Third Young Scholars Conference on Structural Change and Industrial Policy in Africa

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13-14 June 2023

Hybrid Conference

About the Conference

The Third Young Scholars Conference on Structural Change and Industrial Policy in Africa is an opportunity for young scholars to present and receive feedback on their research on structural change and industrial development and policy in Africa. Attendance without presentation of papers is welcome. Attendance is free and open to the public, especially young scholars. Senior international scholars will act as discussants on the papers to provide feedback on presented papers.

The conference opens with a keynote address from Prof Ha-Joon Chang (Research Professor of Economics at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London).

Satellite conference venues

This year the conference is hybrid, with an option of congregated attendance at various satellite venues, where attendants can participate in the virtual conference as a group in a single venue. The satellite events are intended to serve as an in-person gathering to this otherwise virtual event. It’s an opportunity to gather peers interested in the conference themes and enjoy the sessions together. Satellite venues are in Somanya, Ghana; Nairobi, Kenya; Johannesburg, South Africa; Windhoek, Namibia; Maastricht, Netherlands; and Manitoba, Canada.

About the host institutions

The DSI/NRF South African Research Chair in Industrial Development (SARChI-ID) is based at the University of Johannesburg, and undertakes research, capacity building and public and policy engagement focused on industrial development. The Young Scholars Initiative (YSI) supports and inspires the next generation of new economic thinkers and aims to transform the discourse in economics by establishing an open space for economic thought and inquiry. These institutions have collaborated in this joint conference in recognition of the need to strengthen research on structural change and industrial development and policy amongst young scholars in Africa.

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Further information on the programme and zoom links will be shared with registered attendees in due course.

For queries or technical assistance, please contact Mrs. Koketso Manyane-Dlangamandla, sarchiid@uj.ac.za.
13 June 2023

10h00-10h55  Opening and Welcome: Prof Fiona Tregenna  
Keynote Address: Prof Ha-Joon Chang

11h00-13h00  Day 1: Panel 1 (Parallel sessions)

**PANEL 1A: GREEN INDUSTRIALISATION I**  
Discussant: Prof Susan Newman (The Open University)

- Green hydrogen for sustainable (re)industrialisation in South Africa: Industrial policy for difficult-to-abate industries and linkages development
- A pathway to industrialization in Africa’s industrial policy; going green, inside Africa
- Industrialisation, climate change and economic growth of sub-Saharan Africa: Can sub-Saharan economies be green?
- Effect of public energy policies on industrial development in sub-Saharan African countries

**PANEL 1B: STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION**  
Discussant: Prof Simon Roberts (UJ)

- The determinants of structural transformation in South Africa: Focus on the manufacturing sector and its productivity
- Industrial Production, Multifactor Productivity, and Development of Industrial Policies in Ethiopia: The Case of the Manufacturing Sector
- The Contribution of Manufacturing and Service Exports to Long Run Economic Growth in Ethiopia: Evidence from ARDL Bounds-Testing Model Analysis
- Does structural change provide a key to unlocking Africa’s potential growth?

13h00-14h00  LUNCH/BREAK

14h00-15h30  Day 1: Panel 2 (parallel sessions)

**PANEL 2A: FDI & STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION**  
Discussant: Dr Piergiusseppe Fortunato (UNCTAD)

- Construction as a springboard for industrialisation: Chinese overseas construction projects and structural transformation in Angola, Ethiopia, and Nigeria
- Domestic Investment, Foreign Direct Investment and Industrial Performance in Africa
- Does Economic Freedom improve FDI in Sub-Saharan Africa?

**PANEL 2B: GENDER & INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**  
Discussant: Prof Mwangi wa Gĩthĩnji (UMass Amherst)

- Gendered Agglomeration and Innovation Dynamics
- Structural Change and Gender Sectoral Segregation in sub-Saharan Africa
- Explaining Capacity Utilization among Firms in Kenya

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Participants and Specifics:

**PANEL 1A: GREEN INDUSTRIALISATION I**

- Mr Jason Bell (University of Johannesburg), Antonio Andreoni (SOAS), and Simon Roberts (UJ)
- Ms Grace Oshiname (University of Ibadan)
- Dr Ezebuilo Romanus Ukwueze (University of Nigeria), Omeje, Ambrose N.; Uruma, Chinasa E.; Obodoechi, Divine N.; Ogbonna, Oliver E.; Asogwa, Henry T.
- Dr Souleymane Diallo, Prof. Youmanli Ouoba (Thomas Sankara University)

**PANEL 1B: STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION**

- Ms Zodwa Boma, Dr Clement Moyo (Nelson Mandela University)
- Dr Ismael Mohammed Nasir (Jimma University), Prof. Dr. Abdulkadir Buluş (Necmettin Erbakan University)
- Mr Degena Telgel Lakew (Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Industry Development Institute of Ethiopia)
- Dr Maya Moalla (Independent Researcher)

**PANEL 2A: FDI & STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION**

- Dr Christina Wolf (University of Hertfordshire)
- Mr George Baffour Awuah (UCT), Emmanuel Gbolonyo & Isaac Kwesi Ofori
- Dr Dia Ibrahim (PAUHGSS)

**PANEL 2B: GENDER & INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

- Dr Bernadin Geraud Comlan Ahodode (University of Abomey-Calavi); M. Samson C. Aklob
- Dr Izaskun Zuazu (University of Duisburg-Essen)
- Mr Kefa Simiyu, Ms Beatrice M'binya (University of Nairobi)
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