



Workshop

# Micro, small, and medium enterprises in Viet Nam

8 November 2016

Central Institute of Economic Management, Hanoi, Viet Nam

## Tuesday 8 November

08:00 – 08:30

Registration and coffee

08:30 – 08:45

Opening remarks by Finn Tarp

08:45 – 10:15

### Session 1

Chair: **Neda Trifković**, UNU-WIDER

Speakers: **Emma Howard**

Social networks, geographic proximity and firm performance in Vietnam

Discussant: Kim Dung

**Tho Pham** and Oleksandr Talavera

Discrimination, social capital, and financial constraints: the case of Vietnam

Discussant: Duc Anh Dang

10:15 – 10:45

Coffee

10:45 – 12:15

### Session 2

Chair: **Smriti Sharma**, UNU-WIDER

Speakers: **Elisa Calza**, Micheline Goedhuys and Neda Trifković

The drivers of labor productivity in Vietnamese manufacturing sector: the effects of standards certification and innovation

Discussant: Tho Pham

**Duc Anh Dang**

The effects of Chinese import penetration on firm innovation: evidence from Vietnamese manufacturing sector

Discussant: Catherine Co

12:15 – 13:15

Lunch

13:15 – 14:45

### Session 3

Chair: **John Rand**, University of Copenhagen

Speakers: **Phan Kim Dung**

The effects of minimum wage hikes on employment and wage in Vietnam's small and medium enterprises

Discussant: Quoc Tran-Nam

**Christine Ngoc Ngo** and Miao Chi

Differentials in market constraints and value addition among micro, small, and medium enterprises in Vietnam

Discussant: Axel Demenet

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14:45 – 15:15

Coffee

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15:15 – 16:45

## Session 4

Chair: **Finn Tarp**, UNU-WIDER

Speakers: **Catherine Y. Co**, Thu Kim Nguyen, Tung Nhu Nguyen and Que Nguyet Tran  
The missing middle: growing and strengthening Vietnam's micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises

Discussant: Christine Ngoc Ngo

**Quoc Tran-Nam**, Thanh Tam Nguyen-Huu and Minh Nguyen-Khac

Role of environmental regulations and innovation in TFP convergence: evidence from manufacturing SMEs in Vietnam

Discussant: Elisa Calza

16:45 – 17:00

## Closing remarks by Finn Tarp

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18:30

Dinner at Red Bean Restaurant, 94 Ma May Street, Old Quarter, Hanoi, <http://redbeanrestaurant.com/>

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