

**Program, inaugural workshop on “The hidden companies of the global economy”-  
project, Trondheim 17<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

9.00-9.30 **Welcome and introduction to “The hidden companies of the global economy”**

Espen Storli, associate professor, NTNU

9.30-10.00 **Unlocking the London Bullion Market: The City’s hidden Voices**

Michele Blagg, visiting research associate, King’s College, London

*Chair: Mats Ingulstad*

10.15-10.45 **Understanding the rise of independent oil traders: looking beyond the controversies, 1960s-2000s**

Marten Boon, post doctor, NTNU

10.45-11.15 **Spot markets for fossil fuels: The spot market transition puzzle**

Robbert van de Bergh, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

*Chair: David Bregaint*

11.30-12.00 **Intermediary trade. The history of the Swiss hub for global commodity trade revisited**

Lea Haller, post doctor, ETH Zürich

12.00-12.30 **Fuelling the global trade engine: Noble Group and the rise of China**

Gwendolyn Claire Lin, phd candidate, NTNU

*Chair: Pål Sandvik*

13.30-14.00 **The economic geography of commodity trade. Port-Cities as Trading Places?**

Wouter Jacobs, senior researcher, Erasmus University

14.00-14.30 **Changes in the regulation and market structure of global commodity trading**

Jakob Engel, phd candidate, University of Oxford

*Chair: Hans Otto Frøland*

15.00-15.30 **Financialisation of commodity markets and global commodity chains: Distributional implications on coffee and cotton sectors in Sub-Saharan Africa**

Cornelia Staritz, senior researcher, Austrian Research Foundation for International Development (ÖFSE)

15.30-16.00 **Profiting from Instability? Commodity Traders and the Contemporary Political Economy of Derivatives Reform**

Joseph Baines, post doctor, York University, Toronto/London School of Economics

*Chair: Marten Boon*