

PROGRAM

**Columbia University
International Affairs Building Room 1501, 420 W 118th St, NY NY
November 6, 2026**

Friday, November 6, 2026

8:30am-9:00 am Breakfast

9:00-9:10 am Welcome and Introduction

9:10-10:30 am Keynote Panel (Plenary)

Room 1

- “Industrial Policy for Development: Approaches in the 21st Century”
 - [Ana Fernandes](#) (World Bank)
- “The Indian Innovation Puzzle”
 - Namrata Kala (MIT), [Josh Lerner](#) (Harvard), Junxi Liu (University of Warwick)

10:30-10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45-11:45 am Paper Sessions (parallel)

Room 1

- “Social Learning among Urban Manufacturing Firms: Energy-Efficient Motors in Bangladesh”
 - Ritam Chaurey (Johns Hopkins University), Gaurav Nayyar (World Bank), Siddharth Sharma (World Bank), [Eric Verhoogen](#) (Columbia)
- “Fragmenting Commercial Governance: The Political Economy of Place-Based Industrial Policy in Africa”
 - Michael O. Allen (Stanford University), [Zoe Xincheng Ge](#) (IE University)

Room 2

- “Strategic Vulnerability and Optimal Tariffs: Theory and Evidence on De-risking”
 - Ahmad Lashkaripour (Indiana University), [Ina Simonovska](#) (UC Davis)
- “Designing and Evaluating Industrial Policy at the Border: Evidence from US Steel and Aluminum”
 - [Alexandre Aubard](#) (GWU/ Open Markets Institute), Garphil Julien (Open Markets Institute)

11:45-12:00 pm Coffee Break

12:00-1:00 pm Paper Sessions (parallel)

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Room 1

- “Government Banks, Geopolitics, and Global Trade”
 - Ralph De Haas (KU Leuven), [Cedric Huylebroek](#) (KU Leuven), Bernardus Van Doornik (Central Bank of Brazil)
- “The Political Economy of Hydrogen-Based Industrialisation: Industrial Policy and Social Contracts in Oman and Morocco”
 - [Dawud Al Ansari](#) (Shaheen Institute for Strategy and Development), Yassine Zegzouti (GIZ Morocco)

Room 2

- “Military Procurement and Spatial Development: The Long-Run Effects of the US Civil War”
 - [Lovepreet Singh](#) (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)
- “Industrial Policy as Compensation for Economic Decline: Evidence from Post-War Britain”
 - [Zuhad Hai](#) (New York University)

1:00-2:00pm Lunch

2:00-3:00 pm Paper Sessions (parallel)

Room 1

- “Manufacturing Soft Power: The Cultural Turn in China’s Industrial Policy”
 - [Yingyao Wang](#) (University of Virginia)
- “Picking Winners or Building Them? Central and Local Government Venture Capital in Chinese Semiconductors”
 - [Ming-yen Ho](#) (UC Berkeley Haas School of Business)

Room 2

- “The Labor Market Effects of Place-Based Policies”
 - Federico Cingano (The Bank of Italy), [Chiara Motta](#) (University of California, Berkeley)
 - Elsewhere in North America: How U.S. Tariffs on China Boosted Mexico’s Manufacturing Employment and Output
 - [Hale Utar](#) (Grinnell College)

3:00-3:15 pm Coffee Break

3:15-4:15 pm Paper Sessions (parallel)

Room 1

- “Production Network Spillovers from EU Funded R&D Grants”
 - Melko Dragojevic (University of Dubrovnik), [Ebehi Iyoha](#); Harvard Business School; Stjepan Srhoj (University of Split)
- “More than derisking: The impact of green industrial policy functions on firm patenting and follow-on investment”

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- [D. Cale Reeves](#) (University of Cambridge), Em Finkelstine (University of California, Berkeley), Jonas Meekling (University of California, Berkeley), Benedict Probst (Harvard Business School), Laura Diaz Anadon (Max Planck Institute)

Room 2

- Promoting Exports
 - Cecilia Carvalho (University of Geneva), Nicolas Depetris-Chauvin (HES-SO), Paulo Mencacci (Sao Paulo School of Economics – FGV), Emanuel Ornelas (Sao Paulo School of Economics – FGV), [Joao Paulo Pessoa](#) (Sao Paulo School of Economics – FGV), Cristine Pinto (Insper – Instituto de Ensino e Pesquisa), Vladimir Ponczek (Sao Paulo School of Economics – FGV)
- “The Geopolitics of Industrial Policy: Evidence from Export Credits”
 - [Adrien Matray](#) (Atlanta Fed), Karsten Muller (NUS Business School), Zekai Shen (Bocconi University), Chezi Xu (University of California Berkeley)

4:15-4:30 pm Coffee Break

4:30-6:00 pm Closing Keynote Conversation

- “Industrial Policy Amidst Global Turbulence”
 - [Heather Boushey](#) (University of Pennsylvania), [Elisabeth Reynolds](#) (MIT) and [Joseph Stiglitz](#) (Columbia)