



# FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF MINNEAPOLIS

## Growth & Development Conference

Thursday, September 18, 2025

7<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room

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| 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.  | <b>Lunch and Welcome</b><br><i>7<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room</i>   |
| 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. | <b>Lock-in and Productive Innovations: Implications for Firm-to-Firm Innovation Pass-Through</b><br>Presenter: Lucia Casal, <i>Columbia Business School</i> |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. | <b>Break</b>  |
| 2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. | <b>Growing by Grafting</b><br>Presenter: Ezra Oberfield, <i>Cornell University</i>  |
| 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | <b>Break</b>  |
| 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | <b>Unconditional Cash Transfers in Practice</b><br>Presenter: Kai-Jie Wu, <i>Penn State University</i>  |
| 4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. | <b>Break</b>  |
| 4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. | <b>The Labor Market Incidence of New Technologies</b><br>Presenter: Tianyu Fan, <i>Yale University</i>  |
| 6:30 p.m.             | <b>Dinner</b>   |



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| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.   | <b>Breakfast</b><br><i>7<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room</i>  |
| 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  | <b>Outsourcing Policy and Worker Outcomes: Causal Evidence from a Mexican Ban</b><br>Presenter: Joe Kaboski, <i>University of Notre Dame</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. | <b>Break</b>   |
| 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. | <b>Labor Utilization and Firm Training: Evidence from Ugandan Firms</b><br>Presenter: Anna Vitali, <i>New York University</i>                |
| 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | <b>Break</b>   |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | <b>The Dynamics of Agricultural Productivity Gaps: An Open-Economy Perspective</b><br>Presenter: Doug Gollin, <i>Tufts University</i>        |
| 12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.  | <b>Lunch</b><br><i>7<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room</i>  |
| 1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.   | <b>Unequal Global Convergence</b><br>Presenter: Tatjana Kleineberg, <i>World Bank</i>  |
| 2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.   | <b>Break</b>   |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.   | <b>Startups in Africa</b><br>Presenter: Tommaso Porzio, <i>Columbia Business School</i>  |
| 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.   | <b>Closing Remarks</b>   |