

“Comparative Levels of Welfare and Productivity in History”

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Session 79 Organizers:

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Day 1/May 7

Morning: 10:00-12:30

Chaired by Professor Harry X. Wu

1. Marianne Ward and John Devereux (Queens College, CUNY, USA): “Prices and Quantities in Historical Income Comparisons”
2. H.J. de Jong (University of Groningen, Netherlands): “Multiple benchmarks and international differences in US/UK comparative productivity growth rates, 1900-1950”

Lunch: 12:30-13:30

Afternoon: 13:30-17:30

Chaired by Professor Kyoji Fukao

3. Cristian Ducoing Ruiz (Pompeu Fabra University, Spain): “Standardized Estimates of Fixed Capital Stock and Productivity in Latin America. 1880-1950”
4. Harry X. Wu (Hitotsubashi University, Japan), “An Estimation of China’s Capital Stock, 1912-2010”

General Discussion

Day 2/May 8

Morning, 10:00-12:30

Chaired by Professor Herman J. de Jong

5. Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University) and Tangjun Yuan (Fudan University): “A PPP comparison of pre-war and post-war performance between the Chinese and Japanese economies”
6. Cecilia Lara (Universidad de la Republica, Uruguay): “Productivity performance of manufacturing in Uruguay (1970-2000) in comparative perspective”