The second annual PRONTO conference was held at the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw) in February 2016. This second annual conference served to advertise PRONTO to the stakeholder community, invite presentations and discussion on NTM measurement methodology, and solicit input from stakeholders and the broader public at an early stage in the formation of the PRONTO project.

The conference included a round table discussion on data availability and dissemination.

The conference was followed by a meeting between the Stakeholder/Steering committee and the work package leaders, followed in turn by a management meeting of the work package leaders.
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Programme

Friday 26 February
13.00-14.00 Lunch and Registration

IMPACTS OF NTMs AT FIRM LEVEL
14.00-14.30 Trade policy and market power: Firm-level evidence
*Alan Asprilla (Université de Lausanne)
Nicolas Berman (IHEID, The Graduate Institute and CEPR)
Olivier Cadot (Université de Lausanne and CEPR)
Mélise Jaud (The World Bank)

14.30-15.00 The Interconnections Between Services and Goods Trade at the Firm-Level
*Holger Breinlich (University of Nottingham and CEPR)
Andrea Ariu (University of Geneva, Georgetown University and CRENOS, Italy)
Gregory Corcos (Ecole polytechnique)
Giordano Mion (University of Sussex and CEPR)

15.00-15.30 The Impact of Special Economic Zones on Exporting Behavior
*Ron Davies (University College Dublin)
Arman Mazhikeyev (Loughborough University)

15.30-16.00 Technical Barriers to Trade and Multi-Destination Firms
*Lionel Fontagné (PSE-University Paris 1)
Gianluca Orefice (CEPII, Paris)

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

NTMs and VALUE CHAINS
*Paola Conconi (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles and CEPR)
Manuel Garcia-Santana (UPF, Barcelona GSE and CEPR)
Laura Puccio (European Parliament)
Roberto Venturini (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles)
NTMs and VALUE CHAINS (cont).

16.45-17.15 How do NTMs Affect Countries’ Participation in International Value Chains?
*Loe Franssen (University of Strathclyde)
Olga Solleder (International Trade Centre)

17.15-17.45 NTMs Trickling Through Global Value Chains
*Mahdi Ghodsi (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)
Robert Stehrer (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)

Saturday 27 February

08.45-09.15 Coffee on arrival

SPS, TBTs, and Agriculture

09.15-09.45 The impact of EU border inspections on Chinese agri-food exports: Firm-level evidence
*Lionel Fontagné (PSE-University Paris 1)
Matthias Beestermöller (University of Munich)
Anne-Célia Disdier (PSE & INRA)

09.45-10.15 How Important are tariffs and NTMs for Developing Countries’ Agricultural Processed Products Exports?
*Sushil Mohan (University of Brighton)

10.15-10.45 Non-Tariff Measures and the Quality of Imported Products
*Robert Stehrer (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)
Mahdi Ghodsi (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)
Simona Jokubauskaite (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)

10.45-11.15 Coffee Break

Structural and computational estimation of NTM effects

10.45-11.15 Incorporating Modern Trade Theory in a Computational Models with NTMs: Structural Estimation and Implementation
*Eddy Bekkers (University of Bern, WTI)
Joseph François (University of Bern, WTI, and CEPR)

11.45-12.15 Borders in the European Union Single Market
*Shawn W Tan (The World Bank)

12.15-14.00 Lunch (at Aux Gazelles, Rahlgasse 5)

Working with international organization data on NTMs

14.00-14.30 The impact of NTMs on Imports
*Julia Grüber (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)
Mahdi Ghodsi (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)
Robert Stehrer (The Vienna Institute for Economic Studies, wiw)

14.30-15.00 The impact of NTMs on wages and employment
*Marco Leonardi (University of Milan)
Elena Meschi (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice)
15.00-15.30  How do NTMs affect exporting firms?
*Valentina Rollo (International Trade Centre)
Jasmeer Virdee (International Trade Centre)

15.30-16.00  Economics and Politics of Voluntary Standards
*Olga Solleder (International Trade Centre)
Graeme Auld (Carleton University)
Matteo Fiorini (European University Institute)
Marion Jansen (International Trade Centre)
Bernard Hoekman (European University Institute and CEPR)
Filip Schleifer (European University Institute)
Regina Taimasova (International Trade Centre)
Joseph Wozniak (International Trade Centre)

16.00-16.15  Coffee break

16.15-17.15  Round table discussion on data availability and dissemination

* Indicates the speaker

Session timing: 22 minutes per paper, 8 minutes floor.

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