

**Rags to Riches:
Fertility, Culture and Education in the Transition to Self-Sustaining Growth**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Thursday 11th December

Morning session: Fertility and Economics

- 10:00-11:00 **The Poor Law versus the Positive Check: Living Standards and Mortality in England since the Middle Ages**
**Morgan Kelly, University College Dublin*
Cormac Ó Grada, University College Dublin
 Discussant: *Esteban Nicolini, Universidad Carlos III*
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15-12:15 **Women's Rights: Fertility, Selfish Husbands and Altruistic Fathers**
Raquel Fernández, New York University
 Discussant: *David de la Croix, Université Catholique de Louvain*
- 12:15-13:15 **How the West Invented Fertility Restriction**
**Joachim Voth, UPF / CREI*
**Nico Voigtländer, UCLA – Anderson School of Management*
 Discussant: *Nezih Guner, Universidad Carlos III*
- 13:15-15:00 Lunch break

Afternoon session: The Role of Children

- 15:00-16:00 **Work, Training and Economic Mobility in Premodern Societies: New Evidence from English Apprenticeship Records**
**Chris Minns, LSE*
Tim Leunig, LSE
Patrick Wallis, LSE
 Discussants: *Joel Mokyr, Northwestern University*
- 16:15-17:15 **'The Child is Father of the Man': Implications for the Demographic Transition**
**Omar Licandro, EUI*
David de la Croix, Université Catholique de Louvain
 Discussants: *Hosny Zoabi, Tel-Aviv University*
- 17:15-17:30 Coffee break
- 17:30-18:30 **Who Owns Children and Does It Matter?**
**Alice Schoonbroodt, University of Southampton*
Michèle Tertilt, Stanford University
 Discussant: *Ramon Marimon, EUI*
- 20:30- ... Dinner

Friday 12th December

Morning session: Fertility, Food and Unified Growth

- 09:00-10:00 **The Economic and Demographic Transition, Mortality, and Comparative Development**
**Uwe Sunde*, University of St. Gallen
Matteo Cervellati, Università di Bologna
Discussant: *Nico Voigtländer*, UCLA – Anderson School of Management
- 10:00-11:00 **From Shame to Game in One Hundred Years: An Economic Model of the Rise in Premarital Sex and its De-Stigmatization**
**Jeremy Greenwood*, University of Pennsylvania
Nezih Guner, Universidad Carlos III
Jesús Fernández-Villaverde, University of Pennsylvania
Discussant: *Uwe Sunde*, University of St. Gallen
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15-12:15 **Growing like China**
**Fabrizio Zilibotti*, Universität Zürich
Zheng Song, Fudan University
Kjetil Storesletten, University of Oslo
Discussant: *Alberto Martín*, CREI / UPF
- 12:15-13:15 **Longevity and Lifetime Labor Supply: Evidence and Implications**
Moshe Hazan, Hebrew University
Discussant: *Alice Schoonbroodt*, University of Southampton
- 13:15-15:00 Lunch break

Afternoon session: Broader Perspectives

- 15:00-16:00 **Diseases and Development: A Theory of Infection Dynamics and Economic Behaviour**
**Chris Papageorgiou*, IMF
Shankha Chakraborty, University of Oregon
Fidel Pérez, Universitat d'Alacant
Discussant: *Graziella Bertocchi*, Università di Modena
- 16:15-16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30-17:30 **Colonies**
**Matthias Doepke*, Northwestern University
Andrea Eisfeldt, Northwestern University
Discussant: *Nicola Gennaioli*, CREI / UPF