

**Title: Gender Barriers, Structural Transformation, and Economic Development**

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**Abstract:**

We use nationally representative data across multiple countries spanning over four decades to document new and distinct gender patterns in the process of structural transformation across both sectors and occupations. Despite a substantial reduction over time, we document persistent gender employment and wage gaps even today, and even in high-income countries. Interpreted through the lens of a general equilibrium Roy model, we find that approximately 20 percent (on average) of the observed shifts in sectoral employment and output across these countries can be attributed to the decline of non-economic gender barriers (such as social norms, for example).

**Speaker Profile:**



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