

GTAP-related Activities 2017-2018
National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)

1. Global EPAs Research Consortium

The Global Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) Research Consortium has facilitated trade policy decision making by assembling high quality information and quantitative studies on the potential impacts of EPAs. The secretariat of the Consortium has been located in the GRIPS ALLIANCE. The consortium has focused on improving the estimation of changes in economic welfare, production, trade, investment and job creation at both the macro and sector levels. Several specific issues are of special interest.

- Estimating tariff concessions.
- Estimating non-tariff measures
- Improving computable general equilibrium (CGE) models.

2. Publications

- Rentschler, Jun E., Hosoe, Nobuhiro, “Illicit Dealings: Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reforms and the Role of Tax Evasion and Smuggling,” GRIPS Discussion Paper 17-05, July 2017.
- Hossain, Sharif M., Hosoe, Nobuhiro, “Foreign Direct Investment in the Ready-Made Garments Sector of Bangladesh: Macro and Distributional Implications,” GRIPS Discussion Paper 17-10, October 2017.
- Kawasaki, Kenichi, “The State of Play of Regional Economic Integration Initiatives,” Box 1.1 in *State of the Region 2017-2018*, Pacific Economic Cooperation Council, November 2017.
- Huang, Michael C., Hosoe, Nobuhiro, “Investigating Fiscal and Social Costs of Recovery Policy: A Dynamic General Equilibrium Analysis of an Earthquake Disaster in Northern Taiwan,” *Journal of Asian Economics* 53: 1-17, December 2017.
- Hosoe, Nobuhiro, “Impact of Border Barriers, Returning Migrants, and Trade Diversion in Brexit: Firm Exit and Loss of Variety,” *Economic Modelling* 69: 193-204, January 2018.
- Kawasaki, Kenichi, “Economic Impact of US Tariff Hikes,” *Policy Analysis Focus 18-1*, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, June 2018.

3. Presentations

- Kawasaki, Kenichi, “Emergent Uncertainty in Regional Integration: Economic impacts of alternative RTA scenarios,” The Twentieth Annual Conference on Global

Economic Analysis, Center for Global Trade Analysis, Purdue University, West Lafayette, June 7-9, 2017.

- Kawasaki, Kenichi, "Economic Impacts of RTAs," JANCPEC Symposium and 54th General Meeting "Post-2020 Bogor Goal: Toward the Next APEC Agenda," Japan Institute of International Affairs, Tokyo, September 1, 2017.
- Hosoe, Nobuhiro, "Impact of Brexit: Firm Exit and Loss of Variety," 7th Asian Seminar in Regional Science, National Taiwan University, Taipei, September 9, 2017.
- Kawasaki, Kenichi, "The costs of protectionism and the benefits of RTAs," Asia Europe Economic Forum "Prospects for the Asia-Europe Economic Cooperation in a New World Order," Asia-Europe Foundation, Seoul, September 20-21, 2017.
- Kawasaki, Kenichi, "Economic Impacts of EPAs in Asia-Pacific," Symposium "China in the Future and International Developments," NLI Research Institute, Tokyo, October 17, 2017.
- Hossain, Sharif M., Hosoe, Nobuhiro, "Foreign Direct Investment in the Ready-Made Garments Sector of Bangladesh: Macro and Distributional Implications," Applied Regional Science Conference 2017, the University of Tokyo, November 25, 2017.