



## STEG-PEDL Virtual Course on 'Private Enterprises, Productivity and Economic Growth'

### Session 13: Friday 8 May 2026

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#### **Q: Is it possible to provide a translation into Arabic?**

A: We're unable to provide a translation, but the lecture is available on YouTube which has an auto-translate feature for subtitles:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AfMIFJbyYXA&list=PLt9jC4YlZr6CMSoD77eWptL9N3V-tUq2p&index=13>

#### **Q: I'm having trouble with my connection.**

A: You'll be able to catch-up on anything you miss through the YouTube recording.

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#### **Q: Let's collect some questions for John!**

Q1: My country, Guyana, is often missing from Global Surveys. So I usually use a few countries that I expect would be at the same level of development as Guyana. Is there a better way of doing comparisons that can be published? (Since I only use my method in an indicative sense).

Q2: There's empirical evidence that better-managed firms are less likely to exit the market. Has the management literature also looked at selection into exporting — analogous to the

Melitz framework, where more productive firms self-select into export markets? In other words, do management practices shift the export cutoff in a similar way to productivity?