Workshop on Financial Inclusion and Private Sector Development in Low-Income Countries

December 11-12, 2025

KU Leuven – STUK, Naamsestraat 96 – Auditorium 02.C004

THURSDAY DECEMBER 11, 2025

08:50-09:00	**Welcome**
09:00-09:45	**Jessica Goldberg (University of Maryland)** *Hiring Women versus Hiring Men: Experimental Evidence on Workers and Firms in Bangladesh*
09:45-10:30	**Garance Genicot (Georgetown University)** *Motivation on the Front Lines: Rethinking Incentives in the Public Sector*
10:30-11:00	Refreshment Break
11:00-11:45	**Lorenzo Casaburi (University of Zurich)** *State Dependence and Commitment: Experimental Evidence from Crop Insurance in Uganda*
11:45-12:30	**Mahreen Mahmud (University of Exeter)** *Remitting against Poverty: Eight-year Evidence on Digital Remittances and Rural Poverty*
12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:30	**Marcelo Ribeiro (Geneva Graduate Institute)** *Credit for Votes: The Use of Public Banks in Election Campaigns*
14:30-15:00	**Lore Vandewalle (KU Leuven)** *Quality Upgrading in the Ugandan Carpentry Sector*
15:00-15:30	**Francesco Loiacono (EBRD)** *Liquidity, Business Development, and Gender: Evidence from Credit Contracts*
15:30-16:00	Refreshment Break
16:00-16:45	**Ritwika Sen (LMU Munich)** *Supervision at Work: Evidence from a Field Experiment*
16:45-17:30	**Lauren Bergquist (Yale University)** *Quality Incentives and Upgrading in Uganda's Coffee Supply Chain*

FRIDAY DECEMBER 12, 2025

09:00-09:45	**Suanna Oh (Paris School of Economics)** *Absent but Not Idle: The Social Roots of Demand for Flexible Work*
09:45-10:30	**Lori Beaman (Northwestern University)** *Empowering Women through Safety at Work: An Experiment with SMEs in Urban India*
10:30-11:00	Refreshment Break
11:00-11:45	**Anna Vitali (New York University)** *Labor Utilization and Firm Training: Evidence from Ugandan Firms*
11:45-12:30	**Claude Raisaro (Geneva Graduate Institute)** *Hidden Discrimination in Frictional Labor Markets*