

## From the Director



As previously announced, I will be transitioning from my full-time position at the Australian National University to the role of Distinguished Emeritus Professor, effective 1 July 2025.

I will continue to serve as Director of ANU Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) at least until the end of 2025.

Thank you all for your continued support of CAMA and for the outstanding research and policy advice you contribute. CAMA remains committed to advancing rigorous macroeconomic research and to sharing our findings for the public good through our global research network. I look forward to continuing our work together.

CAMA congratulates our PhD scholar, Rubayat Chowdhury who awarded his PhD in July 2025. His thesis title is *Commodity shocks, Uncertainty, and Sources of Business Cycles*. Rubayat now works as a researcher at the Development Policy Centre at the ANU Crawford School of Public Policy.

Thank you, everyone who has submitted papers to [the CAMA Working Paper Series](#)—our papers continue to be well received by the public policy and macroeconomic research community. If you would like to submit a new paper, please contact us at [cama.admin@anu.edu.au](mailto:cama.admin@anu.edu.au).

CAMA's [new website](#) is almost complete—while final updates are still underway. We appreciate your patience during this transition period.

We're also excited to share that CAMA now has a [LinkedIn account](#), where we'll be posting our research outcomes, media releases, public debates and publications. Stay connected with us there!

**Warwick McKibbin**  
Director

## Upcoming Events

[ESOB 2025: the European Seminar on Bayesian Econometrics](#) on 26-27 August 2025 at the University of Melbourne. Registration is now open for the ESOBE conference, a masterclass on Neural Methods for Amortised Inference by A/Prof. Andrew Zammit Mangion, and a masterclass on Advances in Bayesian Finite Mixture Modelling by A/Prof. Bettina Gruen. The conference has focus on Bayesian econometrics but features essential methodological developments for empirical macroeconomics. Register [here](#).

[The 1st Workshop of the East and South-East Asian Macroeconomic Society](#), 13-14 September 2025, The University of Tokyo. The University of Tokyo will host the 1st Workshop of the East and South-East Asia Macroeconomic Society on 13-14 September 2025. We are pleased to announce that confirmed keynote speakers are Eric Swanson (University of California, Irvine) and Michael Zheng Song (Chinese University of Hong Kong). Please visit [the event site](#) for more details.

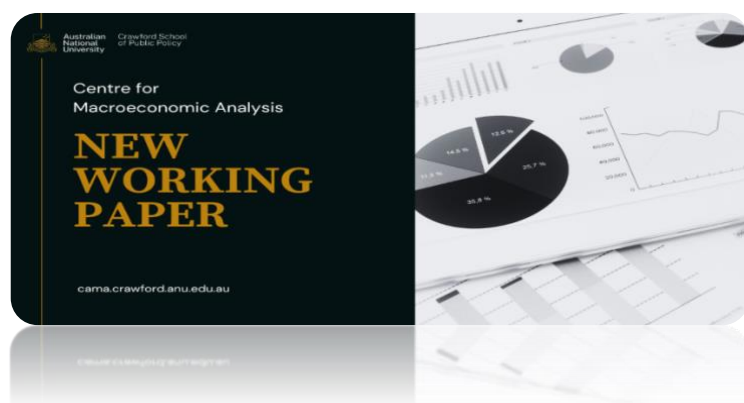
## New Members

### Research Associates

Open Economy Macroeconomics program  
[Guido Traficante](#), European University of Rome

Finance and the Macroeconomy program and Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program  
[Jonathan Benchimol](#), Bank of Israel

