



DSA Scotland Mini Conference – Friday 20th May 2011
Economic Studies, School of Business
University of Dundee
10.30 am to 5.00 pm

Venue: Room 2.20, Carnelley Building
(No. 5 on campus map)
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10.30 – 11.00 am *Refreshments and Preliminary Networking*

Welcome to Participants – Dr Mozammel Huq (Convenor, DSA Scotland) and Dr Sushil Mohan (Economic Studies, University of Dundee)

11.00 am to 1.00 pm Chair – Professor John Struthers (University of the West of Scotland)

11.00 to 11.40 am Michael Tribe (University of Strathclyde) – The Case for Official Development Assistance in Times of Fiscal Constraints (based on A. Sumner and M. Tribe: The Case for Aid in Times of Fiscal Constraints – paper available from the DSA website – Journal of International Development, forthcoming)

11.40 am to 12.20 pm Fabio Aricò, Laurence Lasselle and Kannika Thampanishvong (University of St Andrews) – Improving Students' Learning Aspirations Beyond Primary Education: A First Account of Two Non-Formal Education Programmes in Middle-Income Countries – paper available from the DSA website

12.20 to 1.00 pm Kristinn Hermannsson (University of Strathclyde) – The overall economic impact of higher education in Malawi: a CGE analysis of human capital accumulation – paper available from the DSA website

1.00 – 2.00 pm *Buffet Lunch and Networking*

2.00 to 4.00 pm Chair – Dr Alberto Paloni (University of Glasgow)

2.00 to 2.40 pm Sushil Mohan (University of Dundee) – Tariff Escalation in Tropical Beverage Products: Implications for Adding Value in Producing Countries – paper will be available before 20th May

2.40 pm to 4.00 pm **Presentations by doctoral research students**
Chaiyasith Boonyanate (University of Dundee) - Preferential Trade Agreements and Internationally Mobile Firms

Rosen Azad Chowdhury (University of Dundee) – Mean shifts and their effects on instrumental variable estimation methodology

Homagni Choudhury (University of Dundee) - Are real wages per worker converging among Indian industries? Time series evidence with two structural breaks

Sayantana Ghosh Dastidar (University of Dundee) – Relationship between public education expenditures and economic growth: The case of India

Vote of thanks by Dr Mozammel Huq (University of Strathclyde)

4.00 pm onwards Drinks

Please pass this announcement on to other people who you think might be interested either in this meeting or in future meetings

The DSA Scotland organising group for the meeting consists of the following

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See latest information about this mini conference on the DSA Study Groups (DSA Scotland) webpages – www.devstud.org.uk

For catering purposes all those wishing to attend please confirm to Sayantan Ghosh Dastidar at s.ghoshdastidar@dundee.ac.uk

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For locations in the University of Dundee please refer to the university website at: http://www.dundee.ac.uk/general/campusmap/#uod_content

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