Program

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SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND, 2013

6:15 - 7:00 a.m. Breakfast

7:00 - 8:40 a.m. - Asset Pricing and Learning

Session Chair: Adlai Fisher (UBC)

Parameter Learning in General Equilibrium: The Asset Pricing Implications

Pierre Collin-Dufresne (Columbia), Michael Johannes (Columbia), and Lars Lochstoer(Columbia)

Discussant: Georgios Skoulakis (Maryland)

Measuring the "Dark Matter" in Asset Pricing Models

Hui Chen (MIT), Leonid Kogan (MIT), and Winston Wei Dou (MIT)

Discussant: Murray Carlson (UBC)

8:40 - 9:00 a.m. Coffee Break

9:00 - 10:40 a.m. - Firm Networks and Asset Pricing

Session Chair: Diego Garcia (UNC)

Network Centrality and the Cross Section of Stock Returns

Kenneth Ahern (USC)

Discussant: Lauren Cohen (Harvard)

Firm Volatility in Granular Networks

Online Appendix

Bryan Kelly (Chicago), Hanno Lustig (UCLA), and Stijn Van Nieuwerburgh (NYU)

Discussant: Jakub Jurek (Princeton)

10:40 - 5:00 p.m. Break

10:40 a.m. Boxed lunch (optional)

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch buffet (optional)

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee Break

5:00 - 6:40 p.m. - Corporate Empirical

Session Chair: Jarrad Harford (University of Washington)

Board Structure and Capital Structure

Miguel Ferreira (NOVA School of Business and Economics), Daniel Ferreira (LSE), and Beatriz

Mariano (University Carlos III)

Discussant: Margarita Tsoutsoura (Chicago)

How Much does Credit Matter for Entrepreneurial Success in the United States?

Cesare Fracassi (UT Austin), Mark Garmaise (UCLA), Shimon Kogan (UT Austin), and Gabriel Natividad (NYU)

Discussant: Thomas Hellmann (UBC)

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Conference Dinner

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2013

6:45 - 7:30 a.m. Breakfast

7:30 - 9:10 a.m. - Financial Markets Development

Session Chair: Eduardo Schwartz (UCLA)

News Trading and Speed

Johan Hombert (HEC), Thierry Foucault (HEC), and Ioanid Rosu (HEC) Discussant: **Jennifer Huang** (Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business)

New Evidence on the Financialization of Commodity Markets

Brian Henderson (George Washington University), **Neil Pearson** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), and Li Wang (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
Discussant: **Nick Roussanov** (Wharton)

9:10 - 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break

9:30 - 11:10 a.m. - **Corporate Theory** Session Chair: Ron Giammarino (UBC)

Preventing Zombie Lending

Max Bruche (Cass Business School) and Gerard Llobet (CEMFI) Discussant: **Armando Gomes** (Washington University in St. Louis)

Beyond Q: Estimating Investment without Asset Prices

Vito Gala (LBS) and Joao Gomes (University of Pennsylvania)
Discussant: Dirk Hackbarth (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

11:10 a.m. Boxed lunch (optional) 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Farewell lunch (optional)