

Turin Centre on Emerging Economies
11th Workshop
Call for Papers

Global Trade Shocks and Geopolitical Uncertainty
Implications for Food Security in Emerging Economies

The 11th OEET Workshop will be held on **December 11–12, 2025**, in Turin, totally in presence or in hybrid form (partly in presence and partly online). The main focus of the Workshop will be on the international structure of cereals' trade and the complex interdependencies that characterize the global value chains (GVCs), with a particular attention to the position and vulnerabilities of emerging and developing economies.

Trade in cereals and related products is highly interconnected, and the agri-food value chain might get longer, as countries depend on each other for agricultural inputs, production, processing, and distribution. However, geopolitical uncertainty (raised by the trade war, the crisis of multilateralism and the conflicts) disrupted supply chains, shortened them and accelerated nearshoring. Shocks occurring in one part of the network—such as export restrictions, conflicts, logistical disruptions, or abrupt price surges—can rapidly propagate across borders, affecting international markets and local food security. Understanding these interdependencies is crucial to identify potential vulnerabilities and to strengthen the resilience of global food systems.

Both theoretical and empirical contributions are welcomed on issues dealing with (but not limited to):

- The transmission of price and supply shocks through international trade networks.
- The implications of trade network structures for food security and market stability.
- Policy responses to disruptions in global agricultural and food commodity markets.
- The structure and geography of international trade networks in cereals and related products.
- The dependence and integration of emerging economies within global cereal value chains.

Scholars interested in presenting a paper at the Workshop are invited to submit an abstract in English of up to 300 words or, if available, a paper by **October 22, 2025** to: oeet@carloalberto.org. When submitting a proposal, please indicate whether you would prefer to attend the workshop in person or online. Priority will be given to in-person contributions.

Authors will be informed about the selection of their proposal by **October 29, 2025**. **A total or partial reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses may be available in selected cases upon request.**

The Workshop is financed by the [PRIMA research project “STAPLES - STable food Access and Prices and Lower Exposure to Shocks”](#), of which OEET-CCA is a partner. The preliminary results of the Work Package 1 (Understanding External Stressors and Shocks), led by CCA, will be presented during the Workshop.