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## Institutions and Regional Development Conference 7th Edition: “Entrepreneurship, Finance and Local Development”

September 26-27, 2024 – Naples (Italy)  
MUSAP – Museo Artistico Politecnico di Napoli

### Thursday, September 26

08:30-09:00

**Welcome Address**

**Francesco Cappelli** (President of the American Studies Center)

**Antonio Acconcia** (University of Naples Federico II and CSEF)

09:00-10:00

**Keynote speech – Michael Fritsch** (Friedrich Schiller University Jena)

*Regional Entrepreneurship in the Long Run - Patterns, Explanations, and Policies*

**Chair:** Alfredo Del Monte (University of Naples Federico II)

10:00-10:30

**Coffee break**

10:30-12:50

**Session 1 – History**

**Chair:** Maria Rosaria Carillo (Parthenope University of Naples)

**Guy Arnold Djolaud** (McGill University)

*The Great Recession: Does Labour Market Concentration Play a Role in Earnings Inequality?*

**Paolo Veneri** (Gran Sasso Science Institute)

*Capital Shocks, the Great Recession, and UK Regional Divergence*

(with Michiel N. Daams, Philip McCann, and Richard Barkham)

**Maxence Castiello** (University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)

*Spread the Word: Mass Media, Language and Propaganda in Fascist Italy*

**Luisa Affuso** (Ofcom)

*Media Plurality and Online News*

- 13:00-14:00**      **Lunch**
- 14:00-15:00**      **Keynote speech – Antonio Ciccone** (University of Mannheim)  
*The Long-Run Effects of Immigration: Evidence Across a Barrier to Refugee Settlement*  
**Chair:** Enrica Carbone (University of Campania Luigi Vanvitelli)
- 15:00-15:30**      **Coffee break**
- 15:30-17:15**      **Session 2 – Growth**  
**Chair:** Davide Ticchi (Marche Polytechnic University)
- Anna Solm** (Halle Institute for Economic Research)  
*Economic Convergence in Germany: Stylized Facts About Regional Growth*  
(with Oliver Holtemoller and Christoph Schult)
- Gaygysyz Ashirov** (Estonian Business School)  
*Unveiling Shadows in The Dark: Revisiting Corruption and Economic Growth*  
(with Niveditha Prabakaran Pankova)
- Silvio Tunis** (University of Cagliari)  
*Integration and Ethnic Concentration: An Empirical Analysis of Migrant Self-Employment in EU Countries*  
(with Carla Massidda and Romano Piras)
- 20:00**              **Social Dinner at “Circolo Nazionale dell’Unione”**

**Friday, September 27**

- 9:30-10:30**      **Keynote speech – Alessandra Faggian** (Gran Sasso Science Institute)  
*Inclusive and Sustainable Growth: What to Do (if Anything) with Peripheral Areas?*  
**Chair:** Marcello d’Amato (University Suor Orsola Benincasa and CSEF)
- 10:30-11:00**      **Coffee break**
- 11:00-12:45**      **Session 3 – Local**  
**Chair:** Claudia Cantabene (University of Campania Luigi Vanvitelli)
- Annamaria Nese** (University of Salerno)  
*Earthquakes and The Long Run Effects of Natural Disasters. A Field Experiment in Italy*  
(with Giuseppe Attanasi, Patrizia Sbriglia and Luigi Senatore)
- Laura Antonia Zell** (University of Lucerne)  
*Common Pool Problems of Voluntary Municipal Mergers: Evidence from Switzerland*  
(with Christoph Schaltegger and Janine Studerus)
- Tommaso Oliviero** (University of Naples Federico II, CSEF and MOFIR)  
*Judicial efficiency and the default of zombie firms*  
(with Serena Fatica and Michela Rancan)
- 12:45-14:00**      **Lunch**
- 14:00-15:00**      **Keynote speech – Dariusz Wójcik** (National University of Singapore and University of Oxford)  
*Financial Geography and Regional Development: Insights from the Atlas of Finance*  
**Chair:** Alberto Zazzaro (University of Naples Federico II, CSEF and MOFIR)
- 15:00-15:30**      **Coffee break**
- 15:30-17:15**      **Session 4 – Finance**  
**Chair:** Ettore Panetti (University of Naples Federico II and CSEF)
- Giuseppina Testa** (University of Foggia)  
*What Attracts Foreign Venture Capital Capitalists to Invest in EU Regions?*  
(with Csaba Johanyak, Ni Zhen, and Ramón Compañó)

**Ibai Ostolozaga** (University of the Basque Country)

*Intra-National Trade, Misallocation and Relative Prices*

(with Amaia Iza)

**Abdulkader Kaakeh** (Utrecht University)

*The Impact of Public Corruption on Marketplace Lending Outcomes*

(with Simon C. Parke)

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