## New CAMA Working Papers



- Vol: 42/2025, [Strategic Stockpiling Reduces the Geopolitical Risk to the Supply Chain of Copper and Lithium](#), Author/s: Vespignani J, Smyth R; Saadaoui J, July 2025
- Vol: 41/2025, [Higher Education Quality, Income and Innovation: Cross-Country Evidence](#), Author/s: Lee H; Lee JW, July 2025
- Vol: 40/2025, [The Return of Inflation: Look-Through Policy Under Incomplete Information](#), Author/s: Buřs G; Traficante G, July 2025
- Vol: 39/2025, [The Drivers and Macroeconomic Impacts of Low-Carbon Innovation: A Cross-Country Exploration](#), Author/s: Hasna Z; Hatton H; Jaumotte F; Kim J; Mohaddes K; Pienknagura S, July 2025
- Vol: 38/2025, [Federal Reserve Communication and the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), Author/s: Benchimol J; Kazinnik; Saadon Y, July 2025
- Vol: 37/2025, [Low-Carbon Transition Policies, Skill-Driven Inequality, and Endogenous Political Cleavages](#), Author/s: Dávila-Fernández MJ; Proaño CR; Sordi S, July 2025
- Vol: 36/2025, [Why Institutions Endure: Norms, Leadership, and the Difficulty of Reform](#), Author/s: Majeed O, June 2025
- Vol: 35/2025, [What Do Central Bankers Talk About? Evidence From the BIS Archive](#), Author/s: Feldkircher M; Koráb P; Teliha V, June 2025
- Vol: 34/2025, [Estimating Behavioral Inattention](#), Author/s: Benchimol J; Bounader L; Dotta M, June 2025
- Vol: 33/2025, [The Effects of Macroeconomic Shocks and Uncertainty on Bangladesh's Fiscal Sustainability](#), Author/s: Alam MM, June 2025
- Vol: 32/2025, [Of House and Home-Related Goods: The Home Purchase Channel of Expenditure](#), Author/s: Favara G; Graham J; Li G, June 2025
- Vol: 31/2025, [Long-Term Projections of the World Economy](#), Author/s: Liu W; McKibbin WJ, May 2025
- Vol: 30/2025, [Tradeoffs over Rate Cycles: Activity, Inflation and the Price Level](#), Author/s: Forbes K; Ha J; Kose MA, May 2025
- Vol: 29/2025, [Fiscal Dominance and the Maturity Structure of Debt](#), Author/s: Das P; Ghate C; Halder S, May 2025
- Vol: 28/2025, [Learning, Heuristics and Anchored Inflation: How Do Different Types of Consumer Change Their Minds about Inflation?](#), Author/s: Lee K; Nguyen V; Shields K, May 2025
- Vol: 27/2025, [Output Gap Uncertainty, Sovereign Risk Premia and the Contingent Importance of the Bond Vigilantes](#), Author/s: Proaño CR; Dix J, May 2025
- Vol: 26/2025, [Climate Hazards and the Health-Remittance Trade-off: Experimental Evidence from Rural Bangladesh](#), Author/s: Hassan GM, May 2025
- Vol: 25/2025, [The Financial Instability – Monetary Policy Nexus: Evidence from the FOMC Minutes](#), Author/s: Kanelis D; Kranzmann LH; Siklos PL, April 2025
- Vol: 24/2025, [How Important Is Global R-Star for Open Economies?](#), Author/s: Morley J; Wong B, April 2025

## CAMA PhD Students

**Saraswati Saraswati**, CAMA PhD scholar and Doctoral Student Associate presented at the conference, Asian Economic Development Conference (AEDC) 2025 in Beijing, China on 3-4 July 2025. She will also speak at International Conference on Economic Modeling and Data Science (Ecomod) 2025 in Stuttgart, Germany on 3-5 September 2025.

**Thuy Hang Duong**, CAMA PhD Scholar and Doctoral Student Associate/Research Officer, presented the paper entitled "*The trade-inflation nexus: The role of production networks*" (co-authored with Weifeng Larry Liu) at the conferences of the 2025 Chinese Economists Society China Annual Conference, held in Guangzhou, China from 5-7 July 2025. In addition, **Weifeng Larry Liu**, CAMA Honorary Appointee, presented the same paper at the Australian Conference of Economists 2025, in Sydney from 6-9 July 2025.

