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## CONFERENCE ON INNOVATION AND PRODUCTIVITY IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE PANDEMIC

**15 November 2022**

**3rd Seminar Room, 2nd Floor, Kojima Hall,  
Hongo Campus, University of Tokyo  
7-3-1 Hongo Bunkyo-ku Tokyo**

In the last few years, the ADBI has provided support and hosted conferences (see for instance the last on [September 2020](#)), aimed at fostering an adequate micro data infrastructure in Asia for research and policy use on productivity enhancement. The COVID-19 epidemic and the associated acceleration in the pace of digitalization and innovation, had provided further motivation for analysing granular information at the firm level. Firms are required to adapt to the new standards and procedures in order to survive. Now that we are entering a post-pandemic world, business models and working environment may not be the same as they were before COVID-19. How do the changes and innovation affect productivity in this new setting? What are the advantages and disadvantages associated with R&D-intensive firms? How different is the pace of innovation among countries and regions? This conference aims at providing responses to such issues relying on innovative firm level datasets both for Asia and Europe.

**Scientific Committee:** Ben Charoenwong (NUS-Business School), Filippo di Mauro (IWH-CompNet), Daisuke Miyakawa (Hitotsubashi University Business School, Peter Morgan (ADBI), Kenichi Ueda (University of Tokyo)

**PROGRAMME (25 min presentation + 10 min discussant + 10 min Q&A)**

9.00 AM     **Registration**

9.40 AM     **Welcome Remarks**

9.45 AM     **Session 1 – Innovation**

Chair: **Filippo di Mauro** (IWH-CompNet)

**Keynote: Business Environment Reforms and Microenterprise Productivity in India**

*(Presented by Kenichi Ueda, University of Tokyo, TCER, and CEPR)*

10.30 AM   **Enabling a Better Tomorrow: Accelerating Innovation and Digitalization in Asia to Boost Productivity** (Tidiane Kinda et al, 2022)

*(Presented by Yosuke Kido, Bank of Japan;  
discussed by Arito Ono, Chuo University)*

11.15 AM   **Coffee break**

11.45 AM   **Session 2 – Misallocation**

Chair: **Peter Morgan** (ADB)

**Capital Budgeting, Uncertainty, and Misallocation** (Ben Charoenwong et al, 2022)

*(Presented by Ben Charoenwong, NUS Business School;  
discussed by Koki Oikawa, Waseda University)*

12.30 PM   **Misallocation under the Shadow of Death**, (D. Miyakawa et al)

*(Presented by Daisuke Miyakawa, Hitotsubashi University;  
discussed by Tommaso Bighelli, IWH)*

1.15 PM     **Lunch**

2.30 PM     **Using Managers' Expectations for Ex-ante Policy Evaluation: Evidence from the COVID-19 Crisis** (Kohei Kawaguchi et al)

*(Presented by Mari Tanaka, Hitotsubashi University;  
discussed by Daisuke Miyakawa, Hitotsubashi University Business School)*

3.15 PM     **Session 3 - CompNet applications**

Chair and discussant: Ben Charoenwong (NUS Business School)

**Productivity and Business Dynamism in Japan**

*(Presented by Miho Takizawa, Gakushuin University)*

**European Firm concentration and aggregate productivity** (Bighelli et al.)

*(Presented by Filippo di Mauro, IWH/CompNet)*

**End**