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"Impact of Covid-19 on GVCs and Shortages of Medical Supplies"

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The COVID-19 global pandemic is linked to unprecedented devastation and disruptions in public health, economic output and jobs, and political systems. This talk will discuss how a global value chain (GVC) perspective can provide unique insights into the shortages of personal protective equipment (PPE) that plagued early efforts to control the pandemic, the role of policy failures versus market failures in attempting to remedy these shortages, and how we might use GVC insights to address future questions concerning resilience and reshoring of value chains, vaccine nationalism, and whether de-globalization is likely.

The opening lecture by Prof. Gereffi will launch the conversation with attending participants, who are invited to share their views and ongoing research.

A background article on this topic is available online – see Gary Gereffi, “What does the COVID-19 pandemic teach us about global value chains? The case of medical supplies,” Journal of International Business Policy, 3(3): 287-301 (2020)

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