**Mohammad Mahabub Alam**, CAMA PhD Scholar and Doctoral Student Associate, has been invited to deliver an oral presentation at the [20th East Asian Economic Association \(EAEA\) International Convention – Navigating Economic Transitions: Inclusion, Innovation and Resilience in Asia](#), to be held on 8–9 November 2025 at the Makati Shangri-La Hotel, Metro Manila, Philippines. His paper abstract, titled "*The Effects of Macroeconomic Shocks and Uncertainty on Bangladesh's Fiscal Sustainability (AB117)*," has been formally accepted. The conference, with the theme of "*Navigating Economic Transition, Inclusion, Innovation, and Resilience in Asia*", aims to bring together economists, policymakers, academics, and development practitioners to engage in meaningful discussions on the pressing economic challenges and transformative opportunities shaping Asia's future.

## Recent Publications

Congratulations to all the CAMA members who have published since our last newsletter. Visit the [CAMA Publication Page](#) for full details on these publications.

- **Arin KP**, *European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of Economic Studies, The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, EconPol Forum, Journal of Risk and Financial Management, Scientific Reports, Scottish Journal of Political Economy & Comparative European Politics*
- **Benchimol J**, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization & the Manchester School*
- **Brueckner M and Vespignani J**, *Australian Economic Review*
- **Duong TH**, *The Australian Economic Review*
- **Feldkircher M**, *Energy Economics*
- **Ge C**, *Economic Record*
- **Ghate C**, *Handbook of Statistics and Economic Modelling*
- **Greenwood-Nimmo M**, *Economic Modelling*
- **Haque Q**, *European Economic Review*
- **Haque Q, Pavlov O & Weder**, *European Economic Review*
- **Hartigan L**, *Economic Record*
- **Kudrna & Woodland**, *Economic Record*
- **Lee JW & Song E**, *Economic Modelling*
- **Leigh A**, *Review of Income and Wealth*
- **Madsen JB**, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*
- **Maldonado WL**, *Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*
- **Ohnsorge F**, *Electoral Studies*
- **Oldani C**, *Journal Public Finance Review, Journal of Economic Asymmetries & Eurasian Economic Review*
- **Pauwels L**, *Journal of International Economics*
- **Siklos PL**, *International Journal of Finance & Economics and South African Journal of Economics*
- **Teranishi Y**, *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies*
- **Tsuruga T**, *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*
- **Vespignani J**, *Nature Communications*
- **Yew SL**, *Journal of Population Economics*

## Other Publications

- Warwick J. McKibbin, Marcus Noland and Geoffrey Shuetrim, [The global economic effects of Trump's 2025 tariffs](#), *PIIE Working Paper 25-13*, June 2025.
- Warwick J. McKibbin, Marcus Noland and Geoffrey Shuetrim, [Trump's tariffs damage the US economy more if they drive investors away from American assets](#), *PIIE Realtime Economics*, 25 June 2025.
- Syeda Arooj Naz, [Leveraging Islamic Finance for Economic Resilience: The Case of Pakistan During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), 23 June 2025.
- Roshen Fernando and Warwick J. McKibbin, [Global economic impacts of antimicrobial resistance](#), *PIIE Working Paper 25-12*, June 2025.
- Warwick J. McKibbin and Geoffrey Shuetrim, [The US revenue implications of President Trump's 2025 tariffs](#), April 2025, *PIIE Briefings* 25-2.

## Award

CAMA congratulates our research associates, **Rodney Tyers** and **Yixiao Zhou** on receiving the Economic Society of Australia's 2024 Best Paper Award for 'China Slowdown Shocks, the West and Australia', published in *Economic Papers*.

Read the open access paper [here](#).

