

IDE School on Urban and Regional Economics in Developing Countries for Young Economists @IDE-JETRO, May 28-30, 2018

The IDE School is a short-intensive academic program for young economists coming from all over the world. The school is three days program of 1) lectures by most eminent scholars in the field and 2) workshops. The aim of this program is to provide young economists an opportunity to join the latest development in the field of Urban and Regional Economics, and to present their own ongoing research followed by vital feedback and discussion in a relaxed and open atmosphere. While the school will be primarily appealing to those who work in Urban and Regional Economics, we would very much welcome participants from other applied fields such as Development, Public, Trade, and Labor Economics, who are interested in urban and regional issues, especially in the context of developing countries.

Faculty:

- Gilles Duranton (Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)
- Kentaro Nakajima (Hitotsubashi University)
- Tetsuji Okazaki (University of Tokyo)
- Diego Puga (CEMFI, Bank of Spain)
- Yoshihiro Hashiguchi (IDE-JETRO)
- Jacques-François Thisse (IDE-JETRO and Université Catholique de Louvain)

Program:

- Each day starts with lectures followed by participants' paper presentations/discussions except for the third day.
- There are fourteen (14) slots for participants' presentation. Each presentation will last 20 minutes with 10 minutes time for discussion.
- Each day has lunch. We also cordially invite all participants to a welcome dinner in the first day.

Eligibility:

- We welcome and encourage applications from scholars within five years from their completion of the Ph.D. program and Economics Ph.D. candidates in the fields of urban and regional economics as well as all other applied econ fields such as development, public, trade, and labor.

Application procedure:

- To apply the IDE School, please send the following items to ide_school@ide.go.jp **by 15 February, 2018 (JST)**. Kindly noted that no later application will be considered.
 - CV
 - One-page (A4) description about your representative research topics.
 - An extended abstract of your paper, or preferably the full paper (only if you wish to present a paper at the school)
- Please ask one of your academic advisors to send a short reference that endorses your participation in the school and describes how it relates to your research interests or dissertation plans if you're a PhD students. **The reference needs to reach IDE no later than 15 February 2018 (JST)** via e-mail to ide_school@ide.go.jp. If the reference fails to reach by the date shown above, the application will be automatically turned down.
- Successful applicants will be notified by **March 16, 2018 (JST)**.

Fee and Expenses:

There is a registration fee of 450 USD or JPY50,000 that covers all lecture materials, accommodation (up to 3 nights), all working lunches, coffee breaks, and one dinner in the first day indicated at the timetable. The registration fee is NOT refundable once participants make a payment. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide financial support for travel expenses, all participants need to prepare their flight ticket and other necessary transportation by themselves. If successful candidates would need a visa for entering Japan, we issue an invitation letter necessary for your temporary immigration procedure at the embassy of Japan in your country.

Deadlines:

- Deadline for applications: February 15, 2018
- Notification of successful applicants: March 16, 2018
- Deadline for school registration: April 20, 2018

Scientific Committee:

- Masahisa Fujita (Konan University)
- Vernon Henderson (London School of Economics and Political Science) (TBC)
- Hitoshi Sato (IDE-JETRO)
- Takatoshi Tabuchi (University of Tokyo)
- Jacques-François Thisse (IDE-JETRO and Université Catholique de Louvain)

Organizing Committee:

- Yuko Arita (IDE-JETRO)
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- Kenmei Tsubota (IDE-JETRO)
- Noburu Yoshida (IDE-JETRO)

Contact:

- If you have any enquiries, please contact us to ide_school@ide.go.jp

Timetable: **(tentative, subject to change)**

First day	Second day	Last day
8:45-9:15 Registration		
9:15--9:30		
Opening remarks		
9:30--11:00	9:30--11:00	9:30--11:00
Lecture 1 'Lecture title TBD' Jacques-François Thisse (Chair : Hitoshi Sato)	Lecture 3 'Lecture title TBD' Yoshihiro Hashiguchi (Chair : TBD)	Lecture 5 'Lecture title TBD' Tetsuji Okazaki (Chair : TBD)
11:00--11:30	11:00--11:30	11:00--11:30
Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break

11:30--13:00	11:30--13:00	11:30—13:00
Participats' Presentation I Chair: Jacques-François Thisse Presentation1: Presentation2: Presentation3:	Participants' Presentation III Chair: Yoshihiro Hashiguchi Presentation 8 Presentation 9 Presentation 10	Lecture 6 'Lecture title' Kentaro Nakajima (Chair: TBD)
13:00--14:00	13:00--14:00	13:00--14:30
Working Lunch	Working Lunch	Closing Remarks/ Farewell Lunch
14:00--15:30	14:00--15:30	
Lecture 2 'Lecture title TBD' Gilles Duranton (Chair: Jacques-François Thisse)	Lecture 4 'Lecture title TBD' Diego Puga (Chair : Yoshihiro Hashiguchi)	
15:30--16:00	15:30--16:00	
Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
16:00--18:00	16:00--18:00	
Participants' Presentation II Chair: Gilles Duranton Presentation 4 Presentation 5 Presentation 6 Presentation 7	Participants' Presentation IV Chair: Diego Puga Presentation 11 Presentation 12 Presentation 13 Presentation 14	
19:00		
Welcome Dinner		

*Please note that the lecture slot is the subject of modification.

Venue

Institute of Developing Economies (IDE)
 3-2-2, Wakaba, Mihama-ku, Chiba-shi, Chiba Japan 261-8545

Accommodation

Hotel Springs Makuhari 5 minutes walking distance from IDE building.
 Participants stay rooms with single occupancy, complimentary breakfast, bath/toilet, desks and chairs.