Unified growth theory aims to reveal the underlying micro foundations that are consistent with the growth process over the entire history of the human species. As this field of research is increasingly shaping the general view and understanding of historical processes amongst economists, it is vital that economic historians be up to date with this literature and play an active part in the academic dialogue that is taking place.

The workshop will focus on recently advanced unified growth theories that aim to capture the intricate evolution of income per capita, technology, and population over the course of human history. The lecturer Professor Oded Galor is a leading theorist in the field of Unified Growth Theory and the Editor of the Journal of Economic Growth.

The workshop will consist of six lectures by Professor Oded Galor and two lectures by leading economic historians who are currently working on related topics and have kindly accepted our invitation: Professor Nick Crafts and Professor Steve Broadberry (University of Warwick). In addition, we also plan to have 4 short presentations by workshop participants.

**Registration fee:** 650 Euros
The registration fee includes accommodation (4 nights) and all meals during the workshop, including dinner on Friday (15/6).

**Registration without accommodation and meals:** 300 Euros

**Funding**
Active RTN Senior Researchers should use their node’s “Networking Budget” and Young Researchers should use their “participation allowance” to cover their travel and registration costs. Unfortunately, funding by the RTN can only be offered to members. For more information please contact Ieva Vysniauskaite: IVysniauskaite@cepr.org.

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1 The lectures will be presented in a level that can be accessible to people with basic knowledge in economics.
Program

Saturday, June 16

Part I: Economic Growth in the Very Long-Run

9:00 - 9:30 Workshop Opening
Giovanni Federico (EUI)

9:30 - 11:15 From a Malthusian Epoch of Stagnation to Sustained Economic Growth - Historical Evidence
Oded Galor (Brown)

11:15 - 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 - 2:30 Technological Progress and theDecline of European Mortality (Joel Mokyr, AER 1993)
Dorothee Crayen (Tuebingen)

12:30 - 3:30 Lunch

14:00 - 15:45 Unified Growth Theory
Oded Galor (Brown)

15:45 - 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:00 Education Inequalities and the Kuznets Curves: A Global Perspective since 1870 (with Christian Morrisson).
Fabrice Murtin (LSE)

19:30 Dinner

Sunday, June 17

Part II: Insights from UGT to the Great Divergence

9:00 - 10:45 Human Capital promoting Institution and the Great Divergence
Oded Galor (Brown)

10:45 - 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:45 Trade and the Great Divergence
Oded Galor (Brown)
12:45 - 13:45  Lunch

14:00 - 15:45  *The Simplest Unified Growth Theory* (with Holger Strulik, University of Hannover)
*Jacob Weisdorf (Copenhagen)*

15:45 - 16:00  Coffee Break

16:00 - 17:45  *Recent Developments in the History and Theory of Very Long Run Growth*  
*Steve Broadberry (Warwick)*

19:30   Dinner

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**Monday, June 18**

**Part III. Human Evolution and Economic Development**

9:00 - 10:45  *The Cultural Origins of the Wealth of Nations*  
*Oded Galor (Brown)*

10:45 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:45  *Natural Selection and the Origin of Economic Growth*  
*Oded Galor (Brown)*

12:45-13:45  Lunch

14:00-15:00  *Survival of the Richest: The Malthusian Mechanism in Pre-Industrial England*  
(Gregory Clark, and Gillian Hamilton, JEH, 2006)  
*Neil Cummins (LSE)*

15:00 – 16:45  *From Malthus to Solow: How Did the Malthusian Economy Really Evolve?* (with Terence C. Mills)  
*Nicholas Crafts (Warwick)*

16:45 – 17:00  Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:00  Open Discussion

END
Main References for Professor Galor’s lectures:

1. Overview: Historical Evidence, Motivation, and Unified Growth Theory


2. Unified Growth Theory


3. Human Capital promoting Institution and the Great Divergence


Galor, O., Moav O. and D. Vollrath, 2006, “Inequality in Landownership, the Emergence of Human Capital Promoting Institutions and the Great Divergence”

4a. Trading Population for Productivity


4b. The Cultural Origins of the Wealth of Nations

5. Human Evolution and Economic Development

