











Annual Conference Third Edition

GENEVA, 9-10 SEPTEMBER 2024



Who we are

We are PhD students and Postdocs in Economics. Some of us are "rare voices", others are not. We all believe that our profession could do better both in terms of individual experience and productivity via better allocation of talents. Creating a safe space for diverse voices to express themselves can benefit everybody. Our mission is to keep this discussion open and advocate for change at the institutional level.

Our strategies



Raising awareness and fostering an open exchange through our **Workshops**. We review relevant scientific papers and reflect during our occasional roundtables with experts in the field.



Leveling the playing field through our **Mentoring Program** and **Theater Workshops** to empower PhD students in building networks and mastering challenging environments.



Promoting institutional change via our **Guidelines** for more inclusive economics departments. This document is approved by the Graduate Institute and sparked a conversation within other departments.



Creating a safe space for research using our **Research Clusters** and our annual **Rare Voices in Economics Conference**. During these events, we create secure and stimulating places to discuss research.

Monday, 9th September

Auditorium 2

8:45-9:15	Registration (Petal 2 entrance) Breakfast	
9:15-9:30	Welcome speech	Prof. Cédric Tille Geneva Graduate Institute
9:30-10:30	Keynote Session "The Consequences of Male Dominance"	Prof. Eleonora Guarnieri University of Bristol
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break Petal 2 hall	
11:00-11:45	The Effect of the Vietnam War on Female Labour Force Participation	Presenter: Anri Sakakibara King's College London Discussant: Sara Parente EBS University
11:45-12:30	Accepting the unacceptable: Does intimate partner violence shape the tolerance of violence?	Presenter: Frezza Eugenia Maria Universita' della Svizzera Italiana Discussant:Katja Bergonzoli University of Lausanne
12:30-13:30	Lunch Cafeteria Petal 2	With voucher
13:30-14:15	Economic Opportunities and Human Capital Investments: Evidence from Artisanal Gold Mining in Africa	Presenter: Avenia Ghazarian Stockholm School of Economics Discussant: Timothy Köhler University of Cape Town
14:15-15:00	The Effect of Longer Maternal Care on Occupation Choices	Presenter: Sofiana Sinani Cerge-El Discussant: Britni Wilcher Stanford University
15:00-15:30	Coffee Break Petal 2 hall	
15:30-16:30	Roundtable "Challenges of Rare Voices: From Households to Institutions"	Presenters: Prof. Eleonora Guarnieri and Prof. Augustin Tapsoba Moderators: Utsoree Das and Viktoria Vidahazy
19:00 onwards	Dinner Terrasse de la Paix	By invitation only

Conference Schedule

Tuesday, 10th September

Auditorium 2

8:30-9:00	Arrival & Breakfast	
9:00-9:15	Welcome speech	Prof. Monika Mrázová University of Geneva
9:30-10:30	Keynote Session "Polygyny and the Economic Determinants of Family Formation in Sub-Saharan Africa"	Prof. Augustin Tapsoba Toulouse School of Economics
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break Petal 2 hall	
11:00-11:45	The labour market effects of cash transfers to the unemployed: Evidence from South Africa	Presenter: Timothy Köhler University of Cape Town Discussant: Avenia Ghazarian Stockholm School of Economics
11:45-12:30	Education and Domestic Violence: Evidence from a School Construction Program in India	Presenter: Katja Bergonzoli University of Lausanne Discussant: Frezza Eugenia Maria Università della Svizzera Italiana
12:30-13:30	Lunch Cafeteria Petal 2	With voucher
13:30-14:15	The Role of Social Norms: Evidence from Same-Sex Civil Unions in Brazil	Presenter: Sara Parente EBS University Discussant: Anri Sakakibara King's College London
14:15-15:00	Participation of Farmers in Market Value Chains: A Tailored Antràs and Chor Positioning Indicator	Presenter: Tulia Gattone John Cabot University Discussant: Kalaivani Karunanethy University of Lausanne
15:00-15:15	Coffee Break Petal 2 hall	
15:15-16:00	Clinical Trial Sex Composition and Drug Quality	Presenter: Britni Wilcher Stanford University Discussant: Sofiana Sinani Cerge-El
16:00-16:45	Human Capital Investments Under Uncertainty: Income Risk and Education in India	Presenter: Kalaivani Karunanethy University of Lausanne Discussant: Tulia Gattone John Cabot University
16:45-17:00	Vote of Thanks and Farewell	Oumar Aly Ba, Utsoree Das, Michaël Silvestre, Viktoria Vidahazy

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Conference Venue

Geneva Graduate Institute Auditorium 2, Petal 1 Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2A 1211 Geneva

Dinner Monday

Terrase de la Paix, Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2E, Maison de la Paix, Petal 5 Tel.: +41 22 908 43 34

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Dinner Sunday

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Speakers Accomodation

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SUGGESTED TRANSPORTATION

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Hotel Cornavin - Graduate Insititue : tram 15 (towards Nations), get off at Maison de Paix.

Restaurant La Pignata : train 15 (towards Nations if from Ibis Styles, towards Ziplo if from Cornavin), stop at Cirque



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For Presenters

A presentation session lasts 45 minutes: 25 minutes of presentation, 10 minutes of discussion by the discussant, and 10 minutes of discussion open to all participants. You can start your session by taking 1-2 minutes to introduce yourself and the article. You can choose whether to take questions and comments on the fly, or request the participants to wait for the end of your presentation to make their interventions. Make sure to state your preference on this topic before you start your talk.

For Participants

- Abstain from intervening during the first 5 minutes of the presentation, even
 if the presenter chooses to take questions and comments on the fly. Raise
 your hand before intervening. Presenters may then invite you to ask your
 questions.
- Try not to engage in one-to-one conversations with presenters while they answer your questions. Wait for them to complete their answers before asking any follow-up questions.
- Try to formulate your comments and questions in a simple way.
- Do not repeatedly ask questions or provide comments hammering the same point when the presenter cannot address them on the spot.
- Before making a comment or asking a question, consider whether you would
 make the same intervention if the presenter had a different level of seniority,
 professional background, gender, or ethnicity or (where applicable) had not
 belonged to an underrepresented group.
- Questions and comments from under-represented groups may be dismissed or repeated by someone else who might take credit for them. Work against this tendency by giving appropriate credit to the originators of previous interventions if you want to repeat them or draw on them.
- Remember the importance of form. Tough questions and comments can be helpful and constructive. However, try not to intervene in arrogant or demeaning ways. Consider the difference between saying, "I don't see why someone would study this topic," and asking, "Could you please elaborate on the motivation behind your research question?"

ADAPTED FROM:

"Best Practices and Priority Guidelines towards more Inclusive and Equitable Economics Departments"

