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Conference organizers:

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Location: 595 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston – 4th Floor

Monday, October 2		
08:15-09:00	Registration, breakfast <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
09:00-09:30	Opening Session <i>Room: HAR 428</i> Greetings: <i>Patricia Cortes</i> , Boston University, Chair of the Organizing Committee <i>Kevin Gallagher</i> , Boston University, Director of the Global Development Policy Center (GDP Center) <i>Çağlar Özden</i> , Lead Economist, DECRG, World Bank <i>Hillel Rapoport</i> , Paris School of Economics, Chair of the Scientific Committee	
09:30-10:30	Keynote Lecture 1: What do we know about immigration and local adjustment to labor demand shocks? <i>Room: HAR 428</i> Speaker: <i>Gordon Hanson</i> (Harvard Kennedy School) Chair: <i>Çağlar Özden</i> (World Bank)	
10:30-11:00	Coffee break <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
11:00-13:00	Parallel Session 1A <i>Room: HAR 420</i> Title: The migration decision in Africa Chair: <i>David McKenzie</i> (World Bank)	Parallel Session 1B <i>Room: HAR 424</i> Title: Climate and climate-change migration Chair: <i>Dean Yang</i> (University of Michigan)
	<i>Cara Ebert</i> (RWI): Information frictions, belief updating and internal migration: Evidence from Ghana and Uganda (with Sarah Frohnweiler and Bernd Beber) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Ran Song</i> (National University of Singapore) <i>Marwa Ibrahim</i> (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill): The Effects of an Unconditional Cash Transfer Program on Youth Mobility and Migration: Evidence from Malawi. <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Mahesh Karra</i> (Boston University) <i>Catia Batista</i> (Nova Lisboa): “What matters in the decision to study abroad? Experimental evidence from Cape Verde” <u>Discussant:</u> <i>David Lagakos</i> (Boston University)	<i>Marco Tabellini</i> (Harvard Business School): Homeward Bound: How Migrants Seek Out Familiar Climates (with Marguerite Obolensky and Charles Taylor) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Marlon Seror</i> (UQAM) <i>Paul Blanchard</i> (Trinity College Dublin): Temporary Migration Response to Climate Variability - New evidence from three years of mobile phone data (with Virginie Comblon, Flore Gubert, Erwan Le Quentrec, Anne-Sophie Robilliard) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Alexia Lochmann</i> (Harvard Growth Lab) <i>Andrea Velasquez</i> (University of Colorado, Denver): Responses to Temperature Shocks: Labor Markets and Migration Decisions in El

		Salvador (with Ana Maria Ibanez, Juliana Quigua and Jimena Romero) <u>Discussant:</u> Bilge Erten (Northeastern University)
13:00-14:30	Lunch break Room: HAR 430	
14:30-16:30	Plenary Session 1 Room: HAR 428 Chair: Hillel Rapoport (PSE)	
	Eliana La Ferrara (Harvard Kennedy School): Informing Risky Migration: Evidence from a field experiment in Guinea (with Giacomo Battiston and Lucia Corno) <u>Discussant:</u> David McKenzie (World Bank) Mushfiq Mobabak (Yale): "Remittance Constraints and Seasonal Poverty" (with Corey Vernot and Arjun Kharel) <u>Discussant:</u> Dean Yang (University of Michigan) David McKenzie (World Bank) : "Migration, families and counterfactual families" (with Simone Bertoli and Elie Murard) <u>Discussant:</u> Sulin Sardoschau (Humboldt University Berlin)	
16:30-17:00	Coffee break Room: HAR 430	
17:00-19:00	Parallel Session 2A Room: HAR 420 Title: Economic History of Migration Chair: Eliana La Ferrara (Harvard Kennedy School)	Parallel Session 2B Room: HAR 424 Title: Social responses to forced displacement Chair: Catia Batista (Nova Lisboa)
	Martin Fernandez Sanchez (LISER): Network, Diversity, and Migrants' Achievements: Evidence from the Pontine Marshes (1932-41) (with Frederic Docquier, Alice Dominici and Fabio Mariani) <u>Discussant:</u> Yannay Spitzer (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Simone Bertoli (CERDI): "Migration and the epidemiological approach: when history matters" (with Melchior Clerc, Jordan Loper and Èric Roca Fernández) <u>Discussant:</u> Martin Fernandez Sanchez (LISER) Yannay Spitzer (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): International Migration Responses to Modern Europe's Most Destructive Earthquake: Messina and Reggio Calabria, 1908 (with Gaspare Tortorici and Ariell Zimran) <u>Discussant:</u> Cevat Aksoy (Kings College and EBRD)	Christopher Blair (Princeton): Refugee Return and Conflict: Evidence from a Natural Experiment (with Austin Wright) <u>Discussant:</u> Andrea Velasquez (University of Colorado, Denver) Emir Murathanoglu (University of Michigan): International Labor Migration as a Risk-Coping Tool: Evidence from Typhoons in the Philippines <u>Discussant:</u> Maria Alexandra Castellanos (Carlos III) Henrique Pita Barros (Brown): The Power of Dialogue: Forced Displacement and Social Integration in Mozambique <u>Discussant:</u> Catia Batista (Nova Lisboa)
19:30-22:00	Conference Dinner Atlantic Fish Company - 761 Boylston St, Boston	

