



Workshop on Institutions, Networks & Start-ups

March 18, 2017
PBCEC, Conference Room, IIT Kanpur

Objective

A workshop on "Institutions, Networks and Start-ups" will be held at IIT Kanpur from 18-19 March 2017. This workshop is part of an on-going project titled "Courts, Networks, and Start-Ups: Institutions Matter for South Asian Small Enterprises" and funded by International Development Research Centre. This project examines the economic consequences of courts on businesses in South Asia. Specifically, it aims to analyse how courts and other institutional barriers prevent new small and medium entrepreneurs from entering the market and creating jobs. This is especially true for women and people from low castes. The purpose of this workshop is to bring together academicians; practitioners and policymakers to discuss issues related to the role of state and contract enforcement institutions in facilitating the growth of Start-ups in India.

Program

08:00-09:00 Breakfast

09:15-09:30 Inauguration by Professor Manindra Agrawal, Deputy Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

Session I - Presentation

09:30-10:20 Ritwik Banerjee, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore
Monetary and non-monetary interventions to combat corruption

10:20-10:45 Tea Break

10:45-11:35 Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi
Efficiency consequences of affirmative action in elections: Theory and evidence from India

11:45-12:35 Sukanta Bhattacharya, Calcutta University
Group formation and endogenous information collection in microcredit

12:45-14:15 Lunch Break

Session II - Presentation

14:30-15:20 Anirban Mukherjee, Calcutta University
Formal institution, caste network and occupational mobility

15:30-15:50 Ramapriya Gopalkrishnan, Advocate, Madras High Court
Start-ups: The new labour law regime

15:50-16:20 Tea Break

Session III - Panel Discussion

16:30-17:30 *Court, network and ease of doing business*
Parikshit Ghosh (DSE); Tridip Ray (ISID); Mausumi Das (DSE); Rahul Patel (EezyNaukri); Ramapriya Gopalkrishnan (Madras High Court); R. Giridharan (ICSI)