Program

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 2015

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

7:00 - 8:40 a.m.

Session 1 - Chair: Eduardo Schwartz (UCLA)

Why Does Return Predictability Concentrate in Bad Times?

Michael Hasler (University of Toronto) and Julien Cujean (University of Maryland)

Discussant: Marcel Rindisbacher (Boston University)

Real and Nominal Equilibrium Yield Curves with Endogenous Inflation: A Quantitative Assessment

Alex Hsu (Georgia Tech), Erica X.N. Li (Cheung Kong), and Francisco Palomino (University of Michigan)

Discussant: Mariano Croce (UNC)

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

9:00 - 10:40 a.m.

Session 2 - Chair: S. Abraham Ravid (Yeshiva University)

Credit-Induced Boom and Bust

Marco Di Maggio (Columbia) and Amir Kermani (Berkeley)

Discussant: Selale Tuzel (USC)

Can interest rate factors explain exchange rate fluctuations?

Julieta Yung (Federal Reserve)
Discussant: Hanno Lustig (UCLA)

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

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

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

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

5:00 - 6:40 p.m.

Session 3 - Chair: Kai Li (UBC)

Do Credit Constraints Limit Entrepreneurship? Heterogeneity in the Returns to Microfinance

Emily Breza (Columbia), Cynthia Kinnan (Northwestern), Abhijit Banerjee (MIT), and Esther Duflo (MIT)

Discussant: Patrick Francois (UBC)

Corporate Tax Havens and Shareholder Value: Evidence from Tax Information Exchange Agreements

Morten Bennedsen (INSEAD), and **Stefan Zeume** (University of Michigan)

Discussant: Michael Faulkender (University of Maryland)

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2015

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

7:30 - 9:10 a.m.

Session 4 - Chair: Alfred Lehar (University of Calgary)

Moral Hazard, Informed Trading, and Stock Prices

Vyacheslav Fos (University of Illinois) and Pierre Collin-Dufresne (Columbia)

Discussant: Brett Green (Berkeley)

Firm Financing over the Business Cycle

Juliane Begenau (Harvard Business School) and Juliana Salomao (University of Minnesota)

Discussant: Vincenzo Quadrini (USC)

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

9:30 - 11:10 a.m.

Session 5 - Chair: Christopher Hrdlicka (University of Washington)

The Freedom of Information Act and the Race Towards Information Acquisition

Antonio Gargano (University of Melbourne), **Alberto Rossi** (University of Maryland), and Russ Wermers (University of Maryland)

Discussant: David Solomon (USC)

Asset Manager Funds: Fees and Tactical Beta

Joseph Gerakos (University of Chicago), **Juhani Linnainmaa** (University of Chicago), and Adair Morse (Berkeley)

Discussant: Clemens Sialm (UT Austin)

11:10 a.m. Boxed lunch (optional)

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Farewell lunch (optional)