Tuesday, October 3		
08:15-09:00	Registration, breakfast <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
09:00-10:00	Keynote Lecture 2: Traditional Institutions in Modern Times: Dowries as Pensions When Sons Migrate <i>Room: HAR 428</i> Speaker: Nathalie Bau , UCLA Chair: Patricia Cortes , Boston University	
10:00-10:30	Coffee break <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
10:30-12:30	Parallel Session 3A <i>Room: HAR 420</i> Title: Migration, family and demographics Chair: Mushfiq Mobarak (Yale)	Parallel Session 3B <i>Room: HAR 424</i> Title: Migration, Trade and Innovation Chair: William Kerr (Harvard Business School)
	<p>Sarah Pearlman (Vassar College): What Happens When Men Don't Migrate? Partnership and Fertility in a Migrant Sending Country (with Emily Conover, Melanie Khamis) <u>Discussant:</u> Caroline Theoharides (Amherst College)</p> <p>Ran Song (National University of Singapore): Trade Policy, Migration Restrictions, and Gender Inequality: The Story of China's Left-Behind Children (with Mushfiq Mobarak and Xuwen Gao) <u>Discussant:</u> Sarah Pearlman (Vassar College):</p> <p>Marlon Seror (UQAM): Floating population: migration with(out) family and the spatial distribution of economic activity (with Clement Imbert, Joan Monras, and Yanos Zylberberg) <u>Discussant:</u> Mushfiq Mobarak (Yale)</p>	<p>Gianluca Orefice (University Paris-Dauphine): How Do Immigrants Promote Exports? Network, Knowledge and Diversity (with Hillel Rapoport and Gianluca Santoni) <u>Discussant:</u> Dany Bahar (Brown)</p> <p>Seyit Mumin Cilasun (TED University, Ankara): Propagation of Immigration Shocks through Firm to Firm Trade Networks (with Yusuf Emre Akgündüz, Abdurrahman B. Aydemir and Murat Kırdar) <u>Discussant:</u> Gianluca Orefice (University Paris-Dauphine)</p> <p>Dany Bahar (Brown): Global Mobile Inventors (with Prithwiraj Choudhury, Ernest Miguelez, Sara Signorelli) <u>Discussant:</u> William Kerr (Harvard Business School)</p>
12:30-14:00	Lunch break <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
14:00-15:00	Plenary Session 2: Migrants, Refugees and Societies – A Presentation of the World Development Report 2023 <i>Room:</i> Speaker: Çağlar Özden (World Bank) Chair: Cevat Aksoy (Kings College and EBRD)	
15:00-15:30	Coffee break <i>Room: HAR 430</i>	
15:30-17:30	Parallel Session 4A <i>Room: HAR 420</i> Title: Colonial, Confederate and Communist Past (CCCP) Chair: Chair: Ben Marx (Boston University)	Parallel Session 4B <i>Room: HAR 424</i> Title: Attitudes toward refugees in developing countries Chair: Simone Bertoli (CERDI)

	<p><i>Jon Denton-Schneider</i> (Clark University): Colonial Labor Institutions, Marriage Markets, and HIV: Evidence from Mozambique <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Travis Baseler</i> (University of Rochester)</p> <p><i>Travis Baseler</i> (University of Rochester): Persecution and Migrant Self-Selection: Evidence from the Collapse of the Communist Bloc (with Ran Abramitzky and Isabelle Sin) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Martin Fiszbein</i> (Boston University)</p> <p><i>Thomas Pearson</i> (Syracuse University): The Confederate Diaspora (with Samuel Bazzi, Andreas Ferrara, Martin Fiszbein) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Ben Marx</i> (Boston University)</p>	<p><i>Cevat Aksoy</i> (Kings College and EBRD): Attitudes and Policies toward Refugees: Evidence from Low- and Middle-Income Countries (with Thomas Ginn and Franco Malpassi) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Valerio Leone Sciabolazza</i> (La Sapienza, Rome)</p> <p><i>Michele Di Maio</i> (La Sapienza, Rome): News Sentiment and Migration to Europe: Evidence from Libya (with Nelly El-Mallakh and Valerio Leone Sciabolazza) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Jackie Wahba</i> (Southampton University)</p> <p><i>Thomas Ginn</i> (Center for Global Development): Can Redistribution Change Policy Views? Aid and Attitudes Toward Refugees in Uganda (with Travis Baseler, Robert Hakiza, Helidah Ogude-Chambert Olivia Woldemikael) <u>Discussant:</u> <i>Simone Bertoli</i> (CERDI)</p>
17:30-19:00	<p>Farewell reception Cornwall's - 644 Beacon St, Boston</p>	