

SITE's Corruption Conference

Stockholm, August 31 – September 1, 2015

Program

Day 1: Monday, August 31

8.30-8.55 Registration and Coffee

8.55-9.00 Introduction: Anders Olofsgård, SITE

9.00-10.00 **Keynote Address 1**

Chair: Giancarlo Spagnolo, SITE

Kaushik Basu

Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist of the World Bank

Corruption, Food Security and the Foundations of Law and Economics

10.00-10.15 Coffee break

10.15-12.15 **Anti-corruption Tools**

Chair: Giancarlo Spagnolo, SITE

- Sylvain Chassang, Princeton University

Corruption, Intimidation, and Whistleblowing: A Theory of Inference from Unverifiable Reports

Discussant: Chloe Le Coq, SITE

- Tito Cordella, The World Bank

Asymmetric Punishment as an Instrument of Corruption Control

Discussant: Jenny Simon, SITE

- Justin Valasek, WZB Berlin

Reforming an Institutional Culture: A Model of Motivated Agents and Collective Reputation

- Discussant: Elena Paltseva, SITE

12.15 -13.15 Lunch break

13.15-14.15 **Keynote Address 2**

Chair: Anders Olofsgård, SITE

Simeon Djankov

Rector at the New Economic School in Moscow

Unhappiness and Corruption in Eastern Europe

14.15-14.30 Coffee break

14.30-16.30 **Corruption in Transition Countries**

Chair: Anders Olofsgård, SITE

- Anna Kochanova, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods
Bribery environment and firm performance: evidence from Central and Eastern European countries
Discussant: Konrad Burchardi, IIES
- Andreea Mitrut, Gothenburg University
Fighting Corruption in Education: What Works and Who Benefits?
Discussant: Maria Perrotta Berlin, SITE
- Audinga Baltrunaite, IIES Stockholm University
Political Finance Reform and Procurement: Evidence from Lithuania
Discussant: Tito Cordella, The World Bank

16.30-16.45 Coffee break

16.45-18.15 **Policy Panel**

Moderator: Annika Sundén, Chief Economist at Sida

- Abhijit Banerjee, Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics at MIT
- Eric Livny, President of ISET, Tbilisi
- Kaushik Basu, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist of the World Bank
- Simeon Djankov, Rector at the New Economic School in Moscow
- Tymofiy Mylovanov, University of Pittsburgh and VoxUkraine
- Giancarlo Spagnolo, SITE and U. of Rome II

19.00 **Dinner (by invitation)**

Day 2: Tuesday, September 1

8.45-10.45 **Corruption in Developing Countries, session 1**

Chair: Andreas Madestam, Stockholm University

- Rema Hanna, Harvard Kennedy School

The Power of Transparency: Information, Identification Cards and Food Subsidy Programs in Indonesia

Discussant: Jesper Roine, SITE

- Stephane Straub, Toulouse School of Economics

The Value of Revolving Doors in Brazilian Public Procurement

Discussant: Sylvain Chassang, Princeton

- Guilherme Lichand, Harvard University

Is corruption good for your health?

Discussant: Ina Ganguli, SITE

10.45-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-13.00 **Corruption in Developing Countries, session 2**

Chair: Martina Björkman Nyqvist, SSE

- Sandip Sukhtankar, Dartmouth College

Building State Capacity: Evidence from Biometric Smartcards in India

Discussant: Marieke Huysentruyt, SITE

- Michele Valsecchi, University of Gothenburg

The Political Economy of Corruption in the Bureaucracy

Discussant: Klenio Barbosa, FGV Sao Paulo

- Arieda Muco, Stockholm School of Economics

Learn from thy neighbour: Do voters associate corruption with political parties?

Discussant: Anna Kochanova, Max Planck Institute

- Sebastian Axbard, Uppsala University

Convicting Corrupt Officials: Evidence from Randomly Assigned Cases

Discussant: Anna Tompsett, Stockholm University

13.00-13.30 Coffee and Sandwich

13.30-14.30 **Keynote Address 3**

Chair: Martina Björkman Nyqvist, SSE

Abhijit Banerjee

Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics MIT

Information, voting and the quality of governance

14.30-14.35 Concluding remarks,

Torbjörn Becker, SITE Director

End of the conference.