo, Lagos Business School

E2 | Political Economy II

(Room B131)

Political selection and bureaucratic productivity

Presenter: Thiago Scot, University of California - Berkeley

Discussant: Ana Garcia-Hernandez, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Political voice and public goods provision: Evidence from a lab-in-the-field experiment in Uganda

Presenter: Ana Garcia-Hernandez, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Andreas Backhaus, Centre for European Policy Studies

Ethnic favoritism revisited: Competitive voting in Ghana

Presenter: Andreas Backhaus, Centre for European Policy Studies

Discussant: Thiago Scot, University of California - Berkeley

E3 | Migration II

(Room B132)

International migration and government policies: Immigration vs. emigration restrictions

Presenter: Christoph Deuster, United Nations

Discussant: Clotilde Mahé, Maastricht University

Return migration and self-employment: Is there a 'jack-of-all-trades' effect?

Presenter: Clotilde Mahé, Maastricht University

Discussant: Liza Jabbour, University of Birmingham

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Beyond experience and capital, is there a return to return migration?

Presenter: Liza Jabbour, University of Birmingham

Discussant: Christoph Deuster, United Nations

11.00 **Coffee Break**

11.30 Keynote Speech

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Accountability in Divided Societies

Gerard Padro-i-Miquel, Yale University

12.30 **Lunch**

14.00 **Parallel Sessions F**

F1 | Policy Roundtable

(Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Financial development

Chair:

Catia Batista, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Speakers:

Esselina Macome, FSD Moçambique

Nuno Carmo Vaz, Banco Atlântico

Recent Threats to Stability in Mozambique: The Cases of Conflict in Cabo Delgado and Cyclone Idai in Sofala

Chair:

Pedro Vicente, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Speakers:

Diana Castela Araújo, Portuguese Red Cross

Imamo Mussa, Sociedade Civil de Cabo Delgado, Moçambique

F2 | Policy and Institutions

(Room B131)

The gender bias of trade policy in developing countries

Presenter: Nicolás Depetris Chauvin, HEC Geneve

Discussant: Luís Brites Pereira, Nova SBE

Institutional drivers, historical determinism, and economic development in Mozambique

Presenter: Luís Brites Pereira, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Tobias Korn, Leibniz University

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The emergency. British detention camps and the origins of distrust in Kenya

Presenter: Tobias Korn, Leibniz University

Discussant: Emanuel Gomes, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Testing the self-selection theory in high corruption environments: evidence from African SMEs

Presenter: Emanuel Gomes, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Nicolás Depetris Chauvin, HEC Geneve

F3 | Education II

(Room B132)

Improving access and quality in early childhood development programs: Experimental evidence from The Gambia

Presenter: Moussa P. Blimpo, World Bank

Discussant: Joana Cardim, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Technology-aided instruction in primary education: Experimental evidence from Angola

Presenter: Joana Cardim, Nova SBE and NOVAFRICA

Discussant: Anders Olofsgård, Stockholm School of Economics

Incentivizing Textbooks for Self-Study: Experimental Evidence on Student Learning from the Democratic Republic of Congo

Presenter: Anders Olofsgård, Stockholm School of Economics

Discussant: Sam Jones, UNU-WIDER

Misinformation or mismatching? Decomposing the gap between labour market expectations and realities for Mozambican graduates

Presenter: Sam Jones, UNU-WIDER

Discussant: Moussa P. Blimpo, World Bank

16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.30 **Closing Session** (Auditorium Champalimaud | Room B137)

Philippe Brunet, European Commission

