WTO/ESCAP Eight ARTNeT Capacity Building Workshop for Trade Research

“Recent Advances in the Field of Trade Theory and Policy Analysis Using Micro-Level Data”

Organized by WTO and ESCAP

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Monday, 23 July 2012

08:30 – 08:45  Registration

08:45 – 09:00  Welcome remarks

- World Trade Organization
- ARTNeT/ ESCAP

09:00 – 10:30  Session 1

- Introduction to the workshop and its objectives
- Stylized facts about firms in international trade

10:30 – 10:45  Break

10:45 – 12:00  Session 2

- The heterogeneous firms model of international trade

12:00 – 13:00  Lunch break

13:00 – 14:30  Session 3

- Implications of the new-new theory for normative and positive trade policy analysis (I)

14:30 – 14:45  Break

14:45 - 17:00  Session 4

- Implications of the new-new theory for normative and positive trade policy analysis (II)

Tuesday, 24 July 2012

09:00 – 10:30  Session 1

- The World Bank’s Enterprise Surveys database
- Presentation of selected recent research using the World Bank Enterprise Survey database

10:30 – 10:45  Break

10:45 – 12:00  Session 2

- Using Stata to produce descriptive statistics of the World Bank Enterprise Survey database and graphs (Exercise 1)

12:00 – 13:00  Lunch break
13:00 – 14:30 Session 3
- Review of the basic linear regression model, and interpretation of results
- Regression analysis with panel data (fixed and random effects), and interpretation of results
- Preliminary discussion of the methodological difficulties posed by firm-level analysis

14:30 – 14:45 Break

14:45 - 17:00 Session 4
- Using Stata to estimate fixed and random effects models using firm-level data (Exercise 2)

Wednesday, 25 July 2012

10:00 – 12:00 Presentation of the World Trade Report 2012 and discussion

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 – 14:30 Session 1
- Regression analysis with a binary dependent variable, and interpretation of results
- Application to models of export propensity and export intensity

14:30 – 14:45 Break

14:45 - 17:00 Session 2
- Using Stata to estimate binary dependent variable models (Exercise 3)

Thursday, 26 July 2012

09:00 – 10:30 Session 1
- Regression analysis with sample selection models, and interpretation of results
- Application to models of export propensity and export intensity

10:30 – 10:45 Break

10:45 – 12:00 Session 2
- Using Stata to estimate sample selection models (Exercise 4)

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 – 14:30 Session 3
- Regression analysis when endogeneity is an issue: simple instrumental variables models
- Application to firm-level trade models

14:30 – 14:45 Break

14:45 - 17:00 Session 4
- Using Stata to estimate instrumental variable models (Exercise 5)

Friday, 27 July 2012

09:00 -10:30 Session 1
• Consolidation exercise: firms and trade facilitation (Exercise 6)
• Presentation and discussion of results

10:30 – 10.45  
Break

10:45 – 12:00  
Session 2
• Formulation of team research proposals and plans

12:00 – 13:00  
Lunch break

13:00 – 14:30  
Session 3
• Presentation and discussion of team research proposals and plans

14:30 – 14:45  
Break

15:30 -16:30  
Session 4
• Workshop recap and consolidation

16:30 – 17:00  
Closing

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**Note:**
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