## Media

16 July 2025

[The Sino-American Battle for Brains: Jong-Wha Lee](#) points to a global race that could affect technological leadership and geopolitical influence for decades.  
*Project Syndicate*

9 July 2025

[Interest rates could be higher despite tariff uncertainty](#), **Warwick McKibbin** says Australia's neutral rate is ~4% absent shocks, but US trade policy and China tariffs add major uncertainty despite small direct impact on Australia.  
*ABC News - The Business*

4 July 2025

[Assessing Trump's Tariffs, The Mega Bill & Its Impact On The Global Economy](#), **Warwick McKibbin** discusses Trump's tariffs, the mega tax bill and impacts on emerging markets.  
*The Global Reset, CNBC*

1 July 2025

[Are Trump's tariffs causing the US to collapse from within?](#) **Warwick McKibbin** on ABC's *ABC News - Four Corners*

20 June 2025

[The battleground for Iran's last stand could hold the world to ransom](#) - *Iran's leader says he will not back down*. Could he use a shipping choke point as leverage? Featured by **Joaquin Vespignani**  
*Sydney Morning Herald*

18 June 2025

[How high can US debt go before it triggers a financial crisis?](#) By **Luke Hartigan**  
*The Conversation*

13 May 2025

**Warwick McKibbin** talks on US-China tariffs: [The US and China have reached a 90-day pause on reciprocal tariffs, marking a temporary truce in their trade war](#)  
*ABC News - Afternoon Briefing*

22 April 2025

[Trump's Tariff Will Slow Economy and Consumer Spending](#). **Warwick McKibbin** speaks with Tom Keene and David Gura, *Bloomberg*

## News

- ❖ **Distinguished Professor Warwick McKibbin** has officially changed his appointment to **Emeritus Distinguished Professor**, effective 1 July 2025. We are fortunate to have him continue as CAMA Director until the end of 2025. On 30 June 2025 CAMA celebrated Warwick's remarkable achievements and his outstanding contributions to public policy and economic research in Australia and globally. We wish him all the best on this next chapter of his life journey!
- ❖ **The 7th Behavioral Macroeconomics Workshop - Heterogeneity and Expectations in Macroeconomics and Finance** was hosted on 26 - 28 June 2025 by University of Bamberg, Germany. Topics included rationality and learning in macroeconomic models, agent-based and network models, experiments on macroeconomics, Empirical analysis of expectation formation, and the use of AI and big data. CAMA was proud to be one of the event sponsors.
- ❖ **Warwick McKibbin** presented '*The global economic impacts of President Trump's policies with a focus on Australia*' at the [Australian Conference of Economists \(ACE\) 2025 - Economics for a Changing World](#) in Sydney on 6-9 July 2025. **James Morley** delivered 'Assessing monetary-fiscal interactions in New Zealand using a regime-switching Bayesian Local Projection model. Professor McKibbin and Professor Morley also participated in the panel Q&A session: *Shaping Australia's Economic Future: Prosperity, Productivity and Countering Inequality*. Economics is essential to many of the pressing issues of our time including climate and the energy transition, aging population, inequality, geoeconomic competition, resource management and circular economy, healthcare, water and food security, poverty employment and livelihoods. It was with this in mind that ACE 2025 explored Economics for a Changing World, illustrating the practical and solution focused contribution of economics to these challenges.
- ❖ **World Bank-Global Economic Prospects report** (latest edition in June 2025) provides global outlook and regional outlook in 2025. The report warns of major headwinds from rising trade tensions and growing global policy uncertainty.



## Statistics

The CAMA working papers '[Trend-Cycle Decomposition in the Presence of Large Shocks](#)' (24/2024), written by *Güneş Kamber, James Morley* and *Benjamin Wong* received the highest number of **Abstract Views** and **File Downloads** in the last 12 months.

'[How Important Is Global R-Star for Open Economies?](#)' (24/2025), written by *James Morley* and *Benjamin Wong* received the highest number of **File Downloads** in the last three months.

'[Artificial Intelligence Investments Reduce Risks to Critical Mineral Supply](#)' (30/2024), written by *Joaquin Vespignani* and *Russell Smyth*, the highest number of **Abstract Views** on [RePEc](#) in the last three months and in June 2025.

'[The Macroeconomic Fragility of Critical Mineral Markets](#)' (21/2025), written by *Wilson Kang, Russell Smyth* and *Joaquin Vespignani*, the highest number of **File Downloads** on [RePEc](#) in June 2025.

